

HCC's Christian Visitor

Hurst Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

February 23, 2010

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Karen Anderson - Chair of Elders

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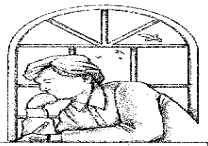
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In our
thoughts
& prayers

- *Troops
- *Congregation
- *Church Transformation
- *Joy Tullous
- *Barbara DuPuy's sisters
- *All those that have lost their jobs
- *Karen Erby
- *Bill Batchelor
- *Maxine Rucker
- *Chet Merritt

Jay's Space

This is a difficult article to write. It is my last one as your Transitional Senior Minister. At the congregational meeting Sunday evening you chose to call Rev. Carolyn Bullard to be your new Senior Minister. She will assume her duties as of March 1, 2010. I encourage you to give her your support and love.

My tenure as your minister has been both rewarding and enjoyable. Don't get me wrong, there has also been rough places. The water line break in the Gathering consumed 2 1/2 months of my seven months. We now have a beautiful area to be enjoyed for many years to come. We did accomplish some things, but feel we could have done more. I feel we kept the church focused which was my major charge. There was business that needed to be taken care of that some lingered for the full seven months. And it still has not been completed. I believe Hurst Christian Church can accomplish most anything it wants to, but you have to work to make things work. My observation is we do not have a sense of direction and don't quite know where it is we want go. Without a Mission Statement to guide us, we just remain stymied. This is some of my observations for the past seven months.

You have been a loving, caring congregation to me. I appreciate all that you did for Jeff and me. You made our ministry very enjoyable. But now things have to change. Having been called to the Transitional Senior Ministers position, I now must follow the guide lines set forth by the Christian Church Disciples of Christ. After Sunday, February 28, I will no longer be involved in the life of Hurst Christian Church. I must absent myself for up to a year, at least six months. This is to give your new minister the opportunity to establish her ministry and bond with the congregation. If I remain on the scene, you will come to me and not work with her. Sooo, the bottom line is, do not call me, because I just have to tell you NO. My membership will remain at Hurst, but I will not be attending services there and will not be involved in any manner of life of the congregation.

I wish you well, and God's blessing as you join the adventure together with your pastor. My heart and love will always be with you.

Grace and Peace
Jay

AREAS OF SERVICE

2/28/2010

Presiding Elder: Karen Anderson

Counting Elder: Dee Yeats

Diaconate: Richard Fenn, Bud Dotter, Joann Dotter, and Laura DuPuy

Comm. Prep: Pearl Stinchcomb

Communion Invitation:

Rev. Jeff Maison

3/7/2010

Presiding Elder: Dee Yeats

Counting Elder: Lana Player

Diaconate: Brian Briscoe, Kim McCarty, Michaela Bond, and Tricia Barber

Comm. Prep: Sharon Owens and Tammy Trimble

Communion Invitation: ??

3/14/2010

Presiding Elder: Dee Yeats

Counting Elder: Lana Player

Diaconate: Brian Briscoe, Kim McCarty, Michaela Bond, and Tricia Barber

Comm. Prep: Sharon Owens and Tammy Trimble

Communion Invitation: ??

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP, STUDY, SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP

2/27 Saturday

2/28 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

12:00 P.M. Reception honoring

Rev. Gilley and Rev. Maison

3/1 Monday

3/2 Tuesday

6:30 P.M. Girl Scout Troop

3/3 Wednesday

"The Connection"

6:00 P.M. Brown Bag Dinner

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

3/4 Thursday

3/5 Friday

3/6 Saturday

3/7 Sunday

9:00 A.M. Sunday School

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10:20 A.M. Elders' Prayer Time

10:30 A.M. Worship

3/8 Monday

3/9 Tuesday

6:30 P.M. Girl Scout Troop

3/10 Wednesday

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3/11 Thursday

3/12 Friday

3/13 Saturday

3/14 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

12:00 P.M. Elders' Meeting

2:00 P.M. Board Meeting

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"!

Disciple Men's Fellowship

Has been canceled until further notice.

2010 Area Assembly Coming April 25, 2010 at First Christian church Granbury, Texas.

Please Make Note:

There will be a reception following the worship service Sunday, February 28th, honoring the service of Rev. Gilley and Rev. Mason as transitional ministers of Hurst Christian Church. This will be their last Sunday before Carolyn Bullard assumes the Senior Ministerial duties on March 1, 2010.

Important Calendar Dates

February 26-28th CYF Mid Winter Retreat

March 3-5th Chris in Phoenix for Youth Ministers Assembly

March 5-7th DWF Retreat Disciples Crossing

March 28th Palm Sunday

April 25th Area Assembly

Offering

February 14th - \$2,170
February 21st - \$355

ATTANDANCE

February 14, 2010
Worship 39
February 21, 2010
Worship 37

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

We had a good dinner and Congregational Meeting Sunday night. People got to meet and greet the new part-time senior minister candidate, Rev Carolyn Bullard. After dinner, we all moved to the North Sanctuary, to hear her presentation. After she shared her life story and faith journey, she fielded all questions from those in attendance.

After her departure, the Congregational Meeting was called to order. Michaela Bond opened with a personal testimony and prayer. Documents prepared by the Pulpit Committee and the Elders were distributed and read. Discussion continued for quite some time, and then voting occurred. The paper ballot vote to issue the Call, using the customary two-thirds majority rule, was made by Committee Chair Pat Reinecker, and seconded by Joe Anderson. The three counters returned the result that the vote passed. The Search Committee was recognized and thanked for their time and effort.

So the long Search and Call process has reached fruition. We anticipate celebrating a farewell ceremony this Sunday for Rev Gilley and Rev Maison, and celebrating a welcoming ceremony next Sunday for Rev Bullard. Please come join us as we fellowship and worship together, starting a new chapter in the life and ministry of Hurst Christian Church!

Mike Bond

Counter Schedule

	Counter	Elder
Feb. 14th	Elston Hall	Dee Yeats
Feb. 21st.	Glenda O'Steen	Dee Yeats
Feb. 28th	Mike Bond	Dee Yeats
March 7th	Elston Hall	Lana

Week of Compassion

Week of Compassion responds to Jesus' question, "Do you love me?" by embracing the least of these. We love as we "suffer with" those at risk of becoming forgotten. Through Week of Compassion, Disciples promote justice and facilitate sustainable development in North America and around the world, accompanying people in their darkest hour. We stand in solidarity with people whose livelihood has been devastated, whose home has been burnt down, whose community is under attack or whose children long for something to eat. By participating in Week of Compassion you enter into a long-term relationship with our sisters and brothers in some of the most troubled areas of the World. Whether it's the Gulf Coast Hurricane Recovery Initiative, feeding the world's hungry as a result of the global food crisis, responding to neighbors in need here at home, or confronting humanitarian crises across the globe, Week of Compassion is Jesus' love in action.

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Chris's corner

These past few week have been of great joy for Hurst Christian Church. The best is still to come for our congregation. This past Sunday we helped celebrate Scout Sunday. The Boy Scouts made some great cobbles that they shared with congregation. This week is a busy week for JM and me were attending Ministers Week at TCU. This years Wells Preacher for evening service is Sharon Watkins our General Minister and President for the Christian Church. This week will be full of great information and fellowship with other ministers. I hope all have a great week and I look forward to sharing these next few weeks with our congregation .

Chris Kahlmorgan
Minister of Youth HCC