



We welcome Rodney & Tammy Wolfe and their two children, Evan & Kristen. The Wolfe family joined First Christian Church Sunday, February 24th by way of membership transfer. Mary Carroll, one of our current elders, is Rodney's mother.



Happy Birthday
to those who have birthdays in March

3rd Stan Shwartz	5th Courtney Ivie
5th Allie Traylor	5th Virginia McBee
6th Alex Cossio	

*Please Join Us For a
Wedding Shower Honoring*

*Kristen Marlatt
&
James Dodd*

**Saturday, March 9, 2013
at Two O'Clock in the afternoon
First Christian Church Cole Parlor
115 S. Glenbrook Dr., Garland, Texas 75043
Hosted by Debra Goheen
Regrets only—972-523-0056**

*The couple is registered at
Macy's, Crate & Barrell, and Bed Bath & Beyond*

Pastor's Class

Every year the ministers of the church offer a special class for kids in grades 4 through 8. The class is designed to help youth understand what it means to accept Christ as Lord and become a member of the church through Christian baptism. This year the class is scheduled for **Sunday, March 17th from 4-7pm**. Each youth will receive a very nice notebook of information. If your child is in grades 4-8 and has not been baptized please encourage them to attend. Those who are high school age or older may contact one of the ministers about your desire to be baptized on Easter Sunday, March 31st. Please call the church office (972-272-5423) if your child plans to attend.



Youth Ministry News



Sunday, March 3rd

Children's Choir 4pm

Snack supper 5 to 5:30pm
\$3 donation

CYF, JYF, PYF & Chi Rho
5:30-7pm

CYF & College Bible Study
6pm on Wednesday nights

Don't forget we need your
Mission Trip Registration
due **March 24th** with \$50
deposit

PRAYERS, JOYS, & CONCERNS... FOR THE FOLLOWING:

BEA AXE
LEE MACDONALD
JO LIMES
LAURA LEMASTER
PEGGY GUTHRIE

KEITH BIFFLE
MAY FOREMAN
WAYNE SMITH
DENNIS LEE
KENNY KIRKER



Pledged Offering Recap

	2/24/13	YTD
Budgeted	\$9,345	\$74,759
Received	\$6,218	\$67,222
Overage/(Shortage)	(\$3,127)	(\$7,537)

The church security system will be activated on Monday and Wednesday evenings. In order to have access to the building you will need to use the security code. Please call the church office if you need the code.

Easter Lily Order Form

Name: _____

In Memory of : _____

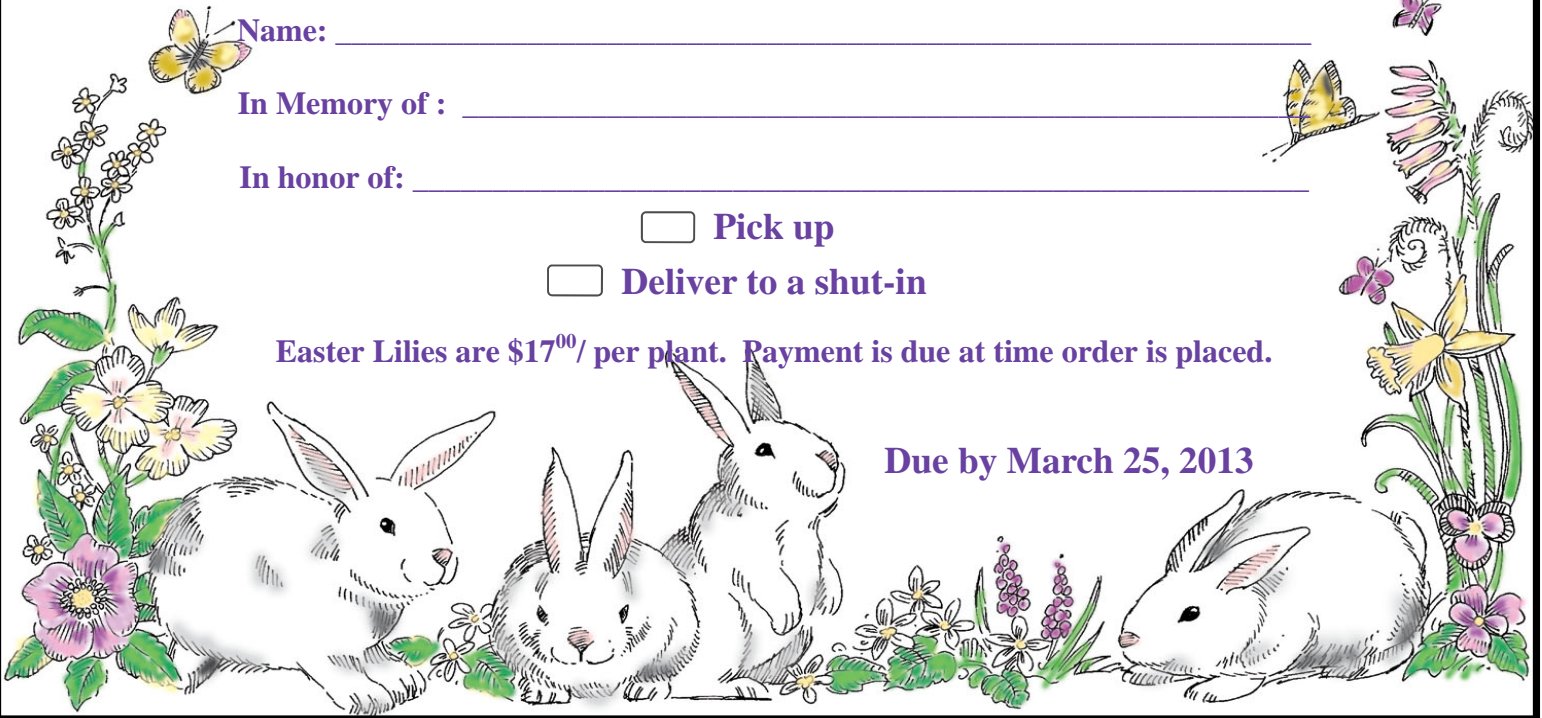
In honor of: _____

Pick up

Deliver to a shut-in

Easter Lilies are \$17⁰⁰/ per plant. Payment is due at time order is placed.

Due by March 25, 2013



Doves Covenant Group

The Doves Covenant Group will be praying for the following during the week of March 6th:

Betty McGill
 Maurice & Wanda McGill
 Stan & Laurie McGill
 Pat and Eva McKannan
 Don McKenzie
 Chris, Amber & Brenna McMillan
 Darween McPeak
 Deborah Meier
 Leah Mejia
 Janice, Jacki, Joseph & Ben Merucci



Lenten Services

*Palm Sunday,
 March 24th
 9am & 11:15am*

*Maundy Thursday
 March 28th 7pm*

*Good Friday
 March 29th 12pm*

*Easter Sunday
 March 31st 9am
 Breakfast 8-11am*



CHANCEL CHOIR PIANO ACCOMPANIST NEEDED Immediate Position Opening

A piano accompanist is needed for Wednesday night rehearsals (7-8 p.m.) and a Sunday morning traditional worship service (8:30-10 a.m.) for the weeks between Labor Day and the last Sunday of June. The accompanist may also be needed for occasional special services. Compensation is \$75 per rehearsal/service. Contact Choir Director, Stan McGill, of First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 115 South Glenbrook Drive, Garland, Texas, at (214)405-2035 or stan.mcgill1@gmail.com.

Spring Bible Study

Sunday, March 3rd & 10th at 6pm

Prayers of the Psalmist

The class will meet for four Sunday evenings, 6-7 p.m., in the chapel. The topic, "Prayers of the Psalmist," draws from the work of theologian Walter Brueggemann, who, years ago, suggested that the various Psalms, all 150 of them, could roughly be divided into three categories: three occasions in life, three seasons, that are common to every spiritual journey.

March 3—Psalms of Disorientation

These are the Psalms that give expression to those times of life when, as one writer has put, our assumptions about the relative fairness and rightness of life have been challenged. Times of trouble, or suffering, or doubt. Here, we pray for God to disclose Godself.

March 10—Psalms of New Orientation

These are the Psalms that give voice to new understanding, a regaining of lost hope, or a strengthening of hope following an occasion of loss. We are changed through seasons of loss. Yet in Psalms of New Orientation, we begin to incorporate life's losses into a new found sense of life and hope.



THIS WEEK'S SERMON

Sunday, March 3, 2013 (Lent #3)

Sermon: "Even Father Abraham"

Scripture: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Synopsis: We sometimes gloss over things in the Church. We don't mean anything by it, but our penchant to present neat and tidy narratives of faith sometimes hurts more than helps. Take the story in the New Testament book of Hebrews. The writer devotes an entire 11th chapter to a listing of the so-called "Roll Call of Saints." In it, the writer talks about the great one of faith, our spiritual ancestors who, like Abraham, for instance, "by faith obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out out, not knowing where he was going." (Hebrews 11:8) It is true, of course. Abraham did follow God's call. But not so quickly. In the beginning, in this week's passage, Abraham doubted; asked of God, "How am I to know?" I don't mean to diminish Abraham's faith, but I do mean to point out that in Scripture faith and doubt aren't necessarily exclusive. Even in the best of God's disciples there is doubt..

Board Meeting

Monday, March 11th 7:30pm