



# FORT SMITH DISCIPLE

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## Youth Sunday

We are proud to announce that this Sunday the First Christian Youth will be in charge of morning worship service. October 20-October 27 is recognized as Youth Week in most Disciples of Christ congregations all across the nation. We are very proud of the young people we have serving in our church family. The Bible is clear in Proverbs 22:6 where we are commanded that we are “to train our youth in the way they should go!” Many children who have grown up in our church have gone on to become successful productive, citizens. I am always proud when they return to say they grew up in this church. *Ellis*

## Potluck Lunch

Immediately following the service on **Youth Sunday, October 27**, there will be a potluck lunch. Membership Ministry will provide rolls, salad, and dessert. We are asking the congregation to bring meat or vegetable dishes.

Suggested:

**A-L Meat dish**                      **M-Z Vegetable dish**

Let’s bring our favorites to share and rejoice with our youth for a service well done. *Membership Ministry*

## New Church Directories

This will be the last week to update your information in the directories on the table in the Narthex. Please stop by and check to be sure your information is correct or to be sure your name is in the directory. Mark ok by your name if it’s correct.

Thank you. *Barbara Brown*

## Thank You From The Artemis Project

“Thank you so much to First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Fort Smith, Arkansas for hosting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Giving Festival on October 6! We appreciate everything you all continue to do for The Artemis Project, and it’s great to meet our supporters in person at events like this.

We are excited to announce that two dogs and seven cats/kittens were adopted at the festival, and this makes us so happy!

The Giving Festival raised almost \$2,000 in monetary donations and supplies for our rescue! WOW! That is amazing. Thanks again to First Christian Church!”

Also, a big thank you to Community Outreach Ministry and everyone who helped make this event a success.

## In the Life of the Church

- **Sunday, October 27, 11:00 am** Elders’ Meeting
- **Sunday, October 27, after worship** Potluck Lunch
- **Tuesday, October 29, 11:30 am** Lunch Bunch at Hideaway Pizza
- **Tuesday, October 29, 4:15 pm** 8302 Phoenix Avenue
- **Wednesday, October 30, 8:00 am** Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- **Thursday, October 31, 10:00 am** Ecumenical Men’s Bible Study
- **Thursday, October 31, 1:00 pm** Crazy Crafters (Parlor)
- Disciples of Music

## Prayer Concern

- **Abby Musset**

**Dianna's Notes**

**Special Music**

**October 27** Youth Sunday  
Solo: Walter Ahart  
**November 3** Solo: Dianna Jackson  
**November 10** Chancel Choir  
Disciples Bells

**Hope Campus News**

We are collecting large boxes of breakfast cereal. Hope Campus has told us **not to bring plastic ware at this time.**

**Newsletter Submission**

If you want to submit a newsletter article, please email it to [barbara@fccdoc.org](mailto:barbara@fccdoc.org), pick up a submission form from the office, or print one from the church website. The printed form needs to be turned in to the office on **Monday before article is published on Tuesday.** Email submission should be in **by 10:00 am Tuesday.**  
*Barbara Brown*

**MEMORIAL:** We gratefully acknowledge the following gift:

- In Memory of **Jack Jackson** by Clyde and Leslie Gudermuth

**Elder for October**

Judy Trent

**Deacons for October**

Terry Hales (Foreman), Stephanie Bailey, Tim Fleming, Allen Hales, Jr., Floyd Hamm, Barbara Lynch, Dewayne Pryor, David Williamson

**Greeters for October**

Stephanie Bailey and Dewayne Pryor  
Disciples Hall Entrance: Connie Slater

**Prepare Communion for October**

Barbara Lynch

**Church Women United**

**Friday, November 1, 10:00-11:45 am**  
Gathering and refreshments at 9:30 am  
Mission Point Church, 3221 North 52<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Human Rights Day

**Thank you**

During the past year we have felt the love and caring of our church family, and we are truly grateful. Jack was so moved by the cards, texts, and the daily reminders that prayers were being offered on his behalf. Thank you for giving him and our family your support during his illness. It helped.

*Joy Jackson and family*

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FOR THE RECORD October 6, 13, 20, 2024	
Operating Receipts To Date	11,188.00
Endowment To Date	265.00
Reconciliation Offering	355.00
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