

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 26	
9:00 a.m.	Worship Service (S)
10:00 a.m.	Fellowship (F)
10:20 a.m.	Sunday School
11:59 p.m.	Deadline to Make Portrait Appointment
Monday, July 27	
Tuesday, July 28	
5:30 p.m.	FCC Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 29	
6:30 a.m.	Men's Fellowship (Great Harvest on Frederica)
11:30 a.m.	Finance Committee Meeting
Thursday, July 30	
Friday, July 31	
Church Office Closed	
Saturday, August 1	

Announcements

We have a few picture appointment slots for Friday, August 7th. You may sign up after church today, signup through the Flocknote that was sent out, or email Stacy at stacy@fccowb.org. Picture appointments 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. Can't make it in for a professional portrait that weekend? Just send in a picture to stacy@fccowb.org.

The next Board Meeting is THIS Tuesday, July 28th @5:30 p.m.

The Finance Committee is meeting THIS Wednesday, July 29th @11:30 a.m. All members are welcome to attend.

On Sunday, August 9th we will have a congregational meeting following our 9:00 a.m. service.

Primetimers luncheon will be Tuesday, August 11th at NOON at Farmer and Frenchman. Let us know if you are planning to ride the bus (\$5). If you are planning to ride, be at the church by 11 a.m. and the bus will leave at 11:15. RSVP Janet Lockett by text message only 270-929-4984 or Barbara Chavez 270-929-6941 text, call or leave a message. ALL are welcome!

Keep Flat Jesus with you through August and send us some pictures!



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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
July 26, 2026

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

Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano

Prelude

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

Traditional Spanish Melody

Arr. Pepper Choplin

*Call to Worship

Joseph Jacobs

One: On this day of worship, we call on God's name,
All: and hear our own invitation to work for the good of all.

One: Gathered with neighbors and strangers, we call on God's hope,
All: and discover that a lifetime of service seems but a few days.

One: In this place of praise and prayer, we call on God's love,
All: and receive that grace which is as old as creation, yet as fresh as each morning.

*Hymn #284

“Gather Us In” (vs. 1 & 4)

*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer

Joseph Jacobs

(using “debts” and “debtors”)

First Scripture Reading

Joseph Jacobs

Genesis 11:30-32

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

Phillip & Aden Mitchell

“To Seek Is to Find”
by Phillip Mitchell

Second Scripture Reading

Rev. Chris Michael

Genesis 12:1-7

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

Sermon

Rev. Chris Michael

“So Abram Went”

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn #354

“Seek Ye First”

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

Preparation for the Offering

Rev. Chris Michael

Offertory

Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano

"You Are My Hiding Place"
Michael Ledner
Arr. Carol Tornquist

*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

Tom Maddox & Sue Napper

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music

Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano

"In the Bulb There is a Flower"
Natalie Sleeth
Arr. Lily Topolski

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 - Genesis 11:30-32

³⁰ Now Sarai was barren; she had no child.
³¹ Terah took his son Abram and his grandson Lot son of Haran and his daughter-in-law Sarai, his son Abram’s wife, and they went out together from Ur of the Chaldeans to go into the land of Canaan, but when they came to Haran, they settled there. ³² The days of Terah were two hundred five years, and Terah died in Haran.

Second Reading - Genesis 12:1-7

¹ Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ² I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”
⁴ So Abram went, as the Lord had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. ⁵ Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother’s son Lot and all the possessions that they had gathered and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran, and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, ⁶ Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. ⁷ Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, “To your offspring I will give this land.” So he built there an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him.

*The flowers on the chancel are given in honor of
nine decades of Ron Waite.*