

Welcome, Visitors! If you are visiting today, we are so pleased that you chose to worship with us. If we can do anything to make you more comfortable during your visit, please feel free to reach out to an usher or our Pastor. Here at First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) we take Communion each Sunday. Anyone who is a follower of Christ is invited to partake. If you are interested in membership or learning more about our church, please speak with Rev. Michael following the service.

Children in Worship

Children are always welcome to participate in Worship. We do offer childcare for infants to 3 year olds while parents attend Worship and Sunday School. As an alternative to Sanctuary Worship, we offer Worship and Wonder, an experience designed to give children the opportunity to hear Bible stories and learn the Gospel at their own level. Children ages 3 through 2nd grade are welcome to join us following the "Children's Blessing."

If you haven't checked out our website and social media pages, we'd love to connect with you in that way:

Website: www.fccowb.org
 Facebook: FCCOwensboro
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This week at First Christian Church (DOC)

*CR- Choir Room; C- Conference Room; F-Fellowship Hall;
 FHL-Fa-Ho-Lo Room; S-Sanctuary*

Sunday, April 12
 9:00 a.m. Worship Service (S)
 10:00 a.m. Fellowship (F)
 10:20 a.m. Sunday School

Monday, April 13
 6:30 p.m. OCTC Choir Rehearsal (S)

Tuesday, April 14
 11:30 a.m. Primetimers Outing

Wednesday, April 15
 6:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship (Great Harvest on Frederica)
 12:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting (C)
 5:30 p.m. Dinner (F)
 6:15 p.m. Worship (S)
 6:30 p.m. Youth Group & Choir Practice (CH)

Thursday, April 16
 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Refugee Food Pantry (F)
 5:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting (C)

Friday, April 17 Church Office Closed

Saturday, April 18 **Rev. J Chris Michael Turns 60!**
 7:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Operation Community Cleanup

Announcements

The Men's Mass Community Choir will be performing TODAY at Settle Memorial United Methodist. See singers Terry Brownson or Mike Tichenor for more information.

Primetimers luncheon is THIS Tuesday at 11:30 AM at the Patio Steak House, 3120 East State Rd 66, Cannelton IN. We are taking the bus, and it is going to be driven by Steve Rice. Please let us know if you can come and if you want to ride the bus (\$5 charge to ride the bus). Arrive at 10:45 AM to board the bus. Contact Janet Luckett by text only 270-929-4984 or Barbara Chavez 270-929-6941 to text or leave a message or email babsc1222@gmail.com.

THIS Saturday is the Issac Sterett Adventure Foudation's annual Operation Community Cleanup. Feel free to park at the church and walk over to 1010 Allen St. for the opening ceremony that at begins at 7:30 a.m. Can't make it? Just pick up some trash around your neighborhood.



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Second Sunday of Easter
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SEEKING THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome Rev. Chris Michael

Bringing of the LightBell of Mindfulness
(Please use this time for quiet reflection.)

Prelude Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"Morning Has Broken"
Traditional Gaelic Melody
Arr. Joel Raney

*Call to Worship Meg Lawson

One: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: The whole creation rejoices; the birds sing from every tree.

One: Alleluia! Christ is in our midst!

All: Babies babble with sounds of joy; words cannot express our overflowing hearts.

One: Alleluia! Christ is our light forever!

All: Breathing peace on us in these moments; surrounding us with grace and hope.

***Hymn #234**

"Crown Him with Many Crowns" (vs 1 & 4)

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Meg Lawson
(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Meg Lawson

Luke 24:13-27

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Children's Blessing Rev. Chris Michael

Ages 3 through 2nd grade are invited forward for a blessing, then will be escorted to
Worship and Wonder (located at the end of the first floor education wing)

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Chris Michael

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Special Music Phillip & Arden Mitchell

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 24:28-35

One: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"What Things?"

Invitation to Discipleship

***Hymn #218**

"Thine Is the Glory"

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

Preparation for the Offering

Offertory

"Blessed Assurance"
Phoebe P. Knapp
Arr. Bill Wolaver

*Doxology and Presentation of Gifts (Page 46)

*Dedication Prayer

RENEWING THE COVENANT IN THE LORD'S SUPPER

*We are one in Christ, let everyone share in this communion
without regard for denominational affiliation.
You are invited to take the cup and bread after your prayers.*

Invitation to Communion

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music

"Fairest Lord Jesus"
Silesian Folk Melody
Arr. Pepper Choplin

GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE

*Benediction

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

*Please stand if you are able.

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John & Janey Burns

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Scripture Reading

First Reading - Luke 24:13-27

¹³ Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened.

¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹ He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²²

Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." ²⁵ Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴ They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Second Reading - Luke 24:28-35

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