

SEEKING THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome Rev. J. Chris Michael

Bringing of the Light

Bell of Mindfulness
(Please use this time for quiet reflection.)

Prelude Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano
"Praise Him, Praise Him, All Ye Little Children"
by Carey Bonner, arr. Ann Jeannette Pierce

*Call to Worship Mike Bruce
One: Come, sing to the Lord!
All: Praise his holy Name!
One: Come sing and praise our God!
All: For God is our strength and Saviour!
One: So come and be refreshed,
All: as fresh water brings joy to the thirsty! Amen.

*Hymn #575 BEACH SPRING
"Come and Find the Quiet Center"

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Mike Bruce
(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Mike Bruce
Psalm 16:1-8
One: The Word of God for the people of God
All: Thanks be to God.

Children's Blessing Rev. 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. Michael

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Choir Message Adult Choir
"A Jubilant Song"
by Mary Lynn Lightfoot

Second Scripture Rev. Michael
Hebrews 10:19-25
One: The Word of God for the people of God
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "A Way Forward" Rev. Michael

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn #601 I AM THINE
"I Am Thine, O Lord" (v. 1 and 2)

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD
Preparation for the Offering Rev. Michael
*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 Angela Bruce
Words of Institution
Prayer of Thanksgiving
Communion Music Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano
"Now Thank We All Our God"
by Johann Cruger, arr. Cindy Berry

GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE
*Benediction Rev. Michael
One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.

*Please stand if you are able.

Flowers have been placed in the chancel to the glory of God and in honor of the 5 year anniversary of the opening of our new church building by John and Janey Burns.

First Reading- Psalm 16:1-8

A Miktam of David.

- 1 Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.
- 2 I say to the Lord, 'You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.'
- 3 As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight.
- 4 Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink-offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.
- 5 The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
- 6 The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.
- 8 I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Second Reading- Hebrews 10:19-25

19 Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, 20 by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), 21 and since we have a great priest over the house of God, 22 let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. 23 Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, 25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Serving Schedule

Liturgist: Mike Bruce
Elder at the Table: Angela Bruce
Elder for the Hospital: Janet Lockett

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."



Please scan this QR code using your smart phone to let us know you were here. Using that link, you can mark your attendance, share prayer requests, and link to our website. If you prefer to speak to someone in person, feel free to speak to Rev. Michael following the service.

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
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Staff

Sr. Minister.....Rev. J. Chris Michael
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This week at First Christian

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

Sunday, November 14

9:00 a.m. Worship Service (S)
 10:00 a.m. Fellowship (F)
 10:30 a.m. Sunday School

Monday, November 15

6:30 p.m. OCTC Chorus (F)

Tuesday, November 16

Wednesday, November 17

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

Thursday, November 18

Friday, November 19 Church Office Closed

Announcements

Middle School Youth Event

The middle school (grades 6-8) youth will be having a youth group outing to Southern Lanes from 3:00-5:00 pm on Sunday, November 21. Kids will need to bring money for bowling and other activities, as well as snacks.

Thanksgiving Special Offering

On Sunday, November 21, we will be joining Disciples around the US and Canada in taking up a Special Offering to support institutes of higher education. As we continue to struggle with the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, our higher education institutions are facing unprecedented challenges and need our support. On Nov 21, there will be special envelopes available when you receive your bulletin. Please consider donating generously to this cause.

First Christian Church Cookbook 2021

The 2021 FCC Cookbook is printed and available for sale. Each copy will be \$20, and the money raised will go toward purchasing a new church bus. If you would like to buy a copy, they are available in the atrium following worship. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Ron Waite: ronwownsbr@aol.com Home - (270) 683-8510

Congregational Meeting

December 19- 10:00 a.m.

Upcoming Special Worship Opportunities

November 28- December 19- Advent Worship Services
 December 5- Blue Christmas Service- 5:00 p.m.
 December 12- Symphony Sunday- 9:00 a.m.
 December 24- Christmas Eve Worship- 5:00 p.m.



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"Our mission is to manifest Christ's love by empowering all to compassionate service."

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