

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, October 25

9:00 a.m. Worship Service (S)
10:00 a.m. Fellowship (F)
10:20 a.m. Sunday School
5:00 p.m. FCC Handbell Choir Rehearsal

Monday, October 26

6:30 p.m. OCTC Community Choir Rehearsal (S)

Tuesday, October 27

Wednesday, October 28

6:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship (Great Harvest on Frederica)
5:30 p.m. Halloween Dinner (F)
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Trail of Treats



Thursday, October 29

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Greater Owensboro REALTOR Chili Cook-off (F)
5:00 p.m. Cantata Rehearsal (S)
5:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (S)

Friday, October 30

Church Office Closed

Saturday, October 31



Announcements

We are accepting candy donations up to the 10/28 Trail of Treats.

Cantata and FCC Choir will rehearse on Thursday, October 29th.

If you would like the church to recognize someone who has passed away since our last All Saints' Day worship service, please call the church office this week. Our All Saints' Day service will take place next Sunday, November 1st.

LAST CALL: If you did NOT get your picture taken, but you want to have a picture and your information in the directory, please send us a digital copy of a picture by TODAY. Please see Stacy Castlen or Michelle Whitmer for specifics.

November marks the 10th anniversary of our new building. We are planning a self guided "tour" of items in our building retrieved from the fire's ashes, as well as a display of items and pictures you may have from the old building. Contact Stewart Gant, Janet Corum, or Debby Crone, if you have items to lend us.



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Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost
October 25, 2026

SEEKING THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome

Bringing of the Light and the Bell of Mindfulness
(Please use this time for quiet reflection.)

Prelude

Rev. Chris Michael

1st - 3rd Quartet
Angela Bruce, piano

“Hold on to the Rock”
By Pepper Choplin

*Call to Worship

One: We are invited to share in Christ's ministry of compassion.
All: We will widen our hearts so we might cradle the lost.

One: We are challenged to learn more about God each day.
All: We will open our minds so we might discern God's dreams for us.

One: We are summoned to let the Spirit be planted within us.
All: We will deepen our souls so we might grow in love.

Meg Lawson

*Hymn #67

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past” (1, 3, & 6)

Janet Corum, piano

*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer
(using “debts” and “debtors”)

Meg Lawson

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 90:1-6

Meg Lawson

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

Dedication
Lillian Claire Manley & Her Parents

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 f the first floor education wing)

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Chris Michael

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Special Music

“If God Be for Us”
By Joseph Martin

1st - 3rd Quartet
Angela Bruce on piano

Second Scripture Reading

Rev. Chris Michael

Matthew 22:34-46

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

Sermon

“The Greatest”

Rev. Chris Michael

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn #323

Janet Corum, piano

“Wonderful Words of Life” (1 & 3)

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

Preparation for the Offering

Offertory

Rev. Chris Michael
Janet Corum, piano

“God Will Take Care of You”
Walter Martin
Arr. by Cindy Berry

*Doxology and Presentation of Gifts (Page 46)

*Dedication Prayer

Rev. Chris Michael

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

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Anne Carlisle & Leslie Carlisle

Communion Music

Janet Corum, piano

“Larghetto”
G.F. Handel

GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE

*Benediction

One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.

Rev. Chris Michael

*Please stand if you are able.

Scripture Reading

First Reading - Psalm 90:1-6

¹ Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

² Before the mountains were brought forth or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

³ You turn us back to dust and say, “Turn back, you mortals.”

⁴ For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past or like a watch in the night.

⁵ You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning;

⁶ in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

Second Reading - Matthew 22:34-46

³⁴ When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together,

³⁵ and one of them, an expert in the law, asked him a question to test him.

³⁶ “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?”

³⁷ He said to him, ““You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’

³⁸ This is the greatest and first commandment.

³⁹ And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’

⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.”

⁴¹ Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question:

⁴² “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?”

⁴³ They said to him, “The son of David.”

⁴⁴ He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

⁴⁴ “The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet” ’?

⁴⁵ “If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?”

⁴⁶ No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.