

HCC's Christian Visitor

Hurst Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

November 24, 2009

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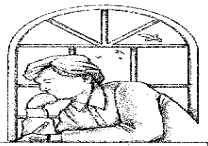
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**In our
thoughts
& prayers**

- *Troops
- *Congregation
- *Church Transformation
- *Joy Tullous
- *Barbara DuPuy's sisters
- *All those that have lost their jobs
- *Karen Erby
- *Sharon Ahlborn
- *Bill Crouch
- *Marvin Meistrell
- *Valeria Jack

Jay's Space

What an amazing two weeks. First, we had a water line break under the kitchenette in the Gathering Area. The area was flooded. Some quick action after it was discovered prevented additional damage. Our Contractor has been doing a great job in prepping the area and the office space with new wall board for texturing and painting. Carpet and paint colors are yet to be selected. We have some angels that are serving on the committee to select carpet and paint.

What a wonderful Thanksgiving dinner! If you did not leave stuffed, well what can I say...Many thanks to Bobbie Douglas, Marilyn Adams, Sandra Hall, Clyde Ann Barras, and Pearl Stinchcomb for all their hard work. You did a wonderful job.

The Trinity Brazos Area leadership event is coming Saturday, January 23, 2010 at South Hills Christian Church. The hours are 10:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Lunch will be served. Reservation fee is \$15.00 per person. If twelve or more register from the same church, then the fee is \$12.00 each paid with one check. The workshops are:

1. How can I keep My Church out of Court
2. The Emergent/ Emerging Church
3. Sing with a joyful noise (afternoon only)
4. Beyond circles: Women's Ministries
5. What would you do?
6. Life of the Spirit. Zen practices and Christian Faith
7. Middle East Global Mission Pilgrimage

I would like the Elders and the Board attend these workshops. Of course anyone in the church is welcome.

With Thanksgiving behind us, we now look forward to the Advent Season. On Saturday after Thanksgiving we will get down the decorations and preparing the South Sanctuary. It starts at 9:00 a.m. and we can use a lot of help. It would be great to finish by noon. Come on down.

The Searchers class has a Christmas project to aid the NEED Center. You are asked to bring a signed Christmas Card from you family and place it on the bulletin board beside the Library entrance. Then place the money you would have spent for cards and postage in the box provided. Think of the number of needy people you will be helping for Christmas.

Peace and Grace
Jay

AREAS OF SERVICE

11/29/2009

Presiding Elder: Mike Bond

Counting Elder: Pat Reinecker

Diaconate: Richard Fenn, Bud Dotter, Clyde Ann Barras, and Florence Aime

Comm. Prep: Pearl Stinchcomb

Communion Invitation:

Rev. JM Gilley

12/6/2009

Presiding Elder: Barbara DuPuy

Counting Elder: Sandra Hall

Diaconate: Bud Dotter, Laura DuPuy, Michaela Bond and Pedro Olaque

Comm. Prep: Sharon Owens and Tammy Trimble

Communion Invitation:

Chris Kahlmorgan

12/13/2009

Presiding Elder: Michael Bond

Counting Elder: Pat Reinecker

Diaconate: Bud Dotter, Laura DuPuy, Michaela Bond and Clyde Ann Barras

Comm. Prep: Sharon Owens and Tammy Trimble

Communion Invitation:

Rev. Jeff Maison

The Searchers Class is

sponsoring a project to help N.E.E.D. provide Christmas for our area needy. In lieu of cards to individual church members, post one for your "church family". And make a donation to N.E.E.D.

Space for your Christmas greeting is on the bulletin board by the library door. The donation box is below.

Thank you for participating in this worthy cause.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP, STUDY, SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP

11/28 Saturday

9:00 A.M. Decorate Church

11/29 Sunday

9:00 A.M. Sunday School

9:30 A.M. Choir Rehearsal

10:20 A.M. Elders' Prayer Time

10:30 A.M. Worship

11/30 Monday

12/1 Tuesday

12/2 Wednesday

"The Connection"

6:00 P.M. Brown Bag Dinner

7:00 P.M. - Adult Bible Study Youth Group

12/3 Thursday

12/4 Friday

12/5 Saturday

12/6 Sunday

9:00 A.M. Sunday School

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12/7 Monday

12/8 Tuesday

12/9 Wednesday

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12/11 Friday

12/12 Saturday

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Disciple Men's Fellowship

Meetings are the first Saturday of the month at 8:00 a.m.

**CYF Fall Retreat
December 3-5, 2009**

Speaking of Thanksgiving, I recently came across a story of about a woman who called the Butter Ball turkey Hotline—a hotline set up to answer questions people have about preparing their turkey for the holiday feast. The woman wanted to know if it would be safe to cook a turkey that had been in her freezer for 23 years! The operator told her that even if the freezer had been kept below zero degrees the whole time, the flavor probably would have deteriorated, and he would not recommend eating it, "That's what we thought," replied the woman. "We'll just give it to the church."

Whether it's serving our neighbor or gathering for worship, I hope we will seek to give God out of the overflow of our hearts. In the Old Testament, the people were instructed to make offerings, bringing to the altar an "unblemished" animal, "choice" grains and first fruits. In other words, they were to bring their best before God. As we approach this season of Thanksgiving, let us seek to find ways that communicate our thankfulness to God. Something tells me that a 23-year-old frozen turkey might not be the way to go.

Just a thought...
See you Sunday.

The Wednesday Night "Connection"

6:00 p.m. - Brown Bag Dinner

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - Adult Bible Study and Youth Group

Come join us and get
"Connected"!

Offering

November 15, 2009 \$ 2,099

November 22, 2009 \$ 620

ATTENDANCE

November 15, 2009

Worship 51

November 22, 2009

Worship

**Friendship Group
Christmas Luncheon**

The Christmas luncheon will be Monday, December 14th at 11:30 a.m. at Hurst Christian Church.

Bring a dish of food to share with everyone. Please bring an item for N.E.E.D.

The Friendship Group is open to all church members, regardless of age.

Please come!

If you have any questions, please contact, Marilyn Adams at 817-282-0458.

Disciples Women's Ministries Luncheon

All the ladies of the church are invited to a luncheon Saturday, December 12, 2009 12:00 noon

Deb's Custom Catering Service
325 East Pipeline Road
Hurst, Texas

\$12 includes lunch, dessert, tax and gratuity
Reservations Required
RSVP Karen Anderson 817-232-9093
By Monday December 7

Counter Schedule For 2009

	Counter	Elder
November 29, 2009	Mike Bond	Barbara DuPuy

November 28th at 9:00 a.m. is the date and time for preparing the South Sanctuary for Advent. Volunteers are needed to help get the decorations from the attic and put them up. We will NOT have a formal Hanging of the Greens service this year, but will place the Chrismons on the tree during the November 29th worship service. Mark your calendars and come help with the decorations if you are able.

The Elder schedule for November, only has been changed:

November 29 Michael Bond

Pat Emerson will be the visiting elder for the month of November

Small Groups

<u>Leader</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Phone #</u>
Karen Anderson	Sat. 10 a.m.	817-232-9093
Mike Bond (Group meets every other Sat.)	Sat. 5 p.m.	817-571-2929
Sandra Hall		817-283-0560
Dee Yeats	Sat. 9 a.m.	817-571-8136

From the Ministers Search Committee

Two prospective ministerial candidates have now been interviewed by the committee. Sermon tapes will now be carefully observed and listened to.

As we continue, please be in prayer for God's guidance in our search.

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Loaded Baked Potato Dinner

We will have a loaded baked potato dinner on December, 11, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. This is a fund raiser for the church, so there will be a charge for the dinner. The fee is set at \$10 each for adults and \$5 each for children. We will have baked potato, salad and dessert. Also, we have 15 to the Artisan Theatre production for “The Forgotten Carols.” These tickets will be in a silent auction, with them going to the highest bidder. The winners will be announced the week before the dinner. Please check for the bid sheets posted in the South Sanctuary area. Reservations for the dinner is required. See the signup or call Jay Gilley at 817-485-2443.