

Welcome, Visitors! If you are visiting today, we are pleased that you chose to worship with us. 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 offer childcare for infants to 3 year olds in the Nursery 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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This week at First Christian Church (DOC)

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

Sunday, September 10
 9:00 a.m. Worship Service (S)
 10:00 a.m. Fellowship (F)
 10:20 a.m. Sunday School
 5:00 p.m. Handbells

Monday, September 11

Tuesday, September 12
 12:00 p.m. DWM
 5:30 p.m. Elders Meeting

Wednesday, September 13
 6:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship (Panera)
 5:30 p.m. Youth Groups & Meal (F)
 6:00 p.m. Choir Practice (CR)

Thursday, September 14

Friday, September 15 Church Office Closed

Saturday, September 16

Announcements

Next Elders Meeting is on Tuesday, the 12th at 5:30 p.m.

DWM Meeting is on Wednesday, September 13th @ 12:00 at FCC

New Beginnings Meeting is at FCC on Thursday September 14th from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Church Picnic is September 17th @ Legion Park from 3-7. FCC will provide the meats and drinks, please bring a dish to feed 8-10. Bring friends and family!

Next Board Meeting is Tuesday, September 19th @ 5:30 p.m.



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Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
 September 10, 2023

SEEKING THE PRESENCE OF GOD

Welcome Rev. Rachel Nance Woehler

Bringing of the Light

Bell of Mindfulness

(Please use this time for quiet reflection.)

Prelude Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Ludwig Van Beethoven

arr. Bill Wolaver

*Call to Worship Ginger Norris

One: Rejoice in the community of Jesus Christ!

All: We have gathered together for praise and thanksgiving.

One: Rejoice in the community of Jesus Christ!

All: We have gathered to celebrate our common tradition.

One: Rejoice in the community of Jesus Christ!

All: We have gathered to hear the Good News!

One: Rejoice in the community of Jesus Christ!

All: We will commit ourselves to the Way of Jesus Christ; to justice and acceptance, to reconciliation and caregiving. Let us worship God!

***Hymn 699**

"Rejoice, the Lord is King" (all)

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Ginger Norris
(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Ginger Norris

Psalm 119:33-40

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Children's Blessing Rev. Rachel Nance Woehler

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. Rachel Nance Woehler

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Choir Message

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

Gordon Young

Second Scripture Reading Rev. Rachel Nance Woehler

Matthew 18:15-20

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Rachel Nance Woehler

"Inevitable"

Invitation to Discipleship

***Hymn 337 "Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult" (vs. 1,3, & 5)**

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

Preparation for the Offering Rev. Rachel Nance Woehler

Offertory Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Lowell Mason

arr. Brent Edstrom

*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 partake the cup and bread after your prayers.

Invitation to Communion Bonnie Brown & Cathy Midkiff

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music Annabelle Baur, Piano

"Amazing Grace"

American Folk Tune

Arr. Martha Meir

GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE

*Benediction Rev. Rachel Nance Woehler

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

*Please stand, if you are able.

Scripture Readings

First Reading- Psalm 119:33-40

33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes,
and I will observe it to the end.

34 Give me understanding, that I may keep your law
and observe it with my whole heart.

35 Lead me in the path of your commandments,
for I delight in it.

36 Turn my heart to your decrees,
and not to selfish gain.

37 Turn my eyes from looking at vanities;
give me life in your ways.

38 Confirm to your servant your promise,
which is for those who fear you.

39 Turn away the disgrace that I dread,
for your ordinances are good.

40 See, I have longed for your precepts;
in your righteousness give me life.

Second Reading- Matthew 18:15-20

15 'If another member of the church sins against you,
go and point out the fault when the two of you are
alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained
that one. 16 But if you are not listened to, take one or
two others along with you, so that every word may be
confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses.
17 If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the
church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the
church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-
collector. 18 Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on
earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose
on earth will be loosed in heaven. 19 Again, truly I tell
you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you
ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. 20
For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am
there among them.'