

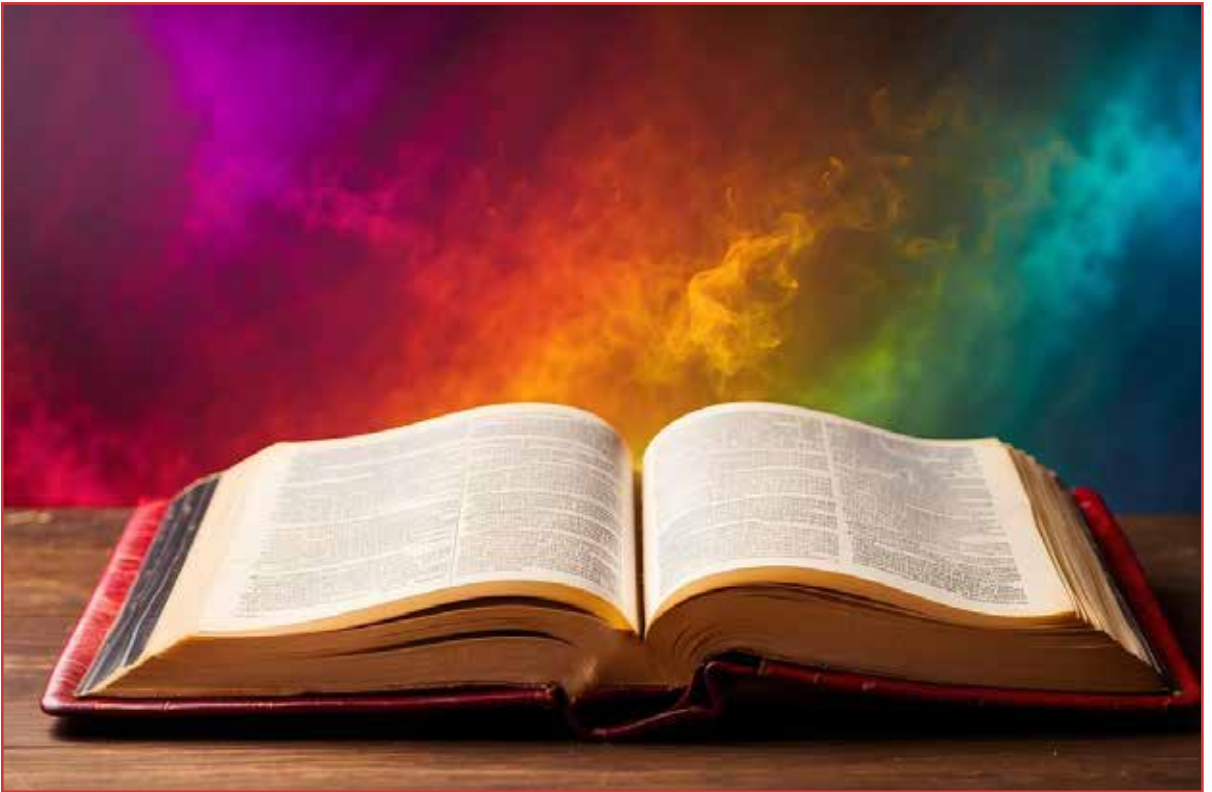


First Christian Church

Disciples of Christ

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Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Senior Minister

July 13, 2025
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to this house of worship for all people!

Please check in at fcburla.org/sunday or on our Facebook page, then silence your cell phone.

(* indicates please stand if you are able)

Prelude

Aaron Turnipseed

Video: To Him Who Is Able

Screen

WELCOMING GOD'S PRESENCE

Rev. Dak McInnis

Words of Welcome & Announcements

One: We've come together to worship the Lord, our God,

All: Today we celebrate the gift of God's Spirit, inspiring God's people here and around the world.

Tony Fatta

One: As followers of Jesus, the Christ, we're eager to grow!

All: We're here to grow in our knowledge of God.

One: So we celebrate all the ways God leads us into L.I.F.E.

All: This is our time to exercise and grow in strength as disciples of Jesus, the Christ! Let us offer our hearts and minds as we praise God!

*Hymn of Praise

Open My Eyes, That I May See

#586, vv. 1, 3

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Tony Fatta

*Invocation and Lord's

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

*Gloria Patri

Glory Be to the Father

#36

Scripture Reading

John 14:13-21

Leonardo Morgan

Hymn

Seek Ye First

#354, v.1

Children's Moment

Pam Comeaux

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND GATHERING AT THE TABLE

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| Prayer Hymn | <i>Lead Me, Guide Me Me</i> | #583, sing twice |
| Pastoral Prayers | | Rev. Dak McInnis |
| Communion Hymn | <i>Eat This Bread</i> | #414, sing twice |
| Invitation to the Table | | Rev. Dak McInnis |
| Communion Prayer | | Debbie Poche' |
| Words of Institution | | Rev. Dak McInnis |
| Invitation to Share Offerings | | Rev. Dak McInnis |
| Offertory | | Aaron Turnipseed |
| *Doxology | <i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i> | #46 |
| *Dedication Prayer for our Offerings | | Rev. Dak McInnis |
| Offering Response | <i>We Give Thee but Thine Own</i> | #382, v. 1 |

HEARING GOD'S WORD

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| Scripture Reading | Romans 10:5-13 | Debbie Poche' |
| Musical Offering | | Earl Poole, soloist |
| Scripture Reading | Joshua 1:8 | Rev. Dak McInnis |
| | Deuteronomy 30:19 | |
| | Isaiah 65:16a | |
| Sermon | I BELIEVE, I SPEAK | Rev. Dak McInnis |

COMMISSIONING TO GOD'S WORK

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| *Hymn of Invitation | <i>Holy Ground</i> | #112, sing twice |
| *Benediction | | Rev. Dak McInnis |
| *Congregational Refrain | <i>Peace Be Upon You</i> | #441 |
| *Postlude | | Aaron Turnipseed |

The Latest at First Christian Church:

- **Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor - Appointment Hours:** Rev. Minor is available to meet with parishioners. 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 Youth Building.
- **Lectionary Link:** Please click here to access the readings: <https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/daily.php?year=C#id207>
- **Church Office Hours:** Monday - Thursday, 9 am until 3 pm
- **Contact Information:** Office phone: 225-926-4175 • Email: churchoffice@fccbrla.org

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.

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.