



Resolve to Love – Agree to Differ – Unite to Serve – Break Bread Together



**Third Sunday of
Lent, February
28, 2016**

Worship the
Living Christ at
10:30 a.m.

**Holy
Scriptures:**
Luke 13: 1-
9; Micah 6: 6-8
Sermon Title:
"Jesus' Values"
Preaching:

Mark your calendars and plan to participate!

Consider Yourself Invited and Expected!

2016 Lenten Theme: The Way is Love

9:30 AM Sunday, February 14, 21, and 28

Open Course on the Christian Church

**Class is for new members, friends and anyone
interested! We will cover Disciples history and polity;
the mission and ministries of First Christian Church;
and how to tap into your God-given vocation.**

**Teacher: *Pastor James in the Fellowship Hall with a
Flip Chart***

Sunday, February 28, depart at 12 noon

Children and Youth Fellowship

Games Day and Foosball tournament

at Peachtree Corners Christian Church

RSVP to Pastor James

Bring \$5 for lunch

Rev. Dr. James
Brewer-Calvert
Worship

Leaders:

Ruth Lutz and
Rev. Wendy
Wyche

Deacons: Larry
Todd, Pat Oliffe,
Robbin Brown



**Welcome
Home!**

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We'll travel via Church Van, be back by 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday Evenings in March from 6-7:15 PM
"Spiritual Writing"

Free Meal and Workshop begins at 6 p.m. and goes till
7:15 p.m. Bell Choir starts at 7:15 p.m. and 8 p.m. starts
the Chancel Choir. If you need a ride call Sherry Davis
at 404-378-3621.



**Leader: Dr. Joonna Trapp, Instructor,
Emory University Writing Program**



Soup and Salad Luncheon, March 6, 2016

Sunday, March 6 following the 10:30 Worship Service

**The Disciples Women will be serving a delicious Soup
and Salad luncheon. This is a fund raising project for
the Disciples Women Donations will be accepted at the**

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door!

MENU

Delicious Homemade Soups

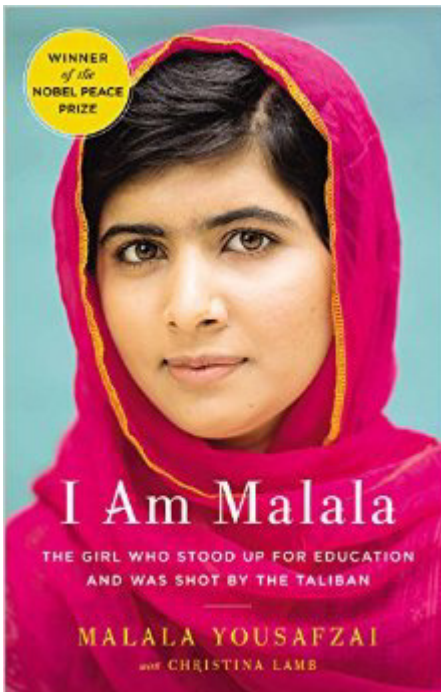
Tossed Salad with all the fixings and dressings

Cornbread

Dessert—pound cake with ice cream & chocolate sauce

Coffee, Tea and Lemonade

First Christian Church Book Club



Club is reading "I Am Malala" Discussion on March 17 at 7 p.m.

Easter Candy Donations

The joyous celebration of the Resurrection will be on us soon. We are planning our annual Easter Egg Hunt for Easter Sunday morning, March 27. We need donations of individually wrapped (non-chocolate) candy for stuffing plastic eggs for the egg hunt. We also need a few more plastic eggs. Please bring your donations to the church office or you can give them to Barbara Sims-King. Remember that the children range from ages 3 to 12. Some guidelines for selecting candy are:

avoid hard candy that may get stuck in a little one's throat; food allergies mean no nuts and to avoid cremes and fillings;

Suggested edible items:

Easter Skittles, Jelly Beans/Jelly Belly, Fruit Gummies, Smarties, Laffy Taffy, Sweet Tarts, Lifesavers, Nerds, Starburst and duck or bunny shaped candy packs.

Summer Camp Promotion Sunday

Applications for 2016 Summer camp are here. Please pick them up at the church office Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 3 pm. Deadline for early bird registration fees is April 15, 2015. Please get them completed as soon as possible. Late fee of \$10 will be added after May 1 and final registration is May 2. See Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims -King, Director of Christian Education if you have any questions.

2016 LENT & EASTER SCHEDULE

March 20 Palm Sunday at 10:30 AM

March 24 Maundy Thursday at 7 PM

March 25 Good Friday at 7 PM

March 27 Easter Service at 10:30 AM

Easter Egg Hunt on Lawn at 9:30 AM

Transforming Loss and Grief Support Group

When: Every 2nd and 4th Thursday evening

6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Where: First Christian Church of Decatur

Purpose: A gathering community of those who seek support in their journey toward acceptance of loss and grief. Open to the public, No fee.

Facilitator: Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King, LPC

Offerings for Spiritual Formation on Sunday at 9:15 a.m.

See you Sunday morning for meaningful, informative, and uplifting spiritual formation! Weekly Montessori-based **Godly Play for Children**, Sundays, 9:15 a.m. in worship and wonder room for 3 yr old through 2nd grade. **Jesus Junction Sunday School** for 3rd through

5th grade. Nursery is available for infants up to 3 years old. Adult Classes Gather Sundays from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.: **Pathfinders Class** is listening to "Gospel of John" Mary Frances Early is the leader. **Transforming Series** -- Pastor James Brewer-Calvert and Rev. Lynn Trapp will co-teach a 6-week class in January and February. Entitled "NEW BEGINNINGS" the course will cover Biblical texts of fresh starts and how we can relate and learn from the wisdom of our forbearers. We meet in the Church Parlor and all are welcome.

February 14-28 at 9:30-10:15 a.m. we will offer a **New Members and Friends Class** for anyone interested that will cover Disciples history and polity; the mission and ministries of First Christian Church; and how to tap into your God-given vocation. Teacher: Pastor James in the Church Parlor with a Flip Chart in the Church parlor.

Camp Christian Fundraiser

Saturday, March 5th 5:00PM-8:00PM at Sandy Springs Christian

5:00-6:00 PM - Social Gathering/Light Appetizers/Silent Auction

6:00 PM - Dinner followed by Live Cake Auction
Dressy Attire

Tickets - \$50 per person or \$80 per couple
Tickets are on sale now

at: http://www.gadisciples.org/Gala/a_night_out_for_camp.asp

The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Georgia will be holding a "A Night Out for Camp" and Auction on March 5, 2016 at Sandy Spring Christian Church to benefit Camp Christian Conference Center located in Gordon, Georgia. Our focus is on summer camps for children and youth. One of the camps we sponsor in addition to the camps for our youth and children is Camp OASIS (formerly Camp Balaam). This benefit camp is for elementary age children living in Wilkinson County, Georgia, who would not have the opportunity to attend a camp otherwise.

**Please see below. We have about half the slots filled for the youth helpers, but need more opportunities to help and we still need more cakes too. I also have included the link to register for the event if you need that too. We still have seats available. If I have missed someone, please let me know and I will forward the

email along.

Cake Sign up

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a44aaad2ca20-cakes>

Youth Volunteer Sign Up

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a44aaad2ca20-camp>

Gala Sign Registration

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Daylight Savings Time on March 13, 2016

On Saturday night, March 12th before you go to bed set your clock forward one hour. So you will be on time for church.

Continental Breakfast

Ever run late to church on Sunday morning and don't have time to eat? No problem; a continental breakfast is available! Feel free to sign up to bring breakfast once in a Blue Moon. First Christian Church offers Continental Breakfast year round, and everyone is invited to participate in both enjoying and providing delicious fare. Fill in your name on an open date, place in the offering plate or return to Church Office

Feb. 28: James and Betty
Brewer-Calvert

Mar. 6: Dotti Laycock

Mar. 13: Joonna Trapp

Did you meet and greet...? Recent Visitors

We are delighted to welcome friends and neighbors who recently visited to worship God here, including: Joshua Alexander, Tait Brooks, Juanita Carson, Kayla Harriott, Jason Huyler, Rhonda Lederer, Maryellen Merrill, Rev. Cameron Pennybackery and Dr. Sumitra Himangshu, Bob Powell, Maggy Randel, Weldon Sailors, Stan Saunders, Quinn Stevenson, Anna Marie Strickland.

Watching Our Figures

Sunday, Feb. 21st, 2016

Worship Participation	67
Church Offerings	\$ 8,576.00
Church Offsets	\$ 60.00
Restricted Funds	\$ 1,107.66
Youth Assembly gas fund	\$ <u>75.00</u>
Total	\$ 9,818.66

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