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First Christian Church Fort Worth, Texas

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The place to ... become.



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Stewardship Report



Stewardship Alert!

We had a large offering on Sunday. The electric bill has been paid. Many thanks to those who were catching up on their pledges and to those who made additional gifts.



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH CHOIR

presents

ANNUAL

SUMMER

MUSICAL

GIFT

A Tribute to Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein

May this evening recapture the joy of experiencing Rodgers and Hammerstein shows for "YOU" who have seen them and will serve as a thrilling introduction for the "NEWCOMER" of R & H musicals. **SOUTH PACIFIC** . . . came to Broadway a sure thing . . . vastly profitable, state of the art "joy" . . . ran 1925 performances [nearly five years] . . . Although set during World War II the unusual play-comedy musical is FUN . . . "**HAPPY TALK**"

THE KING AND I . . . received excellent to outstanding reviews . . . another R & H smash hit . . . most universal in appeal . . . and the movie is the best R & H musical adaptation from stage to screen . . .

"GETTING TO KNOW YOU"

CAROUSEL . . . late 19th century amusement park setting . . . a clambake . . . a hornpipe for sailors . . . a little-old-schoolhouse on graduation day . . . "**YOU'LL NEVER WALK ALONE**"

THE SOUND OF MUSIC . . . TRUE STORY OF Maria von Trapp, an Austrian nun who left a convent. . . married a widower baron . . . mother to his brood of seven children . . . escaped when the Nazis annexed their country . . . ended up running a ski resort in Stowe, Vermont . . . "**CLIMB EVERY MOUNTAIN**"

Finally, Rodgers and Hammerstein, without question were . . .

1. most professional "harmonious team" in theatre history
2. producers as well as writers
3. the main shareholders in the biggest grossing shows of their time
4. two minds "so-in-key" they never disagreed on ANYTHING . . . SUCCESS!

Enjoy an **ENCHANTED EVENING!**

FW 1st provides a nursery downstairs near the Taylor Street entrance for infants through pre-school-age children.

Deadline for newsletter articles is **Monday** by noon.
Please submit articles by e-mail, if possible, or in writing.

**CALENDAR
REGULAR EVENTS**

- Sunday *Sunday School*
Worship
Youth Groups
Prayer Shawl Ministry
- Monday *Bell Choir*
- Wed *Evening Prayer*
Chancel Choir
- Sept 10 *Noon Music*
- Sept 12 *Wilcox Reception*
Choir Program
- Sept 15 *Worship Leader Training*
- Sept 17 -
- Sept 19 *CWF Retreat*
- Sept 19 *Board Meeting*
- Sept 20 *Worship Team Meeting*
- Sept 21 *CWF Meetings*
- Sept 26 *Birthday Lunch*

**WELCOME NEW
VISITORS**

- Ed & Sandra Malone*
- Jeff Callison*
- Danielle Balzer*
- Hal & Christi Summers*
- Dr. Gary & Diana Fambro*
- Teresa West*

September 5
Sunday School 35
Worship 143
Offering 8129
The love of God extended
through our members:
Priceless.

Tom's Turn—Honoring Heroes

Our friend John Tracy is a musician. We met John two years ago when he came here to play for Gospel Jam during the 2008 Main Street Arts Festival. Since then, John has kept me informed regularly about his music career and often sends invitations to various things in which he's involved. Just this week he sent invitation for an event in Weatherford next Friday evening. I thought I'd pass it on to you because I know many of you would like to participate in an event honoring those who give selflessly to our community and to our world.

Here's John's note:

*I would like to invite you to join us this **Friday, September 10, 5:30 pm** as we **Celebrate our Unsung Heroes!** This will be an evening dedicated to celebrating those who give of themselves to our communities in their every day careers: Police, EMS, Firefighters, Teachers, Aides and Librarians, Health Care Professionals, Armed Forces Personnel, Public Servants, Ministers, and all who serve their neighbors.*
5:30 pm – Mix and mingle
6:00 pm – FREE Concert (by John Tracy)
6:45 pm – Inspirational Message given by Mark Thorne, FWPD and Director of Blue Cross Ministry to Officers
7: 15 pm – Yellow Ribbon Ceremony

Music * Fellowship & Community * Fun for the Family * Door Prizes

Chandor Gardens is located at 711 W. Lee Avenue in Weatherford, TX. You can find easy directions on their website at www.chandorgardens.com. I hope to see you there.

If you choose to be part of this community event, I hope you'll also be sure to attend "An Enchanted Evening," our choir's concert next Sunday night. And be sure to extend an extra "thank you" to these choir members who give so generously of their time and energy to bring great music to our church life. Their untold hours of practice and performance should not go unnoticed. Thanks tenors! Thanks altos! Thanks basses! Thanks sopranos! We appreciate all that you do for the building up of God's Reign.

I will see you and your guest next Sunday. Remember to carpool when you can, and remember to wash your hands often. Join us for Evening Prayer from 6:15 to 6:45 each Wednesday (after Sept. 15). Parking is free after 6 that night. To prepare please read Lk. 15.1-10.

Peace!
Tom



Just a reminder that George Stephens will be performing his trademark songs this Friday at First Christian Church, accompanied by Stanley Shepelwich on the piano. Please come and enjoy the program and the light lunch following.

Also, the Chancel Choir of First Christian will be giving their late summer show, "An Enchanted Evening, a visual journey through music of Rodgers and Hammerstein" directed by Charles Duke. This is on this Sunday, September 12, at 5:00, with refreshments following. The program is free and no reservations are required. Free parking is available in the lot next to the church. Come and enjoy the music from "*South Pacific*", "*Carousel*", "*The King and I*" and "*The Sound of Music*", presented in the way only our wonderful choir can do it.

More Joy

- Six willing worship leaders gathered for training after worship Sunday. Others are scheduled for training Wednesday, the 15th. Soon we'll have more lay leadership in Sunday's morning worship.
- Men's Breakfast on Labor Day weekend didn't look like a time to expect great attendance. But last Saturday morning the men had 18 hungry mouths to feed! Keep up the good work, men.
- Jerry Tuttle was named Vice President of Disciples Men's Fellowship. He will serve when President Wendell Tackett cannot attend.
- A service of dedication of parents and infants is scheduled for next Sunday to include the Bookwalter family. Other parents wishing to be included in the service should contact the office immediately.

THE CON-DUKE-TOR

Please accept this
INVITATION
to share in an unforgettable evening of

THE MUSIC of RODGERS & HAMMERSTEIN

A musical GIFT from your CHOIR
Prepared with LOVE
for YOU and YOUR GUESTS

A proud Director
Charles Duke

P. S. Congratulations to Bob and Mary Wilcox on their 50th Golden Wedding Anniversary. They have been faithful choir members during the last 40 years of Our Music Ministry together! (Mary was also one of my former students at Castleberry High School.) Appreciation to Lynn Wiseman, Jan and Mickey Shelton for purchasing, planting and presenting their lovely Holly bushes adorning the 8 large planters in front of the sanctuary. (Yes, Lynn and Jan are two of my former students!)



Reconciliation Ministry Special Offering, September 26- October 3.

The 2010 Reconciliation Offering will be received on September 26th and October 3rd. Reconciliation Ministry Offering is used to fund our Church's mission priority to become an pro-reconciling/ anti-racist church through experiential education, inclusive worship and intentional dialogue across difference. Funds from this offering provide Youth and Young Adult camps, training programs for leadership development, and resources to promote small group study and community-building.

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**Serving for
MORNING WORSHIP
September 12, 2010**

Senior Minister, Tom Plumbley

Old Testament: Jeremiah 18:1-11
The Psalm: Psalm 14
The Epistle: I Timothy 1:12-17
The Gospel: Luke 15:1-10
Sermon Focus: Church is about
"together"
Acolytes: Karen Crews and
Carlie Bihm
Elder Loaf: Mickey Shelton
Elder Cup: Terry Smith

Deacons: George Brady, Debby
Brady, Karrin Atkinson, Marilyn
Lansford, Wendell Tackett, Janice
Tackett, Jim Pegg, Helen Scribner

Communion Preparation & Clean-up:
Linda Blocker



**Sunday Schedule
September 12, 2010**

<i>Elders Meet for Prayer</i>	9:00 am
<i>Sunday School</i>	9:30 am
<i>Cherub Choir</i>	10:00 am
<i>Youth Chorale</i>	10:20 am
<i>Worship</i>	10:50 am
<i>Choristers</i>	12:00 pm
<i>Youth Groups</i>	12:30 pm
<i>Wilcox Anniversary Reception</i>	Noon
<i>Choir Show</i>	5:00 pm

CHURCH STAFF

Tom Plumbley, Senior Minister
Dr. Ted Klein, Associate Minister

Christy Suggs, Youth Director

**Charles E. Duke,
Senior Minister of Music**

**Jan Shelton, Minister of Music
for Children and Youth**

**Mary Mason, Director,
Burnside Handbell Choir**

Peggy Grogan, Secretary
Roberta Williams, Bookkeeper

George Clemons, Custodian

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PRIME TIMER ACTIVITY

We have canceled this week's trip to see "SOUTH PACIFIC" at the ARTISAN theater because of the number of church activities this weekend and general lack of interest. We are rescheduling for the Saturday, September 25, 3 PM performance. Let Wayne and Emma know if you would like to join this theater party, (817) 244-3260.

**No Evening Prayer
Until September 15**

Wednesday evening prayer is taking a hiatus for three weeks. The next time we'll meet for this special prayer time will be at 6:15 on Wednesday, September 15.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
All Adult Classes for All Ages
September 12, 2010



Loyal Fellowship, meets in Chapel on ground floor

Jesus and the Psalms, Psalm 29

Teacher: Ted Klein Contact: Frank Harris

Round Table Discussion, meets in the Library

"The Ten Commandments for Today" by

Walter Harrelson

Teacher: Sharon Cox Contact: Sharon Cox

Seekers, meets in Philathia Room, ground floor

Class makes plans: 2nd session on the Shroud of Turin, study of Acts begins.

Visitors invited! New insights!

Contact: Kristy Keener and Ed Kolbe

Sojourners, meets in room off Anderson Hall North

Study of Luke

Contact: Barbara Batts

Children and Youth

Preschool, meet in classroom at 9:30, class 9:30-10:00,
 choir 10:00-10:20

Teacher takes children to class-Marsha Stallard

K - 5th Grades, meet in Disciple Road Temple 9:30

Shepherd (Carey Roberts) takes children to class

Disciple Road, Rotation model Sunday School

Parents pick up children at 10:30

Junior High - Chi Rho, Senior High - CYF

meet on 2nd floor,

Chi Rho Room,

Christy Suggs, Teacher

Caregivers Need Respite

If you could provide a few hours of care for one of our members you might allow those who are caregivers to have a little time away. If you think you might like to help in this way, please call the church office, 817.336.7185. If you're a caregiver and would like this kind of help, we'd like to know that so we can place volunteers where they're needed.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Alberta & Jim Atchison	Ashley Crews	Gail Barker
Mary Ann & Don Davis	David DeBaer	
Lauren Dodson	Gonzales family	Leona Guyton
Tonya Huggins	Pamela Kemp & daughter	
Wini Klein	Mary Louise Long	
Bob Meece	Lois Marie Morrison	
Alexis Nelson	Parnell family	Dean Robbins
Jan Simcox	Maidee Todd	
Cherilyn Tracey	Mary Wilcox	
Margie Wilson		

The unemployed within our congregation

NEW CONCERNS

Liesl Gray; Getrude Myaen, Aaryes, Linus, Ron, Grace.

Ginny Anderson	Tammy Barker	
Deborah Besadesky	Kenneth Burton	
George Clemons	Colette Cline	Brian Culross
Selma Cunningham	Amanda Davis	
Joy Smith Diaz	Deena Heide-Diesslin	
Ray Flachmeier	Thomas Franz	Scott Garrison
Judy Gallagher-Gough & son Daniel		Ruth Heide
Emily Hickman	Joseph Jaraquia	Jim Jones
Melodi Jones	Louise Lewis	Randy Long
Billy Fred Lotspeich	Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell	
Ryan Mitchell	Barry Morrison	
Eugene Naham	Christopher Omar	
Tom Palacheck	John Perez & family	
John Rubenkoenig	Jason Russell	Don Shipp
Opal Tanner	Grant Story	Susan Walker
Cameron Wheat	Toni Williams	
Phyllis Wilson	Coleson Young	

FW1st, for God's will to be done and not our own

Names will remain on our printed prayer list for two weeks unless we receive an updated request

