

Welcome!

If you are visiting with us today, we are so glad you are here and hope you feel warmly welcomed. Please ask any of our members if you have questions about your experience. You are always welcome here, and we hope you return.

For more information, visit our website at www.shelbyvillefirstchristianchurch.com.

You may also contact the church office at 502-633-3345 or email us at fccshelbyville@gmail.com.

To receive email updates on upcoming events and our monthly Cup Newsletter, please fill out our 'New Visitors Card' (Gray Card). The Blue Card is for messages to the pastor, and the White Card is for prayer requests. All cards may be placed in the offering plate or the donation box by the sanctuary doors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please ensure all CUP **articles, calendar entries, and save-the-date** information are submitted to the church office by the end of the business day on Monday, **March 17, 2025**.

The Nurture Committee will meet on Tuesday, **March 18, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.** New members are always welcome. Please contact Cheryl Manning if you have any questions or for more information.

The RTs will meet (at the church) for their monthly lunch outing on Thursday, **March 20, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.** This month they are heading to the Coffee House Café in LaGrange, KY. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board for those wishing to join in for a great time of fellowship. All RTs (Recycled Teenagers), past and present are welcome to join in. Please contact Wanda Stivers if you have any questions or for more information.

Our Stephen Ministers will meet on Thursday, **March 20, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.**, in the parlor upstairs. Please contact Laine Kephart if you have any questions or for additional information.



First Christian Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

What is Stephen Ministry?

Stephen Ministry is the one-to-one lay caring ministry that takes place in congregations that use the Stephen Series system, which equips and empowers lay caregivers - called Stephen Ministers - to provide high-quality, confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are hurting. For more information, please contact Laine Kephart, our Stephen Leader, the church office, or a member of the church staff. Please visit the website ~ stephenministries.org.

2024-2025 ELDERS

A-Bea	Rev. Sally McClain - 2026	(502) 744-7255
Beb-Bz	Jesse Gilbert - 2026	(502) 741-0089
C	Julie Mulcahy - 2026	(502) 220-8311
D-G	Fielding Ballard - 2025	(502) 321-4476
H	Jeff Manning - 2027	(270) 670-5041
I-L	Lydia Turner - 2027	(502) 682-7094
M-O	Gary Smith - 2026	(502) 593-5017
P-R	Kenneth Yeager - 2025	(502) 432-3928
S	Holly Likes - 2025	(502) 529-9167
T-Z	Diane Bland - 2027	(502) 321-0767

PRAYER CONCERNS

FCC Family:

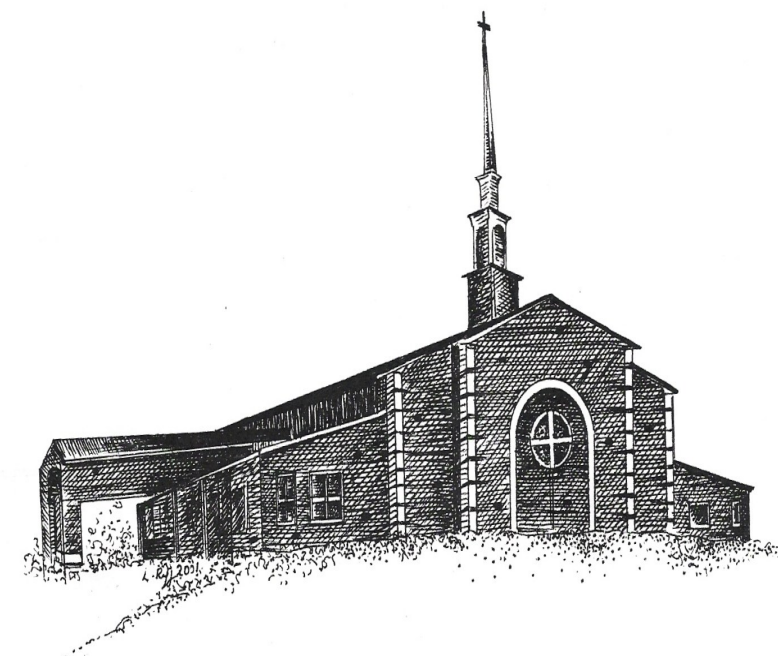
Susan Beagle, Bessie Mae Carriss, (Mother of Tony Carriss), Betty and Carroll Cunningham, Shirley Clare (Mother of Walter Clare), Charlene Cull, Jim Fegenbush, Wayne Gunnell, Emmy Houweling, Lynn Jones (Vicki Lee's mother), J.R. Long, Ida Lyons, Mitch McClain, Debbie Morgan, Ron Sailer, Ron Simmons, Deborah Smith, Eloise Terhune, Carole Totten, Hanne Wainscott, Mary Joe Wright, and Vickie Wright.

FCC Friends:

Darrell Aldridge, Billie Alexander, Brandon Bruner, Braxton Criss, Jareth Davis (wounded U.S. Soldier), and Judy Rpberts

Gifts, Offerings and Tithes

There are many ways to support the church financially. You may place your offering in the plate as it is passed or you may drop it securely in the donation box at the sanctuary entrance as you exit. Envelopes are available on the side of the box; please include your name and address if you are making a cash donation. *There are three options for electronic donations:* **Zelle** donations are accepted. Our email address for Zelle donations is shelbyvillekyfcc@gmail.com. Or you may go to the **church website** and click on "More" and then on "Donate" or download our mobile app, **Vanco Mobile**. Once logged in, create a profile, set up the amount you wish to give, the frequency you wish to give and the fund where you want your gift to go. The page is divided into segments: general fund (which funds our operations), building reserve fund (which funds major repairs and upgrades) and designated (which includes special offerings such as Christmas, Easter, Pentecost, Reconciliation and Week of Compassion), Fifth Sunday, VBS, youth, Stephen Ministry, Focus Forward, etc. There is also an option to designate where you would like your gift used.



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

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March 16, 2025

Early Worship Service 9 a.m.

Sunday School 10 a.m.

Worship Service 11 a.m.

Rev. Tracy Parker

Interim Senior Minister

(859) 312-2777 revtracyparker@gmail.com

Rev. David Pilkinton, Associate Minister

(502) 552-9979 dwpilkinton@gmail.com

Jordan Lardner, Youth Director

(502) 232-1167 jordan.lardner@gmail.com

9 a.m. Worship Service

Prelude **Rev. David Pilkinton**

Call to Worship **Amy Bramlette**

Hymn of Praise #220 vs. 1, 2, 3

He Lives

Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

Extinguishing the Lenten Triad

Scripture **Romans 7:14-24**

Message: **“Who is most like Christ?
What is Jesus’ Enneagram Number?”**

Invitation Hymn #367 vs. 1, 2

Wherever He Leads, I’ll Go

Please see “Interested in Joining First Christian Church?”
on the bottom right side of the page

Stewardship Meditation

Doxology (please stand) #625 vs. 1

*‘Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.’*

Communion Meditation

Communion Prayer

Lord’s Prayer (spoken in unison)

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 and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

COMMUNION:

Communion is central to worship in Disciples churches. As part of our communion service, we observe an open table, inviting everyone to partake of the communion elements with us. The bread and the cup are taken in unison following the words of institution.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR THE BREAD

“This is my body, which is broken for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.”

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR THE CUP

“This cup is the new covenant in my blood.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Benediction

11 a.m. Worship Service

Prelude **Rev. David Pilkinton**

Call to Worship **Jordan Lardner**

Hymn of Praise #220 vs. 1, 2, 3

He Lives

Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer **Rev. Sally McClain**

Extinguishing the Lenten Triad

Special Music **Chancel Choir**

Untitled Hymn
(actual name) *arr. Sterling*

Scripture **Romans 7:14-24**

(Children Dismissed to Children’s Church)

Message: **“Who is most like Christ?
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Stewardship Meditation

Doxology (please stand)

Communion Hymn #441 vs. 1, 2

Take Time to Be Holy

Communion Meditation

Communion Prayer **Julie Mulcahy**

Lord’s Prayer (spoken in unison) **Rev. Sally McClain**

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Benediction Song

Surely The Presence

Benediction

Scripture Reading:

Romans 7:14-24

14 I can anticipate the response that is coming: "I know that all God's commands are spiritual, but I'm not. Isn't this also your experience?" Yes. I'm full of myself - after all, I've spent a long time in sin's prison.

15 What I don't understand about myself is that I decide one way, but then I act another, doing things I absolutely despise.

16 So if I can't be trusted to figure out what is best for myself and then do it, it becomes obvious that God's command is necessary.

17 But I need something more! For if I know the law but still can't keep it, and if the power of sin within me keeps sabotaging my best intentions, I obviously need help!

18 I realize that I don't have what it takes. I can will it, but I can't do it.

19 I decide to do good, but I don't really do it; I decide not to do bad, but then I do it anyway.

20 My decisions, such as they are, don't result in actions. Something has gone wrong deep within me and gets the better of me every time.

21 It happens so regularly that it's predictable. The moment I decide to do good, sin is there to trip me up.

22 I truly delight in God's commands,

23 but it's pretty obvious that not all of me joins in that delight. Parts of me covertly rebel, and just when I least expect it, they take charge.

24 I've tried everything and nothing helps. I'm at the end of my rope. Is there no one who can do anything for me? Isn't that the real question?



Interested in Joining First Christian Church?

You can join our church during the Invitation Hymn in the worship services by coming to the front of the sanctuary, where you will be welcomed. Recognizing not everyone is comfortable with “coming forward”, you may express your desire for membership to a member of the church staff, who will welcome you into membership in our congregation. If you are already baptized, regardless of the mode of baptism, you will not be required to be baptized again. Please contact the church office at 502-633-3345 if you have any questions or would like additional information.

To learn more about the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), please visit www.disciples.org.