# **LEADING WORSHIP TODAY**

Elders on Call

Ann Langley
Rev. Robin Blakemore

Serving Diaconate Lisa Burdette, Buzz DeVore, Nancy DeVore, Barry Dillon,

Lynn Eastman, Andrew Ford, Fletcher Hamilton, Sandy Hamilton, Jeff Jones, Kimberly Jones, Susan Storer,

Ashton Strachan, Sam Strachan

Communion Preparer Sarah Ford

Acolyte Lauren Blankenship

Sunday School Greeter Earl Strickland

Worship Greeters Jill Pasky & Julie Henderson (Door)

Edith Carreras (Sanctuary)

Worship & Wonder Mission Day

Ashley Chester (storyteller) Jennifer Powell (greeter)

Nursery Volunteer Kallan Blakemore

Narthex Monitor Carl Crosby

**Rev. Robin Blakemore** 

Associate Minister

Rev. John Allen Bankson

**Music Director** 

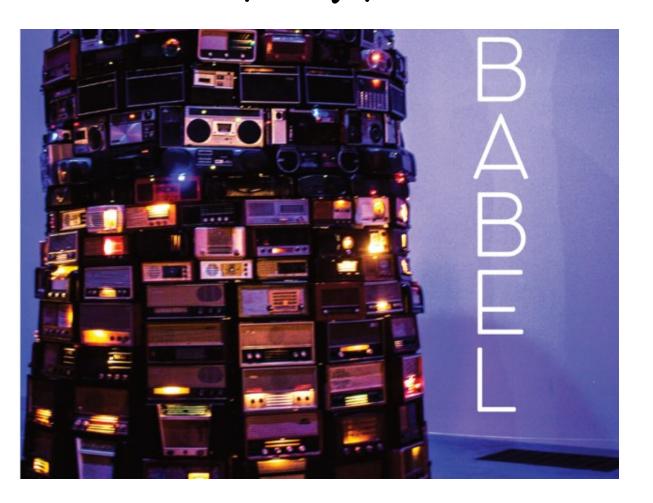
**David Brasher** 

Pianist/Organist

# FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH



# "Where the Grace of God Awaits You"



June 2, 2019 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

# **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.



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#### **ROAR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: JULY 15-19**

This epic African adventure engages the whole herd. At Roar, kids explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life. Relevant music, exciting science, creative crafts, fun recreation, and memorable Bible stories will help kids know that God is always with them as they travel through the mane event: life! Sign up now online or fill out a registration card in the narthex.

#### **MINISTERIAL TRANSITION UPDATE**

Thank you to everyone who completed the congregational survey from the Search Committee. In addition to the survey, the committee will be conducting listening conferences on the 23rd and 30th after worship from 11:30-12:30. We will continue to update the congregation as we continue in this process. As always, please contact Hugh, Joshua, Robin, or any of the members of the committee if you have any questions.

#### THIS WEEK

## **Today, June 2**

10:15 AM Morning Worship

## Monday, June 3

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

11:00 AM Staff Meeting

6:30 PM Mission Council

## Wednesday, June 4

6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

#### **GET** INVOLVED

## **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: JUNE 9**

We will have our annual Congregational Meeting after worship next Sunday, June 9. This will be a brief meeting to discuss nominations and the annual budget. Thank you for your continued support of the ministries of First Christian Church.



Children and Youth can register now for our Regional Summer Camps at YMCA Camp Chandler. For more information visit <a href="www.alnwfldisciples.org/camp-information">www.alnwfldisciples.org/camp-information</a>. This is a great week to explore faith, make new friends, and experience life in community. It will change your life in all of the best ways, surrounded by a caring group of camp directors and counselors children and youth experience God in new ways. Our church offers partial scholarships for campers, contact Robin for details.

June 17-21, 2019

Junior Camp 4th-5th grade

Chi Rho 6th-8th grade CYF Conference 9th-12th grade June 21-23, 2019 Genesis Camp K-1st grade Discovery Camp 2nd-3rd grade

# We Gather Before God

Prelude Majesty arr. Brasher

Introit A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing LAST UNS ERFREUEN

Call to Worship Rev. Robin Blakemore

Leader: We've gathered together in the presence of God

People: to offer our praise and our prayers.

Leader: We come today with confidence,

People: knowing that God's Spirit is here.

Leader: So let's come with joy to offer our worship

People: to God who knows and loves us all.

\*Hymn of Praise

O for A Thousand Tongues to Sing

Red Hymnal No. 5

\*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Robin Blakemore

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.

A Time for Children

Rev. Robin Blakemore

Children age three through fourth grade may leave for Children's Worship & Wonder

Invitation to Present Gifts

Carl Crosby

Offertory Music My Tribute arr. Kartsonakis

\*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 Carl Crosby

# We Offer Our Prayers With Love

Pastoral Prayer Rev. John Allen Bankson

### We Gather at Christ's Table

Communion Hymn Loving Lord, as Now We Gather Red Hymnal No. 427

Invitation to Communion Ann Langley

Prayer of Communion Rev. Robin Blakemore

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 Above All BeLoche/LeBlanc

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

Scripture Genesis 11:1-9

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem The Mind of Christ arr. K. Lee Scott

Sermon "Babel" Rev. Robin Blakemore

# We Respond With Our Lives

Invitation to Discipleship Rev. Robin Blakemore

\*Hymn of Discipleship How Like a Gentle Spirit Red Hymnal No. 69

### We Go Forth to Love and Serve

\*Announcements & Benediction Rev. Robin Blakemore

\*Congregational Response Spirit of the Living God Chalice Praise No. 259

Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, fall a-fresh on me.

\*Postlude This Is the Day of New Beginnings arr. Brasher

\*All who are able please stand.