

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Elders on Call

Hugh Henderson
Earl Strickland

Serving Diaconate

Charles Almond, Sylvia Almond, Joshua Berry, Shaina Berry
Bobby Boyd, Faye Boyd, Lisa Burdette, Ken Champlin, Buzz DeVore
Nancy DeVore, Sheila Murphy, Jenny West, Shane West

Diaconate Preparer

Sheila Murphy

Acolytes

Emma Taylor

Sunday School Greeter

Earl Strickland

Worship Greeters

Beverly & Jim Baxter (Door)
Donna Strickland (Sanctuary)

Children Worship & Wonder

The Leaven
Tom Scales (storyteller)
Susan Scales, Jennifer Powell (greeters)

Nursery Volunteer

Shaina Berry

Rev. Troy Tatum
Senior Minister

Rev. Robin Blakemore
Associate Minister

Twila Tyree
Substitute Music Director

David Brasher
Pianist/Organist

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Disciples  of Christ

"Where the Grace of God Awaits You"

*My Heroes
Have Always
Been...*

July 9, 2017
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME

We're delighted you're here today, and we hope you'll find this to be a meaningful time of worship with a vibrant community of faith.

NEW HERE?

If today is your first time visiting at First Christian Church, please be sure to stop by the welcome table near the front doors so that we can give you a small gift to thank you for worshipping with us.

CONNECTION CARDS

We ask everyone to take a few moments during worship to fill out the Connection Card included in this bulletin. You may place your card in the offering when it is received.

WORSHIPPING WITH CHILDREN

Children age 3K through fourth grade are encouraged to participate in Worship and Wonder, a special worship and education experience designed just for them. Young people may leave the service for Worship and Wonder following "A Time for Children." Of course, children of all ages are welcome to participate in morning worship, and childcare for infants and toddlers is available in the church nursery for all or part of the service. Worship bags with activity sheets, crayons, and children's bulletins are available in the narthex.

WAYS TO GIVE

Thank you for investing your gifts in the mission and ministry of First Christian Church. Your act of worship through giving is appreciated. You can give in person by cash or check, or online by visiting www.fcc-bhm.org/give or by scanning the QR code to the right with your smart phone. You may also contact the church office to learn more about automated giving.



GET IN TOUCH

fcc-bhm.org | info@fcc-bhm.org

office: 205-991-5000 | clergy on call: 205-295-6708

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH



VBS 2017

JULY 17-21

9:00AM-12:00PM

Age 3* - completed 5th grade

Come join us for an amazing adventure as we discover our Strength in God! We will explore God's mission for our lives, encounter epic adventures alongside biblical heroes, and realize that we all have qualities that make us heroes in God! You don't want to miss the great music, fun games, creative crafts, and more, so sign up now for VBS 2017 at FCC! Register online at www.fcc-bhm.org or return this form to the church office today to register for Hero Central!

THIS WEEK

Monday, July 10
7:00 AM Men’s Bible Study

GET INVOLVED



UNO / YOUNN / 하나 / UN
JOHN 17: 20-21a

GENERAL ASSEMBLY JULY 8-12

This week Disciples from around the United States and Canada are gathered in Indianapolis for our biennial General Assembly. The event features uplifting worship, education, and fellowship opportunities. This year we will also elect a new General Minister and President. Thank you to Barry Dillon for preaching and Ashley Chester for leading worship today while Troy and Robin (and their families) are attending Assembly and representing the church. Even if you aren’t attending, you can participate in General Assembly through your prayers, as well as by watching livestreams of evening worship services (available at www.ga.disciples.org).

We Gather Before God

- Prelude

Praise the Lord

Bannister/Hudson
- *Call to Worship

Barry Dillon
- Leader: Blessed is God, who created us and loves us beyond measure.

People: Blessed is God, who calls us to stop measuring out our love.

Leader: Blessed is God, who tells us stories about ourselves.

People: Blessed is God, who reveals who we are and who we could be.

Leader: Blessed is God, whose compassion is poured out on everyone.

People: Blessed is God, who gives us compassion to share with all.
- * Hymn of Praise

God of Grace and God of Glory

Red Hymnal No. 464
- *Invocation and Lord’s Prayer

Barry Dillon
- 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**
- *Prayer Response

Gloria Patri

Red Hymnal No. 35
- Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;**

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen, Amen!
- *Passing of the Peace
- Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.
- Words of Welcome

Ashley Chester
- Please take a moment to fill out your Connection Card.*
- A Time for Children

Ashley Chester
- Children age three through fourth grade may leave for Children’s Worship & Wonder*
- Invitation to Present Gifts

Ashley Chester

Stewardship

He’s Been Faithful

Cymbala

*Doxology

Red Hymnal No. 46

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Ashley Chester

We Offer Our Prayers With Love

Pastoral Prayer

Barry Dillon

We Gather at Christ’s Table

Communion Hymn

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

Red Hymnal No. 416

Invitation to Communion

Hugh Henderson

Prayer of Communion

Earl Strickland

Words of Institution

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

This is the Lord’s Table; all believers in Christ are invited. As the communion elements are passed, please partake of the bread and hold the cup so that we may share together after the congregational response.

Elder:

The Lord Jesus, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, broke it and said, “This is My Body which is given for you.”

Communion Music

Only Believe

arr. Brasher

Elder:

In the same way also the cup, after supper saying, “This cup is the new covenant of My Blood. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me.”

People:

As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

We Proclaim God’s Word

Special Music

America the Beautiful

arr. Red

Aneda Chandler-Soprano, Twila Tyree-Alto,
Bob Browning-Tenor, Gary Franklin-Bass

Scripture

Micah 6:8

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“My Heroes Have Always Been…”

Barry Dillon

We Respond With Our Lives

Invitation to Discipleship

Barry Dillon

*Hymn of Discipleship

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Red Hymnal No. 517

We Go Forth to Love and Serve

*Benediction

Barry Dillon

*Congregational Response

Red Hymnal No. 434

God be with you till we meet again
Loving counsels guide, uphold you
with a shepherd’s care enfold you
God be with you till we meet again

Till we meet, till we meet,
Till we meet at Jesus’ feet
Till we meet, till we meet,
God be with you till we meet again.

*Postlude

He Is Exalted

Paris

*All who are able please stand.