



**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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### Community Prayer

Holy God, the earth is full of the glory of your love. May we your children, born of the Spirit, so bear witness to your Son Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, that all the world may believe and have eternal life through the One who saves, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.

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### Call to Worship

**One:** God, who flung the stars into the night sky, rejoices over all creation.

**Many:** Come to us and gladden our hearts with your goodness and grace.

**One:** Christ, the Word of joy and life, fills all creation with hope.

**Many:** Come to us and reclaim our hearts as your own.

**One:** The Spirit, who breathes life into emptiness, gives all creation the gift of peace.

**Many:** Come to us and refresh us with the dew of delight.

# Sermon

From The Rev. Kara Hillhouse

*If Children, Then Heirs*

To be an heir was something very particular in the Apostle Paul's world. There would have been an elite status designated for the oldest male child, who would be the heir of his father's life's savings and work. But Paul makes the assertion that to be a child of God—any child of God, no matter your position in the family, no matter your position in society, no matter your worthiness or lack thereof -- you are an heir. We are all heirs, and we have inherited God's love and redemption, not because we earned it but because we are loved. To be heirs of God's love and life is a game changer. Please join us for worship, for a time of listening, learning, and being still; for beautiful music, meaningful fellowship, and the Lord's Supper. We'll see you Sunday!

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... heirs of God  
and joint heirs  
with Christ ...

Romans 8:17



# Scripture Readings

## Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said,

*“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.”*

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said, “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!”

## Romans 8:12-17

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh - for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ - if, we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.



# Prayers & Praises

## May 26, 2024



## Song of the week

### Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinfulness they glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!



### In Our Church Family:

- Donna Baker
- Rhonda Ball
- John Burkhart
- Bobbi Carlin
- Mike Carlin
- Jim Christ
- Joan Dietrich
- Sharon Hile
- Phyllis Knosp
- Polly Putney
- Rae-Hope Putney
- Marvin Thurber
- Phyllis Thurber
- Jessica Vocasek

### Friends:

- John Burkhart, *husband of Cecilia Burkhart will begin treatment for cancer behind his voice box.*
- Bob Johnson, a longtime family friend of the Vocasek family. *Bob is battling terminal cancer .*
- Tammy Foral, *healing, patience and strength as facing many health issues. Co-worker of Sara Lugn.*
- Cedric Gibb, *healing prayers, friend of Cec Burkhart.*

### Our Timothy:

- Rev. Bruce Frogge, *Cypress Creek CC in Spring, TX*

**In the Nebraska Region:** Havelock Christian Church - Rev. Rob Welch

**Our Global Ministries Missionaries:** Mission Partners in Japan

*"We ask for blessings on the work of the Bazaar Caf  as it undertakes its special ministry of welcome and service to those marginalized in Japan. We thank you for the way Global Ministries and the Kyoto Kyoku have grown closer through our shared support of the Bazaar Caf ."*

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