



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

September 6, 2026

Pastor Rev. Jesse Kearns

10 a.m. Sunday Worship • (530) 343-3727 • chicodisciples@gmail.com

fccchico.com • Wi-Fi Network: FCCDOC • Password: 5303433727

AGREE TO DIFFER • RESOLVE TO LOVE • UNITE TO SERVE



fccchico



fccchico



YouTube FCCChico

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 – (Mary Kearns)

- Welcome to everyone here in the sanctuary, on Facebook and Zoom
- Today –Our Fellowship is in Koinonia Hall following our worship service
- Monday – Church Office is closed for Labor Day
- Tuesday – 9:30 a.m. Koinonia Krafters in Fireside; 7 p.m. Church Board hybrid meeting in the Chapel and on Zoom
- Wednesday –10 a.m. Uplift Boutique, in Room 10; 11:30 a.m. Chico Area Interfaith Council in Fireside; 6 p.m. Scouting America Troop 2 in Koinonia Hall and Fireside
- Thursday – 8:30 a.m. Worship Team Breakfast at Cozy Diner; 10 a.m. Music Practice in Room 4; 5:30 p.m. Scouting America Pack 2 in Koinonia Hall and Fireside
- Saturday – 10 a.m. Uplift Boutique, in Room 10
- Sunday – **After Church will be a Bazaar planning meeting in Room 6—anyone**

interested is warmly invited!; 2 p.m. Journeys of the Heart, in Spiritual Care Center

- 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. Responsive Call to Worship (Mary Kearns)

When we gather in Christ's name, we do not gather alone.

Christ is here among us.

When relationships are broken, Christ calls us toward reconciliation.

We come seeking forgiveness, healing, and peace.

When we listen to one another, we make room for grace.

When we worship together, we are bound together in love.

Come, let us gather in the presence of Christ.

Let us worship God together. Amen.

VI. Opening Hymn – CH #254 “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” (Joshua Hegg)

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what thou dost love,
And do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Until my heart is pure,
Until with thee I will one will
To do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Till I am wholly thine,
Until this earthly part of me
Glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
So shall I never die,
But live with thee the perfect life
Of thine eternity.

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

**VIII. First Scripture Reading Psalm 149:1-5
(Laughing Bird) (Mary Kearns)**

You are the greatest, LORD!

We sing your praises like we've never sung before,
LORD,
along with all your faithful people everywhere.

Our greatest joy is knowing
that you made us as your people.
With all the children of your holy city,
we celebrate you as our King!

Every mention of your name sets us singing and
dancing;
we strike up the band in your honour.
Praise the Lord!

For you, LORD, delight in your people;
you share the spoils of victory with ordinary folk.
Your faithful ones revel in your glory,
and bask in the sheer joy of praising you.

**IX. Second Scripture Reading Matthew 18:15-20
(NRSVUE) (Mary Kearns)**

“If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. 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. If that person 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. 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. 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. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

X. Sermon -- “Restorative Justice” (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

XI. Hymn of Invitation – CH #73 “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” (Joshua Hegg)

There’s a wideness in God’s mercy,
like the wideness of the sea;
there’s a kindness in God’s justice,
which is more than liberty.

There is welcome for the sinner,
and more graces for the good!
There is mercy with the Savior;
there is healing in his blood.

For the love of God is broader
than the measure of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more simple,
we would rest upon God’s word;
and our lives would be illumined
by the presence of our 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 – TOG #5 “Come to the Table of Grace” (Joshua Hegg)

Come to the table of grace
Come to the table of grace
This is God’s table
It’s not yours or mine
Come to the table of grace

Come to the table of peace
Come to the table of peace
This is God’s table
It’s not yours or mine
Come to the table of peace

Come to the table of love
Come to the table of love
This is God’s table
It’s not yours or mine
Come to the table of love

Come to the table of joy
Come to the table of joy
This is God’s table
It’s not yours or mine
Come to the table of joy

Come to the table of hope
Come to the table of hope
This is God’s table
It’s not yours or mine
Come to the table of hope

XVI. Institution of Communion (Bill Peterson, elder)

XVII. Partaking Communion Together

XVIII. Blessing/Benediction (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

XIX. Postlude (Joshua Hegg)

- **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.
- **Visit our website to subscribe to our mailing lists, see a map of our facility, donate online, and learn more about us!** www.fccchico.com or scan the QR codes:



Scan Me to Visit our Website



Scan Me to

Donate

- **Deadlines:** Sunday Bulletin-Wednesdays, 10 am; Callerito weekly email-Thursday 10 am; Caller, monthly newsletter-15th at noon.

Attendance: August 30, 2026

Sanctuary: 55

Online: 10

Total: 65

Credits

- Graphic Photo by A. C. on Unsplash
- Laughing Bird Psalm ©2001 Nathan Nettleton LaughingBird.net
- “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” Words: Edwin Hatch, 1878, alt. Music: Robert Jackson, 1888. Public Domain. CCLI# 99481
- “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy” Words: Frederick W. Faber, 1854. Music: Lizzie S. Tourjee, 1877; harm. Charles H. Webb, 1988. Harm. © 1989 The United Methodist Publishing House. Words: Public Domain. CCLI # 3063417
- “Come to the Table of Grace” Words and Music: Barbara Hamm. Words and Music © 2008 Hope Publishing Company CCLI# 7034085
- “Hear Our Prayers, O Lord” Words: Psalm 143:1, Music George Whelpton, 1897 © Public Domain. CCLI Song #7073673
- Hymns Used By Permission. For use solely with the SongSelect® Terms of Use. All rights reserved. www.ccli.com. CCLI Copyright License #37151

Calendar for September 6-13, 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
- 1 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary
- 2 p.m. Journeys of the Heart Bereavement Group begins, Spiritual Care Center

Monday—Labor Day; Church Office Closed

Tuesday

- 9:30 a.m. Koinonia Krafters, Fireside
- 7 p.m. Church Board hybrid meeting, Chapel and Zoom

Wednesday

- 10 a.m. Uplift Boutique (Free Family Resource), Room 10
- 11:30 a.m. Chico Area Interfaith Council meeting, Fireside
- 6 p.m. Scouting America Troop 2, Fireside, Koinonia Hall

Thursday

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Team Breakfast, Cozy Diner
- 10 a.m. Music Practice, Room 4
- 5:30 p.m. Scouting America Pack 2, Fireside, Koinonia Hall

Saturday

- 10 a.m. Uplift Boutique (Free Family Resource), Room 10

Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Room 6 & on Zoom
- 10 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary & Streamed Live on Zoom & Facebook
- Fellowship, Koinonia Hall
- **After Church, Bazaar Planning Meeting, Room 6**
- 1 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary
- 2 p.m. Journeys of the Heart Bereavement Group, Spiritual Care Center