



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

August 2, 2026

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Welcome Visitors! We are excited that you have chosen to worship with us today; all are welcome and beloved—all races, gender identities, sexual orientations, socio-economic statuses, *everyone*.

I. Prelude (Joshua Hegg)

II. Ringing of the Bell

III. Welcome and Announcements – (Lori Terrell-Adrian)

- Today – Fellowship in Koinonia Hall following our worship service; After fellowship is a Capital Campaign meeting in Room 6
- Wednesday – 10 a.m. Uplift Boutique, in Room 10; 6:00 p.m. Scouting America Troop 2 in Koinonia Hall and Fireside
- Thursday – 8:30 a.m. Worship Team Breakfast at Cozy Diner; 5:30 p.m. Scouting America Pack 2 in Koinonia Hall and Fireside; 6:30 Bible Study in Room 6 and Zoom
- Friday – Uplift Boutique Back to School preparation in Koinonia Hall
- Saturday – 9 a.m. Back to School at the Uplift Boutique, in Room 10; 10 a.m. All Church Backyard Picnic Potluck Brunch plus fun activities for all ages at Peggy Davidson's home
- Next Sunday, Chico First Baptist will be worshipping with us in our sanctuary
- Recommendations to the Nominating Task Force are next to the bulletins, and may be put in the collection plate, dropped by the office, or mailed to the church.

- Please see the back of your bulletins for the calendar
- Offerings may be put on the offering plate near the bulletins near the sanctuary's entrance

IV. Greeting One Another

V. Call to Worship (Lori Terrell-Adrian)

We gather because God is faithful.

All: God's steadfast love endures forever.

We come from different stories, different families,
and different journeys.

All: Yet God calls us together as one people.

When our hearts are burdened, God meets us with
mercy.

All: When our hope grows dim, God remains faithful.

Come, let us worship the God whose grace is greater
than our imagination.

All: Let us worship the God whose love never fails.

VI. Opening Hymn – CH #25 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” (Joshua Hegg)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, who rules all
creation.

O my soul, worship the wellspring of health and
salvation.

All ye who hear, now to God's temple draw near.
Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously
reigneth,

Who, as on wings of an eagle uplifted, sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen? All that is needful hath been
Granted by in what God ordaineth.

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and
defend thee.

Surely God's goodness and mercy here daily attend
thee.

Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
Who with great love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, who doth nourish thy life and
restore thee,

Fitting thee well for the tasks that are ever before
thee.

Then to thy need God as a mother doth speed,
Spreading the wings of grace o'er thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all of earth's peoples and
races,

All that has life and breath, give thanks for manifold
graces.

Let the Amen sound from God's people again.
Gladly forever sing praises.

**VII. Children in Fourth Grade and Under are
Dismissed for Sunday School**

**VIII. Scripture Psalm 17:1-7, 15 (Laughing Bird)
(Lori Terrell-Adrian)**

Give me a fair hearing, LORD;
pay attention to my plea.
Listen to what I have to say,
for I speak without a word of a lie.

I want you to be the one who declares me innocent,
for you always see things as they really are.

Put me under the microscope and see what I'm made
of;
make a snap inspection anytime, day or night.
Cross examine me as thoroughly as you wish;
there are no skeletons in my closet;
I've got nothing to hide
and no tracks to cover.

I don't just conform to what others do, LORD;
I take my cues from what you've said.
I have avoided straying down the path of violence,
and kept my feet firmly on the tracks you've shown.

I am calling to you, God,
because I know you will help.

Tune in to what I have to say
and hear me out.

Put your rock-solid love on display for all to see.
You are the one who rescues and shelters
those who seek asylum from violent persecution.

I know I will be proved innocent;
I will be able to hold my head up and look you in the
eye.
I will rise to a new day, filled with your presence.

**IX. Scripture Reading Romans 9:1-5 (NRSVUE)
(Lori Terrell-Adrian)**

I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my
conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit—I have
great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I
could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off
from Christ for the sake of my own brothers and
sisters, my own flesh and blood. They are Israelites,
and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the
covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the
promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from
them, according to the flesh, comes the Christ, who is
over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

X. Sermon -- “It’s All About Grace!” (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

XI. Hymn of Invitation – CP #73 “More Love, More Power” (Joshua Hegg)

More love, more power,
More of you in my life;
More love, more power,
More of you in my life.

And I will worship you with all of my heart;
And I will worship you with all of my mind;
And I will worship you with all of my strength.
You are my Lord, you are my Lord.

XII. Moments for Mission

XIII. Prayers of the People

Lord’s Prayer

Our father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors

And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and
The glory forever, Amen.

XIV. Response CH # 306 “Hear Our Prayer, O Lord” (Joshua Hegg)

Hear our prayer, O Lord,
Hear our prayer, O Lord,
Incline Thine ear to us,
And grant us thy peace.
Amen.

XV. Communion Song – CH #408 “Come, Share the Lord” (Joshua Hegg)

We gather here in Jesus’ name
His love is burning in our hearts like living flame;
For through the loving Son the Father makes us one:
Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine,
Come, share the Lord.

No one is a stranger here,
Everyone belongs;
Finding our forgiveness here,
We in turn forgive all wrongs.

He joins us here, he breaks the bread,
The Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead;
The one we love the most is now our gracious host:
Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine,
Come, share the Lord.

We are now a family
of which the Lord is head;
Though unseen he meets us here
In the breaking of the bread.

We'll gather soon where angels sing;
We'll see the glory of our Lord and coming King;
Now we anticipate the feast for which we wait:
Come, take the bread, come, drink the wine,
Come, share the Lord.

**XVI. Institution of Communion (Bill Peterson,
elder)**

XVII. Partaking Communion Together

**XVIII. Blessing/Benediction (Rev. Jesse
Kearns)**

XIX. Postlude (Joshua Hegg)



All Church Backyard Picnic Potluck Brunch!

**Mark your calendars!!!
Saturday, August 8th at 10 a.m.
Peggy Davidson's home**

There will be fun activities including

- Bean Bag Toss (aka Corn Hole)
- Badminton
- Connect Four
- Activities for little kids
- And more!

- **What is Communion?** Communion is a part of each Sunday morning where we remember the last meal that Jesus ate with the disciples by eating bread and drinking grape juice.
- **May I receive Communion?** Yes! Everyone is invited to receive -- we have no barrier to participating in communion.
- **What else should I know?** We'd love to share more of our loving and inclusive community with you. At FCC, you'll find all generations worshipping together and participating in church activities. We have activities for kids and youth, and we love to share in community together.
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Calendar for August 2-9, 2026

Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Room 6 & on [Zoom](#)
- 10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary & Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) & [Facebook](#)
- Fellowship, Koinonia Hall
- **After Fellowship, Capital Campaign meeting, Room 6 and on Zoom (Date change!)**
- 1:00 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary

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