

8:30 AM

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Our Nursery is located on the 3rd Floor, Room 300 (near the elevator)

Gathering Music Dr. Bob Blair

Welcome & Life of the Church Rev. Dr. John T. Opsata

***Hymn of Celebration** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #2

***Gathering Prayer and Lord's Prayer**

Scripture Reading 1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14

Sing Along

Scripture Reading John 6:51-58 Dr. Opsata

Sermon The Best Prayer Ever? Dr. Opsata

Invitation to Discipleship

***Hymn of Discipleship** "Seek Ye First" #354
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Morning Prayer

Invitation to Christian Stewardship

Receiving Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology/ Prayer of Dedication**

Celebration of the Lord's Supper
Invitation and Words of Institution Dr. Opsata
Communion Hymn "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" #254
Elder's Prayer Jim True

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

***Postlude** Dr. Bob Blair

August 19, 2018

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Prelude "You'll Never Walk Alone" Coleman Scott

***Hymn of Celebration** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #2(1-3)

***Greeting and Gathering Chorus** "Lead Me, Lord" #593

***Gathering Litany** Rachel Blevins

Leader: Come, seekers of wisdom and truth,
People: God's wisdom has called us here.

Leader: Come, lovers of Christ's teachings and guidance,
People: Christ's love has called us here.

Leader: Come, singers of thanksgiving and praise,
People: the Spirit's presence has gathered us here!

***Gathering Prayer and Lord's Prayer** (unison) Rachel Blevins

Eternal God, your steadfast love endures forever. When your servant David died, you granted Solomon the wisdom to rule your people with judgment and understanding. When our own cleverness fails us, you grant us the wisdom to discern good from evil and to understand your ways. Be with us in this time of worship, that we may seek to live our lives with wisdom and grace. This we pray in the name of the One who is Wisdom Incarnate:

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 1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14 Rachel Blevins

Special Music "Jesus is All the World to Me" Chancel Choir
Lloyd Larson Dr. Carl Smith, Director

Children's Blessing Elle Travis & Rev. Dr. John T. Opsata
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.

Promotion Time
(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 Dr. Opsata

Offertory "I Believe" Coleman Scott

***Doxology** #48

***Prayer of Dedication** Dr. Opsata

Scripture Reading John 6:51-58 Dr. Opsata

Sermon The Best Prayer Ever? Dr. Opsata

Invitation to Discipleship Dr. Opsata

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Morning Prayer Dr. Opsata

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Communion Hymn "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" #254
Invitation to Communion Dr. Opsata
Words of Institution and Prayer Dr. Opsata
Bob Pullen
Diana Geddes

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Benediction Dr. Opsata

***Sending Forth** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #2(4)

***Postlude** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Coleman Scott
arr. James Cumow

IN OUR PRAYERS Those serving in the Military and as Law Enforcement Officers, Barbara Abshire (Mindy McGirt), May Lou Alexander (Ashwood), Raymond Aubrey, Mattie Baker (Patti Pullen), Ed Ball, Marjorie Ballard (Patricia Roberts), Ann & Joshua Banta (Judy Richards), Jackie Barney, Maria Bartholomew, Cheyenne & Greyson Beatty (Marcie Jeffers), Julia Blackburn (Tom & Eleanor Penn's granddaughter), Sue Boden, Bill & Linda Brown (Lee Ann Snelling), Ron Burgess, Chet Care, Frank Catron (Frances Cadle), Walter Chism (Judy Richards), Polly Coblin (Jane McCord), Ben Conway, Phyllis DiCapua (Priscilla Barnes), Teri Elliot (Sun Spirit Fallis), Davey Fallis, Eulane Fortune, Staci, Juan and Milo Garcia (Jayne Arnold), Cheryl Gayhart, Bill Grugin (Dixie Grugin), Richard Hite (Nancy Miracle), Tyler Howard (Ann Howard), Lynda Jalbert, Alex Jensen (Ann Winn Vansant), Elizabeth & Addison Judy, Karen Howser Judy (Fred Lee), Bob and Patricia Lippert, Jim McWilliams, Chuck Mitchell (Fred Lee), Don Mitchell (Valerie Ramsey's father), Margaret Moman (Eva Ellis), Sally Monroe, Mary Helen Moore, Michael Perniciaro (Linda Davis), Bob Pullen, Sue Ramsey (Larry Cox), Jacob Roberts (Lynda Jalbert), Anne Robbins (Judy Richards), Ilse Rogers, Kathy & Rebecca Ryan (Jayne Arnold), Kenneth Smith (Judy Richards), Chester & Ann Snelling, Casey Sparrow (Valerie Ramsey), Barry Stockdale (Donna Perkins & Carla West's brother), Angel Dugger Subbert (Misty Judy), Monnie Talley, James Tandy (Judy Richards), Betty Thurman, Francis Tileston, Carol Tuning (Judy Richards), Judi Turner (Elizabeth Schepens), Stephen Tutt (Sue Tutt), Riviera Ueltschi (Sun Spirit Fallis), Beth Vernon (Dr. Bob & Linda Blair), Doris Versey (Fred Lee), Tony Versey III (Fred Lee), Judy Walden (Donna Fiero), Jane Watts (Judy Richards), Will Webster (Dixie Grugin), Maxine Wells (Tim & MaryLinda Wells), Ethan Witt (Bob Lewis), Jim Wolcott, all victims of disaster and violence in our world.

THANK YOU I'd like to say a big "THANK YOU" to Nancy Miracle and all of those who participated in the College Contact Ministry. As a parent, it has been such a blessing to my own student. Reagan has been overwhelmed by the generosity of the Elders and the entire church. Receiving contacts from FCC was such a "pick-me-up" to an overworked college Freshman. She would call me, excitedly sharing what she had received. Once she had a care package miracle when she lost her umbrella and that same week received one in the mail. As a Youth Director, I appreciate so much the effort the church extends in helping college students stay connected to their church family. Those connections matter and I'm very proud to be a part of such a caring church community. With thanks, Trina Koontz

NEEDED: SPONSORS FOR COLLEGE CONTACT MINISTRY! We are looking for individuals or small groups who would love to sponsor a college student for the school year through monthly cards, notes of encouragement and/or small gifts. This is just one small way that we can maintain contact with our youth and remind them that their church family loves them, prays for them and supports them into this next chapter of their lives. If you or your group would love to sponsor a youth this year, please contact Nancy Miracle at NancyHMiracle@gmail.com, home phone 502-223-4153 or cell phone 502-320-2122. Thank you!

GOLF UPDATE A friendly competition took place at Juniper Hill Tuesday night with the winning team being John and Rose Tomlinson, Patricia Roberts and Nelson Henderson. Join us for golf on Tuesdays at 5:00pm at Juniper Hill Golf Course.

FCC KIDS SUMMER SPLASH POOL PARTY RESCHEDULED Sunday, August 26, from 2:00pm to 5:00pm at Dr. Bob and Linda Blair's home. Bring your towels, floats, pool toys and family for an afternoon of fun with Ms. Elle and the Children's Ministry Staff!


COFFEE HOUSE The next Coffee House Service will be **August 26 at 5:00pm** in the Fellowship Hall. No Coffee House on September 2 due to Labor Day weekend. Back to regular schedule on September 9 in the Fellowship Hall.

MOMS DEMAND ACTION A Moms Demand Action Meeting will be held on **Monday, August 27, at 6:30pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America is a non-partisan, gun violence prevention organization working to raise awareness and improve our gun laws. Parents and Grandparents, come find out how to keep children safe! We will be discussing the Be SMART campaign, which was created to bring together all responsible adults to reduce suicides and the number of unintentional shootings that occur when children get a hold of an unsecured firearm. Please contact Sheila Anderson if you have any questions.

LUNCHTIME CONCERT SERIES at **11:30am on Friday, August 31**, at Ward Oates Amphitheater. Bonnie and Ronnie will be performing featuring FCC's own Bonnie Reeves.

WEDNESDAY EVENING FELLOWSHIP Mark your calendars! WEF will resume on **September 5**.

KEENAGERS The next gathering for the Keenagers will be **September 20**. Details to come.



<p>Sunday, August 19 8:30 Chapel Service 9:30 Faith Formation 10:15 Family Faith Fellowship (CCLC) 10:45 Worship (Sanctuary) 12:15 Mission Team Meeting (BB)</p>	<p>Tuesday, August 21 11:30 Staff Meeting 12:00 Al Anon (Keystone) 5:00 Golf (Juniper Hill) 5:30 AA Meeting (Keystone)</p>
<p>Monday, August 20 5:30 Elders Meetings (BB)</p>	<p>Thursday, August 23 9:00 Newsletter</p>

OFFICE HOURS	Monday 8:00 am—3:00 pm Tuesday 8:00 am—3:00 pm Wednesday 8:00 am—3:00 pm Thursday 8:00 am—3:00 pm Friday Closed	
DEADLINES	Messenger Deadline Tuesday by Noon Bulletin Deadline Thursday by 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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