



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

February 8th, 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 (Nancy Thompson)

II. Ringing of the Bell

III. Welcome and Announcements – (Leslie Moore)

- Today – Fellowship in Koinonia Hall following our worship service
- Tuesday – 9:30 a.m. Koinonia Krafters meet in Fireside; 10:45 a.m. Music Practice in Room 4
- Wednesday – 11:30 a.m. Chico Area Interfaith Council meeting in Fireside
- Thursday – 8:30 a.m. Worship Team Breakfast at Cozy Diner; 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at Chico First Baptist Church and on their Zoom
- Next Sunday – Week of Compassion begins
- Printed Lenten Devotionals are on the tables near the bulletins
- 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. Opening Hymn – CH #70 “God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale” (Nancy Thompson)

God of the sparrow God of the whale
God of the swirling stars
How does the creature say Awe
How does the creature say Praise

God of the earthquake God of the storm
God of the trumpet blast
How does the creature cry Woe
How does the creature cry Save

God of the rainbow God of the cross
God of the empty grave
How does the creature say Grace
How does the creature say Thanks
God of the hungry God of the sick
God of the prodigal
How does the creature say Care
How does the creature say Life

God of the neighbor God of the foe
God of the pruning hook
How does the creature say Love
How does the creature say Peace

God of the ages, God near at hand
God of the loving heart
How do your children say Joy
How do your children say Home

VI. Call to Worship – (Leslie Moore)

God has not left us to find our own way.
God has given us a path shaped by grace.
In Christ, we are called salt and light—
Not to earn God’s love, but to live within it.
Come, let us worship the God who fulfills the law in love.

We come trusting the promise of grace.

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

VIII. Scripture Reading Psalm 112:1-10 (NRSVUE) (Leslie Moore)

Praise the LORD!
Happy are those who fear the LORD,
 who greatly delight in his commandments.
Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
 the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches are in their houses,
and their righteousness endures forever.
They rise in the darkness as a light for the upright;
they are gracious, merciful, and righteous.
It is well with those who deal generously and lend,
who conduct their affairs with justice.
For the righteous will never be moved;
they will be remembered forever.
They are not afraid of evil tidings;
their hearts are firm, secure in the LORD.
Their hearts are steady; they will not be afraid;
in the end they will look in triumph on their
foes.
They have distributed freely; they have given to the
poor;
their righteousness endures forever;
their horn is exalted in honor.
The wicked see it and are angry;
they gnash their teeth and melt away;
the desire of the wicked comes to nothing.

**IX. Scripture Reading Matthew 5:13-20
(NRSVUE) (Leslie Moore)**

It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out
and trampled under foot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill
cannot be hid. People do not light a lamp and put it
under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the
lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the
same way, let your light shine before others, so that
they may see your good works and give glory to your
Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or
the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill.
For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away,
not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from
the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever
breaks one of the least of these commandments and
teaches others to do the same will be called least in the
kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and
teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of
heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness
exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will
never enter the kingdom of heaven.

**X. Sermon -- “A Promise of Guidance” (Rev.
Jesse Kearns)**

XI. Song of Invitation – CH #469 “I Am the Light of the World” (Nancy Thompson)

“I am the Light of the World
You people come and follow me.”
If you follow and love, you’ll learn the mystery
Of what you were meant to do and be.

When the song of the angels is stilled,
When the star in the sky is gone,
When the magi and the shepherds have found their
 way home,
The work of Christmas is begun:

“I am the Light of the World
You people come and follow me.”
If you follow and love, you’ll learn the mystery
Of what you were meant to do and be.

To find the lost and lonely one,
To heal that broken soul with love,
To feed the hungry children with warmth and good
 food,
To feel the earth below, the sky above!

“I am the Light of the World
You people come and follow me.”
If you follow and love, you’ll learn the mystery
Of what you were meant to do and be.

To free the pris’ner from all chains,
To make the powerful care,
To rebuild the nations with strength of goodwill,
To see God’s children ev’rywhere!

“I am the Light of the World
You people come and follow me.”
If you follow and love, you’ll learn the mystery
Of what you were meant to do and be.

To bring hope to ev’ry task you do,
To dance at a baby’s new birth,
To make music in an old person’s heart,
And sing to the colors of the earth!

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” (Nancy Thompson)

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 #420 “I Come With Joy” (Nancy Thompson)

I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me,
in love laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ’s communion bread,
in Christ’s communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends,
And strangers now are friends.

The Spirit of the risen Christ
Unseen, but ever near,
Is in such friendship better known,
Alive among us here,
Alive among us here.

Together met, together bound
By all that God has done,
We’ll go with joy, to give the world
The love that makes us one,
The love that makes us one.

XVI. Institution of Communion (Georgia Nelson, elder)

XVII. Partaking Communion Together

XVIII. Blessing/Benediction (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

XIX. Postlude (Nancy Thompson)

Blue Cloud Arts Production



Our next meeting for Blue Cloud Arts Production will be **Monday, February 23rd, at 7 p.m. in the Chapel Room.**

Bring your projects to work on!

This will be a Workshop Meeting with the first 30 minutes as a time to

brainstorm.

If you have feedback, ideas, or want to learn more, please come to this meeting and then stay for the workshop to contribute to our 1st Edition. This is an Art Production Devotional Zine that is *“faith-based.”*

It is Art for our and by our faith-based community.

We are presenting our own original literary and visual art created by our own church congregation. Each contributed art piece will list your name as the artist. We are not collecting art from other sources. It is your

art and all original art. There are no copyright issues, as it is our own art and we are not sourcing art or literary work from outside sources (except quotes from the Bible).

No AI (Artificial-Intelligence generated Art) will be accepted.

Email Submissions to:
Leslie C. Moore
LMooreLeslie@gmail.com
Text/ Phone: 1-707-529-3195

Visual Art submissions are to be emailed to me as a photo. Do not concern yourself with photo quality. We have digital editing tools.

Literary Art submissions are to be emailed to me as an attached document. PDF is preferred.

Or you can bring your visual or literary art to our Workshop meeting on February 23rd. We will take photos of your visual art at the meeting. And if you are submitting literary art please bring a physical copy or bring your digital device and I can help you email a copy to me.

Let's get creative and collaborate together and glorify God and his gift of creativity!

Fill a Bucket Sundays for the Uplift Boutique

On February 8th and 15th, there will be a 'Fill a Bucket' Sunday. The Uplift Boutique offers cleaning supplies to Foster Care, Reunified, Kinship, and other community families that will benefit from this resource. Buckets will be available to fill on those Sundays!

Cleaning supplies needed:

- Sponges
- All-purpose cleaner (like Lysol, Mrs. Meyers, or Simple Green)
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Window Cleaner
- Brushes
- Paper Towels
- Cleaning Powder (like Ajax/Comet)

Thank you, Carolyn Driscoll

If you have any questions, contact Carolyn at 530-588-3869.



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

Attendance: February 1st, 2026

Online: 13

Sanctuary: 52

Total: 65

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February 8th-15th, 2026

This 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, in Koinonia Hall
- 1:00 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary
- 2:00 p.m. Journeys of the Heart Bereavement Group, Spiritual Care Center

Tuesday

- 9:30 a.m. Koinonia Krafters, Fireside
- 10:45 a.m. Music Practice, Room 4

Wednesday

- 10:00 a.m. Uplift Boutique (Free Family Resource)
- 11:30 a.m. Chico Area Interfaith Council (CAIC) meeting, Fireside
- 6:00 p.m. BSA Troop 2, Fireside and Koinonia Hall

Thursday

- 8:30 am Worship Team Breakfast, Cozy Diner;
- 5:30 p.m. BSA Cub Scout Pack 2, Fireside and Koinonia Hall
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study, Chico First Baptist

Saturday

- 10:00 a.m. Uplift Boutique (Free Family Resource)

Next Sunday—Week of Compassion begins; The Caller deadline

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- 10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary & Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) & [Facebook](#)
- Fellowship, **Fireside**
- 1:00 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary
- 2:00 p.m. Journeys of the Heart Bereavement Group, Spiritual Care Center (SCC)
- **Safe Space, Koinonia Hall**

Lenten Devotional: Printed copies are in the Sanctuary. Our friends at A Sanctified Art have provided a special e-reader version of this year's Lenten devotional, which you can access on your computer and mobile devices: online.flippingbook.com/view/546389771/ In order to protect their work, please refrain from sharing this link or posting it on social media.