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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| Pianist | Ann Jeannette Pierce |
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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 3

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

Monday, August 4

Tuesday, August 5

Wednesday, August 6

6:30 a.m Men's Fellowship (Panera)

Thursday, August 7

1:30 p.m. Refugee Food Pantry

Friday, August 8

Church Office Closed

Saturday, August 9

Announcements

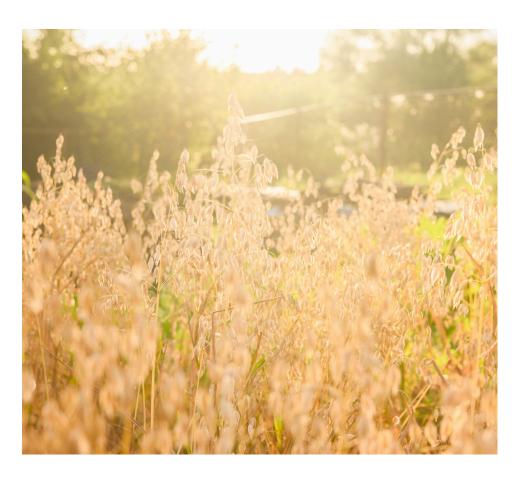
"On behalf of our entire family, we want to express our heartfelt thanks for the love, support, and prayers you extended to us during the loss of our beloved mother and mother-in-law. Your presence at the service, the kind words, meals, cards, and every thoughtful gesture meant more to us than we can truly express. We are deeply grateful to be part of a congregation that lives out love so genuinely.

With sincere appreciation, Steve and Cathy Perrin"

Promotion Sunday will be on August 10^{th.} This day recognizes students moving up to their next grade for the 2025-2026 school year!



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Eighth Sunday after Pentecost August 3, 2025 August 3, 2025 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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

"Oh, How I Love Jesus" American Melody Arr. Larry Shackley

*Call to Worship Gary Bielefeld

One: We are here,

All: in the name of Christ Jesus.

One: So ask right now,

All: and it shall be given to you.

One: Seek right now, **All: and you will find.** One: Knock right now

All: and the door will be opened.

*Hymn #226

"He Lives!" vs. 1 & 3

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Gary Bielefeld

(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Gary Bielefeld

Exodus 20:1-7

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Mission Trip Report Meaghan Murphy & Youth

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

*Hymn #261

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit" x2

Second Scripture Reading

Rev. Chris Michael

Exodus 20:8-17

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Chris Michael

"Weary and Burdened"

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn #408

"Come, Share the Lord" (vs. 1 & 2)

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

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

"Have Faith in God" B.B. McKinney Arr. Todd Billingsley

*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 Nancy Connor & Leslie Mobley

Words of Institution
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music

Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"My Tribute" Andrae Crouch 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.

*Please stand if you are able.

Scripture Reading

<u>First Reading- Exodus 20:1-7</u>

20 Then God spoke all these words,

² "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³ you shall have no other gods before^[a] me.

⁴ "You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me ⁶ but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation^[b] of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷ "You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Second Reading- Exodus 20:8-17

⁸ "Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰ But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹ For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and consecrated it.

¹² "Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

¹³"You shall not murder.^[a]

¹⁴"You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵ "You shall not steal.

¹⁶ "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷ "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, male or female slave, ox, donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.