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 codeto the left!

#### Staff

Sr. Minister	Rev. J. Chris Michael
Financial Manager	Kristin Callis
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Director of Education & Youth Activities	Meaghan Murphy
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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, January 21

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

Monday, January 22

**Tuesday, January 23**Outreach Meeting

5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 24

6:30 a.m Men's Fellowiship (Panera) 6:00 p.m Youth Groups (F)

Thursday, January 25

Friday, January 26

Church Office Closed

Saturday, January 27

# **Announcements**

Outreach meeting Tuesday, January 23rd @ 5:30 p.m. at FCC

Choir will start back up on Wednesday the 31st at 6:00 p.m.







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Third Sunday after the Epiphany January 21, 2024

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#### **SEEKING THE PRESENCE OF GOD**

Welcome

Meaghan Murphy

Bringing of the Light Bell of Mindfulness

(Please use this time for guiet reflection.)

Prelude

Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" John Wyeth Arr. Jay Rouse

\*Call to Worship

**Brad Webb** 

One: Spirit of God moving over the waters, bringing light where there was only darkness;

All: Holy Spirit, move among us, change us, enlighten us.

One: Spirit of God, there at the baptism of Jesus, claiming, anointing, speaking loving words;

All: Holy Spirit, touch us, enthuse us, claim us.

One: Spirit of God, calling disciples in days of old and today to follow Jesus, the way, the truth, and the life;

All: Holy Spirit, meet us, convince us, inspire us.

### \*Hymn #707

### "Marching to Zion" (vs 1,2 & 4)

\*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Brad Webb (using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Brad Webb

Psalm 139:1-6

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Children's Blessing Meaghan Murphy
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 Meaghan Murphy

## **HEARING THE WORD OF GOD**

Message in Music

Solo Haley Scalf Second Scripture Reading

Meaghan Murphy

Mark 1:14-20

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Chris & Cate Gaddis

Invitation to Discipleship

\*Hymn #86

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (all)

#### **OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD**

Preparation for the Offering Meaghan Murphy
Offertory Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

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

\*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

Communion Music

Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

Mike & Angela Bruce

"The Lone Wild Bird"
William Walker Southern Harmony
Arr. Anthony Giamanco

#### **GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE**

\*Benediction

Meaghan Murphy

One: The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.** 

# **Scripture Reading**

# First Reading- Psalm 139:1-6

To the leader. Of David. A Psalm.

1 O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

2 You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

3 You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

4 Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

5 You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

## Second Reading- Mark 1:14-20

14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God,15 and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

16 As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. 17 And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.' 18 And immediately they left their nets and followed him. 19 As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. 20 Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Flowers today are given in honor of Janet and Mark Luckett's birthdays by Andy and Becky, Matt and Jen, Tres and Katie, and all the grandsons. Thank you, Mom, for your servant heart on the Flower Ministry team.