## **LEADING WORSHIP TODAY**

**Rev. Troy Tatum** Senior Minister

**Robin Blakemore** 

Minister to Children and Youth

**Twila Tyree**Pianist

Elders on Call

Jim Baxter
Beverly Baxter

**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 Joshua Lee

Sunday School Greeter Steve Pasky

Worship Greeters

Bob & Janice Lamb (Door)

Mary Jean Baumgartner (Table)

Children Worship & Wonder

Story of the Light

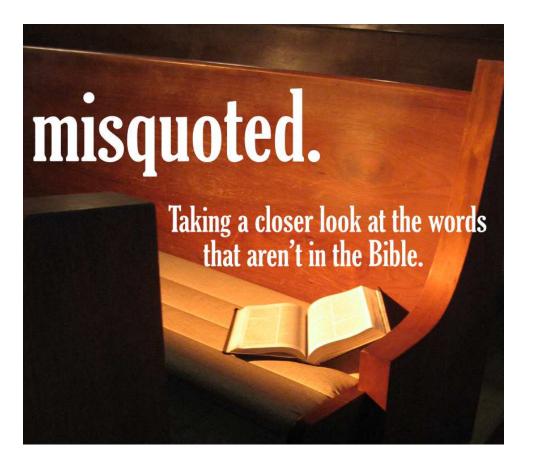
Joye Taylor (storyteller)

Ayana Crosby & Julie Henderson (greeters)

# FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH



"Where the Grace of God Awaits You"



August 31,2014
Twelfth 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 & YOUTH SUNDAY EVENING SCHEDULES



## **Starting September 7**

#### FCC Kids:

Bible Buddies (4K – 1st Grade) 5:00–6:30 Kool Kids (2nd – 5th Grade) 5:00-6:30

Bible Buddies and Cool Kids include dinner, Praise Kids Music, and awesome programing by dedicated volunteers with crafts, games, storytelling and a message \*Don't forget: Children's Ministry Parent Meeting Sept. 7 @ 5:15 PM.

#### Youth:

Sunday Evening Schedule:

Chi Rho (6th-8th Grade) 5:00-7:00

CYF (9th - 12th Grade) 5:00-7:00

Chi Rho and CYF include dinner, games, and lessons designed to help youth deepen their faith and strengthen their spiritual gifts as they discover their passion for ministry.

We will meet every Sunday in September!

#### LADIES BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday, Sept. 2 at 10:00 a.m.

The ladies are getting back together again after a two month, summer break to study God's word and direction for our lives. ALL women are encouraged to participate in this special fellowship of sharing and learning. Bring your favorite translation of the Bible and join us at 10:00 am beginning September 2nd. The first week we will self examine ourselves and discuss what special book of the Bible we will study. We look forward to having you with us! *Judy Dudley* 

## **Young Adult Gathering**

Julia & Darren Williamson are hosting a get-together for young adults this Sunday evening, Aug. 31, at 5 PM. The church will provide the meal, just bring your favorite dessert and beverage of choice. Kids are welcome – we'll have a babysitter or two there (depending on number of children) to help out so you can relax. The Williamsons live at 2004 Highland Drive, Hoover, AL, 35244. Please let us know you're coming: 988-4438 or idwilliam@bellsouth.net.

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

#### Sunday, August 31

9:00 AM Sunday School 9:45 AM Fellowship Moment 10:15 AM Morning Worship

11:15 AM A Moment of Prayer with

Elders

5:00 PM Young Adult Gathering

#### Monday, September 1

LABOR DAY Office Closed

#### Tuesday, September 2

9:30 AM The Adventure Nook

First Day of School

10:00 AM Ladies Bible Study

#### Wednesday, September 3

9:30 AM The Adventure Nook

#### Thursday, September 4

9:30 AM The Adventure Nook6:30 PM Advocates Bible Study

## FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS



#### We Gather Before God

Prelude I Can Only Imagine Millard

\*Call to Worship Rev. Troy Tatum

Leader: We sing to God, our strength. **People:** We cry out to God, our helper.

Leader: God will not leave us or forsake us.

People: God offers us fountains of living water.

Leader: Listen now to God's voice. Hear the Word of the Lord. **People: We sing praise to the one who leads us and loves us!** 

\*Hymn of Praise Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Red Hymnal No. 25

Vs. 1, 2, & 5

\*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

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.

Words of Welcome Robin Blakemore

A Time for Children Robin Blakemore

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

Invitation to Present Gifts Rev. Troy Tatum

Special Music Offering Give Thanks Smith

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. Troy Tatum

## We Gather at Christ's Table

Communion Hymn I Come With Joy Red Hymnal No. 420

Invitation to Communion Jim Baxter

Prayer of Communion Beverly Baxter

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 Depth of Mercy, w/ Search Me, O God arr. Berry

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 Forgive Me Zain

George & Judy Dudley

Scripture Matthew 18: 15-22

Sermon "Forgive and Forget?" Rev. Troy Tatum

# We Respond With Our Lives

Invitation to Discipleship Rev. Troy Tatum

\*Hymn of Discipleship They'll Know We Are Christians Red Hymnal No. 494

## 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 Shine, Jesus, Shine Kendrick

\*All who are able please stand.