



First Christian Church

Disciples of Christ

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April 3, 2022
Fifth Sunday in Lent

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

WELCOMING GOD'S PRESENCE

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

Luncheon Date Change

Dr. Carol Madere

* Call to Worship

Kristin Morgan

One: Today's a day for remembering and anticipating! Remember when the Lord poured out blessings on you, on us, on the world? Remember being filled with joy?

Many: Anticipate! The Lord desires abundance for all. So we may mourn now, but seeds are ours for planting, and the joy of harvest is just ahead. Times of tears may come, but the laughter of full life is still before us all.

One: In this Lenten week, look ahead! Anticipate! Rejoice as we give thanks to the Lord our God!

* Hymn of Praise *Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days* #180, vv. 1, 2

GOD SPEAKS TO US

* Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Kristin Morgan

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

Isaiah 43:16-21

Anderson Krupala

Children's Moment

Ashley Bourgeois

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND GATHERING AT THE TABLE

Prayer Hymn	<i>Spirit Song</i>	#352
Pastoral Prayers		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Communion Hymn	<i>Seed. Scattered and Sown</i>	#395, vv. 1, 3
Invitation to the Table		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Communion Prayer		Judy Lester
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

Musical Offering		Aaron Turnipseed
Scripture Reading	Philippians 4:4-14	Judy Lester
Scripture Reading	John 12:1-8	Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Sermon	I'll Pour My Love Out On You	Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

COMMISSIONING TO GOD'S WORK

*Hymn of Invitation	<i>Lift High the Cross</i>	#108, vv. 1, 2
*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. Please contact him to make an appointment. He can be reached via email at dedrick@fccbrla.org.
- **Luncheon Date Change:** Due to a scheduling conflict, the Search & Call Committee has decided to host the fellowship meal with Pastor Minor on Sunday, April 24, immediately following church instead of April 30. This will be a catered meal, and we hope everyone can come. The congregational vote on calling Pastor Minor as our permanent senior minister will be the following Sunday, May 1, as previously scheduled.
- **Maundy Thursday Worship Service:** The Maundy Thursday worship service will be held on April 14 at 6:30 p.m.

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, or via PayPal at 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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