



THE FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, OWENSBORO  
(Disciples of Christ)

# CALLER

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## From the Preacherman....

Of late my attention has been captured by a little noticed, but profoundly important theme in Scripture that speaks to our 21<sup>st</sup> Century existence. People are busy, that goes without saying, but many are struggling to get any sense of the presence and activity of God in the world. There seems little time and less space to breathe in the life of God, so we rush through our harried days until we fall exhausted into bed at night, wondering what exactly we accomplished with all that busyness. As a pastor I talk to person after person whose greatest need is space, peace and time to do more than catch a breath. How does the church help?

Not by adding to your busyness, but first encouraging us to listen....

*"Be still and know that I am God (Ps. 46:10)....Deep calls to deep (Ps. 42:7)....the blessings of the deep that lies beneath (Gen. 49:25)... Can you find out the deep things of God? (Job 11:7)....Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch (Luke 5:4)."*

If you had asked me twenty-five years ago what kind of church I wanted to serve, I probably would have told you a busy church, active in ministry, missions and service to God and neighbor. Today I will tell you that I want to serve a deep church, to serve beside people who are growing ever deeper in their faith, not by being overly busy, but by understanding our human limits, resting in the grace of a merciful God and inviting others to share in that peace. A deep life of faith is an active life, but the energy is God's life flowing through us. There is faith and trust in God's power to bless and expand our efforts, not in our own, limited human resources.

God invites us to participate in the in-breaking reign of the Almighty in this world, the reign of God that is among us. God welcomes us to take part in that, but God can do all of it without us. You do know that, right? There are no indispensable people in the world. We don't have to participate in any of it. We get to join in, not because we must, but because we may.

I am convinced that there are many people in our community who want to go deeper in their faith. Not busier, but deeper. The church can offer that. Perhaps the church must offer that in this day and age. Be still and know that God is God. Indeed.

Peace....Chris

## First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Owensboro, Kentucky Mission Statement

*"Our mission is to manifest  
Christ's love by empowering all to  
compassionate service."*

## Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Mission Statement

*"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."*

## FCC STAFF

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## Church Office Hours

Mon–Thurs 8 am–noon and 1 – 5 pm

You may listen to our worship service via  
your computer or smartphone by  
accessing  
[www.MIXLR.com/FirstChristianChurch](http://www.MIXLR.com/FirstChristianChurch) at  
9 am CT Sunday, or by using a  
speakerphone dialing 1-214-699-5100.  
The access code is 6939237#

## FCC App for iPhone & Android

Stay connected with the church,  
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## FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

LET'S DINE TOGETHER

**June 30 - FOLLOWING MORNING WORSHIP**  
 Enjoy Breakfast Casseroles, Biscuits & Gravy, and Fruit!  
 \$5 per person. Sunday School classes will not meet June 30.

# CAR SHOW

**June 30 3-5PM**  
**Church Parking Lot**



**Dear Church Family,**

Your kindness during my recent illness has been overwhelming. Thank you for the cards, visits, flowers, food, and prayers offered on my behalf. May all of you be blessed as you blessed me.  
 Love, Cheryl


**Dear First Christian Church,**

I would like to thank everyone who has helped with my Mom and Dad (Sue and Verne) this past year, especially those of you who took time to take my Dad to dialysis. He looked forward to riding with each of you and would check his list to see who it was going to be each week. Our family can't thank you all enough, you have always been there for them.

If anyone would like to visit or send a card, their address is:

Verne & Sue Bethel  
 c/o Transcendent Healthcare  
 725 South Second St.  
 Boonville, IN 47601

Thanks,  
 Donna Bethel Sheehan



THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY

Cordially invites you to attend the  
 Portrait Presentation Ceremony for

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE  
 JOSEPH H. MCKINLEY, JR.

Wednesday, July 3, 2019  
 2:00 P.M. Central Time

Bluegrass Music Hall of Fame & Museum  
 311 West Second Street  
 Owensboro, Kentucky

Reception immediately following the ceremony

RSVP by Wednesday, June 19, 2019: <http://tinyurl.com/judgemckinley>

**Primetimers' Plus Events –**

**Tuesday, June 18, 7AM** - Leave church parking lot for Bowling Green to eat breakfast at Wild Eggs, on to Bernheim Forest for The Giants exhibit, Louisville for a stop at Butchertown Market Place with a late lunch at Troll Pub Under the Bridge, then returning home. This trip will be in the church van. Cost - \$15.00 per person plus breakfast and lunch on your own.

**Monday, July 1** - Picnic at Diamond Lake. Please note: this is not the early fall church picnic. The church van will leave the church at 5pm for those who want to use this service (\$3.00). We will eat at 6 pm. This is a potluck picnic with chicken and catfish provided. The meat will be paid for by individual contributions. Families should bring dishes that feed 10 persons. Entertainment will be the "River City Strings", 8 persons featuring Ann Jeannette Pierce. This will be a listening and sing-a-long activity.

All church members and friends are invited to Primetimers' Plus events. To make reservations for any event or questions contact Ron Waite at home (270) 683-8510, mobile (812) 454-8555 or email [ronwownsbr@aol.com](mailto:ronwownsbr@aol.com).

## SHOES FOR WATER DONATE SHOES **SAVE LIVES!**

Simply donate new or gently used shoes of any size, type, or style, as long as they are free from mold/ mildew, and you'll help fund safe drinking water projects all over the world – projects that help to save hundreds of thousands of lives each year. You may place donated shoes in the WaterStep donation box located in the foyer.



# Serving in Worship

**June 16 ~ Pentecost 2 ~ 9:00 AM**

Liturgist: **Patrick Whitmer**  
 Serving Elders: **Malcolm Bryant and Aloma Dew**  
 Acolyte: **Brady Benjamin** Bell Ringer: **Daniel Lott**  
 Elder of the month: **June Stapleton**  
 Deacons: **Barbara Bennett, Andy Goodaker, Sally Ham, Cathy Maddox, Teresa McKinley, Laura Michael, Cathy Midkiff, John & Jane Miller, Forrest Roberts, Sandy Roberts**  
 Youth Deacon: **Maggie Lott**  
 Worship & Wonder Storyteller: **Pam Woodward**  
 Shepherds: **Nancy Connor and Nancy Barnard**  
 Prelude: *500 Year Old Melody* **Camryn Kyle and Angela Bruce**, piano duet  
 Message in Music: *Lord, I Have Seen Thy Salvation* **Lisa Clark**, soloist  
 Offertory: *Rest in the Lord*  
 Communion: *Jesus is All the World to Me* **Morgan Booher**, cellist  
 Hymns: *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!; Lord, I Want to Be a Christian; In This Very Room*

*Flowers have been placed in the chancel by Carolyn & Henry Williams to the glory of God and in honor of all fathers and in loving memory of her father, Lawrence Scott, and his father, Henry Williams.*

**June 23 ~ Pentecost 3 ~ 9:00 AM**

Liturgist: **John Burns**  
 Serving Elders: **Mark & Janet Luckett**  
 Acolyte: **Colin Ruckdeschel** Bell Ringer: **Brady Benjamin**  
 Elder of the month: **June Stapleton**  
 Deacons: **Eric Farmer, Blake & Missie Hayden, Brenda & Doug Hoyt, Matt Johnson, Joseph & Meghan McKinley, Abbe Quisenberry, Patrick & Michelle Whitmer**  
 Youth Deacon: **Jackson Kyle**  
 Worship & Wonder Storyteller: **Pam Woodward**  
 Shepherds: **Nancy Connor and Sandy Roberts**  
 Prelude: *As the Deer*  
 Message in Music: *Not Ashamed* **1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Quartet**  
 Offertory: *Wayfaring Stranger* **Cindy Thompson Goodrid, soloist and Wendell Thompson & James Stuart, guitar**  
 Communion: *We are Travelers on a Journey*  
 Hymns: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty; Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service; Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race*

*Flowers have been placed in the chancel to the glory of God and in loving memory of Walter Sloane Gant by Mary Ellen Gant, Stuart Gant, Emily Gant Gentry, and Elizabeth Gant Lowry.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SUNDAY, June 16

9:00 am Worship  
 10:00 am FCC Café  
 10:30 am Sunday School  
 11:15 am Education Team Mtg.  
 6:30 pm Boy Scouts

### TUESDAY, June 18

7:00 am PTP to Louisville

### WEDNESDAY, June 19

6:30 am MBS Panera

### THURSDAY, June 20

2:30 pm Food Pantry

### SUNDAY, June 23

9:00 am Worship  
 10:00 am FCC Café  
 10:30 am Sunday School  
 6:30 pm Boy Scouts

### WEDNESDAY, June 26

6:30 am MBS Panera

### SUNDAY, June 30

9:00 am Worship  
 10:00 am 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Breakfast  
 3:00 pm Car Show  
 6:30 pm Boy Scouts

### July 1 – 6 Chi Rho Camp at KBY

### MONDAY, July 1

5:00pm Primetimers' Plus  
 Picnic Diamond Lake

### WEDNESDAY, July 3

6:30 am MBS Panera  
 2:30 pm Food Pantry  
 4:00 pm Fellowship Hall in Use

### THURSDAY, July 4

Office Closed

### July 7 – 13 CYF Mission Trip to Florida Panhandle

### SUNDAY, July 7

9:00 am Worship  
 10:00 am FCC Café  
 6:30 pm Boy Scouts

### July 8 – 12 Junior Camp at KBY

### MONDAY, July 8

5:30 pm Outreach Team Mtg.

### WEDNESDAY, July 10

6:30 am MBS Panera

### THURSDAY, July 11

5:15pm Finance Team Mtg.

### SUNDAY, July 14

9:00 am Worship  
 10:00 am FCC Café  
 10:30 am Sunday School  
 12:00 pm Pitino Shelter  
 6:30 pm Boy Scouts

### TUESDAY, July 16

5:45 pm Board Mtg.

### WEDNESDAY, July 17

6:30 am MBS Panera

### THURSDAY, July 18

2:30 pm Food Pantry

### SUNDAY, July 21

9:00 am Worship  
 10:00 am FCC Café  
 10:30 am Sunday School  
 11:15 pm Education Team Mtg.  
 6:30 pm Boy Scouts

## Summer Music!

Thanks to the choir for sharing their talents on Sunday, June 2. That concludes their time on the chancel for the next few weeks.

Our first guest musician is Lisa Clark. Lisa is Assistant Professor of Music at Kentucky Wesleyan. She will be singing in the service June 16.

First/Third Quartet will return June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Please continue to make our guests feel welcome.

## STEWARDSHIP APRIL 2019

Offering for the Month	\$36,743.00
Other Revenue Month	3,185.00
Total Revenue	\$39,928.00
Expenses for the month	28,759.00
Net for the month	11,169.00

YTD Offering	142,686.00
YTD Other Revenue	8,447.00
YTD Revenue	151,133.00
YTD Expenses	134,493.00
YTD Net	\$16,640.00

## OUTREACH for APRIL

West Area Disciples CCK	\$1,071.00
Disciples Mission Fund	1,785.00
HELP Office	450.00



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*Pictured above are many of the children who attended VBS.*

Thank you to **everyone** who helped make VBS a wonderful experience.

## CYF Mission Trip **TEAMeffort** YOUTH GROUP MISSION TRIPS

On Sunday, June 30, we will commission the youth and adult sponsors who are traveling to the Panama City area July 7-13 for a mission trip during which they will be helping with the long-term rebuilding effort. Please keep our youth and sponsors in your prayers as they prepare for the trip: Maggie Lott, Evan LeBoutillier, Sally Lott, Adam Lott, Paige Castlen, Hannah Kate Divine, Joe Lewis, Addison LeBoutillier, Stacy Castlen, and Laura Michael.

### Camping Season at Kum-Ba-Ya

**July 1-6 Chi Rho Campers:** Miles Baur, Zoe Carroll, Broderick Divine, Camille Divine, Whitley Ford, Camryn Kyle, Jackson Kyle, Daniel Lott, Ben Luallen, Addison Travis, and Annalee Yager

**July 8-12 Junior Campers:** Max Baur, Reise Elliott, Mack Elliott, and Walker Gaddis

Send a note to let the campers know that you are thinking of them and praying for them!

Camp KBY  
4943 Barge Island Road  
Benton, KY 42045