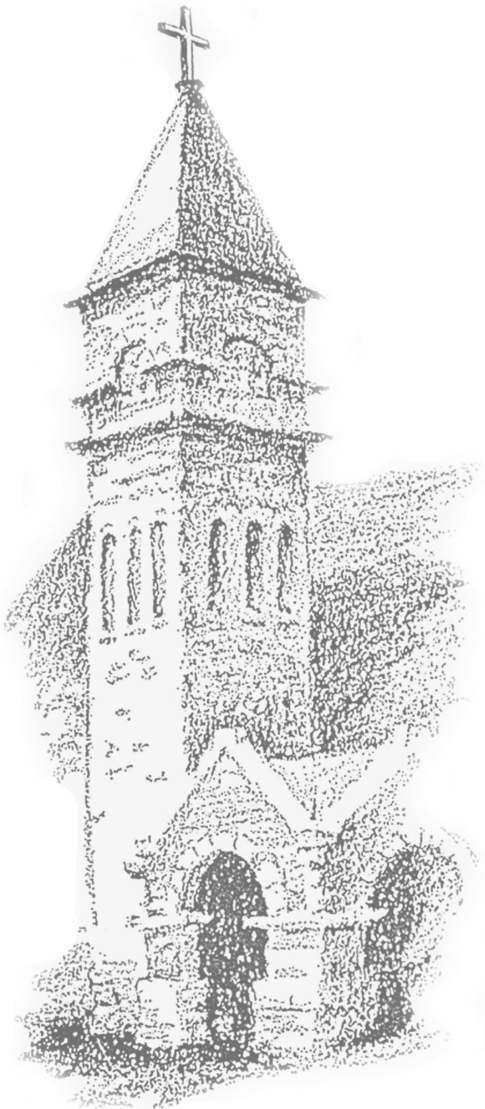


Worship



FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

JANUARY 28, 2024



8:30 A.M.

Gathering in Praise

(*) Denotes to stand, if able.

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Brad Stagg

Prelude

He Touched Me
by William Gaither

Travis McFarlane

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

Dr. Stagg

Come and worship the Good Shepherd, bringing all your joys and sorrows.

Jesus offers us hope.

Come and worship the Author of Salvation, believing in the power of God through Jesus Christ.

Jesus bring us healing.

Come and worship the Savior, who delivers us from evil.

Jesus teaches us new ways to live.

Let us pray. **God of power and might, you sent us your Son Jesus, teaching with such authority, that our eyes were opened to see your ways anew. Open our hearts and minds, so we may understand and proclaim your teachings for all to hear. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

*Hymn #5

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Proclaiming the Word

The Prayers of the People and the Pastoral Prayer

Dr. Stagg

Music

Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult
words by Cecil F. Alexander, music by William H. Jude

Travis McFarlane

Scripture: Mark 1:21-28 (NT p. 35)

Dr. Stagg

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

With Authority!

Dr. Stagg

Response of Great Thanksgiving

Invitation to Discipleship

*Hymn #186

Silence, Frenzied, Unclean Spirit

Invitation to Stewardship

Dr. Stagg

Offertory Music

Travis McFarlane

*The Doxology #46

Invitation to the Table

Dr. Stagg

Words of Institution

Elder's Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Mary Daugherty

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** and **pre-packaged** communion elements can be found in the Narthex. All communion elements are **non-alcoholic**.*

Receiving the Bread and Cup

Departing in Service and Joy

Benediction

Dr. Stagg

*Recessional #431 (v. 2)

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

**Go, my children, sins forgiven, at peace and pure,
here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure;
here you heard my Son's dear story, here you touched him, saw his glory,
go, my children, sins forgiven at peace and pure.**

Postlude

O, How I Love Jesus

Travis McFarlane

Traditional American Melody, words by Frederick Whitfield

Prayers of the Congregation

Prayers for Support, Hope, and Healing: Dorothy Baumgartner; Paula Slusher; Glenda Clark; Sue Haynes; Elizabeth Schultz

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 **Lloyd & Brianna Pooler** in memory of their fathers.

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

Serving Today

Office Receptionist: Carole Harris-Randerson

Welcome Station: Steve McCormack

Flower Ministry: Eric Seaman

Coffee Fellowship Hosts: Dan & Holly Gieseke

Early Service Helpers: Steve & Sharon Smith

Elder: Mary Daugherty

Offering Counters: Jean Juba and Sarah Storm



This Week in the Life of the Church

**YFH refers to Yonker Fellowship Hall*

Sunday, January 28

No Youth Groups

- Worship, 8:30am
- Sunday School, 9:30am, 3rd Floor
- Adult Sunday School, 9:30am, Bethany Hall
- Coffee Fellowship Hour, 9:30am, Bethany Hall
- Worship, 10:30am

Monday, January 29

- Nominating Committee, 6:30pm, Morris Parlor

Tuesday, January 30

- Bible Study, 10:30am, Morris Parlor
- Bell Choir Rehearsal, 5pm, 3rd Floor

Wednesday, January 31

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

Sunday, February 4

- Worship, 8:30am
- Sunday School, 9:30am, 3rd Floor
- Adult Sunday School, 9:30am, Bethany Hall
- Coffee Fellowship Hour, 9:30am, Bethany Hall
- Worship, 10:30am
- CYF, 5pm, YFH

Last Chance! Nomination Forms—Due Monday, January 29

The Nominating Committee invites all church members to nominate new church leaders for 2024-2025 using the nomination forms available in the Narthex and the Church Office. All forms are due to the Church Office or a member of the Nominating Committee by Monday, January 29.

Adult Sunday School & Coffee Hour in Bethany Hall

Following worship, you are invited to gather in Bethany Hall for fellowship and a thoughtful, bible-based discussion about the life of Jesus through the series “The Chosen.” This book study will be led by the delightful and competent pairing of Katie Carrier and Fred Mottaz, held in Bethany Hall at 9:30 a.m. Coffee Hour will temporarily be held in Bethany Hall as well! Head over there for treats and coffee at 9:30 a.m.

Valentine’s Day Pie Order Forms—Due by Friday, February 9

The CWF ladies are making pies for Valentine’s Day for \$20. There are order forms in the Narthex and the Church Office. Order forms can be dropped off in the church office, emailed to the church office, or filled out online at <https://firstchristian.org/pies>. **Orders must be in by Friday, February 9** and pies will be available for pick-up on Wednesday, February 14.

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 from 8:15am until pickup following the service.

Children's Worship: Following the Children's Moment in 10:30 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 in the 9:30 hour on Sunday mornings. Children (grades K-5) and youth (grades 6-12) will meet on the third floor of the Education Building. Adults meet in the Keystone Room on the second floor of the Education Building.



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