



First Christian Church

Disciples of Christ

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Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Senior Minister

August 2, 2026
Tenth 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 please silence your cell phone.

*(*Indicates to please stand, if you are able.)*

*Prelude	<i>The Steadfast Love</i>	#screen, v. 1
Words of Welcome		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Video - Back to School Prayer		Screen
Announcements		Lorrinda Dickinson

WELCOMING GOD'S PRESENCE

*Call to Worship Rev. Stephen Sanders

One: Come into the presence of God to be fed.
Come to call on God, who is eager to answer.

**All: We gather to seek God's face.
Let our eyes see all that is right and true.**

One: Incline your ears to hear all God would teach.
Seek to experience God's steadfast love.

**All: We are here to receive God's blessing.
God is our refuge in a frightening world.**

One: God is near to all who call and seek.
Come to praise God and receive a blessing.

**All: Open all our senses to pay close attention.
We want to renew our covenant with the living God.**

* Hymn of Praise *Standing on the Promises* #552, vv. 1, 4

GOD SPEAKS TO US

*Invocation and Lord's Prayer Rev. Stephen Sanders

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 145:8-9; 14-21 Cora Cody

Hymn

Seek Ye First

#354, v. 1

Children's Moment - Blessing of the Booksacks and Students

Ashley Bourgeois and Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

COMMUNITY PRAYER AND GATHERING AT THE TABLE

Prayer Hymn	<i>Sweet Hour of Prayer</i>	#570, vv. 1, 3
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Stephen Sanders
Comunion Hymn	<i>Break Thou the Bread of Life</i>	#321, vv. 1, 3
Invitation to the Table		Rev. Stephen Sanders
Communion Prayer		Lorrinda Dickinson
Words of Institution		Rev. Stephen Sanders
Invitation to Share Offerings		Rev. Stephen Sanders
Offertory		Aaron Turnipseed
*Doxology	<i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	#46
*Dedication Prayer for our Offerings		Rev. Stephen Sanders
*Offering Response	<i>We Give Thee but Thine Own</i>	#382

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading	Matthew 14:13-21	Lorrinda Dickinson
Musical Offering	<i>Leaning on the Everlasting Arms</i>	#560, vv. 1, 3
Scripture Reading	Genesis 32:22-31	Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
Sermon		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor

COMMISSIONING TO GOD'S WORK

*Hymn of Invitation	<i>Give Me a Clean Heart</i>	# 515, sing twice
#Benediction		Rev. Dr. Dedrick Minor
*Congregational Refrain	<i>Peace Be Upon You</i>	#441
*Postlude		

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 8:45 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=A#id207>
 - **Church Office Hours:** Monday - Thursday, 9 am until 3 pm
 - **Contact Information:** Office phone: 225-926-4175 • Email: churchoffice@fccbrla.org
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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, 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.



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