



THE TIE THAT BINDS...

JUNE 2022



FCC IS PROUD TO WELCOME PASTOR TERESA

Mother of two amazing, young women and one outstanding son-in-law. Grandmother to two dogs.

I enjoy singing, motorcycle riding, water aerobics, getting to know new people, and being fully engaged in the community where I live.

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Passionate about the power of God's grace, mercy, and love as expressed in Jesus Christ to transform individuals into the image of Jesus.

Committed to the Church as the Body of Christ. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to study the Bible and grow in their understanding of the Christian faith.

Dependent on the Holy Spirit for the preparation of sermons with a focus on practical application in everyday situations.

"Worship is central to my daily life."

Commissioned Minister in good standing with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Experienced Christian Counselor with a heart for Pastoral Care.

Born in Niles, Michigan. Moved to Texas after graduate school and stayed because I love the weather!



June 5th

*So... on The Day of Pentecost in the church year, fifty days of Easter and ten days after the Ascension, the clergy wear **RED** vestments to signify the work of the Spirit. It is also a custom in many churches for the people in the congregation to wear **RED** on the Day of Pentecost as well. We wear **RED** to remind us of the fire of the Spirit.*

Farewell From the Interim Minister...

Rev. William “Bill” Howden

Thank you for the cake and the hugs and the gifts on my last Sunday. Thank you for the touching cards. Thank you for being such wonderful people. I will truly miss you greatly.



As the hymn we sang on my last Sunday reminds us, “We are pilgrims on a journey, fellow travelers on the road. We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.” It has truly been my privilege to walk with you these last few months and help to carry the load.

As you move into God’s new future, my prayers and my love will be with you.

Rev. Bill Howden

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It has been another exiting month. We started it out on May 1st with the congregational meeting to vote on whether or not to hire Teresa Trusner as our new pastor. We voted unanimously to hire her. **Welcome to FCC Burnet Pastor Teresa.** I know I had this information in last month’s newsletter but it is so important I wanted to say it again! Unfortunately, that also means that we have to say goodbye to Reverend Bill Howden. It has been a pleasure getting to know you, and you will always have a special place in my heart, and I am sure the rest of the congregation, for helping keep our church afloat during our time of need. **God Bless you and Jan for your support!**



We continued to have excellent sermons for the month of May. Bill was able to be with us for each week of the month. We were able to have five sermons from him. On May 1st he spoke on “Seeing Jesus,” 8th we listened about “A Church of Goodness and Mercy,” then on May 15th he asked us if we are a “Church Where All Are Welcome,” then on May 22nd, are we a “Church of Faithful Witness,” and finally on May 29th he let us know “There’s a New Preacher in Town.” As always if you missed any of these sermons or want to revisit them they are all available on the FCC Burnet website at www.fccburnettx.org/sermons/

The May board meeting was held on the 11th. I want to thank Bennie, the board’s vice moderator, for stepping in at the last minute and chairing the meeting as I was working through my case of Covid, and besides having to attend the meeting on Zoom from home with spotty internet my coughing would have been a great distraction.

Department Chair Reports: Ron reported for the Elders stating that once Teresa has started they are going to start a devotional / book study and will discuss people that need assistance and / or prayers. Marilyn reported for the Deacons that the serving of Communion remains flexible. *As an aside I feel that her suggestion from the last board meeting that was implemented is working very well. Thanks Marilyn.* Michele reported for the Committee Council. I will add she had a busy month. We had several offerings over the past month; Noisy Offering \$85, Special Easter Offering \$102, and the Lenten Offering for the Highland Lakes Family Crisis Family Center \$231.12. **Way to go congregation!** She then spoke on upcoming events. The Farewell Reception for Reverend Bill Howland, which was yesterday. *Sharon thank you for the beautiful and delicious cake and thank you to all those that helped with the set up and serving.* Events for June will include Pentecost Sunday as well as a Welcome for Pastor Teresa on June 5th and Father’s Day on June 19th.

Sometime this summer we are also planning to hold a “Smoke when the Disciples of Christ pick a new Pastor” grill event for the community at the Church.

Pastor’s Report: Bill stated that things were going well. He had made phone contact with members. *He called me several times to check on Margot and myself, so thank you Bill.* He also thanked us for the opportunity to be with us and is looking forward to what the Church and Pastor Teresa do together.

Unfinished Business: We had two school scholarship applications this year with \$2,000 to award. The applicants, Clayton Evans and Brooke Pulliam will each receive \$1,000. Once the checks are received we will present them at a Sunday Service. The Howell Fund has finally been accepted and an account has been opened. *Thank you Bennie for staying on top of this.* Still working on what to do with the AC unit. Finally, no report to discuss on the Voting Rights of the congregation.

New Business: The board reviewed and approved the Intent to Call letter for Pastor Teresa. Several minor changes were made before approval. *The letter has been signed by all appropriate parties and forwarded to the Disciples regional administration. Pastor Teresa’s first official day is June 1st.* The board also reviewed and accepted Pastor Teresa’s compensation package. The purchase of awards for Teri and Grover and Bill; cards thanking Jay Fry and Mari Lyn Jones; and a year’s subscription for Zoom were discussed and approved by the board.

Lastly some of my thoughts. As most of you know both Margot and I tested positive for Covid during the month. We missed several Sunday services and isolated from Ernie and Peggy. I just wanted to thank the congregation for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers, the phone calls, and even some dropped off food, thanks Sharon. It continues to reinforce to me the loving and giving attitude of our Church! You all also know that we actually had a cold front come through with some rain and strong winds. For those of you who don’t

know our back door neighbor had a tree partially snap and a portion of it is laying on the Church roof. They have been in contact with me, and Ron, and are waiting for an evaluation from the city. They have been in contact with their insurance company, and a tree trimming service if the city doesn’t take care of it, as well, so if any damage does happen the ball is already rolling to have it taken care of.

Until next month God Bless!

Wayne



FCC - Way to go!

Your generosity in **April** benefited the following organizations: Noisy Offering for Burnet County Child Welfare Board - \$85.00; Special Easter Offering - \$102.00; Lenten Offering for Highland Lakes Family Crisis Center - \$231.12

Thank you for all that you give - monetarily and with your time and talents - to help others.

CCSW DWM
ASSEMBLY
2022



"You are the Salt of the Earth, Light of the World"
Matthew 5:13-15

The CCSW DWM Women's Assembly 2022 will be held June 24-25 at First Christian Church-United in Lewisville, Tx.

Keynote Speaker is Rev. Shannon Grubbs and a Bible Study will be led by Rev. Marilyn Fiddmont.

There will be hands-on outreach/mission projects for two divisions of the Juliette Fowler Communities for the ladies to participate in:

1. Fowler Christian Apartments are for low-income residences – non-perishable food items; paper goods; kitchen/bathroom supplies.
2. The Ebby House for young girls who have aged out of Foster Care – personal care items.

Go to ccsw.org, click on Women's Ministries for a detailed list of items to donate.

A silent auction will be held with the proceeds going to the CCSW Disciples Women's Operation Fund to help pay the IDWM dues and planning events for women. Bring one or more items to donate from the Disciples Women of your congregation.



WHAT'S
HAPPENING

- June 05 Pentecost Sunday – wear RED
Welcome Pastor Teresa Trusner
1st Sunday Lunch
Noisy Offering benefitting BCCWB
(Burnet County Child Welfare Board)
- June 12 Wayne Spiekermann's Birthday
Pastor Teresa's Birthday
- June 13 Liz Smith's Birthday
- June 19 Father's Day
Juneteenth
- June 22 Jim Nance's Birthday
- June 28 Ernest Spiekermann's Birthday

*A Prayer for the Day of
Pentecost*

Come, Holy Spirit. We remember your outpouring on the day of Pentecost, you settled like tongues of fire on all flesh, both young and old. Displaying your glory to pilgrims from every nation.

Come, Holy Spirit. We seek your refreshment. Wash over us with peace that passes understanding. With gratitude for our daily bread. With love for our neighbors and for ourselves. And with courage for the journey set before us.

Come, Holy Spirit. We await your transformation. Send us out with power to love those whom the world calls unlovely. To strengthen those who have faltered along the way. To bind up the brokenhearted. To employ your gifts in the struggle for justice.

Come, Paraclete. Be our helper as we help the neediest among us. Be our comforter as we comfort those who suffer in body, mind or spirit. Be our advocate as we advocate for the voiceless and the parentless.

Change us, we pray. Move us and send us into the world under your power, for your glory. Amen

**First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Serving Schedule
June 2022**

	ELDER Joys/Concerns Communion Prayer Stewardship Prayer	DEACONS Prepare/Serve Communion Offering	WORSHIP LEADER Welcome & Announcements Call to Worship Invocation & Prayer
Jun 05	Michele Darling	Jonnie Stark Linda Guess	Yvonne Evans
Jun 12	Ron Petrick	Marilyn Petrick Wayne Spiekermann	Sharon Tippie
Jun 19	Bennie Clark	Sharon Tippie Jonnie Stark	Ron Petrick
Jun 26	Hank Holt	Linda Guess Marilyn Petrick	Jonnie Stark

The Elder is responsible for Joys/Concerns; Communion Prayer; Stewardship Prayer
Communion Preparation: Covid Approved Containers

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



June 2022

Seasons and Colors of the Christian Year
 04/17-06/04 Eastertide (White); June 05 Pentecost (Red); June 06-
 November 26 Ordinary Time (Green)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 PENTECOST 9:30a Adult Study 10:45a Worship NOISY OFFERING First Sunday Lunch / Welcome Pastor Teresa	6	7	8 6:30p Elder's Meeting 7:00p Board Meeting	9	10	11
12 1st Sunday after Pentecost 9:30a Adult Study 10:45a Worship Wayne S. Birthday Pastor Teresa's Birthday	13 Liz's Birthday	14	15	16	17	18
19 2nd Sunday after Pentecost 9:30a Adult Study 10:45a Worship FATHER'S DAY	20	21	22 Jim's Birthday	23	24 CCSW DWM Assembly 2022	25
26 3rd Sunday after Pentecost 9:30a Adult Study 10:45a Worship CCSW DWM	27	28 Ernie's Birthday	29	30		

Elders	
Ron Petrick (2022)	Hank Holt (2023)
Michele Darling (2022)	Bennie Clark (2024)
Deacons	
Linda Guess (2023)	Sharon Tippie (2022)
Marilyn Petrick (2022)	Jonnie Stark (2024)
Wayne Spiekermann (2024)	
Trustees	
Art Johnson (2022)	Richard Dunegan (2023)
Ron Petrick (2024)	

2022 Leadership Team

Moderator	Wayne Spiekermann	
Vice-Moderator	Bennie Clark	
Secretary	Melissa Johnson	
Treasurer	Bennie Clark	
Historian	Sharon Tippie	
Education	} Committee Council -	
Faith-Sharing		Michele Darling
Membership		Marilyn Petrick
Outreach		Sharon Tippie
Property		Ron Petrick
Worship		Susan Clark
Disciple Men Rep		
Disciple Women Rep		

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