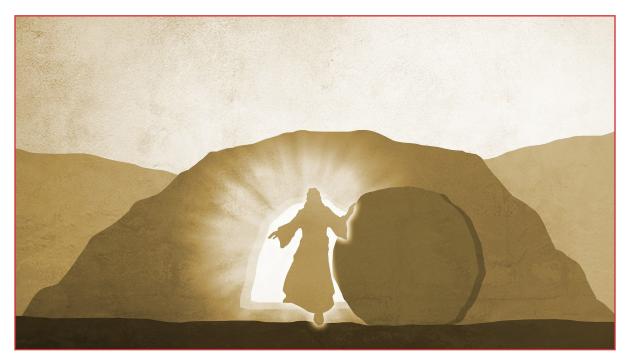


First Christian Church Disciples of Christ

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Rev. Dr. Dedrick J. Minor Senior Minister

> March 31, 2024 Easter Sunday

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-This is Easter

WELCOMING GOD'S PRESENCE

Words of Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship

- One: Alleluia! God anointed Jesus with the Spirit and with power.
- All: Alleluia! God was with Jesus as he did good and healed many.

One: Jesus was betrayed, put to death on a cross, and buried.

- But on the third day, God raised Jesus to new life! All:
- One: Alleluia! Because Jesus lives, we, too, have been given new life!
- Christ is risen! Come, sing out the good news. Christ the Lord is risen All: today!

| * Hymn of Praise | He Lives | #226, vv. 1, 3 |
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| GOD SPEAKS TO US | | |
| *Invocation and Lord's Prayer | | Chris Culp |
| name. earth a bread c debtors us from | ther, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on s it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily and forgive us our debts as we forgive our s. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver n evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the and the glory forever. Amen. | |
| *Gloria Patri | Glory Be to the Father | #36 |
| Scripture Reading | Isaiah 25:6-9 | Leo Morgan |
| Hymn | Seek Ye First | #354, V. 1 |
| Children's Moment | | Rev. Tom Cody |

Aaron Turnipseed Screen

Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

Chris Culp

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND GATHERING AT THE TABLE

| Prayer Hymn | Surely the Presence of the Lor | d #263, (x's2) |
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| Pastoral Prayers | | Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor |
| Communion Hymn | Here at Thy Table Lord | #384, vv. 1, 3 |
| Invitation to the Table | | Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor |
| Communion Prayer | | Nancy Fatta |
| 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 Off | Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor | |

HEARING GOD'S WORD

| Musical Offering | God so Loved the World | Choir |
|-------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Scripture Reading | 1 Corinthians 5:6-8 | Nancy Fatta |
| Scripture Reading | John 20:19-23 | Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor |
| Sermon | Peace Be Upon You | Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor |

COMMISSIONING TO GOD'S WORK*Hymn of InvitationIt is Well with My Soul#561, vv. 1, 3*BenedictionRev. Dr. Dedrick Minor*Congregational RefrainPeace Be Upon You#441*PostludeAaron 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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