

February 18, 2018

10:45 AM

Please silence all cell phones. Thank you!

**Please stand and remain standing if able*

Our Nursery is located on the 1st floor next to our Welcome Center

Prelude Dr. Bob Blair

***Hymn of Celebration** "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" #67

*Presentation of Flags

American Flag
Christian Flag
State Flag
Troop Flag(s)

*Pledges of Allegiance

American Flag: George Perry

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Christian Flag: Will Bright

I pledge allegiance to the Christian Flag, and to the Savior, for whose kingdom it stands. One Savior, crucified, risen and coming again, with life and liberty for all who believe.

***Girl Scout Promise** Kaitlyn Lee

On my honor, I will try to serve God and my country, to help people at all times and live by the Girl Scout Law.

***Boy Scout Oath** Nate Reid

On my honor, I will do my best; to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight.

***Boy Scout Law** Kayden Pierce

A Scout is trustworthy; loyal; helpful; friendly; courteous; kind; obedient; cheerful; thrifty; brave; clean; and reverent.

***Greeting and Gathering Chorus** "Holy Ground" #112

***Gathering Litany** Joey Webb

Leader: God's way is truth!

People: God shows us which pathway to take.

Leader: God's way is steadfast love and faithfulness!

People: God shows us how to love in sharing Jesus with us!

Leader: God's way is secure!

People: God shows us where to focus our lives.

Leader: God's way is unity!

People: God shows us a new community in Christ.

Leader: God's way is hope!

People: God shows us that joy comes in hope.

***Gathering Prayer and Lord's Prayer** (unison) Jackson Scott

God of the Way, we seek to know your truth and love. As we walk with Jesus in this season of Lent may your Gracious Spirit be with us; focusing our eyes, filling our hearts, finishing our souls. May our way be your way and should we stray, lead us back to your gracious path. This we pray in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray:

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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***Gloria Patri** #35

Scripture Reading Psalm 51:1-4 Felicia McCroskey
Psalm 51:5-10 Cole Dudley
Psalm 51:11-14 George Perry
Psalm 51:15-19 Caitlyn Barnes

Special Music "Softly and Tenderly" Chancel Choir
Composed by Gilbert Martin Jamie Goodlett, Soloist
Dr. Carl Smith, Director

Children's Blessing Elle Travis

*Children welcome in the name of Jesus. Children welcome in the name of love.
All are welcome in the name of Jesus. All are welcome in the name of love.*

(Children go to appropriate class)
Worship & Wonder (CWW—ages 3-K) Room 305
Following Jesus (FJ—grades 1-3) Room 306
Junior Youth Worship (JYW—grades 4-5) Room 308

Invitation to Christian Stewardship Rev. Meredith Siler

Offertory

***Doxology** #48

***Prayer of Dedication** Rev. Siler

Scripture Reading Matthew 3:1-2 Joey Webb
Matthew 3:3 Jessie Williams
Matthew 3:13-15 Jimmy Webb
Matthew 3:16-17 Erin McQueen

Sermon Worn Sandals Rev. Dr. John T. Opsata

Invitation to Discipleship Dr. Opsata

***Hymn of Discipleship** "Shall We Gather at the River" #701

If you have been visiting at FCC and have found a spiritual home here, during this hymn you are invited to make your commitment known by coming forward to be received into Christian fellowship.

Morning Prayer Rev. Siler

Celebration of the Lord's Supper
Communion Hymn "In Remembrance of Me" #403
Invitation to Communion Dr. Opsata
Words of Institution and Prayer Dr. Opsata
Jim Judge
Tommy Greenwell

Partaking of the Lord's Supper
Please receive the bread and cup as it is passed and partake. You are welcome at the Lord's table whether you are a member of this congregation or not.

Benediction Dr. Opsata

***Sending Forth** "Go Now in Peace" #437

***Postlude** Dr. Bob Blair

IN OUR PRAYERS Those serving in the Military and as Law Enforcement Officers, May Lou Alexander (Ashwood), Jerry Allen (Mariane Braden), Ann & Joshua Banta (Judy Richards), Jackie Barney, Maria Bartholomew, Julia Blackburn (Tom & Eleanor Penn's granddaughter), Sue Boden, Ron Burgess, Chet Care, Katie Hecker Carney (Sun Spirit Fallis), Walter Chism (Judy Richards), Elizabeth Conway Family (Gina Williams' Niece), Phyllis DiCapua (Priscilla Barnes), Bill Eggin (Sue Tutt), Teri Elliot (Sun Spirit Fallis), Davey Fallis, Eulane Fortune, Beth Blackburn Fraley (Eva Ellis), Cheryl Gayhart, Mary Ellen Graves (Eleanor Penn), Bill Grugin (Dixie Grugin), Jill Hayes (Janice Clark), Ann Hester, Richard Hite (Nancy Miracle), Tyler Howard (Ann Howard), Lynda Jalbert, Alex Jensen (Ann Winn Vasant), Elizabeth & Addison Judy, Ethan Lewis (Eva Ellis), Bob and Patricia Lippert, Penny Low (Jennifer Opsata's mother), Reva Sherman-Matthews (Whitney Sherman), Jerry Mayes (Fred Lee), Jim McWilliams, Chuck Mitchell (Fred Lee), Don Mitchell (Valerie Ramsey's father), Margaret Moman (Eva Ellis), Sally Monroe, Michael Perniciaro (Linda Davis), Bob Pullen, Sue Ramsey (Larry Cox), Mary Rhodes (Jerry & Sandy Rhodes), Dwight Richards (Kent Richards), Judy Richards, Jacob Roberts (Lynda Jalbert), Anne Robbins (Judy Richards), Ilse Rogers, Kathy & Rebecca Ryan (Jayne Arnold), Mike Schepens (Scott Schepens' father), Chester & Ann Snelling, Casey Sparrow (Valerie Ramsey), Angel Dugger Subbert (Misty Judy), James Tandy (Judy Richards), Betty Thurman, Stephen Tutt (Sue Tutt), Riviera Ueltschi (Sun Spirit Fallis), Doris Versey (Fred Lee), Tony Versey III (Fred Lee), Judy Walden (Donna Fiero), Glenn Webster (Dixie Grugin), Phyllis Yocum (Larry Cox), all victims of disaster and violence in our world.

CONDOLENCES Charlie Clark passed away on February 2. There will be a memorial service here at the church on Saturday, **February 24 at 2:00 pm**, with visitation from noon until 2:00 pm on February 24, also here at the church. Please be in prayer for Janice and the family.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED WORLD DAY OF PRAYER First Christian Church will be hosting the Church Women United World Day Of Prayer Program this year on Saturday morning, **March 3**. The theme of the program this year is Becoming A Circle Maker Of Prayer, "Praying Hard and Praying Through". Church Women United was founded in 1941. It is an organization founded as a racially, culturally, and theologically inclusive Christian women's movement to celebrate unity in diversity and work for peace in the world. Offering this year will benefit the Franklin County Emergency Food Pantry. Please consider joining us on this day to not only show our support for this wonderful program, but to also be there to welcome all to our wonderful church home. The program information is as follows: Fellowship at 10:00 am, Program at 10:30 am, Ends at 12:30 pm. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

DEACONS MEETING will be held **Sunday, March 4, following the 10:45 am Service** in the CCLC. Please plan to attend this luncheon meeting to discuss upcoming projects, to thank Janet Lile for her service as Chairperson of the Deacons, and to welcome Ron and Frances Cadle as the new Co-Chairpersons of the Deacons. Please r.s.v.p. to the office and please let Elle know if you will need childcare.

KENTUCKY DISCIPLES WOMEN'S CHORUS RETREAT will be held **March 9 -11 at Jeffersontown Christian Church in Louisville**. Registration forms are available in the Welcome Center.

SAVE YOUR STUFF AND SAVE THE DATE The DWM will host our second annual Spring Rummage Sale on **March 23 and 24 (NO CLOTHES)**. The proceeds from this sale go to further the Hospitality Ministry and those we serve.

FEBRUARY WEF SCHEDULE

February Mission Project: Dog food and cat food for L.I.F.E. House for Animals

****February 21** Lenten Study: "Forgiveness"

Written by Marjorie J. Thompson

****February 28** Lenten Study: "Forgiveness"

Written by Marjorie J. Thompson

****Books will be available at WEF on February 21**

Thank You

Boy Scout Troop 1

and

Girl Scout Troop 749

For your participation and leadership in
this morning's worship

Sunday, February 18

8:30 Chapel Service
9:30 Faith Formation
10:15 Family Faith Fellowship
10:45 Worship (Sanctuary)
5:00 Coffee House (FH)

Monday, February 19

10:00 Prayer Group
(Rev. Meredith's Office)
5:30 Elder's Meeting (BB)
6:30 Disciple Ringers
Boy Scouts (4th Floor)
Girl Scouts (Room 310)

Tuesday, February 20

11:30 Staff Meeting
12:00 Al Anon (Keystone)
5:30 AA Meeting (Keystone)

Wednesday, February 21

4:00 Little Acorns
5:00 Children's Choir
5:30 Fellowship Meal (CCLC)
6:15 Lenten Study
Kid's Corner (Ms Elle)
JYF* (Ms Maurya)
Chi-Rho (Ms Trina)
7:00 Choir Practice
*JYF meets on the 3rd Wed. each month

Thursday, February 22

9:00 Newsletter (BB)
3:15 Sherri Locke (Room 309)
3:30 Nan Rickerts (Keystone)
6:00 Cub Scouts

Saturday, February 24

9:00 Seventh Day Adv. (Chapel)
2:00 Charlie Clark Memorial
Service (CCLC)

OFFICE HOURS

Monday	8:00 am—3:00 pm
Tuesday	8:30 am—3:00 pm
Wednesday & Thursday	8:00 am—3:00 pm
Friday	Closed

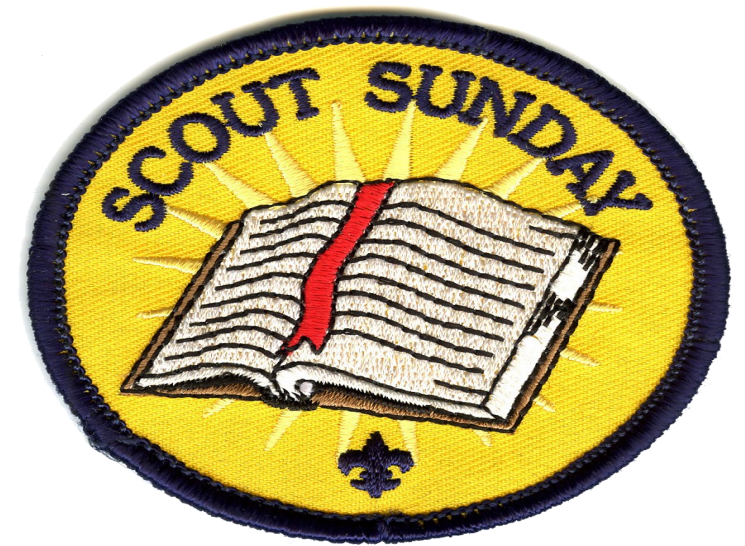
DEADLINES

Messenger Deadline	Tuesday by Noon
Bulletin Deadline	Thursday at 9:00 am

Welcome

*"At First Christian Church our mission is to be
and share the Good News of Jesus Christ,
witnessing, loving and serving
'from our doorsteps to the ends of the earth.'
To be a faithful church demonstrating true
community, deep spirituality and a passion for justice."*

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Beckie Glander, Admin. Assistant/Facilities

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