

8:30 AM

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Gathering Music		Dr. Bob Blair
Welcome & Life of the Church		Rev. Dr. John T. Opsata
*Hymn of Celebration	<i>"Gather Us In"</i>	#284
*Gathering Prayer and Lord's Prayer		
Scripture Reading	Psalm 5:1-12	Rev. Meredith Siler
Sing Along		
Scripture Reading	Luke 6:20-36	Dr. Opsata
Sermon	We Belong to God	Dr. Opsata
Invitation to Discipleship		Dr. Opsata
*Hymn of Discipleship	<i>"When We Are Living"</i>	#536
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Morning Prayer		Dr. Opsata
Invitation to Christian Stewardship		Rev. Siler
Receiving Tithes and Offerings		
*Doxology/ Prayer of Dedication		Rev. Siler
Celebration of the Lord's Supper		
Invitation and Words of Institution		Rev. Siler
Communion Hymn	<i>"Take Our Bread"</i>	#413
Elder's Prayer		Anne Hilan
Partaking of the Lord's Supper		
	<i>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.</i>	
Benediction		Dr. Opsata
*Postlude		Dr. Bob Blair

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

Prelude		Dr. Bob Blair
*Hymn of Celebration	<i>"Gather Us In"</i>	#284
*Greeting and Gathering Chorus	<i>"You Are My Hiding Place"</i>	#554
*Gathering Litany		Raymond Daniki
Leader:	Blessed are you who are poor now, for yours is the kingdom of God.	
People:	Woe to you who are rich now, for you have received your consolation.	
Leader:	Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.	
People:	Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.	
Leader:	Blessed are you who weep, for you will laugh.	
People:	Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.	
Leader:	Blessed are you when people hate you, exclude you, revile and defame you on account of the Son of Man.	
People:	Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.	
All:	So we will love our enemies, do good to those who hate us, bless those who curse us and pray for those who abuse us, for we belong to God.	
*Gathering Prayer and Lord's Prayer	(unison)	Raymond Daniki
	Holy One, your ways are a mystery to us. You turn the world upside down making the insignificant great. You turn weeping into laughter and mourning into dance. You open your arms to the unlovely and unlovable. And we cry, "Woe is me!" for we are wealthy. "Woe is me!" for we are full. "Woe is me!" for our lives are filled with laughter. "Woe is me!" for we are respected. Forgive us, O God, for our apathy and indifference, for taking our fill and ignoring your voice. Turn us around, restore us and bless us. Make us your people, we're ready, we're yours. 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 5:1-12	Raymond Daniki

Special Music	<i>"Come With Me"</i>	Chancel Choir
	Composed by Patti Drennan	Raymond Daniki, Soloist Dr. Carl Smith, Director
Children's Blessing		Elle Travis
	<i>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.</i>	
	(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	Luke 6:20-36	Rev. Dr. John T. Opsata
Sermon	We Belong to God	Dr. Opsata
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Morning Prayer		
		Dr. Opsata
Celebration of the Lord's Supper		
Communion Hymn	<i>"Take Our Bread"</i>	#413
Invitation to Communion		Rev. Siler
Words of Institution and Prayer		Rev. Siler Jim True Bonnie Reeves
Partaking of the Lord's Supper		
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Benediction		Dr. Opsata
*Sending Forth	<i>"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"</i>	#446
*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, Terry Foster (Janice Jackson), 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, Reva Sherman-Matthews (Whittney 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), 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.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS The sanctuary flowers today are provided by Mariane Braden in remembrance of her mother and grandmother who both were born in March.

CONDOLENCES Our condolences to Pete, Elle and Rhys with the death of Pete's mother, Linda Kay Travis. Please keep this family in your prayers. Services were held on March 2.

DEACONS MEETING will be held **today, 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.

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.

10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION Please join us on **March 10 at 11:00 am here at FCC** for a brunch to celebrate the 10 year anniversary of the opening of the Franklin County Women's Shelter. We wish to thank Franklin County and all the others who have supported our mission to provide shelter and supportive services to the homeless in the area. **Please r.s.v.p. by March 2 to the FCWFS Office at 502-352-2843.**

BOARD MEETING We will have soup and sandwiches at the **March 12 Board Meeting** since the meeting will be a little longer than usual. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 5:30 pm.

KEENAGERS Save the date! **Thursday, March 15**, we will meet in the parking lot at 11:00 am to ride the bus to Mami Monchita's in Frankfort. **Please r.s.v.p. to Rev. Meredith by March 12.**



Calling everyone and anyone to help!

BRING STUFF (no clothes)!

We need help to set-up our space

Help to sort, price and display items

Help to sell items

Help to take money

Help to take items that may be left to Goodwill

Help to put tables away and clean the space

The dates are March 22 for set-up and sorting

March 23 and 24 for selling

March 24 for breaking down and cleaning

Please let Diana Geddes know which of these areas of help you might offer

dianaruth40601@aol.com or call or text 502-330-3277

The proceeds from this sale go to further the Hospitality Ministry and those we serve.

THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR will perform on Palm Sunday, **March 25**, and Easter Sunday, **April 1**, during the 10:45 am Service! Warm-ups at 9:30am in the Sanctuary on both days.



Sunday, March 4

8:30 Chapel Service
9:30 Faith Formation
10:15 Family Faith Fellowship (CCLC)
10:45 Worship (Sanctuary)
12:00 Deacons Lunch/Meeting (CCLC)
5:00 Coffee House

Monday, March 5

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

Tuesday, March 6

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

Wednesday, March 7

4:00 Little Acorns
5:00 Children's Choir
5:30 Fellowship Meal (CCLC)
6:15 Book Group Chapters 3 & 4
Kid's Corner (Ms. Elle)
JYF (Ms. Maurya)*
Chi-Rho (Ms. Trina)
7:00 Choir Rehearsal
*JYF meets on the 3rd Wednesday

Thursday, March 8

9:00 Newsletter
3:15 Sheri Locke (Rm 309)
3:30 Nan Rickerts (Keystone)
6:00 Cub Scouts

Saturday, March 10

9:00 Seventh Day Adv. (Chapel)
11:00 Women's Shelter Brunch (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."

March 4, 2018



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Beckie Glander, Admin. Assistant/Facilities

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