**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
Administrative Assistant	
Director of Education & Youth Activities	Meaghan Murphy
ChoirDirector	Mike Tichenor
Pianist	Ann Jeannette Pierce
Nursery Attendants	Elee Roach
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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 19

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

Monday, May 20

**Tuesday, May 21** 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

**AARP Class** 

Wednesday, May 22

6:30 a.m Men's Fellowship (Panera) 6:00 p.m Choir Practice (CR)

Thursday, May 23

Friday, May 24

Church Office Closed

Saturday, May 25

# **Announcements**

Attention Primetimers and anyone over 52! An AARP Driver Safety class is schedule for First Christian Church on Tuesday, May 21 from 12 to 4 P.M. Completing the class earns you a reduction on your car insurance for 5 years. The cost is \$20 for AARP members and \$25 for nonmembers, payable at the class – checks preferred. Call or email your name/s and phone numbers to Carroll Laswell to register. Seating is limited and a waiting list may be taken to add a class if needed.

NO BOARD MEETING Tuesday, May 21st



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Day of Pentecost May 19, 2024 May 19, 2024 Day of Pentecost

**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

"Come, Holy Spirit, Our Souls Inspire" Sarum Plainsong, Mode VIII arr. Lani Smith

\*Call to Worship Michelle Whitmer

One: Holy Spirit, come amongst us!

All: Inspire our worship, strengthen our faith.

One: Holy Spirit, stay with us!

All: Deepen our fellowship, support our sharing.

One: Holy Spirit, challenge our discipleship!

All: Encourage us to venture out, give us the compassion of Jesus.

One: Holy Spirit, work through us!

All: Touch the downhearted with hope, move the dispirited with

Love.

\*Hymn #27

"Come Thou Almighty King" (v. 1,2, & 4)

\*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Michelle Whitmer

(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Michelle Whitmer

Romans 8:22-27

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** 

Choir Message

"Come Holy Spirit" Peterson Second Scripture Reading

Rev. Chris Michael

John 20:19-25

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Chris Michael

"The Breath of Life"

Invitation to Discipleship

\*Hymn #452

"Here I Am Lord" (all)

**OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD** 

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

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God" Robert Jackson arr. Mark Hayes

\*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

John & Janey Burns

Words of Institution
Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Communion Music** 

Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano
"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"
Frederick. Atkinson
Arr. Heather Sorenson

**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- Romans 8:22-27

22 We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; 23 and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. 24 For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. 26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. 27 And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

## Second Reading- John 20:19-25

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' 22 When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.' 24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'