

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:

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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!

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

Monday, May 13

Tuesday, May 14
 5:30 p.m. Elders Meeting

Wednesday, May 15
 6:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship (Panera)
 5:30 p.m. Youth Groups (F)
 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice (CR)

Thursday, May 16

Friday, May 17
 Church Office Closed

Saturday, May 18

Announcements

DWM Noon Group will now be meeting on May 15th @ 12:00 p.m. at Century 21.

Carroll Laswell is hosting a AARP class in on Tuesday, May 21st upstairs in a classroom. 12-4:00 p.m.

Board Meeting is on Tuesday, May 21st at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Memorial Day is on Monday, May 27th- the church office will be closed!



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Mother's Day
 May 12, 2024

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
"Prelude on "La Morisque"
Tielman Susato (1500-1561)
arr. Austin North

Baptism of Ross Johnson, Reid Sterett, & John Patrik Yager

*Call to Worship Chris Castlen

One: We are happy to be here, O God,
All: to be with our faithful friends in our church home.

One: We are happy to be here, O God,
All: to share in the singing and to listen to your Word.

One: We are happy to be here, O God,
All: to find inspiration for our daily living and purpose in our service of others.

One: We are happy to be here, O God,
All: to remember your faithfulness in Jesus Christ and his death on the cross for us.

***Hymn #95**
"Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun" (v.1, 3, & 5)

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Chris Castlen
(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Chris Castlen
Mark 1:9-15

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

Message in Music

"A Mothers Prayer" Vangie & Angel Evans
Jim Brickman

Second Scripture Reading Rev. Chris Michael

Acts 16:11-15

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

Sermon Rev. Chris Michael
"Local News"

Invitation to Discipleship

***Hymn #487**
"Help Us Accept Each Other" (vs. 1, 2, & 4)

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

Preparation for the Offering Rev. Chris Michael

Offertory Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano
"To a Wild Rose"
Ralph Vaughn Williams

*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 & Eric Farmer

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"Sheep May Safely Graze"
Johann Sebastian Bach
Morton Holbrook III, piano

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- Mark 1:9-15

9 In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. 11 And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' 12 And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. 13 He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. 14 Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, 15 and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

Second Reading- Acts 16:11-15

11 We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, 12 and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. 13 On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. 14 A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. 15 When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.