

# First Christian Church of Fort Stockton



*More than a Church - We're a Family*

## **Newsletter for July, 2022**

### Walt's Notes

As we enter the second half of the year 2022, we begin a study of The Beatitudes, those teachings from Christ delivered on the mountainside in the Sermon on the Mount. This occurs soon after Jesus begins his earthly ministry. Soon after Jesus chooses his disciples, he travels throughout Galilee, preaching in the synagogues and healing the suffering. Huge crowds followed him wherever he went.

It was during this time that he climbs the mountainside, sits down, and speaks those words known as "The Beatitudes" to the crowd of followers. Each blessing he delivered speaks to our emotions, struggles, pains, doubts, and desires as we seek to find reassurance and understanding with our Creator. Jesus' compassion for those who follow him is evident in every word that he teaches. We will continue our study of these blessings through the month of August.

July is also the month that we celebrate American Independence from Great Britain. In spite of our difficulties and struggles, we are a blessed nation that constantly seeks to find the high road in our relations with the rest of the world. We are not and will never be, perfect. May God grant that The United States of America to always look to its reflection with fortitude and a desire to make things right in a world that looks to us for an example of democracy. Let us be a nation given to justice, wisdom, and freedom for all.

God bless you all!

Rev Walt

### Announcements

**Sunday School — 9:30 AM**

**Worship — 10:50 AM**

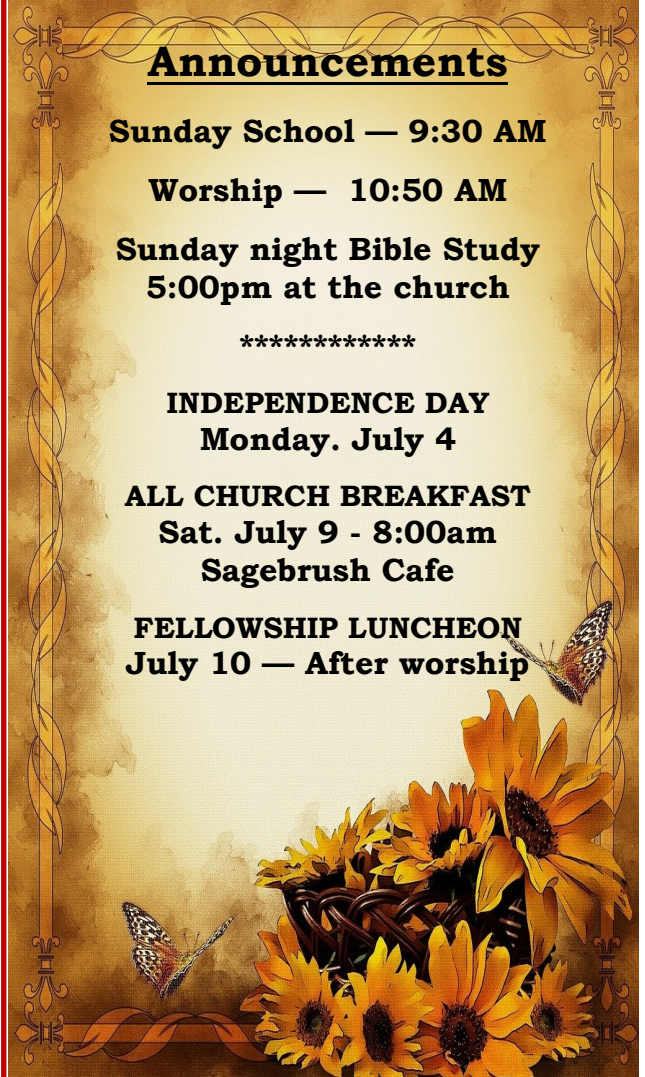
**Sunday night Bible Study  
5:00pm at the church**

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**INDEPENDENCE DAY  
Monday, July 4**

**ALL CHURCH BREAKFAST  
Sat. July 9 - 8:00am  
Sagebrush Cafe**

**FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON  
July 10 — After worship**



# **Be a Voice for Change!**

"Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them."

Matthew 5:1-2

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HOPE *and*  
CHANGE

The  
Beatitudes

BLESSED ARE

*The Poor in Spirit*

*The Merciful*

*The Mourners*

*The Pure in Heart*

*The Meek*

*The Peacemakers*

*The Hungry*

*The Persecuted*

*My Followers*