

To our Guests:

We are glad you've chosen to worship today at Friendswood. We invite you to make worship with us a weekly event.

Please complete a green Welcome Card located on the chair back in front of you. When our offering plates are passed the only thing we ask you to put in is the card.

If you would like to learn more about Friendswood, please call and speak with one of our ministers at 281.482.7966.

We hope you feel welcomed and at home today!

Please accept this invitation to come to one of our House Groups for an evening of fellowship and Bible study.

House Group Listing

Ed & Vernelle Hoskins, Bob & Connie Young, 808 Stephen Ct., Fwd.,
281-482-7239, Sunday at 5 PM

Charles & Dian Kirklin, 607 Linkwood, Fwd.,
281-482-3427, Tuesday at 6:30 PM

Charles Kirklin & Esther Speck, 400 E. Parkwood #178, Fwd.,
281-482-7453, Sundays from 6:30-7:30 PM at Village on the Park.

Jeff Kirklin, 6404 Hillock Ln., Pearland,
281-795-1260 or 832-439-0726, Sunday at 6 PM

Mike & Celeste Ross, Ron & Susan Cox, 16439 Hibiscus, Fwd.,
281-482-8753, Sunday at 6PM

Scott & Amy Mitchell, Adrian & Anna Duron,
832-569-4134, Sunday at 5:30PM

Jim & Nancy Smothermon, Carl & Betty Dillon, 1206 Thomas, Fwd.,
281-482-1702, Sunday at 6PM

Upcoming Events

Today, — Leadership Coordination Meeting 12:45 PM in the fellowship hall with Elders, Deacons, Staff and ministry leaders

—Terry Fowler will be taking photos of elders with their spouses, deacons, and of the staff.

Wednesday, June 25th — Brown Bag Optional 6:00 PM
Peak of the Weak 7:00 PM

Sunday, June 29th — Ordination service for Garret & Meghan Hollingsworth

—Fellowship Meal with money tree for the Hollingsworths

—Terry Fowler will be taking photos of elders with their spouses, deacons, and of the staff.

Wednesday, July 2nd — Brown Bag Optional 6:00 PM
Peak of the Weak 7:00 PM, Youth hosts

Friday, July 4th — Patriotic Celebration at the Koviz's 5:00 PM

Last Sunday: Attendance: 182 Offering: \$9,918.50 Budget: \$9,819.00

Prayer Needs

To have a prayer request listed, fill out a Prayer Request card from the chair back. Please continue to update your request by emailing office@fwdcofc.org

Friendswood Members:

Terri Hollingsworth, is now in Clear Lake Rehab Hospital RM 508.

Jeff & Lindsay Kirklin, expecting and due in February.

Wendie & Michael Lawley, expecting a BOY and due in late July.

Courtney & Kyle McGinn, expecting and due in February.

Prayers for job search: John Hoskins

Renewed Health:

Charlene Fulgham, Stephen Fulgham, Doris Griffin, Elsie Hendrickson, Terri Hollingsworth, Evelyn Jackson, David McGinn, Eleanor Nunnally, Andrew Rutledge, Bill Shropshire, Esther Speck, Bette Thompson, Buna Vowell, Carmen Walters, Linda Williams.

Family/Friends:

Carol Adair, (Chad Adair's mother) diagnosed with multiple myeloma. Travis Archer, (friend of Esther Speck) suffered a heart attack this past week.

Betty Bazzy, (Lisa Zeringue's mother) diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Pavica Breckak, (Duda Fulgham's mother in Croatia) is struggling with dementia.

Roger Cumba, (Janet Kirklin's cousin) diagnosed with cancer.

C J Dupree, (Jean Dupree's ex-husband) diagnosed with neck & throat cancer and will be having radiation treatment soon.

Larry Jessup, (Janet Kirklin's cousin) diagnosed with cancer at 48 with 2 young children.

Robby & Kami (Hughes) Day, expecting a GIRL in October.

Carroll Kelly, (Steve Kelly's father) experiencing heart complications while undergoing treatment for cancer.

Nelda Porterfield (Celeste Ross' sister), now suffers from aphasia from a stroke, but has not spoken a few words, continues to recover.

Bob Ross (Mike Ross' dad), has been discharged from the hospital but must remain in isolation due to a staph infection.

Greg & Brittany (Hughes) Schroeder, expecting a GIRL in October.

Marty Shumaker, (Coach at Bay Area Christian) is showing signs of waking up by moving his arms, legs, and opening eyes. His family is looking to move him in a rehabilitation facility.

Kay Taliaferro, (former member) has completed 5 treatments and is going great. You can stay updated by visiting their blog, www.gary-kay.blogspot.com.

Bill Westmoreland, (former member) undergoing cancer treatment.

Service Men and Women:

Seth Creswell, (Amy Mitchell's brother) serving in Iraq.

Michael Eyman, (Pam Smithgall's cousin) serving in Afghanistan.

Wes Kuentler, (Kyle McGinn's cousin) serves in Special Forces in Afghanistan.

Eric Sacramento, in training at Ft. Leonard Wood in Missouri.

Our sermons are podcast on the church website. Go to www.fwdcofc.org and click on the "Church of Christ in Friendswood Sermons" link in the middle of the page.

The Lamp



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We exist to share in God's life through Jesus Christ. We connect people to God through Scripture, Community, Serving, and Inner Life.

June Greeters:

David Veatch and Adam Reeder

Nursery Helpers:

Today: Chris Kirklin & Lindsay Kirklin

Next Week: Lindsay Harrell & Lindsay Kirklin

June Communion

Preparers:

The Womacks

Elder of the Month:

Tom Kirklin

Service Times:

Sundays: 9 AM Sunday School; 10:15 AM Worship

Wednesdays: 6 PM Eats, 7 PM Peak of the Week and Team Kids

June 22, 2008

Worship Service

God Calls Us Together Into His Holy Presence

Call to Worship Garrett Hollingsworth

I Will Call Upon the Lord #63

Mighty God Screen

A New Anointing Screen

Scripture Reading: Acts 17:29-34

In the Lord Alone Screen

We Declare that the Kingdom of God is Here #730

God Speaks To Us Through His Word

Success in Evangelism

Instruments of Your Peace # 828

God Shares With Us At His Table

Lord, Take my Life Screen

Communion

In Christ Alone Screen

Shepherd's Prayer Tom Kirklin

God Sends Us Out Into His Mission

Offering

Our Common Life

The Battle Belongs to the Lord #749

Please make sure your cell phones are turned off.

Family News...

Leadership Coordination Meeting

At 12:45 PM there will be a Leadership Coordination meeting in the Fellowship Hall with the elders, deacons, and staff. Please either have finished eating or bring your lunch back by this time.

Attention Elders, Deacons, and Staff

Terry Fowler will be taking photos of the elders with their spouses, deacons, and staff Today and June 29th.

Vacation Bible School "Gone Hog Wild"

Mark your calendar to join us for VBS "Son Harvest: County Fair" on August 3rd - 6th, 2008 at 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM for ages 2 years through 3rd grade. Volunteers are still needed especially for the festival activities for the last night. Also, we ask that everyone start saving two liter soda bottles to be used for games and crafts.

Fellowship Luncheon

Join us Sunday, June 29th for a down home Southern style meal and great time of fellowship welcoming Garrett and Meghan. Also, we will be presenting a money tree in honor of the Hollingsworths joining our church family.

Attention Parents

Currently, there is an incomplete fence around the playground. We ask that for the safety of your children they do not use the equipment unsupervised.

Open Invitation to a Patriotic Celebration

If you are staying in town this 4th of July holiday plan on being at the Kovitz's that evening. So, bring food, drinks, and desserts for you and your family, lawn chairs, card table (if able), games, fireworks (if there is no fire ban), and an anticipation of a good time. The fun starts at approximately 5:00 PM.

FUSION Student Ministries

June-23rd, SYS, we will meet at 12:30 PM at the church building and head to Huntsville State Park. Bring a bathing suit, towel, shower stuff, and clothes to change into after swimming. Also, bring \$4 for park entrance and some money for dinner. After dinner we will head to Huntsville Church of Christ for SYS. Please bring teen clothing for donation to the Huntsville Pregnancy Care Center (Please wrap your clothes in a black trash bag.) We will return around 11:00 PM

June 25th, Youth class

June 28th, Youth & Family Devotional 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM at the Counterman's. Boys bring drinks and girls bring desserts.

June 30th SYS at Grace Crossing Community Church of Christ

July 2nd, Youth Group hosts Peak of the Week

July 3rd, TNT 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM

July 6th-11th, Mpulse at ACU (Jr. High)

Peak of the Week

This coming Wednesday night everyone is invited at 6:00 PM to bring their own dinner and have a time of fellowship with one another

At 7:00 PM there will a time of worship for the adults and the youth will have their class.

The prayer group will also meet in the library

"Now when he saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, or they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 5:1-10 (New International Version)



Coffee House Corner

CHRISTIAN LEADERS

A meeting of all leaders of this church is scheduled this afternoon. The meeting today has more to do with organization than what to do. The plan is to become more organized to be more effective in the fast world we live in. This is a good time to reflect on this term, leader. The first thing we notice is that it is really hard to find time for meetings. Meetings must be scheduled just right to maximize attendance. Most everyone is so busy these days. As they say, life comes at you fast. Life is so fast, little time is left over to attend meetings. But wait. What is important to God doesn't just happen in meetings. No, it happens every day with each and everyone of us.

Through all the centuries since Christ established His Church, one thing has stayed the same: **all Christians** including Christian leaders must think, speak, and act all the time in the name of Jesus, who came to free humanity from the power of death and open the way to eternal life. To be such a believer, it is essential to be able to discern from moment to moment how God acts in human history and how the personal, communal, national, and international events that occur during our lives can make us more and more sensitive to the ways in which we are led to the cross and through the cross to salvation.

In a broad sense we are all Christian Leaders. We are all charged with teaching others about God's plan of salvation through Jesus Christ. Jesus came to reveal God's love. *The great message that we have to carry as members, leaders and ministers of God's Word and followers of Jesus, is that God loves us not because of what we do or accomplish, but because God has created and redeemed us in love and has chosen us to proclaim that love (Jesus Christ) as the true source of eternal life.*

We are all busy people and the message here is to see yourself as a Christian Leader. Leader means out front. Leaders lead by example. As believers, we are all out front presenting THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST to the world. Just begin now by thinking in terms of us and not them. You know the old saying: I wish 'they' would do this or that. All believers are 'they', so In terms of our single mission as followers of Jesus Christ, we are all tasked with the same mission, and it is truly a **great one**. We all have a part, pray always for God's Spirit to use you in His service in small and large ways. Ask how you can serve and get busy.

Forrest Norman

Insert from "In the Name of Jesus", by Henri Nouwen.