

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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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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This week at First Christian Church (DOC)

<i>CR- Choir Room; C- Conference Room; F-Fellowship Hall; FHL-Fa-Ho-Lo Room; S-Sanctuary</i>	
Sunday, Februaray 8	Souper Bowls for Super Bowl
9:00 a.m.	Worship Service (S)
10:00 a.m.	Fellowship (F)
10:20 a.m.	Sunday School
5:00 p.m.	FCC Bell Choir Rehearsal
Monday, February 9	
6:30 p.m.	OCTC Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday, February 10	
11:30 a.m.	Primetimers to Olive Garden
Wednesday, February 11	
6:30 a.m.	Men's Fellowship (Great Harvest on Frederica)
5:30 p.m.	VALENTINOS
6:15 p.m.	Worship Service
6:30 p.m.	Youth Group & Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, February12	
Friday, February 13	Church Office Closed
Saturday, February 14	



Announcements

TODAY is Souper Bowls for Super Bowl. Please help fund the DWM's backpack ministry by buying some wonderful homemade soup for your Super Bowl Sunday. All proceeds go to fund the Backpack program at local schools that provide kids with a packback full of food for the weekends.

Our next Primetimers will be at Olive Garden in Owensboro THIS Tuesday, February 10th at 11:30AM. EMT Bill Sturges and Paramedic Vivian Foltz from AMR Ambulance will be our guest speakers. Contact Janet Luckett by text message only 270-929-4984 or Barbara Chavez -text or call 270-929-6941. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Valentinos is quickly approaching THIS Wednesday, February 11th at 5:30pm. This Italian Valentine's Day dinner raises money for the CYF (high school) summer Mission Trip. This is a Donation Only event. If you have not let us know you are coming, PLEASE RSVP ASAP either in-person or online.

Our first 2026 Board Meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 24th at 5:30 p.m.



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Fifth Sunday of Epiphany
February 8, 2026

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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
"I Love Thee" From Jeremiah Ingalls' "Christian Harmony, 1805" Arr. Patti Drennan	
*Call to Worship	Gary Bielefeld
One: Called to be light, All: we would carry God's hope into the shadows of the world.	
One: Called to be salt, All: we would enhance the lives of those around us, with joy.	
One: Called to live in God's reality, All: we would welcome everyone as sisters and brothers in faith.	
*Hymn #480 "I Love to Tell the Story" (v. 1 & 3)	
*Invocation and Lord's Prayer (using "debts" and "debtors")	Gary Bielefeld
First Scripture Reading	Gary Bielefeld
John 3:1-9	
One: The Word of God for the people of God All: Thanks be to God.	
Children's Blessing 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)	Rev. Chris Michael
Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Chris Michael
HEARING THE WORD OF GOD	
Choir Anthem	Special Music

Second Scripture Reading	Rev. Chris Michael
John 3:10-17	
One: The Word of God for the people of God. All: Thanks be to God.	
Sermon	Rev. Chris Michael
"For God so Loved...."	
Invitation to Discipleship *Hymn #477 "Pass It On"	
OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD	
Preparation for the Offering	Rev. Chris Michael
Offertory	Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano
"The Gift of Love" Traditional English Folk Melody Arr. Pamela M. Robertson	
*Doxology and Presentation of Gifts (Page 46) *Dedication Prayer	
RENEWING THE COVENANT IN THE LORD'S SUPPER	
<i>We are one in Christ, let everyone share in this communion without regard for denominational affiliation.</i> <i>You are invited to take the cup and bread after your prayers.</i>	
Invitation to Communion	Tab & Vicki Quisenberry
Words of Institution Prayer of Thanksgiving	
Communion Music	Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano
"Meditation on Jesus Loves Me" William B. Bradbury Arr. Tracey Craig McKibbon	
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 - John 3:1-9
3 Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ² He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with that person." ³ Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" ⁵ Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶ What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' ⁸ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." ⁹ Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?"

Second Reading- John 3:10-17

¹⁰ Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹ "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen, yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶ "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷ "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.