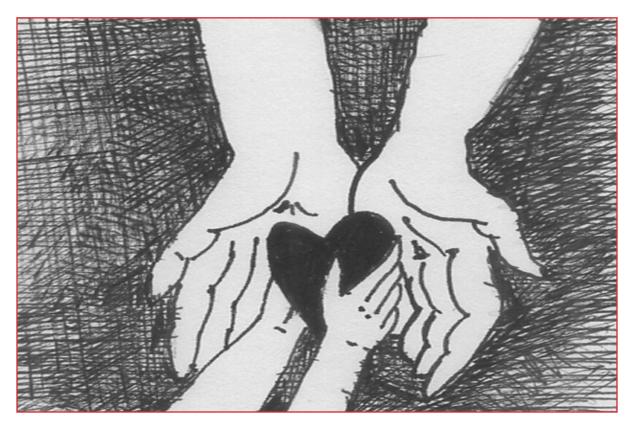


First Christian Church Disciples of Christ

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Rev. Dr. Dedrick J. Minor Senior Minister

January 28, 2024 Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

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

Video- Life Is A Journey

Aaron Turnipseed Screen

WELCOMING GOD'S PRESENCE

Words of Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship

Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor Carmen Jones

Carmen Jones

One: Friends, come! Let's give thanks to God with our whole hearts

- All: The works of the Lord are great.
- One: The Lord is gracious and merciful!
- All: All that God does is honest and true.
- One: So, let's lift our voices to praise God.
- All: Praise the Lord, Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Praise	Be Thou My Vision	#595, VV. 1, 2

GOD SPEAKS TO US

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

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	Psalm 111	Callie Cody
Hymn	Seek Ye First	#354, V. 1
Children's Moment		Dr. Carol Madere

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND GATHERING AT THE TABLE

Prayer Hymn	Spirit Song	#352
Pastoral Prayers		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Communion Hymn Invitation to the Table	Eat This Bread	<i>#414, (x's 2)</i> Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Communion Prayer		Judy Lester
Words of Institution		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Invitation to Share Offerings		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Offertory		Aaron Turnipseed
*Doxology Praise God	from Whom All Blessings Flow	, #46
*Dedication Prayer for our Offe	erings	Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Sermon	Love Never Fails	Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Scripture Reading	1 Corinthians 13:8-13	Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Scripture Reading	Mark 1:21-28	Judy Lester
Musical Offering		

COMMISSIONING TO GOD'S WORK

*Hymn of Invitation	Jesus, Keep Me Near The Cross	Screen
*Benediction		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
*Congregational Refrain	Peace Be Upon You	#441
*Postlude		Aaron Turnipseed

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.
- 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 Youth Building.
- Lectionary Link: Please click here to access the readings: <u>https://lectionary.library.</u> vanderbilt.edu/daily.php?year=A

- 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 <u>fccbrla.org/giving</u>. or via PayPal at <u>paypal.me/fccbrla</u> 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*.
 - **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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