

The Chalice

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Dear Friends,

I want to thank you for the time you are willing to spend with me in Bible Study. We have done Bible Study in some different ways, and I will continue to try different formats so that our Bible Study may as enjoyable and enlightening and thoughtful as it can be. Our Bible Study time is holy, whether we are loudly laughing (lot's I hope), or silently dumbfounded (rarely I hope) or thoughtfully questioning (always, I hope).

It takes time to prepare a Bible Study. One advantage of book studies with DVD presentations is that someone has been given the time to prepare and hone the thoughts and questions they want to share. When I prepare one myself, I find that I have plenty of thoughts to share and questions to ask, but the time to hone them is short, and you can probably tell. I certainly feel it. Still, I relish our time delving into the Bible library together.

We are currently studying stories from John and will continue to go through the Season of Lent. Here is our schedule:

March 27: John 9 Jesus heals a blind man.

John 11 Jesus raises Lazarus. April 3:

April 10: John 12 Mary of Bethany anoints Jesus' feet.

We will not have Bible Study during Holy Week, on April 17th, or the week following Easter on April 23rd.

We will resume of April 30th and continue to meet on Wednesday Evening until the end of the Wednesday Meal Ministry season, the last Wednesday of May. Thank you for coming. If you haven't been yet, you don't know what you're missing. You're missing the gathered community of disciples, asking questions and searching, together, for answers good enough at least for today.

We start eating at 5:30 and begin study at 6:00. There is no such thing as early or late, so come and join us anytime.

Grace and Peace, Pastor Alan



Wednesday, April 2

5:00 pm – Pick up & deliver Meal Ministry

5:40 pm - Eat In

6:00 pm – Bible Study

7:00 pm – Choir

Sunday, April 6

10:00 am – Sunday School

11:00 am – Worship

Elder: Rosa Hall

Wednesday, April 9

5:00 pm – Pick up & deliver

Meal Ministry

5:40 pm - Eat In

6:00 pm – Bible Study

7:00 pm – Choir

Sunday, April 13

10:00 am – Sunday School

11:00 am – Worship

Elder: Cathy Moorehead

Monday, April 14

6:30 pm – Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 16

No meal ministry No Bible Study

7:00 pm - Choir

Thursday, April 17

7:00 pm – Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, April 18

11:00 am – 5:00 pm – Kick It!

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Pastor Alan is participating

Sunday, April 20 – Easter Sunday

Easter Sunrise Service

10:00 am – Sunday School

11:00 am – Worship

Elder: Ann Smith

Tuesday, April 22

5:00 pm – The Table Volunteers

Wednesday, April 23

Chalice News due to Rosa

5:00 pm – Pick up & deliver

Meal Ministry

5:40 pm – Eat In

No Bible Study

7:00 pm – Choir

Friday, April 25

1:00 pm – Outreach Meeting

Sunday, April 27

10:00 am – Sunday School

11:00 am – Worship

Elder: Mary Lillie Watson

Monday, April 28

5:00 pm – Disciple Women's Meeting

Wednesday, April 30

5:00 pm – Pick up & deliver

Meal Ministry

5:40 pm - Eat In

6:00 pm – Bible Study

7:00 pm – Choir

First Christian Church, Watkinsville GA Board Meeting Minutes Fellowship Hall February 10, 2025

Members present: Bill, Rosa, Barbara, Mary Lillie, Kathy, Tracy, Pam, and Alan.

6:30 pm: Welcome and Opening Prayer: Bill

Barbara moved that the agenda be accepted as presented, there was a 2nd. Motion approved.

Prayers concerns were lifted in prayer by Alan.

Kathy moved that the January minutes be accepted as presented, there was a 2nd. Motion approved.

Treasurer Report was given by Kathy. It was discussed and filed as presented.

Old Business: none New Business: none

Outreach report given by Barbara.

10 homeless bags were delivered to North Avenue by Mary Lillie. They contained socks, tee shirt, toiletries, and food items.

2 mock-ups of brochures were distributed for discussion.

Fat Tuesday/Pancake Supper will be March 4. A flyer has been made available. No Meal Ministry on March 5.

March 14 will be our next Bingo night. Flyers will be distributed for information.

Property report given by Mary Lillie.

A Cookie tent in the side yard February 8th 11 to 3. City of Watkinsville is hosting Bethany Christian ministries cookie crawl. We hope to participate next year through outreach.

The counters in the kitchen have been repaired.

Debbie Johnson will paint all the bathrooms using paint that I'm donating from a remodel Mary Lillie did.

Barbara Powell is producing handicap signs for the parking lot.

Discover Unlimited IT with Bly will hopefully be completed next week. An information sheet was shared with the Board about the costs.

Deacons Report was given by Kathy. Deacons assigned for February.

Worship Report given by Tracy.

Committee met on February 5.

Discussed how to present the little wooden crosses for Valentine's week.

Ash Wednesday service will be March 5 at 7:00 pm. More details to follow. Tracy will order palms and hydrangeas.

Maundy Thursday service will be April 17 at 7:00 pm. Sunrise Service will be here at our church on April 20. Josh will hire the brass quartet for Easter service in the sanctuary at 11:00 am.

Josh will be absent from choir practice on March 5 and March 19th. Alan will provide a Lenten Bible Study at 6:00 pm before Choir practice.

Disciple Women report given by Pam.

We continue to meet with 8-12 members present.

We have several projects in the works.

Alan gave his minister's report.

During Dec.-Jan. prayer notes were sent out to several in our congregation.

Took pie slices to several people last week.

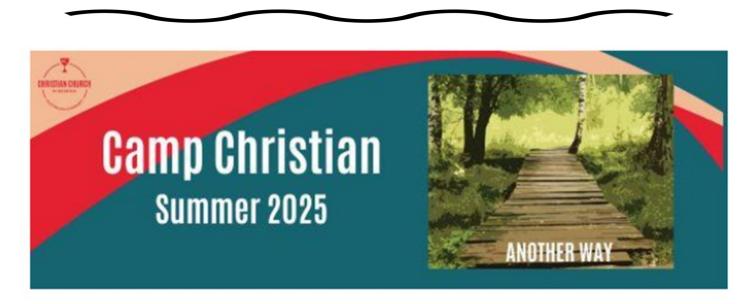
Scripture from Sunday was included with a Blessing on a flyer which was shared on Face-book and included with the mailed bulletins to shut-ins.

Calendar: Dates were included on the calendar and Rosa will email them to Elaine.

Communion was provided by Bill.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 pm with a prayer from Alan

Respectfully submitted by Rosa, secretary, and Bill, Board Chair



Registration is now open for campers, counselors, and counselors-in-training for 2025 Summer Camp at Camp Christian Conference Center. The theme for this year's summer camp is "Another Way." Campers from age Kindergarten (with parent/ adult) through high school, and every age in between, will explore stories of how Jesus often confronted the world around him and showed "another way." Likewise, God invites us to reimagine who we are and how we do things – and there's no better place to do this than in the peaceful setting of Camp Christian. Camp begins the week of June 8 and continues with various age groups scheduled for different weeks; use the link below to learn more and reserve your child's spot in summer camp at Camp Christian – "the Place to Be in the Heart of Georgia."



Disciples Men Let's Go Fishing May 10, 2025



Come to Camp Christian beginning at 9 am on May 10, 2025 for a day of fishing & fellowship, plus some camp-related activities for the non-fishermen. There will be plenty to eat, with lunch at 11:30 am and a cookout from 4 to 6 pm. The event is free, but registration is required. Register using the QR code or visit the Georgia Disciples website for more information.



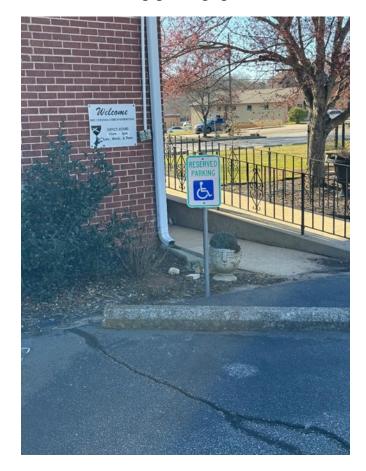




Scan the QR code to register or visit www.gadisciples.org/events/disciples-men-fishing-event

Property Committee Report: Mary Lillie Watson

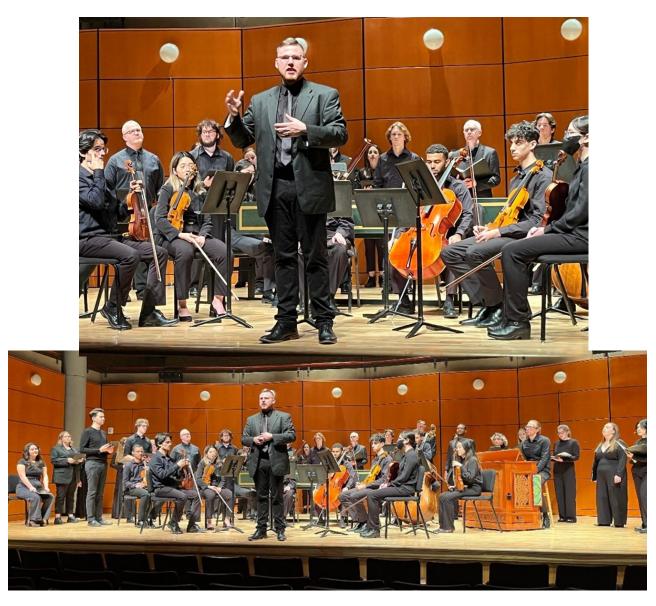
Two handicap parting spaces have been added to the First Street Parking lot.





Please make sure the ice scoop is not buried by ice. Either leave it on top of the ice machine or in the side where it is accessible.





Josh and Daijing at UGA Hugh Hodgson Hall.



Outreach Report: Barbara Powell

The Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper was well supported. The funds will be donated to Relay for Life.

