



Sunday, January 22, 2023

*Good Morning and Welcome to
FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH*



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UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST

*We are here to help people know God,
find freedom, discover their purpose,
and make a difference in the community, near and far.*

*No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey...
You are welcome here.*

Reach Up.

Reach Out.

Reach In.

PRELUDE:

Aletta Wilson

WELCOME

Deb Cook

CALL TO WORSHIP

Deb Cook

One: The Lord is our light and our salvation!

All: Why should we be afraid?

One: The Lord is the stronghold of our life!

All: What have we to fear?

One: Let us joyfully praise the Divine!

All: Let us sing and bless the One who Blesses us!

GATHERING HYMN

Hymn #100, Verses 1, 2 & 4

1. When morning gilds the skies,
My heart a-waking cries,
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Alike at work and prayer
To Jesus I repair;
May Jesus Christ be praised!

2. Discordant humankind,
In this your concord find,
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Let all the earth around
Ring joyous with the sound,
May Jesus Christ be praised!

4. Be this, while life is mine,
My canticle divine;
May Jesus Christ be praised!
Be this the eternal song,
Through all the ages long:
May Jesus Christ be praised!

UNISON PRAYER

Deb Cook

O God, our light and our salvation,
shelter us in your love.
O God, our stronghold,
protect us from danger.
We come with shouts of joy
to worship you this day.
We come with song and music
to celebrate your love.
We come with longing
to seek your presence.
Open our eyes and ears to you, O God,
as we sing your praises.

Amen.

PASS THE PEACE

HYMN OF GRATITUDE:

1. Take my gifts and let me love you,
God who first of all loved me,
Gave me light and food and shelter,
Gave me life and set me free,

Now because your
Love has touched me,
I have love to give away,
Now the bread of love is rising,
Loaves of love to multiply!

Hymn #381, Verses 1 & 3

3. Take whatever I can offer—
Gifts that I have yet to find,
Skills that I am slow to sharpen,
Talents of the hand and mind,

Things made beautiful for others
In the place where I must be:
Take my gifts and let me love you,
God who first of all loved me.

CELEBRATION OF GRATITUDE:

Melissa McKenzy-Shaw

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit, Comforter,
One God, Triune, whom we adore.
Amen.

READING**1 Corinthians 1:10–18****READING****Matthew 4:12–23****SERMON:****Rev. Patrick Crocker****COMMUNION HYMN:****Hymn #387, Verses 1 & 2**

1. Bread of the world, in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed,
By whom the words
Of life were spoken,
And in whose death our sins are dead:
2. Look on the heart by sorrow broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed,
And be thy feast to us the token
That by thy grace our souls are fed.

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST:**Sandy Weber**

As a reminder, this service is being broadcast through various digital channels. If you have any privacy concerns, please remain seated and a deacon will serve you.

PRAYER TIME**Rev. Patrick Crocker****ANNOUNCEMENTS****Rev. Patrick Crocker****BENEDICTION****Rev. Patrick Crocker****GOING FORTH HYMN:****Hymn #477, Verse 1 & 3**

1. It only takes a spark
To get a fire going,
And soon all those around
Can warm up in its glowing;
That's how it is with God's love,
Once you've experienced it:
You spread God's love to everyone,
You want to pass it on.
3. I wish for you, my friend,
This happiness that I've found—
On God you can depend,
It matters not where you're bound;
I'll shout it from the mountain top,
I want my world to know:
The Lord of love has come to me,
I want to pass it on.

POSTLUDE:**Aletta Wilson**

UPCOMING SERVICES

Services are at 10:15 am MST unless noted otherwise.



Jan. 29, 2023

Worship Leader: Sue Stefford-Grey
Offering: Deb Cook
Communion: Melissa McKenzy-Shaw



Feb. 5, 2023

Worship Leader: Melissa McKenzy-Shaw
Offering: Patrick Crocker
Communion: Deb Cook



Feb. 12, 2023

Worship Leader: Eric Hays-Strom
Offering: Esther Devall
Communion: Patrick Crocker



Feb. 19, 2023

Worship Leader: Hilda McKee
Offering: Scott Hays-Strom
Communion: Esther Devall

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***If you are visiting us today, we welcome you!
Please come worship with us again!***

About First Christian Church

We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we celebrate communion weekly. We welcome all to the Lord's table as God has welcomed us.

We are the United Church of Christ, committed to hearing God's ancient story anew and afresh in our lives and in the world today. Why? Because God is still speaking.

We are an Open and Affirming community. In Christ's example, we want to offer all persons, regardless of race, creed, sexual orientation, or gender identity the opportunity to discover and develop their gifts of God's love and service.

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sun. 10:15 am Worship Service *
Thu. 9:00 am Spiritual Practices

Social Hours:

1/25 6:30pm Book Discussion Group
2/1 6:30 pm Crafter's Group
2/8 6:30 pm LGBTQ Group
2/15 6:30 pm Adult Education

*** Our Hybrid Worship Service is held in-person at the church, and live-streamed via [Zoom](#) and [Facebook Live](#).**

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