

Gathering in Praise (*) Denotes to stand, if able.		
Welcome & Announcements	Rev. Dr. Brad Stagg	
Prelude	<i>Somebody’s Knocking At Your Door</i> Chancel Bell Choir, Directed by Daniel Shafer	Sharon Rogers
Litany of Praise (the people read the bold)	Brenda Mosby	
How wondrous! A new heaven and a new earth!		
The old, bruised and angered, fearful and alienated, will pass away		
In its place God will offer new hope and peace		
God will dwell with God’s people forevermore.		
Worship the Lord who is about to do a new thing.		
Praise God who establishes God’s reign in the heart of God’s people.		
*Hymn #725	<i>God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand</i>	
*Invocation (the people read the bold)	Brenda Mosby	
Let us pray. Alpha and Omega, First and Last, glory outshining all the lights of heaven: pour out upon us your Spirit of faithful love and abundant compassion, so that we may rejoice in the splendor of your works while we wait in expectation for the new heaven and the new earth you promise when Christ shall come again. Amen.		
*Gloria Patri # 35		

Proclaiming the Word		
The Children’s Moment (see the “notes” section of the bulletin for Children’s Worship information)	Dr. Endress	
The Prayers of the People Pastoral Prayer and Choral Response	Dr. Endress	
Scripture: Revelation 21: 1-6 (NT p. 259) Leader: This is the word of the Lord. Response: Thanks be to God!	Dr. Stagg	

Anthem	<i>Acclamation of Assurance</i> Chancel Choir, Directed by Daniel Shafer	Joseph Martin
Sermon	<i>Every Tear Wiped Away</i>	Dr. Stagg

Response of Great Thanksgiving		
Invitation to Discipleship		Dr. Stagg
*Hymn #517	<i>Love Divine, All Loves Excelling</i>	
Invitation to Stewardship		Dr. Endress
* The Doxology #46		
Invitation to the Table		Dr. Stagg
Communion Hymn #518	<i>This Is a Day of New Beginnings</i>	
Prayer for Offerings		Tracy Evers
Words of Institution		
Prayer for Communion and Lord’s Prayer		Tori Pine
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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.		
Receiving the Bread and Cup		

Departing in Service and Joy		
Benediction	Dr. Stagg	
*Recessional #701 (v. 4)	<i>Shall We Gather at the River</i>	
Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease;		
soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace.		
Yes we'll gather at the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river;		
gather with the saints at the river that flows by the throne of God.		
Postlude	<i>With Trumpets and Horns</i>	G.F. Händel

Prayers of the Congregation
<i>Prayers for Support, Hope, and Healing:</i> Thelma Beem; Kirsten Leach
A longer prayer list of ongoing requests is on the yellow sheets in the narthex. Requests for prayer may be submitted via the yellow cards in the narthex, e-mailed or called into the church office.
<i>The Chancel Flowers</i> are given by Bob Dixon in memory of his wife, Joanie Dixon.

Our Mission: <i>To know God and follow Jesus Christ</i>
<u>Serving Today</u>
Rideshare Driver: Kurt Schaefer
Office Receptionist: Janelle Patterson
Welcome Station: Amy Marrero
Flower Arranging/Delivery: Susan Klockow
Communion Prep: Cliff & Megan Judy
Greeters: Perry Stemmons (N. Door), Helen Stemmons (S. Door), Bob Dixon (Atrium), Bette Scavone (Portico)
Sound Board Operator: Kameron Freed
Banner Bearer: Kennedy Karr
Candle Lighter: Dietrich Arnett
Liturgist: Brenda Mosby
Elders: Tracy Evers and Tori Pine
Children’s Worship: Jessica Humble
Offering Counters: Jerry Miller and Cindy & Doug Smith

Summer Worship Schedule

One Worship Service

Sundays at 9:30am

May 29th - September 4th

Mark your calendars for summer worship!



This Week in the Life of the Church

Sunday, May 15

- On-Site Worship, 8:30am
- Adult Sunday School, 9:30am, Morris Parlor
- On-Site Worship, 10:30am

Monday, May 16

- Permanent Fund Trustees Meeting, 12:00pm, Zoom

Tuesday, May 17

- Bible Study, 10:30am, Morris Parlor
- Bell Choir Rehearsal, 5:30pm, 3rd Floor

Wednesday, May 18

- Midweek Connect, 10:30am, Zoom
- Bible Study, 12pm, Morris Parlor
- Choir Rehearsal, 5:30pm, 3rd Floor

Saturday, May 20

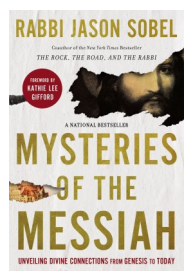
- Breakfast for Brethren, 7-9am, YFH

Sunday, May 22

- On-Site Worship, 8:30am
- Adult Sunday School, 9:30am, Morris Parlor
- On-Site Worship, 10:30am

In the Narthex...

- **O & A Surveys** - Copies of our congregation-wide survey regarding the Open & Affirming welcome statement can be found in the Narthex. Surveys should be completed and returned to the labeled box in the Narthex or the church office by **Sunday, May 22**.



Adult Sunday School Class

Join Fred Mottaz as he leads a Sunday School Class this spring on Rabbi Jason Sobel's bestseller, *Mysteries of the Messiah*. Rabbi Sobel was the co-author of *The Rock*, *The Road*, and *the Rabbi*, which Fred led a class on during the winter - join every Sunday to share in more wisdom from Rabbi Sobel!

Breakfast for Our Brethren



We're looking for volunteers & food donations for this year's **Breakfast for Our Brethren!** May is First Christian Church's month for serving Saturday morning breakfast - contact **Colleen Nilges** if you're interested in helping serve on Saturday mornings this month or donating items.

WELCOME

Welcome Visitors! We are glad you are with us. Please take a moment to visit our website, firstchristian.org to find out more about the ministry and mission of First Christian Church. Feel free to say hello to a host at the *Welcome Station* in the Narthex following worship and receive a folder of church-related information.

During Worship: Afghans, large print hymnals and children's bulletins with crayons are available from an usher or are found on the shelf in the narthex. Hearing devices are available in the narthex. Please see the sound cabinet technician if you need assistance.

Children: A nursery is located on the 2nd floor of the Education Building for infants through Kindergarten-aged children.

Children's Worship: Following the Children's Moment in 10:30 worship, children in Kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to go with leaders to the 3rd floor of the Education Bldg. for their own worship time followed by constructive craft, reading and play time. Parents need to pick up children from the 3rd floor following worship.

Christian Education: Christian Education for all ages is held in the 9:30 hour on Sunday mornings. Children (grades K-5) and youth (grades 6-12) will meet on the third floor of the Education Building. Adults meet in the Keystone Room on the second floor of the Education Building.



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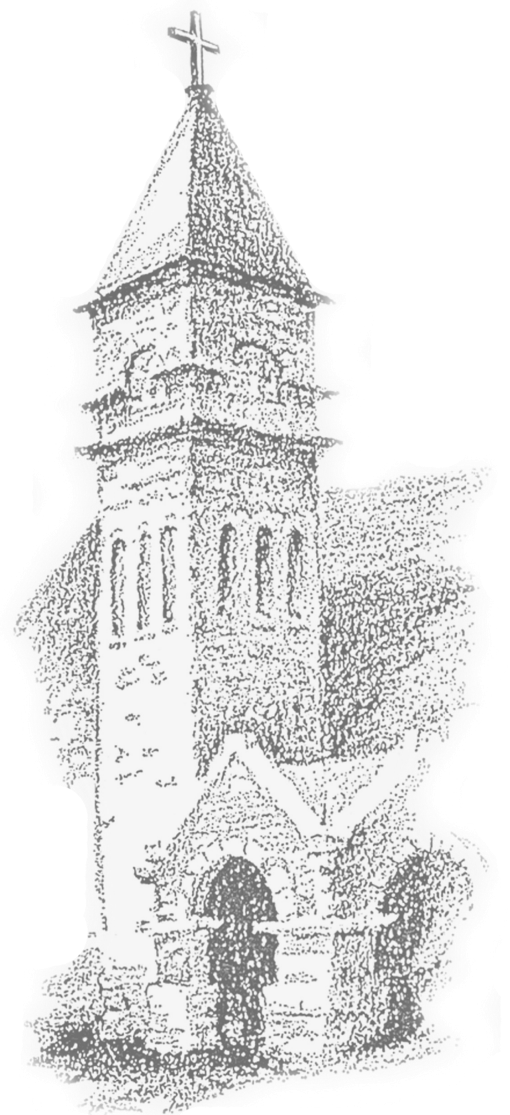
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Erin Perry, Office Manager

Worship



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 15, 2022



10:30 A.M.