

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."

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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, July 12
 9:00 a.m. Worship Service (S)
 10:00 a.m. Fellowship (F)
 10:20 a.m. Sunday School

Monday, July 13

Tuesday, July 14
 11:30 a.m. Primetimers Luncheon to Steak and Stone
 5:30 p.m. Elder and Deacon Meeting

Wednesday, July 15
 6:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship (Great Harvest on Frederica)

Thursday, July 16

Friday, July 17 Church Office Closed

Saturday, July 18

Announcements

Picture days for our new directory are AUGUST 7, 8, & 9. You may sign up for an appointment after church on Sunday, call the office M-F 8-3, signup through the Flocknote that was sent out, or email Stacy at stacy@fccowb.org. Pictures will take about 12 minutes. At a later date, if you review and buy any portraits, you will receive a complimentary copy of the directory and an 8x10 portrait.

Primetimers luncheon is THIS TUESDAY @11:30AM at Steak and Stone at 80 Public Square Leitchfield, KY. We have a bus available \$5 per person. Arrive at 10:00 AM and departure at 10:15 AM. Let us know if you're coming and want to take the bus. Contact Janet Lockett (text only) 270-929-4984 or Barbara Chavez 270-929-6941 (text or call).

THIS TUESDAY @5:30 p.m. we will have a Deacon and Elder Meeting in the Sanctuary. Please let us know if you will need childcare.

Exciting news for all ages: VBS is July 20-22 from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Sign-ups are in the lobby. We need volunteers and participants!

The next Board Meeting will be July 28th @5:30 p.m., and on July 29th @11:30 a.m. there will be a Fiance Committee Meeting.

Keep those pictures of Flat Jesus coming! You can view the pictures anytime on Facebook and in the July Caller.



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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
 July 12, 2026

Genesis 9:8-17

One: The Word of God for the people of God.
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Chris Michael

"A Bow in the Clouds"

Invitation to Discipleship

Hymn #546*"Amazing Grace!" (vs 1 & 4)****OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD**

Preparation for the Offering

Rev. Chris Michael

Offertory

River City Strings

"Will the Circle be Unbroken"

Charles H. Gabriel

*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

Matt & Natalie Johnson

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music

River City Strings

"I'll Fly Away"

Albert E. Brumley

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.

First Reading - Genesis 8:15-22

¹⁵ Then God said to Noah, ¹⁶ "Go out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and your sons' wives with you. ¹⁷ Bring out with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—so that they may abound on the earth and be fruitful and multiply on the earth." ¹⁸ So Noah went out with his sons and his wife and his sons' wives. ¹⁹ And every animal, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out of the ark by families.

²⁰ Then Noah built an altar to the Lord and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. ²¹ And when the Lord smelled the pleasing odor, the Lord said in his heart, "I will never again curse the ground because of humans, for the inclination of the human heart is evil from youth; nor will I ever again destroy every living creature as I have done.

²² As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night shall not cease."

Second Reading - Genesis 9:8-17

⁸ Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹ "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." ¹² God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³ I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh, and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶ When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." ¹⁷ God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

SEEKING THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome

Rev. Chris Michael

Bringing of the Light and the Bell of Mindfulness
 (Please use this time for quiet reflection.)

Prelude

River City Strings

"Keep on the Sunny Side"

J. Howard Entwisle

*Call to Worship

Meg Lawson

One: Your grace is a lamp for our hearts, O God.

All: Light our way through the shadows of this world.

One: When we struggle with questions and doubts,

All: tell us your stories of hope and grace.

One: When we are about to wander off into the wilderness,

All: show us the paths to your peace and joy.***Hymn #552****"Standing on the Promises" (vs. 1 & 4)**

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Meg Lawson

(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading

Meg Lawson

Genesis 8:15-22

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Children's Blessing

Rev. Chris Michael

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

Special Music

River City Strings

"It is Well with My Soul"

Philip P. Bliss