

Trinity Sunday
May 31, 2015 10:45 am

THE GATHERING

Prelude Chancel Ringers
"A Psalm of Praise" McKlveen
Please be in prayerful meditation as we open our minds and hearts to God.

Welcome and Greeting David Hartman
The peace of the Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Call to Worship
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

*Hymn of Praise No. 4
"Holy, Holy, Holy"

*Invocation Justin Dickey
Father, you sent your Word to bring us truth and your Spirit to make us holy. Through them we come to know the mystery of your life. Help us to worship you, one God in three persons, by proclaiming and living our faith in you. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*Gloria Patri No. 36
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen. Amen.

THE WORD

Children's Message Sarah Cook

Pastoral Prayer, & Lord's Prayer Will Brown
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Response to Prayer "Threefold Amen" Chancel Choir

Reading of the Scripture David Hartman
Isaiah 6:1-8
Pew Bible Page 635

Ministry of Music Chancel Ringers
"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" McKechnie

Sermon "A Trip With A Prophet" Will Brown

THE SACRAMENT

THE LORD'S SUPPER
Hymn "One Bread, One Body" - vs. 1 & 2 No. 393
Communion Invitation Howard Morris
Elders' Prayers Cindy Hernandez & Mike Spiller Jr.
Sharing the Bread and Cup
All believers are invited to share in the Lord's Supper.
Please partake of the bread as it is passed;
*we will share the cup together**,*
after sharing our common confession:
I believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.

THE OFFERING
Invitation to Stewardship David Hartman
Offertory Chancel Ringers
"A Song of Gladness" Dobrinski
*Doxology No. 46
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
*Prayer of Dedication David Hartman

THE GOING FORTH

*Invitation to Discipleship David Hartman

*Hymn of Discipleship No. 452
"Here I Am, Lord"

*The Benediction Will Brown

*Choral Response Chancel Choir

*Postlude Jeanette Showalter

* If you are able, please stand.
** A few cups of water are in the communion tray for those on sugar-free diets.

Today we celebrate Trinity Sunday, the first Sunday after Pentecost. Trinity Sunday began to be celebrated in the 10th century, and was formally established in the 14th century. Unlike other festivals in the church's liturgical calendar, Trinity Sunday centers on a doctrine of the church, rather than an event. It celebrates the mystery of God's being as Holy Trinity.

BELONGING TO THIS FAMILY OF GOD

If you would like to belong to our church family, we would welcome you with open arms. Please complete one of the "Decision Cards" in the back of your pew and present it to the minister when you come to the front of the church during the singing of our hymn of discipleship; or, if you prefer, you may speak privately to the minister at anytime.

NURSERY

A quality nursery for infants and young children is available during our worship services. We make available to parents, if they desire, an in-house pager, so they can be reached during the worship service. Also available during the week is our childcare programs of Children Come First and Young Ages Preschool.

"GODLY PLAY"

Children ages 3 years thru 2nd grade may participate in "Godly Play" following the Children's Moment. Godly Play allows children to worship and fellowship together in a special environment. Children may be retrieved from Room 213 immediately following the worship service.

HEARING AID DEVICES

Are available for those in need by asking an usher in the Sanctuary Narthex.

SERMONS

Last week's sermon is available in print form in the Narthex of the Chapel and Sanctuary.

SPECIAL NEEDS PARKING AREA

The church staff parking lot is available every Sunday morning for members and guests with special needs. Please be mindful of those that need extra room to load and unload wheelchairs and make it easier for them to worship on Sunday mornings!

MIDWEEK RESPITE SERVICE

We are offering a Wednesday evening period of quiet prayer and respite in our Chapel from 5:30-6:30. Members and visitors are warmly invited to come in and pray for however long or as little as they feel led; from 5:45-6:00, there will be a brief vespers service consisting of scripture, guided prayer and communion.

COMMON GROUND RECOVERY MINISTRIES

Adult peer support groups each Sunday afternoon at 6:00 pm (Family Challenges, Women's C.A.R.E., Anger Management, Chemical Addictions Recovery & Parent Groups) For more information contact Rev. Dave Brummett, 613-2112.

MEMORIALS

The flowers this morning are in loving memory of Russell Ford given by Carolyn & Melissa Ford.

FAVORITE HYMNS

From July 12 to August 9, we'll be worshipping in the Fellowship Hall. We'll be singing some of our church's favorite hymns as selected by our congregation. Because we'll be using the screen, you won't need to limit your selections to the hymns found in the Chalice Hymnal. If you would like to submit a hymn title, please do so by using the form below. Drop the form in the collection plate or bring it by the church office. We'll use as many of your selections as possible.

My Favorite Hymns:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

Please return this portion to the church office or drop in the collection plate.

Sunday Evening Activities Schedule

- 5:00 *Come As You Are* End-of-Year Party [Grades 6-12] (Youth Room 403C)
- 5:14 CGRM Evening Worship Ministry (Fellowship Hall)
The speaker will be Travis Ralls.
- 6:00 FACE Time with Dave (Parlor)

Common Ground Recovery Ministries (CGRM) Groups:
 Anger Recovery (Room 304)
 Chemical Addictions Recovery (Room 305)
 Parenting (Room 306)
 Women's C.A.R.E. (Room 307)
 Family Challenges Support (Room 310)

Faith And Current Events **TIME with Dave**
 Today, May 31st, at 6:00 pm in the Parlor

PRIME TIMERS LUNCHEON
 Next Sunday, June 7th
 12:00 noon, Fellowship Hall

PANTRY SUNDAY - JUNE 7TH

Pantry Sunday for Interfaith Ministries will be next Sunday, June 7th. Items for collection will be powdered milk, cereal, and the small Jiffy type cornbread mix packages. Children are encouraged to participate! IMI and Outreach appreciate your gifts to this project each month.

ALUMINUM CANS

If you have aluminum cans that you would like recycle instead of throw away, the youth group is collecting these and proceeds from the recycled cans will go to a non-profit of the youth group's choosing at a later time. If you would like to help contribute, please bring cans to the church office, these must be clean cans and bagged, and it is highly preferred that these be crushed in advance to save space. Not only is this a good chance to recycle, but this will be a good chance to help build our community into a little bit stronger place.

MILES FOR A MISSION!

The Youth are selling miles to raise funds for their Mission Trip to Nashville, TN this summer! The total number of miles between Wichita Falls and Nashville is roughly 757 making the total distance the youth will travel about 1500 miles! Miles only cost \$1.00 and you can donate any amount you want! We have sold 750 miles so we have only 750 miles left to go! Thanks everyone for your support of the First Christian Church Chi-Rho and CYF groups!

THE YOUTH'S COOKIE MIX FUNDRAISER

If you are in a spring baking mood, the youth group still has cookie jars for sale, now for \$7 each! Each one has the necessary dry ingredients to make roughly two dozen cookies, and directions attached to the outside for the wet ingredients and baking directions. Funds from the cookie jars benefit the mission trip to Nashville for the youth, and if you purchase these after the mission trip this year, proceeds will benefit the mission trip for next year.

**CHALLENGER TO BE EVERY TWO WEEKS
 NO CHALLENGER THIS WEEK!**

During the months of June & July the "Challenger" will be published every two weeks and will return to weekly publication on August 5th.

The deadline for articles to be placed in the "Challenger" is 5:00 pm on Mondays. Articles may be dropped off in the church office or emailed to Susan at: susan@firstchristianwf.com.

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OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, May 31, 2015
 GRADUATION SUNDAY / FIFTH SUNDAY
 8:40—Worship..... Chapel
 9:30—Sunday School
 9:30—5th Sunday Gathering..... Fellowship Hall
 10:45—Worship..... Sanctuary
 5:00-7:00—Sunday Evening Activities

Monday, June 1, 2015
 7:30-6:00—Children Come First (M-F)
 10:15—FCC Staff Meeting..... Office
 4:30—CCF Staff Meeting..... Room 402
 7:30—Boy Scouts Troop 15..... Gym

Tuesday, June 2, 2015
 11:00—Whirlwind Cluster Ministers' Meeting..... FCC-Burkburnett
 2:00—Library Committee..... Library

Wednesday, June 3, 2015
 7:00—Elders' Breakfast..... Room 402 & Chapel
 5:30—Respite Service..... Chapel
 6:00-8:00—Check In (Grades 6-12)..... Gym
 7:30—Chancel Choir (Grade 9-Adults)..... Stratten Hall

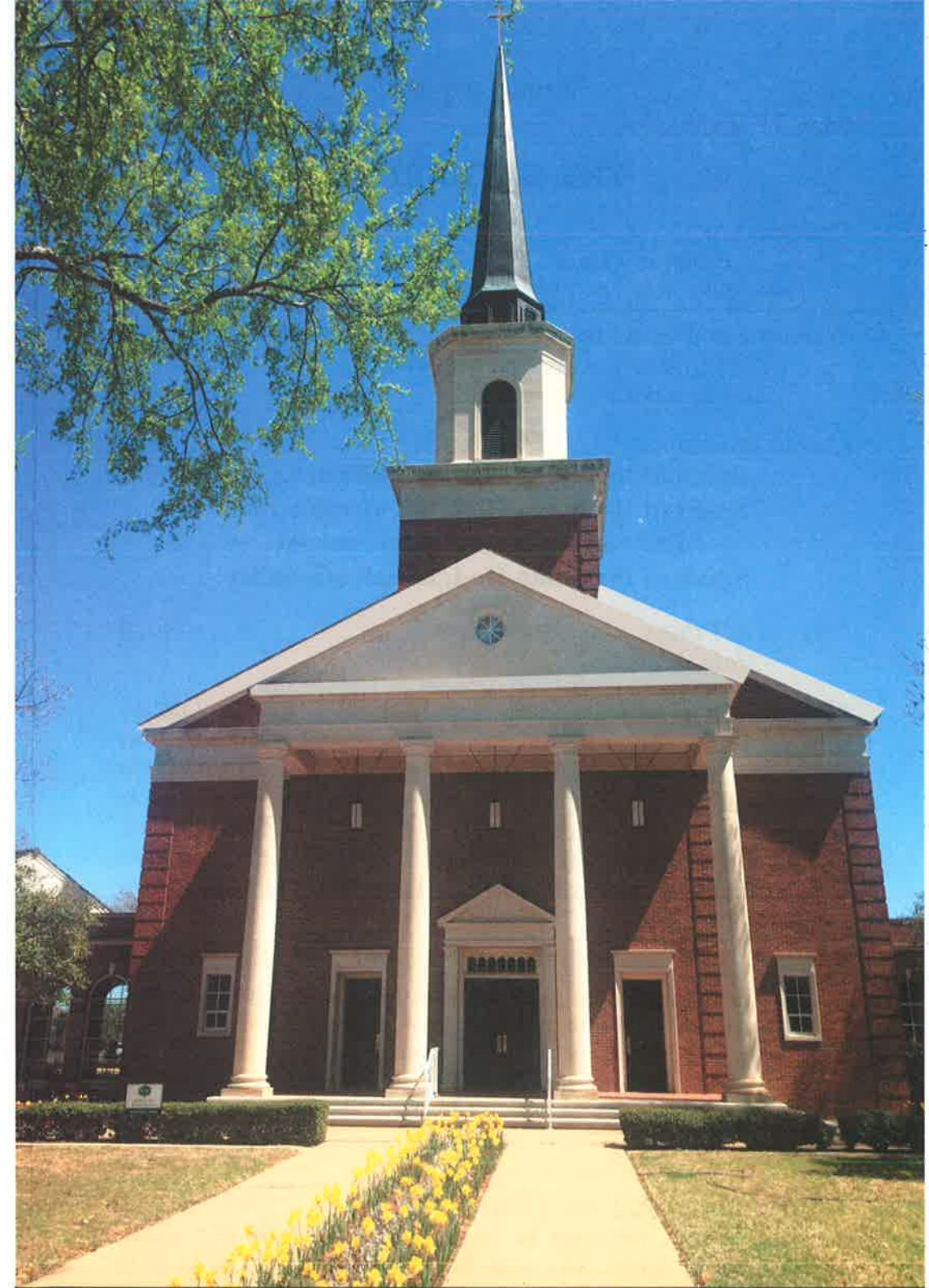
Thursday, June 4, 2015
 1:30—Knit Wits..... Parlor

Sunday, June 7, 2015
 PANTRY SUNDAY
 8:40—Worship..... Chapel
 9:30—Sunday School
 10:45—Worship..... Sanctuary
 12:00—Prime Timers Luncheon..... Fellowship Hall
 5:14-7:30—Sunday Evening Activities

NEW WEBSITE & EMAILS

It's coming!!! The new church website launches Monday, June 1st! www.firstchristianwf.com. It's user-friendly and informative, designed for both church members and visitors. You can find Sunday's sermon title and scripture and upcoming events with links to the Challenger, recent sermons and Worship Bulletins. Read about our many church groups and outreach projects. Share it with your friends!

NEW EMAIL ADDRESSES: The staff email addresses will change on June 1st with the launch of the new website. Emails will now end with @firstchristianwf.com. Emails sent to current addresses will forward to the new email addresses. Links will also be available on the new website. Your patience is greatly appreciated as we make these changes!



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