



# First Christian Church

## Disciples of Christ

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May 8, 2022  
Mother's Day  
*Fourth Sunday of Easter*

# 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.

Mother's Day Video

Screen

Prelude

Dr. João Casarotti

## WELCOMING GOD'S PRESENCE

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

\*Call to Worship

Rev. Tom Cody

One: All, here, on-line, and in spirit, come to worship God!

**Many: With the multitude from all ages, we cry out with a loud voice,  
"Victory belongs to God and to the Lamb!"**

One: Together, we are ready to worship the God who shelters us.

**Many: Together, we claim the Lamb as our shepherd.**

One: Together, we sing praise to God, who guides all to the water of life.

**Many: With grateful hearts, let us worship God!**

\* Hymn of Praise

*The Gift of Love*

#526, vv. 1, 2

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

\* Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Tom Cody

*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

Revelation 7:9-17

Callie Cody

Children's Moment

Pam Comeaux

## COMMUNITY PRAYER AND GATHERING AT THE TABLE

Prayer Hymn	<i>Spirit Song</i>	#352, vv. 1, 2
Pastoral Prayers		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Communion Hymn	<i>Seed, Scattered and Sown</i>	#395, vv. 1, 2
Invitation to the Table		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Communion Prayer		Pamela Jones
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		Dr. João Casarotti
Scripture Reading	John 10:22-30	Pamela Jones
Scripture Reading	Psalm 23	Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Sermon	<b>The Lord Is My Shepherd</b>	Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

## COMMISSIONING TO GOD'S WORK

*Hymn of Invitation	<i>They'll Know We Are Christians</i>	#494, vv. 1, 2, 3
*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](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.
- **Help Needed:** Judy Lester is looking for volunteers to help with the reception that the church is hosting for the Istrouma choral/band concert. The concert is May 18th at 7:00 p.m. and the reception is in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the program. Please sign up on the sheets located in the narthex on the credenzas if you can help with this event.

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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](http://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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