

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:

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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, February 25
 9:00 a.m. Worship Service (S)
 10:00 a.m. Fellowship (F)
 10:20 a.m. Sunday School
 5:00 p.m. Handbells

Monday, February 26

Tuesday, February 27
 12:10 p.m. Lenten Lunch/ service

Wednesday, February 28
 6:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship (Panera)
 6:00 p.m. Youth Groups (F)
 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice (CR)

Thursday, February 29

Friday, March 1
 Church Office Closed

Saturday, March 2

Announcements

Lenten Lunches and service will continue on Tuesdays at 12:10 p.m. until Easter!



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Second Sunday in Lent
 February 25, 2024

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
"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"
Lowell Mason
arr. Carol Tornquist

*Call to Worship Connie Ford

One: Covenant God, God of Abraham and of Sarah, we come before you.

All: You will keep your word!

One: Covenant God, God of Amos and of Jeremiah, we come before you.

All: You will keep your promises!

One: Covenant God, God of the New Covenant in Jesus, we come before you.

All: The cross is your trusted sign!

One: Covenant God, God whose love is sealed in the waters of baptism, we come before you.

All: Your covenant endures!***Hymn #108****"Life High the Cross" (v. 1,2, & 4)***Invocation and Lord's Prayer Connie Ford
(using "debts" and "debtors")First Scripture Reading Connie Ford
Mark 9:2-9

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

Choir Message
"You Are My All in All"
Jernigar

Second Scripture Reading Rev. Chris Michael

Mark 9:30-37

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Chris Michael
"I am the Greatest"

Invitation to Discipleship

Hymn #97*"Fairest Lord Jesus" (all)****OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD**

Preparation for the Offering Rev. Chris Michael

Offertory Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"Grace Greater than Our Sin"

Daniel B. Townes

arr. Bill Wolaver

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*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 Chris & Cate Gaddis

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music
Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus"

Thomas J. Williams

Arr. Larry Shackley

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**First Reading- Mark 9:2-9**

2 Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, 3 and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. 4 And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. 5 Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' 6 He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. 7 Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' 8 Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. 9 As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

Second Reading- Mark 9:30-37

30 They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; 31 for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' 32 But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. 33 Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' 34 But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. 35 He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' 36 Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 37 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'