



First Christian Church

Disciples of Christ

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Weekly Worship

love all • live spiritually • rejoice in hope • show hospitality

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

Community Prayer

God, whose fingers sculpt sun and moon
and curl the baby's ear;
Spirit, brooding over chaos
before the naming of day;
Savior, sending us to earth's ends
with water and words:
startle us with the grace, love, and communion
of your unity in diversity,
that we may live to the praise of your majestic name.

Amen.

Reprinted and Revised Common Lectionary Prayers,
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Call to Worship

Feel free to follow along with our Call to
Worship from the live-streamed worship
service on Sunday.

One: Called to be faithful stewards of creation
we come to worship:
Many: to sing to the One who has created all.
One: Called to proclaim the good news of
Easter, we come:
**Many: to be taught by the Spirit who moves
in and through us.**

Sermon

From The Rev. Kara Hillhouse
“With You Always”

In the gospel of Matthew, the story of the Great Commission comes immediately after Jesus' resurrection. It's the very end of that particular gospel. In his Great Commission of the disciples, Jesus greets them for the first time after his resurrection and bids them go out, out, out into the world spreading the Good News to all. That's quite a tall order for this slightly-stunned, uncertain group of men and women. After all, they've just witnessed the death of their faithful friend and Lord Jesus, and now he's standing before them--alive--giving them this task. But Jesus doesn't leave them empty-handed. He adds the words we all know by heart: "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." With those few words, Jesus makes the suddenly impossible possible. The same words are a promise for us today, as we go about the tall task of loving our neighbors and spreading the Good News. We hope you'll join us for worship this Sunday, for a rejuvenating time of Music, Sacrament and the Word.

Thank you to all of our Prayer Garden,
Lawn and Landscape Caretakers!



Scripture Reading

Psalm 8

To the leader: according to The Gittith. A
Psalm of David.

O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.
Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you have founded a bulwark because of
your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of
your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have
established;
what are human beings that you are
mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them a little lower than
God,
and crowned them with glory and honor.
You have given them dominion over the
works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet,
all sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,
the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the
seas.

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how majestic is your name in all the earth!

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put
things in order, listen to my appeal, agree
with one another, live in peace; and the God
of love and peace will be with you. Greet one
another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet
you.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of
God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit
be with all of you.

On the last day of the festival, the great day,
while Jesus was standing there, he cried out,
‘Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and
let the one who believes in me drink. As the
scripture has said, “Out of the believer’s
heart shall flow rivers of living water.” ’ Now
he said this about the Spirit, which believers
in him were to receive; for as yet there was
no Spirit, because Jesus was not yet glorified.

Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to
the mountain to which Jesus had directed
them. When they saw him, they worshipped
him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and
said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on
earth has been given to me. Go therefore and
make disciples of all nations, baptizing them
in the name of the Father and of the Son and
of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey
everything that I have commanded you. And
remember, I am with you always, to the end
of the age.’

Prayers & Praises

June 4, 2023

In Our Church Family:

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

- Tito Vigan, Sarah Mason's husband, is slowly gaining movement after suffering from a spinal stroke.

Relatives:

- Friends and Family of Vic Burgess

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

In the Nebraska Region:

- Cotner College Education for LDSP Ministries

Our Global Ministries Missionaries:

- A Elga Joan Sarapung serving in Indonesia

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Song of the Week

This Is My Father's World

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock 1901

This is my Father's world,
and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world;
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world.
O, let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so
strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world.
The battle is not done:
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
and earth and heaven be one.

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