


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!

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This week at First Christian Church (DOC)

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| <i>CR- Choir Room; C- Conference Room; F-Fellowship Hall; FHL-Fa-Ho-Lo Room; S-Sanctuary</i> | |
| Sunday, October 5 | |
| 9:00 a.m. | Worship Service (S) |
| 10:00 a.m. | Fellowship (F) |
| 10:20 a.m. | Sunday School |
| 2:00 p.m. | D.W.M. Meet and Greet |
| 5:00 p.m. | Handbells Rehearsal |
| Monday, October 6 | |
| 6:30 p.m. | OCTC Chorus Rehearsal |
| Tuesday, October 7 | |
| Wednesday, October 8 | |
| 6:30 a.m. | Men's Fellowship (Great Harvest on Frederica) |
| 5:30 p.m. | Dinner |
| 6:15 p.m. | Worship Service |
| 6:30 p.m. | Youth Group |
| Thursday, October 9 | |
| Friday, October 10 | Church Office Closed |
| Saturday, October 11 | |

Announcements

Join us on Wednesdays for dinner (5:30) and worship (6:15). Classes for children and youth are from 6:30-7. Come for the food and fellowship, with God and each other.

TODAY, 2-3 p.m., all women of the Church are invited to Reignite, Reengage, and Reimagine the Disciples Women’s Ministry. Women of the Church are welcome to be a part of this group to share ideas for future ministries. Together we can make a bigger difference in the lives of others.

Our next Primetimers outing is Oct. 14 at 11:30 a.m. at Adams Breezy Hill Farm 1222 Cadiz Rd, Princeton, KY. It is about an hour and a half drive. To carpool or ride the bus, (\$5 bus charge) arrive at the Church around 9:45 a.m. Departure time is no later than 10 a.m. Text Janet Luckett (270-929-4984) if you’d like to ride the bus. Text Janet or text, call, or email Barbara Chavez (270-929-6941) babsc1222@gmail.com, to let them know you are planning to come. Looking forward to seeing you!

Please help fund backpacks for Kids at Cravens & Estes Elementary schools. You can make this happen by making a check out to FCC with “backpacks” in the memo line. To fund one child for the school year will be at least \$165- but every amount is appreciated and can be given at different times during the school year. Thank you for helping us with this important project!





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World Communion Day
October 5, 2025

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| 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 Connie Ford, Flute | |
| Prelude "I Come with Joy" "Southern Harmony" Arr. Ann Jeannette Pierce | | |
| Call to Worship | Hampton Gaddis | |
| One: Around the world people gather to break bread and pour wine. All: We gather with them in heart and mind. | | |
| One: Around the world the broken body is made whole. All: As part of that body we join in its unity. | | |
| One: Around the world the Banquet of God is prepared for the table. All: We, who share in the banquet, come eagerly to be fed. | | |
| One: Let us worship together, let us share God’s bounty. | | |
| *Hymn #420 "I Come with Joy" (vs. 1, 3, and 5) | | |
| *Invocation and Lord’s Prayer (using “debts” and “debtors”) | Hampton Gaddis | |
| First Scripture Reading | Hampton Gaddis Psalm 95:1-7 | |
| 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 | | |
| Special Music | | |
| Hymn #295 "In This Very Room" | | |

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| Second Scripture Reading | Rev. Chris Michael |
| Romans 15:5-13 | |
| One: The Word of God for the people of God. | |
| All: Thanks be to God. | |
| Sermon | Rev. Chris Michael |
| "As Christ Has Welcomed You" | |
| Invitation to Discipleship | |
| *Hymn #408 | |
| "Come, Share the Lord" | |
| <u>OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD</u> | |
| Preparation for the Offering | Rev. Chris Michael |
| Offertory | Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano |
| "Jesus Loves the Little Children" | |
| George Frederick Root | |
| Arr. Ann Jeannette Pierce | |
| *Doxology and Presentation of Gifts (Page 46) | |
| *Dedication Prayer | |
| <u>RENEWING THE COVENANT IN THE LORD'S SUPPER</u> | |
| <i>We are one in Christ, let everyone share in this communion</i> | |
| <i>without regard for denominational affiliation.</i> | |
| <i>You are invited to take the cup and bread after your prayers.</i> | |
| Invitation to Communion | Patrick & Michelle Whitmer |
| Words of Institution | |
| Prayer of Thanksgiving | |
| Communion Music | Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano |
| "Let Us Break Bread Together" | |
| Traditional Spiritual | |
| Arr. Mark Hayes | |
| <u>GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE</u> | |
| *Benediction | Rev. Chris Michael |
| One: The Lord be with you. | |
| All: And also with you. | |
| *Please stand if you are able. | |

| Scripture Reading | |
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| First Reading- Psalm 95:1-7 | |
| 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! | |
| 2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! | |
| 3 For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods. | |
| 4 In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. | |
| 5 The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed. | |
| 6 O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! | |
| 7 For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. | |
| O that today you would listen to his voice! | |
| Second Reading- Romans 15:5-13 | |
| 5 May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, 6 so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. | |
| 7 Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. 8 For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the ancestors 9 and that the gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “Therefore I will confess you among the gentiles and sing praises to your name”; | |
| 10 and again he says, “Rejoice, O gentiles, with his people”; | |
| 11 and again, “Praise the Lord, all you gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”; | |
| 12 and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the gentiles; in him the gentiles shall hope.” | |
| 13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. | |