



FORT SMITH DISCIPLE

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The More Excellent Way, Part 3

The magnitude of God’s love is profound and the central theme of the Bible, encompassing His nature, His actions, and His relationship with humanity. From creation to redemption, God’s love is evident and transformative, offering hope and assurance to all who believe. The magnitude of God’s love is also seen in its eternal nature. In Romans 8:38-39, Paul assures believers of the unmistakable bond of God’s love. “For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, neither angels nor principalities, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ our Lord.” This eternal love provides believers with assurance and hope, knowing that nothing can sever their relationship with God. God wants us to have that kind of relationship with each other.

Ellis



Week of Compassion Offering

February 16-23 is considered the “Week of Compassion” in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). This Sunday and next, we will be collecting a special offering for the Week of Compassion. The offerings collected go to aid communities that are suffering, both here and abroad, affected by weather events, such as flooding, tornadoes, hurricanes, and devastating wild fires, as well as helping war-torn communities and communities struggling with poverty. Our goal is to bring hope and healing in the face of devastation. Please give as you feel led.

DWF Group 3

DWF Group 3 will be eating at the Pasta Grill in Van Buren on **Tuesday, February 11, at 6:00 pm**. RSVP to Glenda Musset at 479-414-1266, if you will be there.

Volunteers Needed

The Fort Smith Women’s Shelter is recruiting volunteers to mentor and provide spiritual support to the women and children at the shelter. If you are interested in helping out for one day a month or just a few hours, please contact **Darlene Brees at 479-739-8245**.

In the Life of the Church

- **Sunday, February 16, 11:15 am** Disciples Bells Rehearsal
- **Sunday, February 16, 6:00 pm** Cabinet Meeting
- **Sunday, February 16, 6:45 pm** Ministry Meetings
- **Monday, February 17, 6:30 pm** Disciples Men’s Fellowship
- **Tuesday, February 18, 11:30 am** Lunch Bunch at Green Papaya
- **Tuesday, February 18, 4:00 pm** 4412 Grand Avenue
- **Tuesday, February 18, 4:15 pm** Serve at Hope Campus
- **Wednesday, February 19, 8:00 am** Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- **Thursday, February 20, 10:00 am** Ecumenical Men’s Bible Study
- **Thursday, February 20, 1:00 pm** Crazy Crafters
- **Thursday, February 20, 2:00 pm** Disciples of Music
- **Thursday, February 20, 2:00 pm** Book Club

Pastor’s Bible Class

Pastor’s Bible Class **will not meet Wednesday, February 19.**

Dianna's Notes

Special Music

- February 16** Disciples Bells
Chancel Choir
- February 23** Chancel Choir
Solo: Linda Creekmore
- March 9** Bell Solo: Randy Alexander
- March 16** Chancel Choir
Solo: Carl Warrington

*Disciples Bells will meet at 8:30 am to rehearse.
Chancel Choir will meet at 9:20am to rehearse.*

Choir practice time change

Starting **March 4**, choir practice will begin at **5:15 pm**. I hope this will help some of us to join the choir. Please come and join our music family.

Hope Campus

Item needed at Hope Campus is ground coffee.

Prayer Concerns

- **Carolyn Heyroth** is at home.
- **Abby Musset**
- **Clayton Carson**
- **Jim & Linda Creekmore**
- **DeJon Jordan**

Elder for February

John Mundy

Deacons for February

Allen Hales (Foreman), Tim Fleming, Terry Hales,
Jimmy Hudlow, Ginger Jefferies, Kim Kidder,
Nick Oliver, LaBeth Riggs

Greeters for February

Ginger Jefferies, LaBeth Riggs
Disciples Hall Entrance: Allen Hales, Jr.

Prepare Communion for February

Kim Kidder

MEMORIALS: We gratefully acknowledge the following gifts:

- In Memory of **Don White** by Bill & Joann Acord, Carolyn Haley, Mickie Matthews, Elizabeth Vaughn
- In Memory of **Will Featherston** by Elizabeth Vaughn

Thank You

Thank you, church family, for the scholarship money for second semester. This helps me in my pursuit of becoming a pilot. I appreciate your love and support.
Grayson Vaughn

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FOR THE RECORD February 9, 2025	
Operating Receipts To date	\$23,071.00 31,482.35
Endowment To date	355.00 1250.00
Blankets of Love	420.00
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