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
Financial Manager	Kristin Callis
Education & Youth Activities	
Education & Children's Activities	
Pianist	Ann Jeannette Pierce
Nursery Attendants	Sherry Rhoads

Contact Us:

Church Office 270-684-8879 Web Address: www.fccowb.org Guest Wifi Password: FCCGuest!

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 20

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

Monday, July 21 8 a.m. -12 p.m.

Estes Elementary Art Camp- M-F

Tuesday, July 22

Wednesday, July 23

6:30 a.m Men's Fellowship (Panera) 5:30 p.m. Elders Meeting

Thursday, July 24

Friday, July 25

Church Office Closed

Saturday, July 26

Announcements

Estes Elementary Art Camp will be using FCC this week from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Monday-Friday.

The next Elders meeting is on July 23rd at 5:30 p.m.

VBS will be held on July 28th- July 30th from 4-7 p.m. Please reach out to Riley Payne for info! There will also be a VBS class for Adults. Interested in volunteering for a ministry?

Drivers are needed to help pick up people in the church bus for worship on Sunday mornings. Please let us know in the church office if you are interested.

Next Primetimers will be Aug 12 at Smitty's Italian Steak House-2109 W Franklin St, Evansville IN at 11:30.

Contact Janet Luckett by text message only @270-929-4984 or Barbara Chavez 270-929-6941 text, call or leave a message-or email babsc1222@gmail.com

Since this luncheon will be in Evansville there will be a bus for the drive to the restaurant with a cost of **\$5 per person. Contact us if you would like to go on the bus.



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Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 20, 2025 July 20, 2025

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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

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God almighty" John B. Dykes

Arr. Molly IJames

*Call to Worship Connie Ford

One: As we sit within this community of faith, so we are fed.

All: Praise and prayer feed our minds and spirits.

One: We are wonderfully fed.

All: The teachings of Jesus bring us to the faithful way.

One: We are graciously fed.

All: The cross of Jesus calls us to the selfless, practical way.

One: We are gloriously fed.

All: The rising of Jesus from death fills us with a timeless, unbounded hope.

*Hymn #546

"Amazing Grace"

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Connie Ford

(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Connie Ford

Galatians 5:13-15

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

*Hymn #115

"There's Something About That Name" (x2)

Second Scripture Reading

Rev. Chris Michael

Galatians 5:16-25

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Chris Michael

"For Freedom"

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn #227

"In The Garden " (vs. 1 & 2)

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

Preparation for the Offering Rev. Chris Michael
Offertory Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"Near the Cross"
William H. Doane
Arr. Heather Sorenson

*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 Ginger Norris & Francy Miller

Words of Institution
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music

Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"He Leadeth Me" William H. Bradbury Arr. Lisa Hockstra

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- Galatians 5:13-15

¹³ For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters, only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, ^[a] but through love become enslaved to one another. ¹⁴ For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ¹⁵ If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Second Reading- Galatians 5:16-25

of the flesh. ¹⁷ For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity, debauchery, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, ²¹ envy, ^[a] drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

²² By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ^[b] have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.