

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

Elders on Call	Rev. Robin Blakemore Rev. Troy Tatum
Serving Diaconate	Andrew Ford, Kimberly Jones, Jeff Jones, Mae Margaret Davis, Barry Dillon, Jennifer Dillon, Lynn Eastman, Ardis Gillespie, Cameron Gillespie, Susan Storer, Ashton Strachan
Communion Preparer	Sarah Ford
Acolyte	Victor Dillon
Sunday School Greeter	Bruce Moon
Worship Greeters	Beverly Baxter & Ann Langley (Door) Donna Strickland (Sanctuary)
Children Worship & Wonder	Dorcus Katie Matthews (storyteller) Jennifer Powell (greeter)
Nursery Volunteer	Eliza Blankenship

Rev. Troy Tatum
Senior Minister

Rev. Robin Blakemore
Associate Minister

Rev. John Allen Bankson
Music Director

David Brasher
Pianist/Organist

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Disciples  of Christ

"Where the Grace of God Awaits You"



June 24, 2018
FIFTH 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 near the front doors 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.



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VBS 2018

July 9-13, 9:00am - 12:00pm

Age 3*- completed 5th grade

Come join us as we experience the ride of a lifetime with God! Along the river, children discover that life with God is an adventure full of wonder and surprise, and that they can trust God to be with them through anything. Relevant music, exciting science, creative crafts, fun recreation, and memorable Bible stories will help kids know that God is always with them as they ride the rapids of amazing grace! You can register online at www.fcc-bhm.org or return a printed form to the church office today to register for Rolling River Rampage!

OUTREACH MISSION MEETING & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

As we begin our next fiscal year, the Outreach Committee is holding its annual planning meeting on July 15, right after church in the Farkas room. Whether you have participated in Outreach in the past, have already committed to serve this coming year, or want to learn about how you can get involved with future Outreach projects, this is the meeting for you! A light lunch will be served. We have some exciting opportunities for service coming up, starting with a Service Day to benefit First Christian Church's preschool pro-gram, The Adventure Nook (TAN), on August 25. While more details will follow, please go to www.fcc-bhm.org to sign up for the TAN Service Day. We also have additional opportunities for service planned through Spring. Won't you join us on July 15 to learn how you can participate?

THIS WEEK

Today, June 24

10:15 AM Morning Worship

Monday, June 25

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, June 27

8:30 AM Young at Heart

6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, June 28

Office Closed

GET INVOLVED

A MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE

Our office administrator will be out of town this week. There will be a volunteer in the office on Monday from 9AM - 12PM, Tuesday from 9AM-2PM, and Wednesday from 9AM-2PM. The office will be closed on Thursday, June 28. In case of emergency, please call the on call clergy line at 205-295-6708. Thank you for your patience while the office administrator is away.

YOUNG AT HEART

Join us on Wednesday, June 27 as we tour the new Legacy Museum and National Memorial for Peace and Justice located in our own state capitol. We will leave church at 8:30 a.m. and have lunch at Martin's Restaurant in Montgomery before returning to FCC. Cost of the trip is \$15 per person (not including lunch). Space is limited, so contact Robin at robin@fcc-bhm.org to sign up today! For additional information, contact Jim Langley at jl091649@yahoo.com.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

The Disciples Sunday School Class invites you to join with us for a study of the Christmas story each Sunday in July, led by Janet Bonds in the fireside room. Too often, during the Christmas season, our minds are occupied with all the busy events we schedule, and we wanted to take a period of time to just concentrate on the story told in the Bible. We hope to see you there!

We Gather Before God

Prelude *The Mission* Mohr/Dennis

Introit *This Is the Day* Alice Parker

*Call to Worship Rev. Troy Tatum

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

People: And all that is within me bless God's holy name.

Leader: For as the heavens are high above the earth,

People: So is God's steadfast love towards the faithful.

Leader: The steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

People: All that is within me bless God's holy name!

*Hymn of Praise *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* Red Hymnal No.90

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Rev. Troy Tatum

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.

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. Troy Tatum

Offertory Music *He Who Began a Good Work in You* Mohr

*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 *Emmanuel* Red Hymnal No. 134

Invitation to Communion Rev. Troy Tatum

Prayer of 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.

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 *Jesus, Lord to Me* Nelson/McSpadden

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

Scripture Judges 3:12-30

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem *The Mind of Christ* K. Lee Scott

Sermon "For What It's Worth" Rev. Troy Tatum

We Respond With Our Lives

Invitation to Discipleship Rev. Troy Tatum

*Hymn of Discipleship *like a child* Red Hymnal No. 133

We Go Forth to Love and Serve

*Announcements & Benediction Rev. Troy Tatum

*Congregational Response *My Tribute* 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 the things you have done.**

*Postlude *Doxology/Regal Reign* arr. DiGesare

**All who are able please stand.*