

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)



June 19, 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 aisle
- Be ready to share your prayer requests silently during the pastoral prayer
- Please wear a mask while singing

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

*Berceuse
Rêverie*

Gabriel Fauré
Claude Debussy

Duo d'Azurée: Jenna Hunt, harp; Catherine Flinchum, flute

WELCOME

Jonathan Hall

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Joan Arnold

One: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

MANY: I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

ONE: I will be glad and exult in you;

MANY: I will sing praise to your name, O Most High!

***OPENING HYMN**

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Chalice Hymnal No. 16

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy never ceasing call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious measure sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise to thee an altar; hither by thy help I've come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it from thy courts above.

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Joan Arnold

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Jonathan Hall

SCRIPTURE

Nancy Lingbloom
NRSV Updated Edition

Lamentations 3:1-3, 17-33 and 5:1-3, 19-22

I am one who has seen affliction under the rod of God's wrath;
he has driven and brought me into darkness without any light;
against me alone he turns his hand, again and again, all day long.
My soul is bereft of peace; I have forgotten what happiness is; so I say,
'Gone is my glory, and all that I had hoped for from the Lord.'
The thought of my affliction and my homelessness is wormwood and gall!
My soul continually thinks of it and is bowed down within me.
But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope:

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end;
 they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
 'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in him.'
 The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.
 It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.
 It is good for one to bear the yoke in youth,
 to sit alone in silence when the Lord has imposed it,
 to put one's mouth to the dust (there may yet be hope),
 to give one's cheek to the smiter, and be filled with insults.
 For the Lord will not reject forever.
 Although he causes grief, he will have compassion
 according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
 for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone.
 Remember, O Lord, what has befallen us; look, and see our disgrace!
 Our inheritance has been turned over to strangers, our homes to aliens.
 We have become orphans, fatherless; our mothers are like widows.
 But you, O Lord, reign forever; your throne endures to all generations.
 Why have you forgotten us completely? Why have you forsaken us these many days?
 Restore us to yourself, O Lord, that we may be restored; renew our days as of old -
 unless you have utterly rejected us, and are angry with us beyond measure.

SPECIAL MUSIC *Beau soir* Claude Debussy

SERMON *Community Over Conformity* 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

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

La fille aux cheveux de lin

Jonathan Hall
Nancy Lingbloom and Cathy Liss, Elders
Claude Debussy

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.

Joan Arnold

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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Chalice Hymnal No. 25

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, who rules all creation.
O my soul, worship the wellspring of health and salvation.
All ye who hear, now to God's temple draw near.
Join me in in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
who, as on wings of an eagle uplifted, sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen? All that is needful hath been
granted in what God ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord! O let all of God's peoples and races,
all that hath life and breath, give thanks for manifold graces.
Let the Amen sound from God's people again.
Gladly forever sing praises.

BENEDICTION

Jonathan Hall

POSTLUDE

Piece d'Orgue, BWV 572
Dr. Zahari Metchkov, organ

Johann Sebastian Bach

*Please stand if you are able.

Jenna and Catherine are sharing their music with us in appreciation for the use of our sanctuary for a concert.

Announcements



Today at 11:30 a.m., we invite you to join us for a **card and cake going away party** for Jenn and Liam Candib, who are moving away at the end of June. Liam is going off to college in Iowa and Jenn is moving east. As a way of giving thanks to God for their friendship, please come and help send them off!

This will also be our **new organist's first Sunday**. Let's give a great big FCC welcome to **Dr. Zahari Metchkov!** Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship service to say hello and celebrate with a piece of cake!

We are looking for **volunteers to help with general office duties on Mondays and/or Fridays**. If you are interested, please contact fcc@firstchristiancos.org.



Each Sunday, we invite you to join in connecting with others in the Fellowship Hall for **Chat and Coffee** from **9:45-10:15 a.m.**



Garden Volunteers Needed: 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, gardener@firstchristiancos.org, or 719-633-8888.

Upcoming Events

Next **Friday, June 24, at 7:30 p.m.** - **Duo d'Azurée** will be playing a concert of French impressionistic music in our sanctuary. Jenna Hunt and Catherine Flinchum are both graduates of the University of Denver and have been playing together for many years. If you've enjoyed hearing their music this morning, please share the word and come join them Friday evening. There will be an admission charge.

Upcoming Concerts: Music on the Labyrinth

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

July 2 – Sarah Groh Jazz Quartet

July 16 – Trilix Jazz Trio

July 30 – Joe Johnson and Jacob Klock, guitar and fiddle

August 6 – Academy Jazz Ensemble

Children & Youth

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

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.

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.

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 **Jimmy Osborne**, who was injured recently in a motorcycle accident. Please contact the church office if you need his mailing address.

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Pastoral & Music Staff

Jonathan Hall, Senior Pastor ~ seniorpastor@firstchristiancos.org

Pastor's Open-Door Hours - Monday 1:00-5:00 (feel free to stop by or contact him directly for another time)

Dr. Zahari Metchkov, Organist and Concert Series Director ~ organist@firstchristiancos.org

Jolyne Antista, Music Director ~ musicdirector@firstchristiancos.org

Program Staff

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Evelyn and Bob Ford, Sunday School Teachers/Thinkering Lab

Support Staff

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(Monday-Thursday 9:00-3:30 and Friday 9:00-12:00)

Julie Canales, Ministry Accountant ~ accountant@firstchristiancos.org

Josh Vigil, Custodian ~ custodian@firstchristiancos.org

(Monday-Friday 7:30-12:30, 1:00-4:00)

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We are Disciples of Christ,
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.



• Disciples of Christ Statement of Identity

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FCC is Open & Affirming



To learn more, go to
<http://disciplesallianceq.org/open-affirming-ministries/>

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.