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!

Staff

Sr. Minister	Rev. J. Chris Michael
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Contact Us:

Church Office 270-684-8879 Church Email: contact@fccowb.org Web Address: www.fccowb.org Guest Wifi Password: FCCGuest!

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 21

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

Monday, September 22

6:30 p.m. OCTC Chorus Rehearsal

Tuesday, September 23

Wednesday, September 24

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, Septemper 25

Friday, September 26 Church Office Closed

Saturday, September 27

Announcements

A new Sunday school class has been created for 20's and 30's, led by Rev. Chris Michael, and meets on the 2nd floor (last room on the right).

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.

Our next Primetimers outing will be Oct 14 11:30 a.m. at the Adams Breezy Hill Farm, 1222 Cadiz Rd, Princeton, KY. Cost will be \$5 per person. Since the trip is out of town, we can take the bus. Just text Janet, if you want to ride it. We can also carpool. Arrive at church at 9:45am to leave no later than 10:00 a.m. The drive takes about one hour 30 min. Looking forward to seeing you. Contact Janet Luckett by text message 270-929-4984 or Barbara Chavez- 270-929-6941-call, leave a message, text or email babsc1222@gmail.com

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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15th Sunday after Pentecost September 21, 2025 September 21, 2025 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

"Arietta" Op. 12, No. 1 Edvard Grieg

*Call to Worship Connie Ford

One: We're here seeking refuge in a world where goodness and good news can feel far away.

All: Gratefully, God is our hope and our refuge!

One: We come searching for safety in a world filled with war, famine, earthquakes and violence.

All: Still, God is our hope and our refuge!

One: We yearn for rest in a world bombarding us with demands and difficulties.

All: In this hour we seek God's presence, leading us to refuge and hope. Let us worship the God who desires abundant life for all!

*Hymn #100

"When Morning Gilds the Skies" (vs. 1, 2, & 4)

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Connie Ford

(using "debts" and "debtors")

First Scripture Reading Connie Ford

Psalm 131

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)

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Pastoral Prayer Rev. Chris Michael

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Hymn (See insert.)

Special Music

"How Can I Keep from Singing"

Second Scripture Reading Rev. Chris Michael

Luke 11:1-4

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Chris Michael

"Lord, Teach Us to Pray"

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn #575

"Come and Find the Quiet Center" (vs. 1 & 3)

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

Preparation for the Offering Rev. Chris Michael
Offertory Ann Jeannette Pierce, Piano

"Andante Sostenuto" Op. 72, No. 2 Felix Mendelssohn

*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 Bonnie Brown & Cathy Midkiff

Words of Institution
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music

Morton Holbrook, III, Piano "Prelude in G minor" Op. 23, No. 5 Sergei Rachmaninoff

GOING IN PEACE TO LOVE AND TO SERVE

*Benediction Rev. Chris Michael

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

*Please stand if you are able.

Scripture Reading

First Reading- Psalm 131

 O Lord, my heart is not lifted up; my eyes are not raised too high;
 I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvelous for me.
 But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother; my soul is like the weaned child that is with me.
 O Israel, hope in the Lord

from this time on and forevermore.

Second Reading- Luke 11:1-4

11 He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." ² So he said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, may your name be revered as holy.

- May your kingdom come.
- Give us each day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our sins,
 for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
 And do not bring us to the time of trial."

Flowers have been placed in the chancel to the glory of God, and in celebration of the marriage of Allison Carter to Brandon Alexander on September 20, 2025.