

First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

November 16th, 2025—Annual Business Meeting Pastor Rev. Jesse Kearns

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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 – "Adagio In A" (Joshua Hegg)

II. Ringing of the Bell

III. Welcome and Announcements – (Carolyn Driscoll)

- Today Fellowship in Koinonia Hall following our worship service; After church Bazaar Evaluation meeting in Room 6
- Monday 7 p.m. Faith in Films, *Home for the Holidays*, location to be determined
- Tuesday 10:45 a.m. Music Practice in Room 4;
 2 p.m. DWM meeting in Bethany; 7 p.m. Elder hybrid meeting in the Chapel and on Zoom
- Wednesday –9:30 a.m. PEO meeting in Fireside; 10 a.m. Uplift Boutique, in Room 10; 6 p.m. BSA Scouts Troop 2 in Koinonia Hall and Fireside; 7 p.m. Faith in Films, discussing *Home for the Holidays*, in Room 6 and on Zoom
- Thursday 8:30 a.m. Worship Team Breakfast at Cozy Diner; 5:30 p.m. BSA Cub Pack 2 in Koinonia Hall and Fireside
- Saturday 10 a.m. Uplift Boutique, in Room 10
- Next Sunday, there will be a Church Capital Campaign meeting after fellowship in Room 6;
 3 p.m. Sanctuary Decorating Party
- 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 – (Carolyn Driscoll)

Leader: God is creating new heavens and a new earth!

People: We rejoice and are glad in what God is making!

Leader: No more shall there be weeping or distress. **People: God's people will live in joy and peace.**

Leader: Before we call, God will answer; while we speak, God will hear.

People: Come, let us worship the Lord who makes all things new!

VI. Opening Hymn –CH #357 "We Call Ourselves Disciples" (Joshua Hegg)

We call ourselves disciples as pilgrims on the way.
We seek the truth in wisdom, and beauty in each day.
As women, men, and children, we serve, Christ's path to clear.

In joyful expectation we see God's reign draw near.

The cup and cross before us, proclaim our hope above,

The sign of our Redeemer, the vessel of his love. Once more the cross is lifted, the cup poured out for all.

When gathered at the table we hear our common call.

We're baptized in the Spirit, in waters God provides. In Christ we rise to newness, for in him we have died. Now dead to powers of evil, and free from hopeless fears,

We live with faith and purpose, creative through the years.

We join with all disciples to live the Word in deed, To share the cup of water and bread with all in need; To work till God's compassion and righteousness prevail,

Till all this planet's people know justice without fail.

So now the vision brightens, the light of Christ burns still

In hearts of all disciples to be the church God wills. From quiet meditation, and joyous hymns of praise, We go to do God's mission! Christ, lead us all our days!

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

VIII. Psalm 98 (Laughing Bird) (Carolyn Driscoll)

We sing like we've never sung before, LORD, because you have done fantastic things. With your sleeves rolled up you got stuck in and came out on top.

Your victory has made the headlines, LORD, now the whole world can see that you were right all along.

You have never defaulted on your rock-solid love, or your loyalty to your chosen people. From one end of the earth to the other, everyone has seen your victory.

With all the world, LORD, we raise a noisy celebration, singing our lungs out and shouting your praise.

The bands strike up in your honour, LORD, filling the air with festive music.
With a brass fanfare and a dancing beat we loudly celebrate your reign over us.

The whole creation joins in the celebration: the ocean and its creatures roar their approval; the land and its animals, cheer and stomp; rivers and lakes give a standing ovation, mountains and hills erupt in applause.

We put on the whole show in your presence, LORD, celebrating your arrival as you finally bring justice. With you in charge we know things will be put right; now every one on earth will get a fair go.

X. Scripture Reading Isaiah 65:17-25 (NRSVUE) (Carolyn Driscoll)

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating, for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people;

no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days or an old person who does not live out a lifetime, for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat,

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,

and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

XI. Sermon -- "What Disciples Do: Live the Dream" (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

XII. Hymn of Reflection – CH #305 "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" x3 (Joshua Hegg)

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your spirit in this place; Lord, listen to your children praying, Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace!

XIII. Moments for Mission

XIV. 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.

XV. 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.

XVI. Communion Song –CH #354 "Seek Ye First" Joshua Hegg)

Seek ye first the kingdom of God And God's righteousness, And all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; Seek and ye shall find, Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

XVII. Institution of Communion (Nancy Morgans-Ferguson, elder)

XVIII. Partaking Communion Together "Come and Fill"

XIX. Blessing/Benediction (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

XX. Postlude - "Weave" (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.
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Attendance for November 9th, 2025

Online: 9 Sanctuary: 57 **Total: 66**

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Calendar for November 16th-23rd, 2025

This Sunday—Annual Business Meeting

- 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
- After Church Bazaar Evaluation meeting, Room 6
- 1:00 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary

Monday

• 7:00 p.m. Faith in Films, Home for the Holidays, **TBD**

Tuesday

- 10:45 a.m. Music Practice, Room 4
- 2:00 p.m. Disciple Women's Ministry meeting, Bethany
- 7:00 p.m. Elders' hybrid meeting, Chapel and Zoom

Wednesday

- 9:30 a.m. PEO, Fireside
- 10:00 a.m. Uplift Boutique (Free Family Resource)
- 6:00 p.m. BSA Troop 2, Koinonia Hall & Fireside
- 7:00 p.m. Faith in Films, *Home for the Holidays* discussion, Room 6, Zoom

Thursday

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Team Breakfast at Cozy Diner
- 5:30 p.m. BSA Pack 2, Koinonia Hall & Fireside

• 6:30 p.m. Bible Study, Room 6 and Zoom **Saturday**

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

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- 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
- After Fellowship Capital Campaign meeting, Room 6 (please note this was incorrectly listed for Nov. 16th last week)
- 1:00 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary
- 3:00 p.m. Decorating the Sanctuary