

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Rev. Troy Tatum
Senior Minister

Rev. Jan Watts
Minister of Music

Rev. Robin Blakemore
Minister of Discipleship

David Brasher
Pianist/Organist

Elders on Call

George Dudley
Earl Strickland

Serving Diaconate

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

Diaconate Preparers

Rebecca Lange

Acolyte

Luke Tatum

Sunday School Greeter

Jim Baxter

Worship Greeters

Bob & Lyn Frederickson (Door)
Trudie Edwards & Edith Carreras (Sanctuary)

Children Worship & Wonder

The Good Shepherd
June Pryor (storyteller)
Jenny Long (greeter)

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Disciples  of Christ

"Where the Grace of God Awaits You"



July 5, 2015

Sixth 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 outside the sanctuary 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.



MORE INFORMATION

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Vacation Bible School July 13-17 9 AM-12 PM

The countdown is on: just a few more days left before our icy expedition to Everest for Vacation Bible School. We'll experience God's awesome power as we overcome obstacles together in Bible Expeditions, Glacier Games, Imagination Station, and Meaningful Missions. Our mission project this week will be to help those affected by the earthquake in Tibet.

REGISTER NOW:

Registration forms are available by the tent in the narthex, or you can register online at www.fcc-bhm.org/vbs. Deadline for registration is June 28 to guarantee your child receives a t-shirt. Onsite registration will be at 8:30 AM July 13.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR VBS:

We are collecting 8oz-12oz empty water bottles. You can drop them off in the church office. Also we are looking for camping gear to decorate our snowy mountain camp. If you have some we can borrow, please put your name on it and bring it to church beginning July 1. We will collect items in rm 107.

EVEREST VOLUNTEERS:

We will meet Sunday, July 12 at 2:00 for training and decorating. Please make plans to join us.

THIS WEEK

Monday, July 6

7:00 AM: Men’s Bible Study in the Fireside Room

11:00 AM: Staff Meeting

Tuesday—Thursday

9:30 AM—1:30 PM: The Adventure Nook Summer Fun

Tuesday, July 7

1:00 PM –3:00 PM: Youth Bible Study & Open Gym

Thursday, July 9

6:30 PM: Advocates Bible Study in the Farkas Room

COMING SOON

July 13-17: *Everest* Vacation Bible School

July 18-22: General Assembly in Columbus, Ohio

Opportunities for Youth

JULY 12: We will gather at church at 4:00pm for VBS training. All who are signed up to help during Bible School need to be at training. At 5:00 we’ll load the vans to go have some summer fun. Bring/wear swimsuit and bring a towel. Dinner is included. We’ll be back at church at 7:30.

JULY 26: Bring your suit, towel and gear to church Sunday, July 26. Immediately after worship we will load up and head to the lake for the afternoon. Bring \$10 for lunch on the road. Dinner will be at the lake. We will return to church late Sunday evening.

JULY 28: Bible and Gym from 1-3. Join us as we begin our final 3 week study on hearing God.

We Gather Before God

Prelude *Salute to the Troops* Medley

*Call to Worship Rev. Troy Tatum

Leader: All creation proclaims the greatness and love of God.

People: God's love permeates even the deepest darkness.

Leader: The light of God shines on us with new hope.

People: We are called to be people of compassion and justice.

Leader: Open our hearts, O Lord, to see your light and live in your hope.

People: Prepare us for service to all your people.

* Hymn of Praise *All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!* Red Hymnal No. 91

*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.

Words of Welcome Rev. Troy Tatum
Please take a moment to fill out your Connection Card.

A Time for Children Rev. Robin Blakemore
Children age three through fourth grade may leave for Children’s Worship & Wonder.

Invitation to Present Gifts

Rev. Jan Watts

Special Music Offering

Holy of Holies

Davis

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. Jan Watts

We Offer Our Prayers With Love

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Troy Tatum

We Gather at Christ’s Table

Communion Hymn

Take Our Bread

Red Hymnal No. 413

Invitation to Communion

George Dudley

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

Change My Heart O God

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

Liturgical Dance

Night in the Draw

Balmorhea

Linnea Blakemore

Scripture

Acts 9:1-19

Leader:

The Word of God for the people of God.

People:

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“When the Straight Road Bends”

Rev. Troy Tatum

We Respond With Our Lives

Invitation to Discipleship

Rev. Troy Tatum

*Hymn of Discipleship

Where He Leads Me

Red Hymnal No. 346

We Go Forth to Love and Serve

*Benediction

Rev. Troy Tatum

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.

*Postlude

His Strength Is Perfect

Chapman

**All who are able please stand.*