

## LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

<b>Musicians</b>	David Brasher, Joshua Berry, Mae Margaret Davis, Jeff Jones, Troy Tatum
<b>Elders on Call</b>	Hugh Henderson Jim Baxter
<b>Serving Diaconate</b>	Kallie Blakemore, Linda Browning, Deb Carpenter, Bob Frederickson Bruce MacKenzie, Sue MacKenzie, Bruce Moon, Marian Moon Donna Penn, Paul Penn, Bob Smith, Art Varvoutis, Barbara Wyrosdick
<b>Communion Preparer</b>	Molly Springfield
<b>Sunday School Greeter</b>	Steve Pasky
<b>Worship Greeters</b>	Jim & Beverly Baxter (Door) Barbara Wyrosdick (Sanctuary)
<b>Nursery Volunteer</b>	Kimberly Jones

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**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"*



July 15, 2018  
EIGHTH 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 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. There is a special children's area on the right side of the sanctuary with age appropriate activities to help children to engage in worship.

## 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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# THIS WEEK

## Today, July 15

10:15 AM Morning Worship  
11:30 AM Outreach Meeting

## Monday, July 16

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study  
11:00 AM Staff Meeting

## Thursday, July 19 - 22

*National Convocation*

## GET INVOLVED

### SUMMER AT THE TABLE: SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

Our next *Summer at the Table* gathering is Saturday, August 4, at the home of Stan & Robin Blakemore (3440 Coventry Drive, Vestavia Hills, AL 35243). We will meet at 4 PM for a time of food, fellowship, and worship. Please bring a side or dessert to share, along with whatever you might want to drink; main dish and soft drinks will be provided. Weather-permitting, we'll eat and play outside. As always, kids are welcome. Please feel free to invite your friends. You can view our [www.facebook.com/tablefcc](http://www.facebook.com/tablefcc).

### ROLLING RIVER RAMPAGE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS was a fun ride this week! We had a total of 82 students, 30 adult volunteers, and 8 youth volunteers. Thank you to all those volunteers who made the week special for all of our river rafters!

Adult Volunteers: Sylvia Almond, Beverly Baxter, Jim Baxter, Janet Bonds, Ann Browning, Linda Browning, Linda Byrd, Deb Carpenter, Edith Carreras, Aneda Chandler, Cayla Corbin, Barry Dillon, Sandy Hamilton, Julie Henderson, Janice Lamb, Sue MacKenzie, Katie Matthews, Steve Pasky, Donna Penn, Jennifer Powell, June Pryor, Molly Springfield, Susan Storer, Leigh Ann Tatum, Joye Taylor, Twila Tyree, Julia Williamson, Regena Varvoutis, Toni Vaughn, Barbara Wyrosdick

Youth Volunteers: Kallan Blakemore, Linnea Blakemore, Eliza Blankenship, Barbara Carpenter, Victor Dillon, Andrew Everling, Reagan Everling, Christian Lampley

Special Thanks to our staff, Robin Blakemore, Dixon Hollingsworth, Lloyd Smith, and Troy Tatum for all their help this week.

Special Thanks to Leigh Ann Tatum for her wonderful leadership directing Vacation Bible School.

# A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

## *Doxology*

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  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

## **COMMUNION**

### *Invitation*

*Prayers for the Bread and Cup*

*Words of Institution*

*We celebrate an open table; all who are able are invited to come forward and receive communion by intinction, tearing off a piece of bread and dipping it in the cup.*

## **BENEDICTION**

### *Wherever You Go*

Wherever you go, God goes with you  
Whether you're near or far away  
Wherever you go, God goes with you  
Bringing strength and blessing to your day

## **DEPART**

*On Eagle's Wings*

## **GATHERING**

*As the Deer*

## **WELCOME**

### **Come As You Are**

Come out of sadness, from wherever you've been  
Come broken hearted, let rescue begin  
Come find your mercy, oh, sinner come kneel  
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal  
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal

### **Chorus:**

So lay down your burdens, lay down your shame  
All who are broken, lift up your face  
Oh, wanderer come home, you're not too far  
So lay down your hurt, lay down your heart  
Come as you are

There's hope for the hopeless and all those who've strayed  
Come sit at the table, come taste of the grace  
There's rest for the weary, rest that endures  
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't cure

### **Chorus**

Come as you are. Fall in his arms. Come as you are.

There's joy for the morning, oh, sinner be still  
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal  
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal

### **Chorus**

## CALL

### *Great Are You Lord*

You give life, You are love, You bring light to the darkness  
You give hope, You restore every heart that is broken  
Great are You, Lord

#### **Chorus:**

It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise, we pour out our praise  
It's Your breath in our lungs, so we pour out our praise to You only

You give life, You are love, You bring light to the darkness  
You give hope, You restore, Every heart that is broken  
Great are You, Lord

#### **Chorus (sing twice)**

And all the earth will shout Your praise  
Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing  
Great are You, Lord  
*(Repeat 3 times)*

#### **Chorus (sing twice)**

### *He Will Give the Weary Strength*

Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength  
They will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint  
And like a flight upon an eagle's wings, He will give the weary strength  
*(Repeat)*

So lift your eyes up to the sky  
To the one who hears you when you cry

Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength  
They will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint  
Like a flight upon an eagle's wings, He will give...He will give...  
He will give the weary strength

## MORNING PRAYER

One: Hear us, guide us, and love us, today  
Many: Lord, we need you

### *May You Find a Light*

Lost and weary traveler, searching for the way to go  
Stranger, heavy-hearted, longing for someone to know

#### **Chorus:**

May you find a light, May you find a light  
May you find a light to guide you home

There are weary travelers searching everywhere you go  
Strangers who are searching, longing deeply to be known

#### **Chorus (sing twice)**

## OFFERING

## SCRIPTURE

*Acts 18:24-28*

*Children may come forward to participate in telling the story.*

## MESSAGE

*If I Needed You*

## LORD'S PRAYER

*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.*