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Weekly Worship

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Week of January 1st, 2023



Public Worship will be held at 10:30 am Sunday morning.

Call to Worship

Feel free to follow along with our Call to Worship from today's live-streamed worship service.

One: All God's people: Many: come and worship!

One: Shepherds, wise ones, saints, and angels: Many: come and worship! Come and worship!

One: All who need the Savior, all who long for comfort: All: come and worship! Come and worship Christ, the newborn King!

First Christian Church welcomes Rev. Bruce Frogge, one of our Timothy's, to the pulpit on January 1, 2023.

Pastor Bruce is the son of Lois Frogge and began attending FCC at the age of 2 when his family moved back to Lincoln from Milwaukee. He went to Phillips University in Enid, OK for Undergraduate and then Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis. He was ordained at FCC on July 4, 1993 and has pastored churches in Indiana, Missouri, and Florida, and is now the Senior Minister at Cypress Creek Christian Church in Spring, Texas.

Pastor Bruce is married to Donna (Alexa), and they have one child, Cel, who is a second year student at Culver-Stockton College.

Pastor Bruce has been writing a daily Blog entitled Ecclesiological Etchings for almost 15 years where he explores, among other things, his on-going challenge of loving others as Jesus did.

First Christian Church Pulpit Supply January to April 2023

Jan. 1 – Bruce Frogge

Jan. 8 – Melissa Strong

Jan. 15 – Kara Hillhouse

Jan. 22 – Kara Hillhouse

Jan. 29 – Rachel Johnson

Feb. 5 – Kara Hillhouse

Feb. 12 – Melissa Strong

Feb. 19 – Kara Hillhouse

Feb. 26 – Kara Hillhouse

Mar. 5 – Melissa Strong

Mar. 12 – Melissa Strong

Mar. 19 – Kara Hillhouse

Mar. 26 – Kara Hillhouse

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 63:7-9

Matthew 2:13-23

I will recount the gracious deeds of the Lord, the praiseworthy acts of the Lord, because of all that the Lord has done for us, and the great favour to the house of Israel that he has shown them according to his mercy,

according to the abundance of his steadfast love.

For he said, 'Surely they are my people, children who will not deal falsely'; and he became their saviour in all their distress.

It was no messenger or angel but his presence that saved them; in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.' Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, 'Out of Egypt I have called my son.'

When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah: 'A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more.'

When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead.' Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, 'He will be called a Nazorean.'

FCC Social Media!







Each week FCC is posting new pictures and announcements. Look for First Christian Church on Instagram, Facebook, and You Tube for new content every week. Get connected!

Prayers & Praises January 1st, 2023

In Our Church Family:

- Marvin Thurber
- William Deterding
- Vic Burgess
- Jessica Vocasek
- Relda Lathrop
- Susan Pallas-Duncan
- Donna Baker
- Polly Putney
- Lois Frogge
- Joan Dietrich
- Mildred Brockemeyer
- Bobbi Carlin
- Karen Moritz

Relatives:

- Friends and Family of Vic Burgess
- Laurie Aufdemberge, with breast cancer, sister of Kristi Bowker

Friends:

- Cedric Gibb, healing prayers, friend of Cec Burkhart
- Carson Mousel, grandson of Bob and Eileen Kunz, from Mildred Brockemeyer

Our Timothys:

- Bruce Frogge at Cypress Creek CC in Spring, TX
- Glenda Dietrich Moore, Creative Arts Ministry in Lincoln, NE

Our Global Ministries Missionaries:

Lesotho Evangelical Church in Southern Africa

Find more information and stories about our Global Ministry partners at www.globalministries.org



Song of the Week

As with Gladness Men of Old Text: William Chatterton Dix, 1858

As with gladness men of old did the guiding star behold; as with joy they hailed its light, leading onward, beaming bright; so, most gracious Lord, may we evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped,
Savior, to thy lowly bed,
there to bend the knee before
thee, whom heaven and earth adore;
so may we with willing feet
ever seek thy mercy seat.

As they offered gifts most rare at thy manger, rude and bare, so may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy, all our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee, our heavenly king.

Holy Jesus, every day keep us in the narrow way; and when earthly things are past, bring our ransomed souls at last where they need no star to guide, where no clouds thy glory hide.