

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)



May 22, 2022

*Christian Education at 9:00 a.m.
Worship Service at 10:15 a.m.*





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If you are participating in the sanctuary, please

- Pick up communion elements in the narthex
- Connect with us via our burgundy folders, in each pew, on the center isle
- Be ready to share your prayer requests silently during the pastoral prayer

If you are participating in the rest of God's creation (Facebook, YouTube, teleconference), please

- Prepare communion elements
- Say "hello"
- Be ready to share your prayer requests during the silence of the pastoral prayer

PRELUDE

Trio op. 38 – Adagio; Allegro con brio Ludwig van Beethoven
Heike Gazetti, clarinet; Jenny Yopp, cello; Carol Wilson, piano

WELCOME

Jonathan Hall

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Mara Rogers

One: In your relationships with one another,

Many: Have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

One: Who, being in the very nature of God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage.

Many: Rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

One: May we join our hearts in worship for a love such as this!

*OPENING HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!

Chalice Hymnal No. 4
(vs. 1, 2, 4)

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
God ever-living, through eternity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed trinity!

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Mara Rogers

CHILDREN'S SERMON and CELEBRATION OF GRADUATES

Jonathan Hall

High School...Alex Estrada-Rampa, Emily Sharp, Calen Hatler and Jesse Boley

Middle School...Moss Fredricksen and Mia Estrada-Rampa

Elementary School...Autumn Mackin, Anna Mackin and Patrick O'Keefe

SCRIPTURE

Debbie Metz

Philippians 2:1-13

New Revised Standard Version

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,
who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form, he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess

that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

ANTHEM

Shall We Gather At the River
Chancel Choir, directed by Jolyne Antista

arr. John Carter

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod;
With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God?
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

Ere we reach the shining river, lay we every burden down;
Grace our spirits will deliver, provide a robe and crown.
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful river,
Gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.

Deep river, my home is over Jordan, I want to cross over into campground.

Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease;
Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.
Yes, we'll gather at the river, the beautiful river;
That flows by the throne of God.

SERMON

Pouring Out Our Lives

Jonathan Hall

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Jonathan Hall

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 sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for Thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory forever. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN

We Come as Guests Invited

Chalice Hymnal No. 386
(vs. 1, 2, 3)

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.

SERVICE OF COMMUNION

Elder Prayers
Meditation Music

Trio op. 38 – Adagio cantabile

Jonathan Hall
Debbie Metz and Steven Gray, Elders
Ludwig van Beethoven

After the music has begun, please partake of communion at your leisure.

CALL TO OFFERING

If you are with us in-person, please place offerings in the box at the back of the sanctuary
at the end of the service.

Mara Rogers

OUR LIFE TOGETHER, INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND OFFERING,
and PASSING OF THE PEACE

Jonathan Hall

The Invitation is an opportunity that is given each Sunday for individuals and families to take the next step in their journey of faith. This is an important tradition in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) family. We welcome you to come forward during the closing hymn to let us know of your desire to become part of our church family. You may also share your desire by messaging the church on Facebook or via the teleconference phone call, to which Pastor Jonathan will respond.

*CLOSING HYMN

O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life

Chalice Hymnal No. 432

O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life, be with us now, we pray;
direct our steps so we go forth to do your will this day.

O faithful Guide, renew our trust in love that does not fail;
and give us strength to work and pray, that peace my soon prevail.

BENEDICTION

Jonathan Hall

POSTLUDE

Trio op. 38 – Presto

Ludwig van Beethoven

Following the service, we invite you to join us in the Fellowship Hall for **Chat and Coffee**.

Announcements

Trans 101 Conversation - Our Mission & Outreach Committee is hosting our third conversation entitled Trans 101 **today at 11:30 a.m.** following the service. We will meet in the Mayall Room, and a snack is available.



Please let Pastor Jonathan know **your preference for our summer sermon series** by going to the link below! <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/92RY7NN>

Our "Faith in our Future" Capital Campaign has enabled us to improve our ministries since June 2019. We have been able to repair our organ, install a new sound system, reseal our parking lot, and make many other improvements. Our campaign is ending on May 31. We are \$61 short of our goal of \$325,000. Please help us reach our goal by the end of this month!

A **new parking agreement** with the Catholic Diocese for Sunday/event parking has been reached for additional parking needs. Their parking lot is on the southwest corner of Platte and Cascade, just a short walk from our labyrinth. Check the weekly newsletter for directions for how to access this parking area.

Garden Volunteers Needed

Members of our **garden crew** have either moved away, or are dealing with the difficulties of getting older. We need some energetic new volunteers to help us care for our large, beautiful gardens. No experience necessary. The crew works from 9:00-11:00 a.m. on Wednesday mornings, and would love to have you join us. Please contact Carol Wilson, organist@firstchristiancos.org, or 719-633-8888.

Children & Youth

Children's Sunday school (K-5th grade) is held **during our worship service**. Kids will begin worship with their parents. After the Children's Moment, they will be invited to join our teachers **Evelyn and Bob Ford**, as we have begun our partnership with the **Thinkering Lab** to offer Christian formation for our children! This ministry is located on the second floor of our Christian Education wing in room 204.

Youth Sunday school (6-12th grade) meets on Sunday mornings at **9:00 a.m.** in the youth lounge. The Zoom link for youth who are unable to join in person is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86138335137>. The link may also be found in the weekly e-mail sent to families of children and youth.

Lighthouse is canceled until we find our new Youth and Family Pastor. Our search committee is actively receiving and reviewing applications.

Discipleship & Christian Formation

The **Chapel Class** offers two options: Sunday mornings in-person in the Chapel at 9:00 a.m., and the ongoing Zoom class on Sunday evenings with Don Sarton at 6:30 p.m. They are currently studying the Gospel of Luke. Contact Don Sarton, dsarton63@gmail.com or Cathy Liss, cathyliss1946@gmail.com with any questions.

The **Coffee & Conversation group**, led by Norman Heimer, meets on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall from 9:00-9:45 a.m. They have a weekly topic based on events in the world. *Please NOTE:* On Sunday, May 29, the Coffee & Conversation Sunday school class will meet in the Mayall Room.

Our nursery is open for children through age 5. Masks are suggested, but not required, and will be provided for the children if requested.

Mission & Outreach



Each week, we're sharing our love through a card shower for those among us who could use some encouragement from their church family, or are celebrating a landmark in their lives. This week for the **Outreach of Love ministry** we are lifting up Rob Fredrickson, who is still recuperating at home and has not been released back to work. Please contact the church office if you need his mailing address.

Today from **10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.**, Grace and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church at 601 N. Tejon will be holding a **plant sale** to benefit Family Promise's new family shelter. Over 1500 vegetables, flowers and herbs for \$2/plant! See the flyer at <https://tinyurl.com/5brf7puz> for more information.

Upcoming Events

Next Sunday, First Christian Church invites you to share in the **celebration of retirement** for **Carol Wilson**. Please RSVP using the Signup Genius link in the weekly newsletter, OR call the church office at 719-633-8888 OR email Patty at fcc@firstchristiancos.org by Friday, May 20, 2022. Luncheon begins at 11:30 am with a program to follow at 12:00 pm. Show your appreciation for Carol and support the event with a special donation to the “Carol Wilson Retirement Celebration.” Lunch is underwritten.

Save the Date! On **Sunday, June 5**, we will be celebrating Pentecost and have our **annual congregational celebration** at the traditional time of **9:00 a.m.** in the **Fellowship Hall!** Church leadership will give updates on our church, share about the conclusion of our capital campaign, vote on new policies and a leadership slate (these items will be sent out in the middle of May), and more!

Upcoming Concerts: Music on the Labyrinth

Outdoor summer programs, Saturday evenings at 6:30 p.m.

June 18 – Peak Big Band

July 2 – Sarah Groh Jazz Quartet

July 16 – Trilix Jazz Trio

July 30 – Joe Johnson and Jacob Klock

August 6 – Academy Jazz Ensemble



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May 22, 2022

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle and open your devotion time with a prayer.

Humble Lord, you emptied yourself so that others could be filled. Teach us humility and give us a spirit of service for the good of the community of faith. Amen.



Read: Read the key verses from Sunday's reading.

'Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. (Philippians 2:5-7)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

Paul encouraged new believers in Philippi to empty themselves as Christ emptied himself for the betterment of the community.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

What does humility look like to you? How are you humble? In what ways are you not humble? Why would the God who created everything, become human, humble, and empty?

For the littles: What is your favorite song? Does it tell a good story?



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God accept your humility with grace. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Philippians 2:1-13 is a hymn that nails what it means to be Jesus. Search your playlist and find the song that nails what it means to be you. If your song is uplifting, play it loud, and dance! If your song is filled with struggle, rewrite it to reflect how you would like your life song to sound. Ask God to rewrite your life to match your rewritten life song.



Go Deeper: Go to clergystuff.com/daily-devotions for devotions on the daily readings.

Sunday, Philippians 2:1-13, The Christ Hymn
Monday, Acts 1:1-5, The Promise of the Holy Spirit
Tuesday, Acts 1:6-11, The Ascension of Jesus
Wednesday, Acts 1:12-26, Matthias Chosen to Replace Judas
Thursday, Acts 2:37-42, The First Converts
Friday, Acts 2:43-47, Life Among the Believers
Saturday, Acts 3:1-10, Peter Heals a Crippled Beggar

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A movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us.

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In a world that prefers black and white thinking and clear divisions, First Christian Church seeks to be a blessing to our community by empowering us all to find beauty, add color, and create connections. We invite all to experience the unfolding story of God's grace and love.