



First Christian Church

Disciples of Christ

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A New
Expression of Church



Sunday, August 15, 2021
The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

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Welcome to this house of worship for all people!

Please check in at fccbrla.org/sunday or on our Facebook page, then silence your cell phone.

WELCOMING GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Dr. João Casarotti

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Pam Jones, *Board Chair*

Call to Worship

Frank Dickinson

Leader: People of God, look about and see the faces of those we know and love —

People: **neighbors and friends, sisters and brothers —
a community of kindred hearts.**

Leader: People of God, look about and see the faces of those we hardly know —

People: **strangers, sojourners, forgotten friends,
the ones who need an outstretched hand.**

Leader: People of God,

look about and see all the images of God assembled here.

People: **In me, in you, in each of us,
God's spirit shines for all to see.**

ALL: **People of God, come. Let us worship together.**

Hymn of Praise

Holy! Holy! Holy!

Chalice Hymnal #4

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Prayer of Illumination and Lord's Prayer

Frank Dickinson

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Adapted Scripture Reading

Psalm 111

Callie Cody

Children's Sermon

Crystal Casaroti

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND GATHERING AT THE TABLE

Prayer Hymn	<i>O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee</i> , vv. 1, 2, 4	Chalice Hymnal #628
Pastoral Prayers		Rev. Dr. Jarrett Banks
Communion Hymn	"Doxology" to <i>Old 100th</i>	Chalice Hymnal #46
Invitation to the Table		Rev. Dr. Jarrett Banks
Communion Prayer		Dr. Trey Earle
Words of Institution		Rev. Dr. Jarrett Banks
Music & Meditation		

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Hymn	<i>Ancient Words</i>	lyrics on screens
Scripture Reading	Romans 13:8-10	Dr. Trey Earle
Scripture Reading	Mark 6:6-13	Rev. Dr. Jarrett Banks
Sermon	<i>A New Expression of Church</i>	Rev. Dr. Jarrett Banks
Hymn Response	<i>Fill the World With Love</i>	Chalice Hymnal #467

COMMISSIONING TO GOD'S WORK

Invitation to Join in Fellowship, Share Offerings, and Closing Announcements		
Hymn Refrain	<i>Peace Be Upon You</i>	Chalice Hymnal #441
Benediction		
Postlude		Dr. João Casarotti

The Latest at First Christian Church:

- Wednesday Bible study has been **temporarily suspended**, given mask/spacing requirements, during this latest surge. As soon as safe and practicable, some exciting topics and volunteer-led discussion will be heading this way!
 - **Meal Ministry** - for FCC members who may need some temporary help with meal prep due to medical issues, etc., we're gathering names of volunteer cooks, delivery driver volunteers, as well as contributors of frozen meals to have on hand in the church kitchen for immediate needs. Please contact the church office for more information about signing up for this new opportunity.
 - **Shepherding Group** letters have gone out to all our active households, with your Elders plans for providing care and attention during our ministerial transition. Please contact the office (Mon. - Thurs., 9 am - 3 pm) at 225-926-4175 if you haven't received your letter, or have any questions.
 - **The FCC General Board** will be meeting this week to review for approval a financial package and job description for our Interim Minister. There is a lot of hard work yet coming their way, and your prayers of support for your leadership team are coveted.
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To our Visitors — Welcome to First Christian Church. To help your experience with us be as wonderful as possible, please allow us to share a few things with you.

Communion — The Disciples of Christ welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us. You do not need to be a member to receive communion. If you desire to take communion, ***please collect a pre-packaged communion kit from one of the entrance tables***, and hold it with you until we partake, together, during the service.

Offerings — Your offering for the mission and work of the church can be placed in one of the offering plates near each entrance to the building. To donate online, please visit our website at fccbrrla.org/giving, or via PayPal at paypal.me/fccbrrla or text **fccbrrla** followed by the amount you wish to give, to **73256 (e.g. "fccbrrla \$15")**

Joining the Church — If you have not been baptized or made an adult profession of faith, please speak with the pastor. If you are already a baptized member of another church, please contact the church office about initiating a letter of transfer.

Children — We have children's books, coloring sheets tied to the theme of the day, crayons, and colored pencils in the bookshelf on the east side of the foyer. **Our nursery is open during this service for infants and children through age five.**

Check-in — Whether a first-time visitor, or returning member, please check in by aiming your smart phone at the QR code in the corner, below; or, on our Facebook page: [fccbrrla](https://www.facebook.com/fccbrrla).

Restrooms — The men's room is in the southwest corner of the sanctuary and the women's room is in the southeast corner.

We thank you for being here today, and are grateful for your presence.

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