

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; however, we do offer childcare for infants to 3 year olds while parents attend Worship.

If you haven't checked out our website and social media pages, we'd love to connect with you in that way:

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This week at First Christian

*CR- Choir Room; C- Conference Room; F-Fellowship Hall;
FHL-Fa-Ho-Lo Room; S-Sanctuary*

Thursday, April 14 7:00 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Worship
Friday, April 15	Good Friday- No Service
Saturday, April 16	Church Office Closed
Sunday, April 17 9:00 a.m.	Easter Sunday Worship Service (S) No Sunday School or Fellowship
Monday, April 18	Church Office Closed
Tuesday, April 19	
Wednesday, April 20 6:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Men's Fellowship (Panera) Choir Rehearsal (CR)

Announcements

Cinco de Mayo!- Mission Trip Fundraiser
Wednesday, May 4th, at 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall
Come enjoy our Mexican cuisine and support our high school summer mission trip to Memphis, Tennessee! We would love your help purchasing the ingredients! Look for a Sign-up Genius link for food donations to be emailed on Monday.

Upcoming Meetings
Board Meeting- Tuesday, April 19 at 5:30 p.m.
Outreach Committee- Monday, April 25 at 5:30 p.m.
Elders Meeting- Tuesday, May 10 at 5:30 p.m.

Primetimers+- Hold the Date
Thursday, April 28, 2022 - Farley's, Calhoun, Ky.



(Disciples of Christ)

“Our mission is to manifest Christ’s love by empowering all to compassionate service.”

**Maundy Thursday
April 14, 2022**



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Seeking the Presence of God

Prelude

Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano

"O Love How Deep"

from *The Agincourt Song*, arr. Jason Krug

Lighting of the Candles
Greeting

Rev. J. Chris Michael

*Call to Worship
L: God is Light, in whom there is no darkness at all.

P: Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

L: This is the judgment: the light has come into the world

P: and we've loved darkness rather than light.

L: Let us pray: Almighty God, graciously behold this your family,
for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed
into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross;

**P: who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*Hymn #39

MY TRIBUTE

"My Tribute"

The Service of Shadows

The Shadow of Betrayal

Reading

Matthew 26:20-25

Extinguish first candle
Response #194

OLIVE'S BROW

"'Tis Midnight, and on Olive’s Brow" (v. 1)

The Shadow of Desertion

Reading

Matthew 26:31-35

Extinguish second candle
Response #196

REDHEAD

"Go to Dark Gethsemane" (vs. 1)

The Shadow of Lethargy

Reading

Mark 14:32-41

Extinguish third candle
Response

Connie Ford, flute

"Sarabande" from *Sonata No. 8, Op. 5*
by Arcangelo Corelli

The Shadow of Violence

Reading

Matthew 26:47-52

Extinguish fourth candle
Response #202

PASSION CHORALE

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" (v. 1)

The Shadow of Denial

Reading

Luke 22:54-62

Extinguish fifth candle
Response

Mike Tichenor, solo

"Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley"

The Shadow of Cynicism

Reading

John 18:33-40

Extinguish sixth candle
Response #195

HAMBURG

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (v. 1 & 3)

The Shadow of Mockery

Reading

Mark 15:16-20

Extinguish seventh candle
Response #198

WERE YOU THERE

"Were You There"

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

Rev. Michael

Words of Institution
Prayer of Thanksgiving
Communion Music

Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano

"Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended"

by Johann Cruger, arr. A.J. Pierce

*Please stand if you are able.

The Extinguishing of the Christ Candle

Stripping of the Altar
*Dismissal

Rev. Michael

Leader: May Jesus Christ, who for our sake became obedient
unto death, even death on a cross, keep you and
strengthen you.

P: Amen.

Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday is observed during Holy Week on the Thursday before Easter. It commemorates the Last Supper when Jesus shared the Passover meal with his disciples on the night before he was crucified. In contrast to joyful Easter celebrations when we celebrate the risen Savior, Maundy Thursday services are typically more solemn occasions, marked by the shadow of Jesus' betrayal.

While different denominations observe Maundy Thursday in their own distinct ways, two important biblical events are the primary focus of Maundy Thursday solemnizations:

Before the Passover meal, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples. By performing this lowly act of service, the Bible says in John 13:1 that Jesus "showed them the full extent of his love." By his example, Jesus demonstrated how Christians are to love one another through humble service. For this reason, many churches practice foot-washing ceremonies as a part of their Maundy Thursday services.

During the Passover meal, Jesus took bread and wine and asked his Father to bless it. He broke the bread into pieces, giving it to his disciples and said, "This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Then he took the cup of wine, shared it with his disciples and said, "This wine is the token of God's new covenant to save you--an agreement sealed with the blood I will pour out for you." For this reason, many churches hold special Communion services as a part of their Maundy Thursday celebrations.

What Does "Maundy" Mean?

Derived from the Latin word *mandatum*, meaning "commandment," Maundy refers to the commands Jesus gave his disciples at the Last Supper: to love with humility by serving one another and to remember his sacrifice.