

# *The Tie That Binds...*



Isn't it great to have some warmer temperatures? I hope and pray that you all made it through this winter storm that set new records in temperatures and snow fall....that you are safe and well.

We've had the pandemic that we're still dealing with. Now we have experienced a week or so of bitter winter for the Texas hill country. I am wondering what will be next. No one knows but the Lord.

One thing that I do know is that God loves you. He sees us and hears us. He knows wherever we go and whatever we do. He knows our thoughts and everything about us.

I like the story about the little boy who lived where it snowed a lot. One time he was eagerly looking forward to the birthday party of his friend who lived only a few blocks away. When the day finally arrived for the party, a fierce snow storm was making driving hazardous. But the boy insisted that didn't matter. He could walk to his friend's home, and he could do it all by himself. He didn't need any help. In fact, he didn't want any help. He was a big boy now.

Still his father hesitated. "But Dad," he pleaded. "All the other kid's will be there. Their parents are letting them go." Finally, the father replied, "All right, if that's what you want to do." Overjoyed, the boy bundled up for the short trip and plunged out into the snow storm. The swirling snow sometimes made it difficult for him to see, and it took him nearly half an hour of trudging through the snow to get there.

But finally, he was there. He climbed the porch steps and reached up to ring the door bell. As he did, he turned briefly to look back behind him, and out of the corner of his eye he saw the form of a receding figure. It was his father who had followed him all the way just to make sure that he arrived safely at his friend's house. I like that! I like the idea of a father who would allow his son to tackle something difficult on his own, but who at the same time would make sure to be there if he were needed.

And that's one of the wonderful characteristics of real love and evidences of real love.

I think you would agree with me that everyone of us needs someone to watch over us....someone who really cares about us....someone who is there for us in the great events of our lives. We all need someone on whose shoulder we can cry on in times of sorrow....someone who will encourage us when we need it most.

I Peter 3:12 say, "For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayers." God loves you.

*Pastor Charles and Margaret*



Tune in to KITY 102.9 FM at 6:30a on Sunday mornings to hear Pastor Charles' sermons.

Go to our website at [www.fcburnettx.org](http://www.fcburnettx.org) and watch our video sermons found under "Sermons-Newsletters".

**Sunday, March 07**

10:45a Rev. Charles Waugh  
"The Lordship of Jesus, Part 1"  
Matthew 7:21 & 23

**Sunday, March 14**

10:45a Rev. Charles Waugh  
"The Lordship of Jesus, Part 2"  
Luke 6:46-49

**Sunday, March 21**

10:45a Rev. Charles Waugh  
"The Lordship of Jesus, Part 3"  
Luke 7:57-62

**Sunday, March 28**

10:45a Rev. Charles Waugh  
"Loving Jesus For Who He Is"  
John 1:3-4; 12-13



**In March 2021!**

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| Mar 05 | World Day of Prayer           |
| Mar 07 | Third Sunday in Lent          |
| Mar 08 | Isabella Dunegan's Birthday   |
| Mar 14 | Fourth Sunday in Lent         |
|        | Daylight Savings Time Begins  |
|        | Roxanne Dunegan's Birthday    |
| Mar 21 | Fifth Sunday in Lent          |
|        | Mary Arnold's Birthday        |
| Mar 28 | Liturgy of the Palms          |
|        | Palm Sunday                   |
|        | Easter Special Offering       |
| Mar 29 | Alicia Blankenship's Birthday |

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## THE ENCOUNTER: MARCH GLADNESS

March 20, 2021

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**AN ONLINE EVENT**

*10am CST/9am MST to 11:30am CST/10:30am MST*

**Speaker:** Rev. Dr. Dawn Weaks

**Cost:** \$10

A time for worship, gathering, learning, and staying connected!

Register at:  
[www.ccsww.org/women](http://www.ccsww.org/women)



First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)  
Serving Schedule - March 2021

- Mar 07 "The Lordship of Jesus - Part 1" - Matthew 7:21, 23  
 Mar 14 "The Lordship of Jesus - Part 2" - Luke 6:46-49  
 Mar 21 "The Lordship of Jesus - Part 3" - Luke 7:57-62  
 Mar 28 "Loving Jesus For Who He Is" - John 1:3-4; 12-13

	ELDER Prayer-Bread & Cup Inv. to Stewardship Prayer-Offering	DEACONS	WORSHIP LEADER Welcome & Announcements Call to Worship Invocation & Prayer & COUNTER	ACOLYTES
Mar 07	Susie Rodgers	Marilyn Petrick Jonnie Stark Sharon Tippie	Ron Petrick	
Mar 14	Bennie Clark	Linda Guess Teri Howell Jim Nance	Yvonne Evans	
Mar 21	Hank Holt	Marilyn Petrick Jonnie Stark Sharon Tippie	Sharon Tippie	
Mar 28	Grover Howell	Linda Guess Teri Howell Jim Nance	Jonnie Stark	

The Elder is responsible for Stewardship Meditation/Prayer and Prayer for Bread and Cup.  
Communion Preparation: TBD

If you are unable to serve on the day you are scheduled, please notify the Office Administrator  
and a replacement will be assigned.



# Easter Offering

a special day offering of Disciples Mission Fund  
March 28 and April 4, 2021

## Deep and Wide: An Invitation to Give

The theme for the Easter offering for this year is *Imagine What God Can Do*. It celebrates how the ministries of the church reach deep and wide when we invest in the ways that God is working in the world.

You may wonder, what exactly does that look like, and how, precisely does that work? To be honest, it works a hundred different ways – but it looks most like the work of discipleship. When a person is trained with special skills they go “deep” into the formation of the individual. As they learn, integrate, and begin to practice these new ideas, they also begin to share them with others, which is how they begin to go wide. God uses God’s people to do amazing things.

Consider the woman who follows a call to ministry and goes to seminary, supported by our Higher Education and Leadership Ministries – a work we do together as Disciples. She grows in her faith and leadership skills – the part that is “deep”. Then, serving a congregation and sharing her knowledge of, and passion for, the bible, it spreads “wide” among the people she shepherds. As they experience her passion for scripture and learn from her witness, they go deep – and – you guessed it, then they also “go wide” sharing their own faith by living as those formed by the example of the gospel.

The same can be said of a person called to the mission field on the other side of the world. Together, through Global Missions, we Disciples invest in the “going deep” with language, cultural, and contextual education so that the one we send is fully equipped for the mission they are called to, in the particular place they are to serve. And, you guessed it, that person bears witness to the transformative power of the Realm of God and its impact is wide, touching many.

It happens a hundred different ways – A young person discovers how much they are loved by God in a week at camp. A woman rises to claim the validity and power of her spiritual gifts at a Disciple’s Women’s retreat. A man in a Sunday school class, studying materials provided by Disciples Home Missions realizes that “all means all”, including him. Someone on a mission trip made possible to National Benevolent Association’s “Connect” network finds the joy in serving others. New Church Ministry assists in planting a new community of faith that speaks to the next generation of Disciples. It goes deep. It goes wide.

And we do all of this together – more than we could do by ourselves or on our own. And it all matters. Just imagine what God can do when we share generously with the ministries that make this possible.

Rev. Bruce Barkhauer  
Center for Faith and Giving

*Seasons and Colors of the Christian Year*  
02/17 - 04/01 Lent (violet)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 10a Bible Study	4	5 World Day of Prayer	6
7 Third Sunday in Lent 9:30a Sunday School 10:45a Worship NOISY OFFERING	8 Isabella Dunegan's Birthday	9	10 10a Bible Study 6:30p Elders Meeting 7:00p Board Meeting	11	12	13
14 Fourth Sunday in Lent 9:30a Sunday School 10:45a Worship DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS Roxanne Dunegan's Birthday	15 	16	17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY 10a Bible Study	18	19	20
21 Fifth Sunday in Lent 9:30a Sunday School 10:45a Worship Mary Arnold's Birthday	22	23	24 10a Bible Study	25	26	27
28 Liturgy of the Palms 9:30a Sunday School 10:45a Worship PALM SUNDAY Easter Special Offering	29 Alicia Blankenship's Birthday	30	31 10a Bible Study			

**Elders**

Grover Howell (2021)    Bennie Clark (2021)  
Ron Petrick (2022)    Susie Rodgers (2022)  
Hank Holt (2023)

**Deacons**

Linda Guess, chair    Teri Howell  
Jim Nance             Marilyn Petrick  
Jonnie Stark           Sharon Tippie

**Trustees**

Richard Dunegan    Art Johnson  
Susie Rodgers

**2021 Leadership Team**

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