

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."

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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, August 2		
9:00 a.m.		Worship Service (S)
10:00 a.m.		Fellowship (F)
10:20 a.m.		Sunday School
Monday, August 3		
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 a.m.		OHS SPED Meeting
Tuesday, August 4		
Wednesday, August 5		
6:30 a.m.	Men's Fellowship (Great Harvest on Frederica)	
3:00 p.m.	F.I.F. Class Cooks for CrossRoads	
Thursday, August 6		
8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.		Refugee Food Pantry
Friday, August 7		
3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.		Portraits in the Office
Saturday, August 8		
10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.		Portraits in the Office

Announcements

PICTURE DAYS: August 7, 8, and 9! Your appointment will take about 12 minutes and will take place in the office. Didn't make a picture appointment? Just send in a picture to stacy@fccowb.org, or we can take one with our phone.

NEXT Sunday, August 9th there will be a congregational meeting following our 9:00 a.m. service.

Primetimers luncheon will be Tuesday, August 11th at NOON at Farmer and Frenchman. Let us know if you are planning to ride the bus (\$5). If you are planning to ride, be at the church by 11 a.m. and the bus will leave at 11:15. RSVP Janet Luckett by text message only 270-929-4984 or Barbara Chavez 270-929-6941 text, call or leave a message. ALL are welcome!

On Dec. 20th we will present *The Road to Christmas*, an original eight-song cantata written by Dr. Phillip Mitchell. WE NEED SINGERS, no matter your level of experience or training! You do not have to join the choir to take part. Rehearsals will begin after the Wednesday evening service and will last about thirty minutes.

Mark your calendar: "End of Summer" Potluck is August 12th at 5:30 p.m. Choir and cantata practice will start afterwards in the Sanctuary.



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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 2, 2026

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SEEKING THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome

Bringing of the Light and the Bell of Mindfulness

(Please use this time for quiet reflection.)

Prelude

Rev. Chris Michael

Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano

"The God of Abraham Praise"

Hebrew Melody

Arr. Lyndell Leatherman

*Call to Worship

One: We come to this place of worship, to encounter the One who has called us here.

All: This Holy One - our God: is with us in every moment.

One: God is in our celebrations and joys, God is in our darkest nights of loneliness.

All: This Holy God - our God: blesses us and calls us by name.

One: As night fades before the coming Light, we meet the One who saves us - even from ourselves.

All: This God - our Holy God: touches us with the Spirit of hope.

Libby Johnson

*Hymn #419

"All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly" (vs. 1 & 3)

*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer

(using “debts” and “debtors”)

Libby Johnson

First Scripture Reading

Matthew 8:1-4

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One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Children’s Blessing

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)

Rev. Chris Michael

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music

"Lord of the Small"

Lyrics by Johanna Anderson

Music by Dan Forrest

Rev. Chris Michael

1st and 3rd Quartet

Angela Bruce, piano

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 8:5-13

Rev. Chris Michael

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Let it be Done"

Rev. Chris Michael

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn #606

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" (vs. 1 & 3)

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

Preparation for the Offering

Offertory

"Sonata No. 11," K.331

Theme and Variation 1

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Rev. Chris Michael

Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano

*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

Nancy Connor & Leslie Mobley

Communion Music

"Wherever I May Wander"

New England Folk Melody

Arr. Anna Laura Page

Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano

GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE

*Benediction

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Rev. Chris Michael

*Please stand if you are able.

Scripture Reading

First Reading - Matthew 8:1-4

¹ When Jesus had come down from the mountain, great crowds followed him, ² and there was a man with a skin disease who came to him and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean.” ³ He stretched out his hand and touched him, saying, “I am willing. Be made clean!” Immediately his skin disease was cleansed. ⁴ Then Jesus said to him, “See that you say nothing to anyone, but go, show yourself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, as a testimony to them.”

Second Reading - Matthew 8:5-13

⁵ When he entered Capernaum, a centurion came to him, appealing to him ⁶ and saying, “Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, in terrible distress.” ⁷ And he said to him, “I will come and cure him.” ⁸ The centurion answered, “Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only speak the word, and my servant will be healed. ⁹ For I also am a man under authority, with soldiers under me, and I say to one, ‘Go,’ and he goes, and to another, ‘Come,’ and he comes, and to my slave, ‘Do this,’ and the slave does it.” ¹⁰ When Jesus heard him, he was amazed and said to those who followed him, “Truly I tell you, in no one in Israel have I found such faith. ¹¹ I tell you, many will come from east and west and will take their places at the banquet with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, ¹² while the heirs of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” ¹³ And Jesus said to the centurion, “Go; let it be done for you according to your faith.” And the servant was healed in that hour.