

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.

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This week at First Christian

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

Sunday, September 19

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

Monday, September 20

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

Tuesday, September 21

Wednesday, September 22

6:30 a.m. Men's Fellowship (Panera)

Thursday, September 23

11:00 a.m. Primetimers Trip

Friday, September 24

Church Office Closed

Announcements

DWM- Disciples Women's Ministries

Each month the DWM sponsors a service project, and there is still time to support this month's initiative, The Heifer Project, providing beehives and other resources to communities in need. DWM's goal is to sponsor 10 beehives @ \$30.00 per hive (\$300.00). Join us at our next meeting to discuss October's service project. The Day Group will meet on Oct 5, at 1pm, at the church. The Night Group will meet on October 14, at 6:30 pm, at Cathy Perrin's home.
For more info, contact Kaye Farmer: jdkfarmer@gmail.com

Primetimers+ Lunch

On Thursday, September 23, at 11 am, the Primetimers will meet at the church and travel to the Cottage (Sorgho) for lunch. The Cottage's menu includes soups, sandwiches, etc... We will travel in our own vehicles and share rides. The restaurant would like to know how many to expect, so please send reservations to Ron Waite by Sunday, September 19, 2021.
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(Disciples of Christ)

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

September 19, 2021

Scripture Readings

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
"For the Beauty of the Earth"
by Conrad Kocher, arr. Joel Raney

*Call to Worship Rev. Bonnie Brown
One: Jesus bids us welcome; He brings peace and forgiveness.
All: Yet we dwell in the midst of doubt and fear.
One: Jesus bids us welcome; He brings hope and healing.
All: But we persist in our ways of stubbornness and greed.
One: Jesus, come among us once more and bring us your word
of Peace.
**All: Open our hearts, our spirits, our souls to receive
your healing Word. AMEN.**

*Hymn #280 ABBOT'S LEIGH
"God is Here!" (v. 1, 2, and 4)

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Rev. Brown
(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Rev. Brown
Ecclesiastes 5:13-18
One: The Word of God for the people of God
All: Thanks be to God.

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Michael

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Message in Music "I Am Not Worthy" Mike Tichenor
by Beatrice Bush Bixler

Second Scripture James 4:7-15 Rev. Michael
One: The Word of God for the people of God
All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "What is Your Life?" Rev. Michael

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn #594 REST
"Dear Lord, and Father of Mankind" (v. 1-3)

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 Rev. Brown
Words of Institution
Prayer of Thanksgiving
Communion Music Ann Jeannette Pierce, piano
"Hold On, Keep Your Hand on the Plow"
Traditional Spiritual, arr. Calvin Taylor

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 Wayne and Gloria Goodaker's 60th Wedding Anniversary
by Amanda, Jason, Camryn, and Jackson Kyle, and Andy Goodaker.*

First Reading- Ecclesiastes 5:13-18

13 There is a grievous ill that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owners to their hurt, 14 and those riches were lost in a bad venture; though they are parents of children, they have nothing in their hands. 15 As they came from their mother's womb, so they shall go again, naked as they came; they shall take nothing for their toil, which they may carry away with their hands. 16 This also is a grievous ill: just as they came, so shall they go; and what gain do they have from toiling for the wind? 17 Besides, all their days they eat in darkness, in much vexation and sickness and resentment. 18 This is what I have seen to be good: it is fitting to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of the life God gives us; for this is our lot.

Second Reading- James 4:7-15

7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Lament and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy into dejection. 10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you. 11 Do not speak evil against one another, brothers and sisters. Whoever speaks evil against another or judges another, speaks evil against the law and judges the law; but if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge. 12 There is one lawgiver and judge who is able to save and to destroy. So who, then, are you to judge your neighbour?

13 Come now, you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a town and spend a year there, doing business and making money.' 14 Yet you do not even know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. 15 Instead you ought to say, 'If the Lord wishes, we will live and do this or that.'

Serving Schedule

Liturgist and Elder at the Table: Elders for the Hospital:
Rev. Bonnie Brown Wayne and Gloria Goodaker