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!

Staff

Sr. Minister.....Rev. J. Chris Michael
Minister of Music.....Dr. Phillip Mitchell
Minister of Finance.....Kristin Callis
Education & Youth Activities .....Meaghan Murphy
Education & Children's Activities .....Riley Payne
Executive Assistant.....Stacy Castlen
Pianist.....Ann Jeannette Pierce
Nursery.....Kacee Glenn, Kaydence Coomes, & Sherry Rhoads
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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 25
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, January 26
6:30 p.m. — OCTC Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, January 27

Wednesday, January 28
6:30 a.m. — Men's Fellowship (Great Harvest on Frederica)
5:30 p.m. — Dinner
6:15 p.m. — Worship Service
6:30 p.m. — Youth Group & Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Janurary 29

Friday, Janurary 30 — Church Office Closed

Saturday, Janurary 31
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. — International Center Health Fair

Announcements

To help fund the DWM's backpack ministry, we are going to again have a homemade soup sale, on February 8, which is also Super Bowl Sunday. This has been a fun tradition in our church for a while.We're asking for you to bring soups in pint, quart, or maybe even gallon plastic or glass containers to sell before or after church. Soups, chili, stews (whatever you like to make) would all be great! Please label the jars with the kind of soup and the maker's name. Thank you so much for doing this, and giving many school children food to take home on the weekends when they don't have school breakfasts and lunches.

Our next Primetimers will be at Olive Garden in Owensboro on Feb 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 dinner date has been set for Wednesday, February 11th at 5:30pm. This Italian Valentine's Day dinner raises money for the CYF (highschool) summer Mission Trip. This is a Donation Only event. We hope to see you there! Please RSVP to the dinner either online, or in-person at church starting this Sunday.

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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)

Third Sunday of Epiphany
January 25, 2026

January 25, 2026 Third Sunday of Epiphany

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

"How Firm a Foundation"
Traditional American Folk Tune
Arr. John Purifoy

*Call to Worship Carroll Laswell

One: On this day, which is holy, we gather, not alone, but as Christ's Body;

All: as ones who would suffer together, we gather.

One: On this day of wonder and hope, we gather, not in isolation, but in community;

All: as those who would care for one another, we gather.

One: On this day of prayer and praise, of silence and song, we gather, not with empty hands, or emptier hearts;

All: as those baptized in grace's tears, we gather.

***Hymn #453**

"Called as Partners in Christ's Service" (v. 1, 2, & 4)

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Carroll Laswell

(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Carroll Laswell

I Corinthians 12:4-7

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Installation of Church Officers, Board Members and New Deacons

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 Anthem

"Creation Sings"
Stuart Townend & Kieth and Kristyn Getty
Arranged by Lloyd Larson

Second Scripture Reading Rev. Chris Michael

John 2:13-22

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Chris Michael

"Sharp Words"

Invitation to Discipleship

***Hymn #452**

"Here I Am, Lord" (v. 1 & 3)

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

Preparation for the Offering Rev. Chris Michael

Offertory Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"Only Trust Him"
John H. Stockton
Arr. Bill Wolaver

*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 Bonnie Brown & Cathy Midkiff

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"Come, Ye Disconsolate"
Samuel Webb
Arr. Bradley Sowash

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 - I Corinthians 12:4-7

4 Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, 5
and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, 6
and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same
God who activates all of them in everyone. 7 To each is
given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common
good.

Second Reading- John 2:13-22

13 The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up
to Jerusalem. 14 In the temple he found people selling
cattle, sheep, and doves and the money changers
seated at their tables. 15 Making a whip of cords, he
drove all of them out of the temple, with the sheep and
the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money
changers and overturned their tables. 16 He told those
who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of
here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" 17
His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for
your house will consume me." 18 The Jews then said to
him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" 19
Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three
days I will raise it up." 20 The Jews then said, "This
temple has been under construction for forty-six years,
and will you raise it up in three days?" 21 But he was
speaking of the temple of his body. 22 After he was
raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he
had said this, and they believed the scripture and the
word that Jesus had spoken.