

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

"Morning Prayer"

By Cornelius Gurlitt

*Call to Worship

Libby Johnson

One: The word has come for us from God:

All: who promises to shelter us under the wings of hope and grace.

One: The word has come to us from Jesus:

All: who encourages us to remember the good news we have received.

One: The word flows to us from the Spirit:

All: who reminds us to place our hope and trust in God.

*Hymn #464

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“God of Grace and God of Glory” (v. 1, 4, and 5)

*Invocation and Lord’s Prayer

Libby Johnson

(using “debts” and “debtors”)

First Scripture

II Timothy 3:14-17

Libby Johnson

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Children’s Blessing

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. Michael

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Message in Music

"Arise, My Soul, Arise"

Michael Ervin

by Charles Wesley, arr. Dan Forrest

Second Scripture

II Samuel 11:27-12:14

Rev. Michael

Response

One: The Word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“The Word of the Lord?”

Rev. Michael

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn #453

BEECHER

“Called as Partners in Christ's Service"

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

Cate Gaddis

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion Music

"Be Thou My Vision"

Traditional Irish Melody, arr. Ann Jeannette Pierce

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 memory of Ken Willis.

The rose on the communion table is in celebration of the

birth of Hattie Beth Gleason, daughter of John and Ashley Gleason,

granddaughter of Dick and Mary Yerington, born on July 20.

Scripture Reading- II Samuel 11:27-12:14

27When the mourning was over, David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord, 12-1and the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, ‘There were two men in a certain city, one rich and the other poor. 2The rich man had very many flocks and herds; 3but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meagre fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. 4Now there came a traveller to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man’s lamb, and prepared that for the guest who had come to him.’ 5Then David’s anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, ‘As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; 6he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.’ 7 Nathan said to David, ‘You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; 8I gave you your master’s house, and your master’s wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. 9Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. 10Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. 11Thus says the Lord: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbour, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. 12For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.’ 13David said to Nathan, ‘I have sinned against the Lord.’ Nathan said to David, ‘Now the Lord has put away your sin; you shall not die. 14Nevertheless, because by this deed you have utterly scorned the Lord, the child that is born to you shall die.’

Serving Schedule

Liturgist: Libby Johnson
Elder at the Table: Cate Gaddis
Elder Serving at the Hospital: Bonnie Brown
Worship & Wonder: Janet Luckett

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

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

Sunday, July 25

9:00 a.m.	Worship Service (S)
10:30 a.m.	Sunday School

Monday, July 26

5:30 p.m.	Outreach Committee (Conference Room)
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Tuesday, July 27

5:00 p.m.	Ken Willis Memorial Service (S)
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Wednesday, July 28

6:30 a.m.	Men's Fellowship (Panera)
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Thursday, July 29

Friday, July 30	Church Office Closed
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Opportunities to Serve

Children's Worship and Wonder: Volunteer to help lead worship for children on Sunday mornings. We need Storytellers (to guide the lessons) and Shepherds (to assist in the room). To learn more about Worship and Wonder, contact Emily Baur: emily.baur@yahoo.com

Food Pantry: The FCC food pantries help at least 150 people per month. Come help us pack tubs of food for those in our community every 1st and 3rd Thursday. The next dates will be Thursday, Aug 5, and Thursday, Aug 19. You can also donate items like: peanut butter, tuna, canned chili or beans, and toiletries.

Choir: Our choir year is scheduled to resume on Wednesday night, September 8, at 6pm. We would love to have you join us. If you would like to get involved, contact Mike Tichenor: pmiket@att.net



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