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 Instagram: @fccowb



Online Giving

Online giving is now live for tithes and offerings. To submit your gift, visit www.fccowb.org/give or text "FCCOWB" to 73256. You may also scan the QR code to the left!

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Sr. Minister	Rev. J. Chris Michael
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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 27

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

Monday, April 28

Tuesday, April 29

Wednesday, April 30

6:30 a.m Men's Fellowship (Panera)
5:30 p.m All Church Meal
6:15 p.m Choir Practice (CR)

Thursday, May 1

1:30 p.m. Refugee Food Pantry

Friday, May 2

Church Office Closed

Saturday, May 3

Announcements

All Church Meal will be on Wednesday, April 30th at 5:30 p.m. The Youth will be hosting this potluck. Please bring a dish, friends, and family!

OCTC Choir Concert is on Monday, May 5th @ 7:00 p.m. Directed by our very own, Connie Ford.

Youth Cinco De Mayo Fundraiser is on May 7th @ 5:30 p.m. at FCC. Proceeds go towards their mission trip to Arizona

Elders Meeting has been cancelled for the month of May

Board Meeting is on Wednesday, May 21st @ 5:30 p.m. in FaHoLa classroom.



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Second Sunday of Easter April 27, 2025 April 27, 2025 Second Sunday of Easter

SEEKING THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome Rev. Chris Michael

Bringing of the Light Bell of Mindfulness

(Please use this time for quiet reflection.)

Prelude Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Conrad Kocher

Arr. Larry Shackley

*Call to Worship Janet Corum

One: Strengthen our faith at this resurrection time, O God;

All: give us the courage of Mary Magdalene.

One: Strengthen our faith at this resurrection time, O God;

All: give us the honesty of Thomas the apostle.

One: Strengthen our faith at this resurrection time, O God;

All: give us the joy of the gathered disciples.

One: Strengthen our faith at this resurrection time, O God;

All: give us the active spirit of the Risen Christ. Christ be praised.

Alleluia!

*Hymn #233

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Janet Corum

(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Janet Corum

Luke 24:13-24

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Children's Blessing Rev. Chris Michael

Children 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

Message in Music Janet Corum, Solo

"Jesus Triumphant" Stradella Second Scripture Reading Rev. Chris Michael

Luke 24:25-35

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Chris Michael

"In Word and Sacrament"

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn #254

"Breathe On Me, Breath of God"

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

Preparation for the Offering Rev. Chris Michael
Offertory Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"Softly and Tenderly" Will L. Thompson Arr. Jay Rouse

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.

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Invitation to Communion
Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music

Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"Amazing Grace" From Virginia Harmony, 1831 Arr. Mark Hayes

GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE

*Benediction Rev. Chris Michael

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

First Reading- Luke 24:13-24

¹³Now 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. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then 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?" ¹⁹He 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. ²¹But 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. ²²Moreover, 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. ²⁴Some 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."

Second Reading- Luke 24:25-35

²⁵Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But 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. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. 32They 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?" 33That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. 34They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

^{*}Doxology and Presentation of Gifts (Page 46)

^{*}Dedication Prayer

^{*}Please stand if you are able.