



# First Christian Church

## Disciples of Christ

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*Fourth Day of Lent*

# Welcome to this house of worship for all people!

Please check in at [fccbrla.org/sunday](http://fccbrla.org/sunday) or on our Facebook page, then silence your cell phone.

Prelude

Dr. João Casarotti

## WELCOMING GOD'S PRESENCE

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

Search & Call Report

Dr. Carol Madere

\* Call to Worship

Carmen Jones

One: Deep within us, we know God yearns for us to be whole and healthy, yet we all have broken places in us. When we try to smother them, we do not fool God.

**All: When we acknowledge our brokenness, and ask God to re-make us, God forgives!**

One: So we're preserved, surrounded by God's love, and delivered from our sin and brokenness.

**All: Be glad in the Lord! Rejoice! Shout for joy, for God is able to make all whole!**

\* Hymn of Praise

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

#517, vv. 1, 2

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

\* Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Carmen Jones

*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.*

\*Gloria Patri

*Glory Be to the Father*

#36

Scripture Reading

Joshua 5:9-12

Leonardo Morgan

Children's Moment

Leatus Still

## COMMUNITY PRAYER AND GATHERING AT THE TABLE

Prayer Hymn	<i>Hear Our Prayer, O Lord</i>	#306 (sing twice)
Pastoral Prayers		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Communion Hymn	<i>Here at Thy Table, Lord</i>	#384, vv. 1, 2
Invitation to the Table		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Communion Prayer		Vicki Krupala
Words of Institution		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Invitation to Share Offerings		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Offertory		Dr. João Casarotti
*Doxology	<i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	#46
*Dedication Prayer for our Offerings		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

Special Music		Dr. João Casarotti
Scripture Reading	2 Corinthians 5:16-21	Vicki Krupala
Scripture Reading	Luke 15:11-24	Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Sermon	<b>He Asks No Questions</b>	Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

## COMMISSIONING TO GOD'S WORK

*Hymn of Invitation	<i>Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus</i>	#613, vv. 1, 4
*Benediction		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
*Congregational Refrain	<i>Peace Be Upon You</i>	#441
*Postlude		Dr. João Casarotti

## The Latest at First Christian Church:

- **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. Rev. Dedrick is also available at other times by appointment. Please contact him at [dedrick@fccbrla.org](mailto:dedrick@fccbrla.org).
- **The Sunday Adult class** meets at 9:00 a.m. Please join them for fellowship and sharing in The Study located in the rear of the Fellowship Hall.
- **Easter Lilies:** If you would like to order a lily in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please fill out the form in the bulletin and place in the offering plate. The cost of each lily is \$25.00.

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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 tables in the narthex*** 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 plates as they are passed by the deacons during the worship service. To donate online, please visit our website at [fccbrla.org/giving](http://fccbrla.org/giving), or via PayPal at [paypal.me/fccbrla](https://paypal.me/fccbrla) or text 73256 (e.g. "fccbrla \$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 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: [fccbrla](https://www.facebook.com/fccbrla).

**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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