



# FORT SMITH DISCIPLE

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## Mountain Moving Faith

How much faith would it require to move a mountain? Well, maybe not a mountain, how about a molehill? It requires some measure of faith just to get out of bed in the morning, face the world, and just get through a day. What we believe and who we believe in will help us determine the size of our faith. There are people in our lives who don't know how to pray but who are depending on our prayers, simply because we are Christians. If the well-being of our friends and loved ones depended on our faith, how secure would they be? Jesus is telling us that it does not require a lot of faith. Jesus tells us that if we only have faith the size of a mustard seed that we will have the ability to move the mountains in our lives. If we practice the kind of faith Jesus is telling us about, we will live a more victorious life.

*Ellis*

## Pam's Vacation

Pam will be on vacation **October 8 and 15**. A deposit will be made **October 1 and October 21**. Please see her for business needs by **October 1**.



## Reconciliation Ministry Special Offering September 29 and October 6

The work of this Ministry is to impact all communities on behalf of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Through our giving, we can support projects or provide grants to each region. This way we strengthen the liberating love of Jesus and combat the sin of racism and exclusion. Please donate generously and "Many Thanks"!

## Prayer Concerns

- The family of Jack Jackson, Sr.
- Abby Musset
- The family of Don Oglesby
- Carolyn Heyroth
- Dewayne & Greta Pryor

## The Artemis Project Fall Festival, Collection, and Blood Drive

**On October 6 from 12:00-3:00 pm**, FCC will host an Artemis Project fall festival/adoption event in our parking lot. The Artemis Project plans to have a number of vendors, as well as some dogs and cats available for adoption. We will be offering grilled hotdogs, chips, lemonade, and cookies for lunch. It's a great time to have lunch and visit.

In preparation for the 6<sup>th</sup>, we are collecting new and gently used supplies (kennels, pet beds, towels, blankets, etc.). We are also encouraging donations such as dog and cat food, cat litter, puppy pads, etc. Monetary donations can be made directly to the Artemis Project the day of the event.

We will be offering homemade baked goods for donations with the money raised going to the Artemis Project. Please plan to bring your favorite homemade baked items to the kitchen before worship on the 6<sup>th</sup>.

The **Blood Mobile** will be in the parking lot from 12:00-3:00 pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex to sign up for your appointment. Please sign up and donate blood, if you are able.

## In the Life of the Church

- **Sunday, September 29, 11:00 am** Elders' Meeting
- **Sunday, September 29, 4:00 pm** Disciples Bells Rehearsal
- **Tuesday, October 1, 10:00 am** DWF Board
- **Tuesday, October 1, 11:30 am** Lunch Bunch at Taste & See, 1401 South Waldron
- **Tuesday, October 1, 4:15 pm** Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- **Wednesday, October 2, 8:00 am** Ecumenical Men's Bible Study
- **Thursday, October 3, 10:00 am** Crazy Crafters (Parlor)
- **Thursday, October 3, 1:00 pm** Disciples of Music

**Dianna's Notes**

**Chancel Choir will meet in the Sanctuary Sunday at 9:20 am to rehearse. No robes.**

**Special Music**

- September 29** Chancel Choir
- October 6** Nick & Mary Beth Oliver
- October 20** Disciples Bells Quintet
- October 27** Youth Sunday; Walter Ahart

**Elder for September**

Kristi Williamson

**Greeters for September**

Max File and Connie Slater  
Disciples Hall Entrance: Audrey Stewart

**Prepare Communion for September**

Margot Mundy

**MEMORIALS:** We gratefully acknowledge the following gifts:

- In Memory of **Jack Jackson, Sr.** by Mae Harris, Janice Wade
- In Memory of **Don Oglesby** by JoAnn Acord, Mae Harris, Joy Jackson, Janet LaForce, Nick & Mary Beth Oliver, Connie Payne, David & Judy Trent, Elizabeth Vaughn, Janice Wade
- In Memory of **Melissa Choate-Mitch** by Elizabeth Vaughn

**Dinner for Eight**

Sign-up sheets for Dinner for Eight can be found in the Narthex and on the table by the Sanctuary door to downstairs. It is a great way to enjoy a meal and become more acquainted with our church family. You can also text LaBeth (479-285-3041) to be added to the list.

**Directory Information and Updates**

We are currently updating the church directory. Please contact the office if there have been changes in the current information we have on file for you: address, phone number, and Email address. The deadline for submitting your information is **September 30.**

*Barbara Brown, Office Administrator*

**Hope Campus News**

Items currently needed for Hope Campus are large boxes of breakfast cereal. The location for collection of the Hope Campus items has changed from the Narthex to the Administration Building. The Administration Building is open before and after church. You can also bring items during office hours.

The Elder and updated Deacon schedules are now available online. You can find them by going to our website at [fccd.org](https://www.fccd.org) and clicking on "Get Connected" then "Resources" or by clicking the link below.

<https://www.fccd.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Deacons-Schedule-2024-2025-updated.pdf>

*David Trent*

Dear Family and Friends,

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for the overwhelming love and support you've shown during this difficult time.

Knowing that she touched so many lives and that you are thinking of us means more to us than words can say. Each message and gesture has reminded us of the beautiful community she fostered throughout her life.

Thank you again for being there for me and my family. Your kindness is a true reflection of my mother's spirit, and we are forever grateful.

*Blessings, Dave Pulliam and family*

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FOR THE RECORD September 22, 2024	
Operating Receipts To Date	\$ 4,469.00 19,510.00
Endowment To Date	700.00 2,345.00
Monthly Budgeted Needs	\$27,571.00

**OFFICE HOURS**

9:00 am-3:00 pm - Monday-Thursday

**SERVICE TIMES**

Sunday School at 9:00 am; Worship at 10:00 am

**CHURCH STAFF**

- Rev. Dr. Ellis Robinson**, Senior Pastor, 479-651-0456
- Dianna Jackson**, Director of Music Ministry
- Mary Beth Oliver**, Organist
- Barbara Brown**, Office Administrator
- Pam Shelby**, Financial Administrator
- Lesley Fleming**, Nursery Attendant
- Rev. Howard Marshall**, Pastor Emeritus (1990-2022)
- Rev. Randy Jay**, Pastor Emeritus

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