



## First Christian Church of Decatur

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

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**A Day On, Not a Day Off! -- Opportunities to Serve**

Saturday, Jan. 16 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Come, join with our neighbors on Martin Luther King weekend workdays in the City of Decatur -- help to spruce up and gently rehab the home of a local senior citizen. To register see Pastor James.

Monday, Jan. 18 from 9 a.m. until finished  
Have you noticed the (over) abundance of toys and the need for some raking in the church's Decatur Toy Park? Show up to help clean the park and playground. Bring work gloves, a rake, and a friend!

**Continental  
Breakfast**



**Second Sunday after  
Epiphany, January 17,  
2016**

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

**Holy Scriptures:**

Isaiah 62: 1-5; John 2: 1-11; 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11

**Sermon Title:**

*"Reflecting on Change  
Agents and Chores"*

**Preaching:**

Rev. Dr. James Brewer-  
Calvert

**Worship Leaders:**

Julie Fleming and Becky  
Kidd

**Deacons:**

Russell Broomfield,  
Susan Watts, Robin  
Brown

**Greeters:** Russell  
Broomfield

**Acolyte:** Tori Jackson

**Stewardship and Finance Ministry Meeting**

On Thursday, January 21st, the Stewardship and Finance Ministry will meet at 7 p.m. We will look at the yearend report and the pledges for 2016. This ministry will begin to have meetings each month- a permanent date and time will be established at this time. All ministry chairpersons are encouraged to attend as well as any congregation members who are interested in the Stewardship/Finance of our church.

If you have not made your pledge for 2016, please contact our treasurer Russell Broomfield for a pledge card. This will help in our planning for 2016. Thank you, Julie Fleming and Elaine Alsobrook

Installation of New Church Officers, Elders and Deacons, Sunday January 24th during worship at 10:30 AM Church Board Meeting Sunday, January 24, 2016 after the Worship Service.

**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.

**Alert!**

In February 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.



## Welcome Home!

First Christian Church of  
Decatur  
(Disciples of Christ)  
601 W. Ponce De Leon Ave.  
Decatur, GA 30030

404-378-3621

[DecaturDisciples.org](http://DecaturDisciples.org)  
[1stcc@bellsouth.net](mailto:1stcc@bellsouth.net)

"We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us." --Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Statement of Identity.

Teacher: Pastor James in the Church Parlor  
with a Flip Chart



## Transforming Loss and Grief Support Group

When: Every 2nd and 4th Thursday evening  
beginning

January 14, 2016 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Where: First Christian Church of Decatur  
601 West Ponce de Leon Avenue  
Decatur, GA 30030

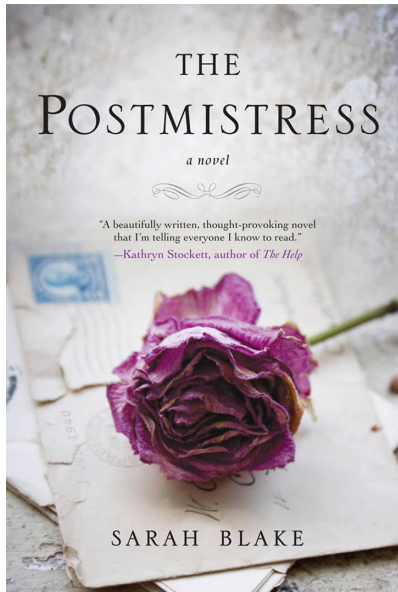
(404) 378-3621 ext. 225

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



### **First Christian Church Book Club**

Book Club is reading "The Post Mistress" by Sarah Blake.

Next gathering is January 28 at 7 p.m.

### **Christmount (in North Carolina) Lenten Prayer Retreat February 22-24, 2016**

Experience an intensive time of prayer, worship, and other Lenten practices in a retreat atmosphere! Christmount is the perfect place for quiet reflection during Lent, when winter lends itself to solitude, contemplation, and reflection. • worship in the morning and afternoon • brief evening prayer service • discussion of our disciplines • silent times, social times • good, simple meals Please bring a snack to share with the group. REGISTRATION: [christmount.org/lent.html](http://christmount.org/lent.html) or call 828.669.8977 Cost: \$182 single occupancy With extra night: \$239 (extra meals on your own) rates include lodging, meals & conference fee Christmount • 222 Fern Way • Black Mountain, NC 28711.

**Did you meet and greet...? Recent Visitors**

We are delighted to welcome friends and neighbors who recently visited to worship God here, including: Juanita Carson, Michelle Castlebury, Randy Finley, Irene Muturi, Maggy Randels, Quinn Stevenson, Answai White.

**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:

Jan. 17: Yolanda Lewellyn  
Jan. 24: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jan. 31: \_\_\_\_\_

