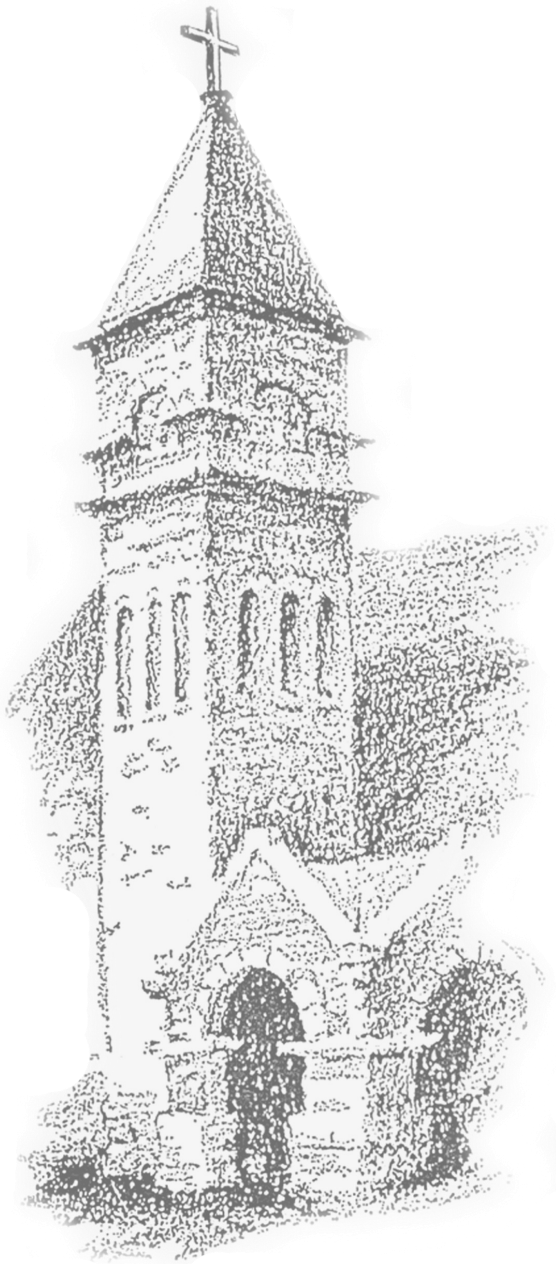


Worship



TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 2, 2026



9:30 A.M.

Gathering in Praise

(*) Denotes to stand, if able.

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Brad Stagg

Prelude

Intermezzo
Healey Willan

Rochelle Parker

Litany of Praise (the people read the **bold**)

Katie Carrier

Come, all who are hungry and thirsty.

The Lord will provide for our needs.

Come this day to the table of the Lord.

Here we will find welcome and sustenance.

Come to this time of gathering and praise.

**We come to the LORD with open hearts and spirits
to receive God's gracious gift of love.**

*Hymn #90

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

*Invocation (the people read the **bold**)

Katie Carrier

Let us pray. **Glorious God, Your generosity floods the world with
goodness, showering creation with abundance. Awaken in us a
hunger for food, satisfying both body and heart; that in the miracle
of being fed we may be empowered to feed the hungry in Jesus'
name. Amen.**

*Gloria Patri #35

Proclaiming the Word

The Children's Moment

Stacy Silverwood

(see the "notes" section of the bulletin for Children's Worship information)

Special Recognition Awards

Allie Schomaker
Nominating Committee Chair

The Prayers of the People

Dr. Stagg

Pastoral Prayer and Choral Response

Scripture: Matthew 14:1-21 (NT p. 16)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem

Lord of the Small
Dan Forrest

Chancel Choir

Sermon

You Give Them Something to Eat

Dr. Stagg

Response of Great Thanksgiving

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn #321

Break Thou the Bread of Life

Invitation to Stewardship

Dr. Stagg

Offertory Music

*The Doxology #46

Invitation to the Table

Communion Hymn #423

Become to Us the Living Bread

Prayer for Offerings

Ben Carrier

Words of Institution

Prayer for Communion and Lord's Prayer

Katie Carrier

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.

*Our time of communion is open to all followers of Christ, regardless of denominational affiliation. Pass the trays to the middle of the pew, then back to the deacon. Hold the elements in the cups for unison partaking at the minister's invitation. **Gluten free** communion elements can be found in the Narthex. All communion elements are **non-alcoholic**.*

Receiving the Bread and Cup

Dr. Stagg

Departing in Service and Joy

Benediction

*Recessional #432

O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life

**O Christ, the Way, the Truth, the Life, be with us now, we pray;
direct our steps as we go forth to do your will this day.**

**O faithful Guide, renew our trust in love that does not fail;
and give us strength to work and pray, that peace may soon prevail.**

Postlude

Down By the Riverside

Travis McFarlane

Prayers of the Congregation

Prayers for Support, Hope, and Healing: Jacki Davidson & Jennifer Alexander; Mary Ann Atteberry; Cherry Hinderberger; Carol Slusher; Rev. Dr. John Yonker; Ruth Ann McAtee

Sympathy: Billie Silvey passed away on Saturday, July 25. Billie was 95 years old. Services for Billie will be held on Monday, August 3 at Memorial Funeral Home (1217 Business Loop 70W) at 11:30 a.m. Please keep Billie's daughter, Sheryl, and the rest of Billie's family and friends in your prayers during this time of grief and transition.

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.

The Chancel Flowers are given by **Ben & Katie Carrier** in honor of our Director of Youth & Children's Ministries, MDO Director, and all of our youth volunteers for all they do!

Our Mission: *To know God and follow Jesus Christ*

Serving Today

Office Receptionist: Rebecca Bailey

Welcome Station: Steve Humble

Flower Ministry: Dave & Debbie Potthast

Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Kathy Ramser

Communion Prep: Tori & Abby Pine

Greeters: Peggy Veatch (N. Door), Larry Veatch (S. Door), Barry Stuart (Atrium), Linda Stuart (Portico)

AV Team: Dan Backues

Liturgist: Katie Carrier

Deacon Team: The Potthast Team

Elders: Ben Carrier, Katie Carrier, Ryan Hunsaker (Balcony)

Children's Worship: Stacy Silverwood

Offering Counters: Jennifer Alexander and Sarah Storm

This Week in the Life of the Church

Sunday, August 2

- Summer Adult Sunday School, 8:30am, Morris Parlor
- Coffee Fellowship Hour, 9am, Yonker Fellowship Hall
- Worship & Special Recognition Awards, 9:30am, Sanctuary

Monday, August 3—Friday, August 7

Mother's Day Out Not In Session, Teacher Work Week

Monday, August 3

- Memorial Service for Billie Silvey, 11:30am, Memorial Funeral Home

Tuesday, August 4

- Bible Study, 10:30am, Morris Parlor
- Staff Meeting, 2pm, Morris Parlor

Wednesday, August 5

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

Sunday, August 9

- Summer Adult Sunday School, 8:30am, Morris Parlor
 - Coffee Fellowship Hour, 9am, Yonker Fellowship Hall
 - Worship, 9:30am, Sanctuary
 - Fellowship Brunch, 10:45am, YFH
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Fellowship Brunch—Sunday, August 9

Join us on Sunday, August 9 for brunch served by the Fellowship Committee. There will be breakfast casseroles, sweet breads, and fruit available to all who have time to join us after worship that morning! No RSVP needed!

Ladies' Book Club Choosing Lunch—Wednesday, August 12

Ladies' Book Club will meet for their August Choosing Lunch at Columbia Country Club on August 12 from 11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Bring your book suggestions and your appetite. Please RSVP to Peggy Veatch (573-230-5450) and let her know any book titles you'd like to suggest so she can compile a list ahead of the lunch.

Blessing of the Backpacks—Sunday, August 23

All teachers, students, and backpack wearers are invited to join us in worship on Sunday, August 23 for the Blessing of the Backpacks! Bring your backpack or work bag with you to worship for a blessing, and we'll have special tags for you to take with you. A special back-to-school celebration will be held after worship with games, a special guest (think 7-foot tall giant dinosaur), and lunch. We are looking for volunteers to help serve lunch or run game stations—please contact **Stacy Silverwood** (stacy@firstchristian.org) for more information!

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 a greeter or are found on the shelf in the narthex. Hearing devices are available in the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary. Please talk to the AV Team if you need assistance.

Children: A nursery is located on the 2nd floor of the Education Building for infants through Kindergarten-aged children. Our nursery is staffed by Mother's Day Out teachers from 9:15am until pickup following the service.

Children's Worship: Following the Children's Moment in 9:30 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 during the 9:30 hour on Sunday mornings from Labor Day—early May. Children (grades K-5) and youth (grades 6-12) meet on the third floor of the Education Building. Adults meet in the Cinema on the third floor of the Education Building.

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