



First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)



October 5th, 2025—World Communion Sunday

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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 – (Georgia Nelson)

- Today –World Communion Sunday, Fellowship in Koinonia Hall following our worship service
- Tuesday – 7 p.m. Church Board Meeting in the Chapel and on Zoom
- Wednesday – 10 a.m. Uplift Boutique, in Room 10; 11:30 a.m. Chico Area Interfaith Council meeting in Fireside; 6:00 p.m. BSA Scouts 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. BSA Cub Pack 2 in Koinonia Hall and Fireside; 6:30 p.m. Jewish Festivals Bible Study in Room 6 and on Zoom
- Saturday – 10 a.m. Uplift Boutique, in Room 10; 10 a.m. PEO fundraiser in Koinonia Hall and Kitchen
- Stewardship Estimate of Giving Pledge Cards are in the pew racks and are due on Stewardship Sunday, November 16th.
- A donation box for CHAT's Everhart Village is under the tables near the bulletins in the Sanctuary. Please see your bulletin insert for more information.

- 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 – (Georgia Nelson)

From north and south, from east and west, we
come—

people of faith, gathered at one table.

**We come to remember that we are part of God's
wide world,
woven together in love and hope.**

In every language, the bread is broken.

In every culture, the cup is shared.

**We taste the goodness of God,
who welcomes all and excludes none.**

This is the table where differences are celebrated,
where strangers become friends,
and where Christ is our host.

**Here, we find our common humanity and our
shared divine image.**

**Here, we are one body, made whole in
love.**

Come, people of God—

bring your joy and your sorrow, your doubt
and your faith.

**We come to be nourished, renewed, and sent out
again—**

to live as Christ's body in the world.

Let us worship the God who makes us one.

**We gather in gratitude, in grace, and in peace.
Amen.**

VI. Opening Hymn – CP #159 “All Are Welcome” (Joshua Hegg)

All are welcome, friend and stranger,
At the banquet of the Savior.
All are welcome, All are welcome

From woman who comes crying,
Leaving tears at Jesus' feet,
To a man who knows the right way
But he cannot see.

All are welcome, friend and stranger,
At the banquet of the Savior.
All are welcome, All are welcome

From the ones who feel forgotten,
Those who sense their place is gone,
To the ones who live in hunger,
Here you belong.

All are welcome, friend and stranger,
At the banquet of the Savior.
All are welcome, All are welcome

Go into the streets and cities,
To the farms and families,
Tell about the splendid table,
God's mercy.
All are welcome, friend and stranger,
At the banquet of the Savior.
All are welcome, All are welcome

VII. Children's Moments (Carolyn Driscoll)

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

IX. Psalm 50:7-15 (NRSVUE) (Georgia Nelson)

“Hear, O my people, and I will speak,
O Israel, I will testify against you.
I am God, your God.
Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you;
your burnt offerings are continually before me.
I will not accept a bull from your house
or goats from your folds.
For every wild animal of the forest is mine,
the cattle on a thousand hills.
I know all the birds of the air,
and all that moves in the field is mine.

“If I were hungry, I would not tell you,
for the world and all that is in it is mine.
Do I eat the flesh of bulls
or drink the blood of goats?
Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving,
and pay your vows to the Most High.
Call on me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.”

X. Scripture Reading 2 Timothy 1:1-14 (NRSVUE) (Georgia Nelson)

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for
the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and
Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear
conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember
you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling
your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with
joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that
lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother
Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason
I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within

you through the laying on of my hands, for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, in the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace, and this grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day the deposit I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good deposit entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

XI. Sermon -- “What Disciples Do: Take Their Faith Home” (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

XII. Hymn of Reflection – CH #386 “We Come as Guests Invited” - (Joshua Hegg)

We come as guests invited
when Jesus bids us dine,
His friends on earth united
to share the bread and wine;
The bread of life is broken,
the wine is freely poured
For us, in solemn token
of Christ our dying Lord.

We eat and drink, receiving
from Christ the grace we need,
and in our hearts believing
on him by faith we feed;
with wonder and thanksgiving
for love that knows no end,
we find in Jesus living
our ever-present friend.

One bread is ours for sharing,
one single, fruitful vine,
our fellowship declaring
renewed in bread and wine:
renewed, sustained, and given
by token, sign, and word,
the pledge and seal of heaven,
the love of Christ our Lord.

**XIII. Moments for Mission: Reconciliation
Special Offering Video**

XIV. Prayers of the People (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

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 #392 “Draw Us in
the Spirit's Tether” (Joshua Hegg)**

Draw us in the Spirit's tether,
For when humbly in your name,
Two or three are met together,
You are in the midst of them;
Alleluya! Alleluya!
Touch we now your garment's hem.

As disciples used to gather
In the name of Christ to sup,
Then with thanks to God the giver
Break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluya, alleluya,
So now bind our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living
Make as sacraments of you,
That by caring, helping, giving,
We may be disciples true.
Alleluya, alleluya
We will serve with faith anew.

**XVII. Institution of Communion (Gary Cantwell,
elder)**

XVIII. Partaking Communion Together

XIX. Blessing/Benediction (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

XX. Postlude (Joshua Hegg)



Everhart Village Needs:

- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Bottled water
- Pantry staples with **long shelf lives**, such as:
 - **Soft** Granola bars
 - Ramen
 - Oatmeal
 - Snacks
 - Tea
 - Coffee

Everhart Village is an innovative shelter project collaboration between CHAT (Chico Housing Action Team) and Butte County Behavioral Health (BCBH). The village has sleeping cabins for 20 individuals who are existing BCBH clients and who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless.

A donation box for CHAT's Everhart Village is under the tables near the bulletins in the Sanctuary.



2025 Disciples Women's Ministries Bazaar

Sat. November 1st, 2025 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Questions: Call Judy Brillhart 345-4663, Carolyn Driscoll 588-3869,
 Barbara Poetker 487-3732

I would like to be involved in the Bazaar. I can work:

- ☐ Before— getting set up
- ☐ During the Bazaar
- ☐ Helping clean up

I am interested in the following booth, either work or providing items to sell:

- ☐ **Country Kitchen (Marie Grandeen)**
 Baked goods, jams/jellies, gift kits (soup, cookies, etc.)
- ☐ **Farmer's Market (Carolyn Driscoll)**
 Plants, produce, nuts, and related items
- ☐ **Sewing Fantasy (Diane Terrell & Lori Terrell-Adrian)**
 Sewn, quilted, and knit items, handmade items (cards, scrubbies, baby items, bibs, etc.)
- ☐ **Vintage Collectibles (Cynthia Cantwell & Leslie Moore)**
 Gently used dishes, vases, kitchen items, Christmas items, new items (with tags). NO furniture, books, clothing, or nonworking items
- ☐ **Opportunity Drawing (Peggy Davidson)**
- Dining Room (Dave Hoppe)**
 - ☐ Decorating
 - ☐ Serving and clean up
 - ☐ Making pies (pumpkin or apple)
- Cashiers (Nancy Thompson & Carolyn Hicks)**
 - ☐ Dining Room
 - ☐ Main Room
- ☐ **Children's Corner (Hilary Erwin)**
 Crafts and projects to entertain the children

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Return by placing in offering plate, or mailing to the church office

- **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 for September 28th, 2025
 Online: 12 In Person: 53 Total: 65

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Calendar for October 5th-12th, 2025

This Sunday—World Communion 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

- 7:00 p.m. Church Board Meeting, Chapel and Zoom

Wednesday

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

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- 10:00 a.m. Music Practice, Room 4
- 5:30 p.m. BSA Pack 2, Koinonia Hall & Fireside
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Saturday

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Next Sunday

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Bazaar Donations—Bring donations for the Bazaar on Sunday mornings, or during church office hours (Monday to Thursday, 8:00 am to 2:30 pm, with a lunch break from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm; Friday operations are remote), or you can call Cynthia Cantwell at 530-514-0356. **The final day for donations is Wednesday, October 28th.**

Admin. Assistant Briony will be on vacation Oct.27-31st.