

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Troy Tatum
Senior Minister

Rev. Jan Watts
Minister of Music

David Brasher
Organist / Pianist

Elders on Call

Edith Carreras
Joye Taylor

Serving Diaconate

Jay Barkley, Lisa Burdette, Wayne Dutt,
Donnie Girratono, Virginia Guthrie, Fletcher Hamilton,
Sandy Hamilton, Mike Mee, Donnette Mee,
Bob Smith, Darren Williamson, Julia Williamson

Diaconate Preparers

Rebecca Lange

Acolyte

Caleb Jackson

Sunday School Greeter

Steve Pasky

Worship Greeters

Bob & Janice Lamb (Door)
Mary Jean Baumgartner (Table)

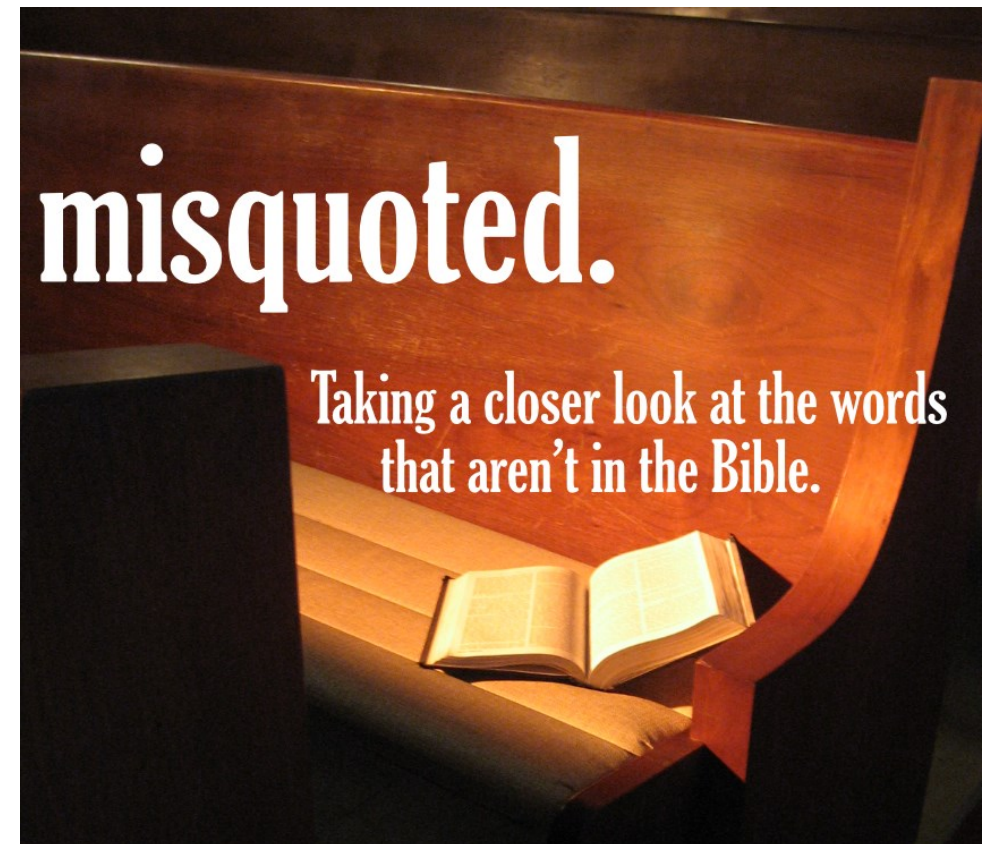
Children Worship & Wonder

Parable of the Mustard Seed
Julie Henderson (storyteller)
Annie Franklin & Jeff Eady (greeters)

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Disciples  of Christ

"Where the Grace of God Awaits You"



August 17, 2014

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME TO FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

We're so glad you're here today!

We hope you'll find this to be a meaningful time of worship with a vibrant community of faith. If today is your first time visiting at First Christian Church, please be sure to stop by the welcome table outside the sanctuary so that we can give you a small gift to thank you for worshipping with us today.

We ask everyone to take a few moments during worship to sign your name in the registration book, pass it down the pew, and then back to the center.

If you are worshipping with children today, please note that children age 4 through fourth grade are encouraged to participate in Children's 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.

Our serving Elders are available near the communion table following worship if you would like to have a special word of prayer today.

You can find out more about this community of faith at www.fcc-bhm.org and www.facebook.com/FCCBHM, or you can contact us at 991-5000 or info@fcc-bhm.org.

We hope to see you again soon at First Christian Church of Birmingham:
Where the grace of God awaits you!

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS

Children's Ministry

Back to School Cookout

Children (age 4K-5th grade)

Sunday, August 24 - 5:00-6:30pm

Children and families need to mark their calendars now for our Back to School Family Night. It's going to be epic: food, games, and fun for everyone. Bring the whole family, and join us as we celebrate together. **Regular Bible Buddies (4K-1st grade) and Kool Kids (2nd - 5th grade) will begin September 7.**



Children's Ministry Parent Meeting

September 7 - 5:15 pm - 6:45 pm

Please plan to come and meet with Robin Blakemore, our new minister to children and youth!



Young Adults Gathering

When: Sunday, August 31 at 5:00 p.m.

**Where: At the home of
Darren & Julia Williamson**

2004 Highland Drive

Hoover, AL 35244

RSVP to: 988-4438 or

Email: jdwilliam@bellsouth.net

The meal will be provided by FCC
Just bring your favorite dessert and beverage!

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

<u>Sunday, August 17</u>		<u>Wednesday, August 20</u>	
9:00 AM	Sunday School	6:30 PM	Choir Practice
9:45 AM	Fellowship Moment		
10:15 AM	Morning Worship	<u>Thursday, August 21</u>	
11:15 AM	A Moment of Prayer with Elders	6:30 PM	Advocates Bible Study
5:00 PM	Youth Ministry: "Destination Unknown"	<u>Saturday, August 23</u>	
		10:00 AM	Laura Langley Memorial Blood Drive
<u>Monday, August 18</u>			
7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study		
10:00 AM	Staff Meeting		
6:30 PM	Mission Council		

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Chi-Rho
(6th - 8th grade)
CYF
(9th - 12th grade)
Youth Ministry

TONIGHT!!! 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
"Destination Unknown"
Dinner Included!!
(Please wear tennis shoes)

We Gather Before God		
Prelude	<i>Gentle Hands</i>	Truth
Choral Call	<i>Gather Us In</i>	Choir
*Call to Worship		Rev. Troy Tatum
Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul. People: And all that is within me bless God's holy name. Leader: For as the heavens are high above the earth, People: So is God's steadfast love towards the faithful. Leader: The steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. People: All that is within me bless God's holy name!		
*Hymn of Praise	<i>I Was There to hear Your Borning Cry</i>	Red Hymnal No. 75
*Invocation and Lord's Prayer		Rev. Troy Tatum
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	<i>Gloria Patri</i>	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		Rev. Troy Tatum
Blessing Box Moment		Peggy Daniels
A Time for Children		Ashley Chester
<i>Children age four through fourth grade may leave for Children's Worship & Wonder.</i>		
Invitation to Present Gifts		Rev. Troy Tatum

Special Music Offering *I Trust in Your Unfailing Love* Brasher

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 Rev. Troy Tatum

We Offer Our Prayers With Love

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Jan Watts

We Gather at Christ’s Table

Communion Hymn *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* Red Hymnal No. 422

Invitation to Communion Edith Carreras

Prayer of Communion Joye Taylor

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 it 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 *Christ the Solid Rock* arr. Phillip

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

Anthem *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* Kirkland

Scripture Psalm 13

Sermon “Everything Happens for a Reason? ” Rev. Troy Tatum

We Respond With Our Lives

Invitation to Discipleship Rev. Troy Tatum

*Hymn of Discipleship *In the Bulb There Is a Flower* Red Hymnal No. 638

We Go Forth to Love and Serve

*Benediction Rev. Troy Tatum

*Congregational Response Red Hymnal No. 518

**This is a day of new beginnings,
time to remember and move on,
time to believe what love is bringing,
laying to rest the pain that’s gone.**

**Then let us, with the Spirit’s daring,
step from the past and leave behind
our disappointment, guilt, and grieving,
seeking new paths, and sure to find.**

*Postlude *I’ve Got Confidence* Imperials

**All who are able please stand.*