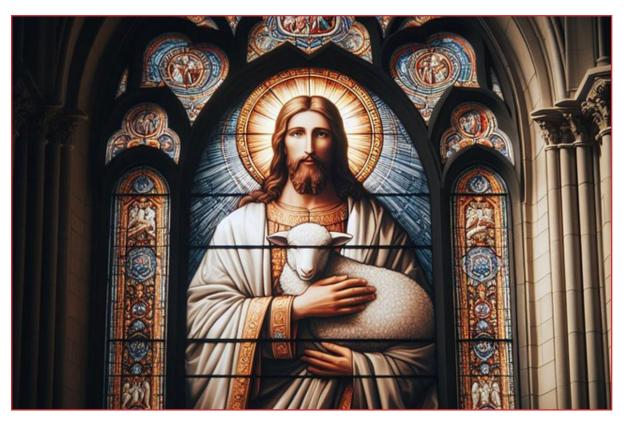


First Christian Church

Disciples of Christ

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Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor Senior Minister

August 3, 2025 Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

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.

(*indicates please stand if you are able)

Prelude Aaron Turnipseed
Video: You Are Welcome Here Screen

WELCOMING GOD'S PRESENCE

Words of Welcome & Announcements Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

Blessing of the Backpacks Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

Call to Worship Chris Culp

ONE: We're here to give thanks to God, who is good.

ALL: God's steadfast love endures forever!

ONE: God continues to redeem us.

ALL: When we cry out to God, we're led to a good place.

ONE: God satisfies us in our distress.

ALL: So let us give thanks for God's wonderful works!

*Hymn of Praise Take My Life #609, vv. 1, 5, 6

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Chris Culp

*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

*Gloria Patri Glory Be to the Father #36

Scripture Reading Galatians 6:1-10 Leonardo Morgan

Hymn Seek Ye First #354, v. 1

Children's Moment Ashley Bourgeois

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND GATHERING AT THE TABLE

Prayer Hymn Give Me a Clean Heart #515, sing twice

Pastoral Prayers Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

Communion Hymn I Come with Joy #420, vv. 1, 2

Invitation to the Table Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

Communion Prayer Donna Embree

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 Offerings Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

Offering Response We Give Thee but Thine Own #382, v. 1

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading Luke 12:13-21 Donna Embree

Congregational Hymn He Touched Me #564, vv. 1, 2

Scripture Reading Psalm 107:1-9 Rev Dr. Dedrick Minor

Sermon Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

Let the Redeemed of the Lord Say So

COMMISSIONING TO GOD'S WORK

*Hymn of Invitation Give Thanks #564, vv. 1, 2

*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 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*.
- **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.