

## LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Elders on Call

Kathey Long  
Jill Pasky

Serving Diaconate

Kallie Blakemore, Linnea Blakemore, Linda Browning,  
Deb Carpenter, Bob Frederickson, Bruce MacKenzie,  
Sue MacKenzie, Bruce Moon, Marian Moon, Madi Payton,  
Art Varvoutis, Regena Varvoutis, Barbara Wyrosdick

Diaconate Preparer

Molly Springfield

Acolyte

Dominic Mirabito & Lauren Blankenship

Sunday School Greeter

Jim Baxter

Worship Greeters

Bob & Janice Lamb (Door)  
Ginny White (Sanctuary)

Children Worship & Wonder

**Jesus and the Storm**  
June Pryor (storyteller)  
Jennifer Powell, Hope & Mae Margaret Davis (greeters)

Nursery Volunteer

Shaina Berry

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**Rev. Troy Tatum**  
Senior Minister

**Rev. Robin Blakemore**  
Minister of Discipleship

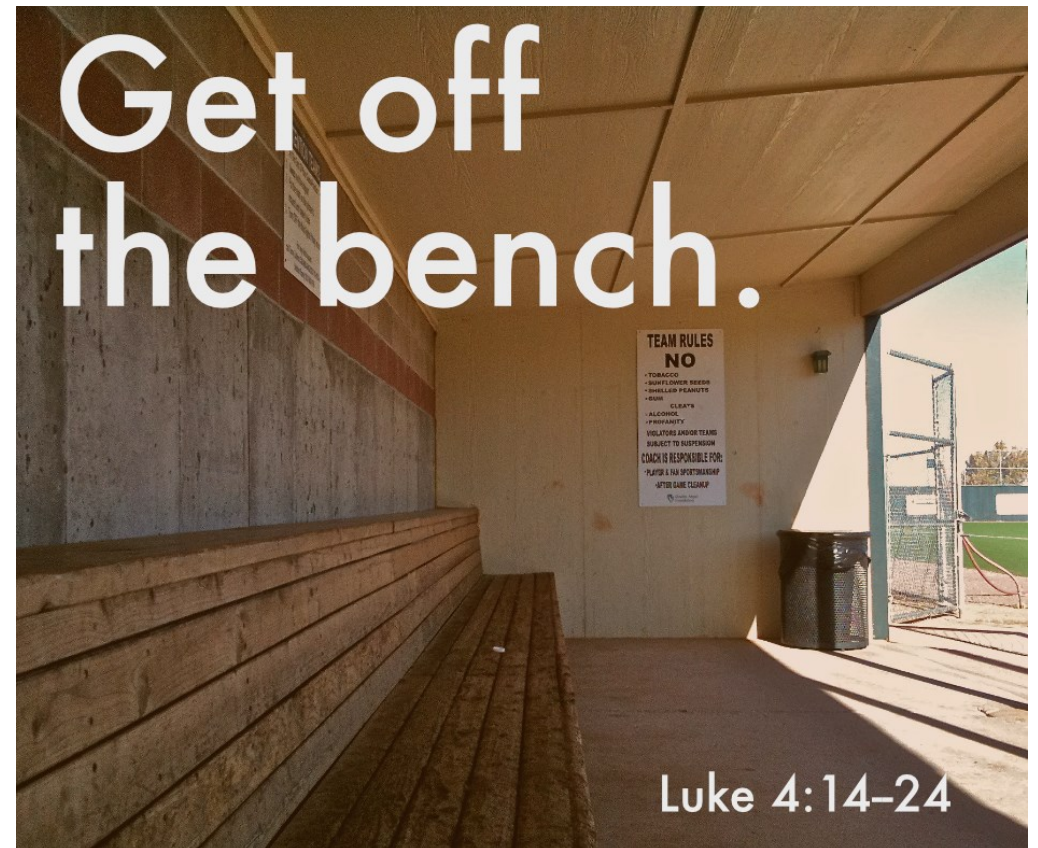
**Twila Tyree**  
Substitute Music Director

**David Brasher**  
Pianist/Organist

# FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Disciples  of Christ

*"Where the Grace of God Awaits You"*



February 5, 2017  
Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

# 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](http://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.



## GET IN TOUCH

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On February 10-11 our church is hosting a spiritual and educational event sponsored by the Christian Church in Alabama and Northwest Florida. The weekend gathering begins with a worship service on Friday at 7:30 pm with Rev. Dr. Frank A. Thomas preaching. This worship service precedes the one-day Regional event for congregational leaders.

### *Guests and Workshop Leaders:*

Frank Thomas

*Professor of Homiletics at Christian Theological Seminary, Indianapolis, IN*

Gilberto Collazo

*President of Hope Partnership for Missional Transformation, Indianapolis, IN*

Mark Benson

*Senior Minister, First Christian Church, Meridian, MS*

Dale Braxton

*Associate Regional Minister and Pastor, Snow Hill Christian Church, Mt. Willing, AL*

Jim Brooks

*Interim Minister, First Christian Church, Tuscaloosa, AL*

Shane Isner

*Senior Minister, First Christian Church, Montgomery, AL*

Troy Tatum

*Senior Minister, First Christian Church, Birmingham, AL*

These workshops will be aimed at helping church members/leaders face issues that may bring new vitality to the congregation. Workshops will start Saturday at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 2:30 p.m. The church will cover the registration fee for FCC members and friends, so please make every effort to attend some or all of this great event. Contact the church office to sign-up.

## THIS WEEK

### Today

5:00 PM: Youth (No Children's Activities)

### Monday through Thursday 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM

The Adventure Nook Preschool & Mother's Day Out

### Monday, February 6

7:00 AM: Men's Bible Study

11:00 AM: Staff Meeting

### Tuesday, February 7

10:00 AM: Ladies' Bible Study

### Wednesday, February 8

6:30 PM: Choir Practice

### Friday, February 10

7:30 PM Passion and Mission: A Special Worship Service for the Christian Church in Alabama and Northwest Florida featuring Dr. Frank Thomas

### Saturday, February 11

9:00 AM Regional Transformation Event

## COMING SOON

### YOUNG AT HEART FEB 15

#### Birmingham Civil Rights Tour February 15, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Join us for a tour through the civil rights history of Birmingham. We'll explore significant places on the journey to equal rights, tour the Civil Rights Institute, and enjoy lunch together at Sweet Pea (cost not included). Space is limited.

To register email Robin. Cost is \$5, payable the day of the trip.

## We Gather Before God

Prelude	<i>Proclaim The Glory of The Lord</i>	DiGesare
Choral Call	<i>Everything I Am</i>	Dyer
*Call to Worship		William Mee
Leader:	We come to worship our God, to listen to the one who calls us here.	
<b>People:</b>	<b>We come trusting God to lead us in the coming days.</b>	
Leader:	We come to worship our God, to shout with joy to the God of all people.	
<b>People:</b>	<b>We come believing that God is always faithful.</b>	
Leader:	We come to feast at God's table, to be fed by the one who loves us.	
<b>People:</b>	<b>We come to worship our God, to sing aloud to the one who saves us.</b>	
* Hymn of Praise	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	Red Hymnal No. 2
*Invocation and Lord's Prayer		Rev. Troy Tatum
	<b>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.</b>	
*Prayer Response	<i>Gloria Patri</i>	Red Hymnal No. 35
	<b>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!</b>	
*Passing of the Peace		
Leader:	The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.	
<b>People:</b>	<b>And also with you.</b>	
Words of Welcome		Rev. Troy Tatum
	<i>Please take a moment to fill out your Connection Card.</i>	
A Time for Children		Rev. Robin Blakemore
	<i>Children age three through fourth grade may leave for Children's Worship &amp; Wonder.</i>	
Invitation to Present Gifts		Rev. Troy Tatum

Special Music Offering                      *Amazing Grace*                      arr. Brasher

\*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. Robin Blakemore

## **We Gather at Christ's Table**

Communion Hymn                      *Let Us Break Bread Together*                      Red Hymnal No. 425

Invitation to Communion    Rev. Robin Blakemore

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.*

Prayer for the Bread    Jacob Rich

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                      *Be Glorified*                      arr. Brasher

Prayer for the Cup    Tucker Hagood

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**

Special Music    *Strike the Cymbal*                      arr. Lovelace

Scripture    Luke 4:14-24

Leader:    The Word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon    "Get Off the Bench"                      Rev. Troy Tatum

## **We Respond With Our Lives**

Invitation to Discipleship    Rev. Troy Tatum

\*Hymn of Discipleship                      *In This Very Room*                      Red Hymnal No. 295

## **We Go Forth to Love and Serve**

\*Benediction    Rev. Troy Tatum

\*Congregational Response    Red Hymnal No. 39

**To God be the glory,  
To God be the glory,  
To God be the glory for the things you have done.  
With his blood Christ has saved me;  
With your power you have raised me;  
To God be the glory for things you have done.**

\*Postlude    *Share His Love*                      arr. Brasher

*\*All who are able please stand.*