



First Christian Church

Disciples of Christ

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December 26, 2021
First Sunday after Christmas

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.

Prelude

Dr. João Casarotti

ENTERING INTO GOD'S PRESENCE

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Tip Tipton

* Call to Worship

Pam Comeaux

ALL: *Praise the Lord!*

Leader: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise God in the heights above.

People: **Let them praise the name of the Lord.**

Leader: Praise the Lord from the earth; young men and women, older folk and children.

People: **Let them praise the name of the Lord.**

ALL: *Praise the Lord!*

* Hymn of Praise

Angels, from the Realms of Glory

#149

* Prayer of Illumination and Lord's Prayer

Pam Comeaux

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.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

Psalm 148

Leonardo Morgan

* Gloria Patri

Glory Be to the Father

#35

A Time for God's Children

Crystal Casarotti

A Musical Offering		Dr. João Casarotti
Prayer Hymn	<i>Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming</i>	#160
Prayers of and for God's People		Rev. Dr. Tip Tipton

GATHERING AT THE LORD'S TABLE

Communion Hymn	<i>Infant Holy, Infant Lowly</i>	#163
Welcome to the Lord's Table		Rev. Dr. Tip Tipton
Prayer of Thanksgiving		David Brian
Words of Institution of The Lord's Supper		Rev. Dr. Tip Tipton
Sharing of the Emblems of Bread and Juice		
A Concluding Prayer		Rev. Dr. Tip Tipton

HEARING WORDS OF GOD SPOKEN

Moments of Silent Reflection		
An Old Testament Lesson	1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26	David Brian
*The Doxology	<i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	#46
A New Testament Lesson	Colossians 3:12-17	Rev. Dr. Tip Tipton
Reflections on the Biblical Text	<i>Peace</i>	Rev. Dr. Tip Tipton

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*Responsive Hymn	<i>Hark! the Herald Angels Sing</i>	#150
*An Invitation to Generosity and Discipleship		Rev. Dr. Tip Tipton
*A Blessing and Benediction		Rev. Dr. Tip Tipton
*Congregational Refrain	<i>Peace Be Upon You</i>	#441
*Postlude		Dr. João Casarotti

The Latest at First Christian Church:

- **The Sunday Adult class** has moved their meeting time to 9:00 a.m. Please join them each week for fellowship and study in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Choir Rehearsal Cancelled:** The Chancel Choir will not meet on Wednesday. Everyone interested in singing in the Chancel Choir is invited to join us at our next scheduled rehearsal on Wednesday, January 5th.
- **Sunday, January 2** - Please join us for worship on Sunday, January 2nd, as we welcome Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor as our Transitional Minister.
- **Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor's Office Hours:** Rev. Minor will be in the church office on Wednesdays, 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm, and on Saturdays, 10:30 am to 1:00 pm. He can be reached via email at dedrick@fccbrrla.org.

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 the offering plate located in the rear of the sanctuary on the back pew to the right as you enter. To donate online, please visit our website at fccbrrla.org/giving, or via PayPal at paypal.me/fccbrrla or text 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 professionally staffed nursery is open during this service to care for children from six-weeks through four years of age.** Or, if your youngster just needs a few minutes to re-group, the library is open and the livestream is available on the monitor.

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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