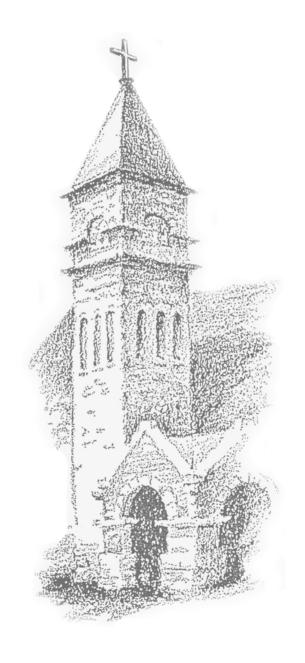
Worship



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER **2**, **2025**



Gathering in Praise

(*) Denotes to stand, if able.

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Brad Stagg

Prelude

The Old, Old Path
Vida E. Smith

Travis McFarlane

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

Dr. Stagg

We have come to celebrate the saints, both of the church universal and those we have loved and lost.

Let us rejoice in the presence of this great cloud of witnesses that surrounds us.

To remember their faith and to give thanks for the testimony of their lives.

To worship God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb.

We come today as the family of Christ, diverse yet united by grace, to live lives that declare:

Salvation belongs to our God, who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!

Let us pray. Sovereign of Creation, all that we have comes from You. We gather in Your presence, surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, people from every tribe and nation, every kindred and tongue, to lift our voices in praise, to be transformed into Your saints, to be sent out to gather others to share the eternal banquet. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*Hymn #637 (v. 1-3)

For All the Saints

Proclaiming the Word

The Prayers of the People and the Pastoral Prayer Dr. Stagg
Remembering the Saints: Steve Langley, Tony Ritchie, Jerry Holloway,
Martha Sue Haynes, Ken Cottle, Marjorie Carter, Ron Longaker,
Betty Moon, Richard Wells, Beth Nelms, and Gene Kirkham (see insert)

Scripture: Psalm 100 (OT p. 552)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God!

Sermon Hymn Sing

Dr. Stagg, Topher Otake, & Travis McFarlane

Response of Great Thanksgiving

Invitation to Discipleship

Dr. Stagg

*Hymn #611

Rise Up, O Saints of God!

Invitation to Stewardship

Offertory Music

Travis McFarlane

*The Doxology #46

Invitation to the Table

Dr. Stagg

Words of Institution

Elder's Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Kurt Schaefer

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 #433

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love: the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

When we are called to part, it gives us inward pain; but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

Postlude

Lord, I Want to Be A Christian
American Folk Hymn

Travis McFarlane

All Saints' Day

Sunday, November 2, 2025

This All Saints' Sunday, we remember the following members of First Christian Church who have died and raised in Christ since November 1, 2024.

Steve Langley
November 15, 2024

Marjorie Carter *February* 11, 2025

Tony Ritchie December 2, 2024

Ron Longaker February 13, 2025

Jerry Holloway
December 13, 2024

Betty Moon *February 15, 2025*

Martha Sue Haynes *February 6*, 2025

Richard Wells July 30, 2025

Ken Cottle *February 7, 2025*

Beth Nelms
October 1, 2025



Gene Kirkham
October 28, 2025

Outreach Opportunity: Bridging the Gap of WIC & SNAP Benefits

Our few of our local strategic ministry partners and non-profits have issued community-wide requests for assistance as our community faces an unprecedented crisis of need for the women, children, food insecure, and financially vulnerable neighbors of Columbia and Mid-Missouri. As State and Federal assistance programs are placed on pause indefinitely, the Church's moral imperative to serve "the least of these" has never been greater. Regardless of one's political perspective of whether governmental agencies should or should not address the needs of the poor, Christ's mandate for the Church does not change and, thus, we as Disciples of Jesus Christ are called to shoulder this challenge with love, mercy, and urgency. SNAP and WIC provided access to healthy, nutritious food for our neighbors who are food insecure or financially vulnerable. Local nonprofits are being proactive in addressing anticipated increases in assistance requests and thus have asked for support through financial assistance and/or food donations for our Columbia neighbors.

How You Can Help:

Monetary Donations: Donate to Voluntary Action Center's Emergency Fund, Meals on Wheels (as they provide up to 5,000 free meals to families), or to either through the Church Office. Checks can be made out to First Christian Church with "VAC Emergency Fund" or "Meals on Wheels" on the memo line. Cash can be given with the same notation.

Donate Canned & Non-Perishable Goods: Food donations can be dropped off at VAC's Office (403A Vandiver Dr., next to the license office) or in the collection bin outside of the Church Office. Please donate the items listed below: Baby Formula • Baby Food • Cereal • Canned Goods Boxed Meals • Pasta • Spaghetti Sauce • Peanut Butter Other Non-Perishables







Prayers of the Congregation

Prayers for Support, Hope, and Healing: Sherry Kaye Dobbs (no visitors); Mary Ann Atteberry; Helen Stemmons; Rich Montgomery; Nancy Watson; Mark Mills

Sympathy: Gene Kirkham passed away on Tuesday, October 28. He was 91 years old. Services for Gene will be held this afternoon at The Crossing Church (3615 Southland Drive) at 1:00 p.m. with a burial to follow at Columbia Cemetery.

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 **Carrie & Rick Batterson** in memory of Carrie's parents, Louis & Nancy Suttner.

Our Mission: To know God and follow Jesus Christ

Serving Today

Office Receptionist: Carrie Batterson Welcome Station: Steve Humble

Flower Ministry: Mary Daugherty & Jacki Davidson

Coffee Fellowship Hosts: The Schaefers

Early Service Helpers: TBD
Elder: Kurt Schaefer

Offering Counters: Jean Juba and Sarah Storm



This Week in the Life of the Church

All Saints Sunday, November 2

Daylight Savings Time Ends

- All Saints Hymn Sing, 8:30 & 10:30am
- Coffee Fellowship Hour, 9:30am, Yonker Fellowship Hall
- Quiet, Meditative Time, 9:30am, Church Library
- Adult Sunday School, 9:30am, 3rd Floor Cinema
- K-5 Sunday School, 9:30am, 3rd Floor Classrooms
- 6-12 Sunday School, 9:30am, Higbee Center
- Church Women United, 2:30pm, YFH
- CYF, 5pm, YFH

Monday, November 3

- Coffman-Watson Meeting, 6pm, Anne Campbell's House
- Strategic Planning Department Meeting, 6:30pm, Morris Parlor

Tuesday, November 4

MDO Not In Session

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

Wednesday, November 5

- Midweek Connect, 10:30am, Zoom
- Bible Study, 12pm, Morris Parlor
- Bell Choir Rehearsal, 5pm, 3rd Floor
- Officers Meeting, 5:30pm, Zoom
- Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 5:45pm, 3rd Floor

Sunday, November 9

- Worship, 8:30 & 10:30am
- Coffee Fellowship Hour, 9:30am, Yonker Fellowship Hall
- Quiet, Meditative Time, 9:30am, Church Library
- Adult Sunday School, 9:30am, 3rd Floor Cinema
- K-5 Sunday School, 9:30am, 3rd Floor Classrooms
- 6-12 Sunday School, 9:30am, Higbee Center
- Chi-Rho, 4pm YFH
- CYF, 5pm, YFH

Christmas Bazaar—Saturday, November 16

The Annual Christmas Bazaar is coming up! This year's bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 15 from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. in Yonker Fellowship Hall. All are invited to shop for handcrafted gifts, art, crafts, and holiday items. We are looking for volunteers to help us make this year's Bazaar possible! **Brenda Mosby** will have volunteer sign-ups in the Narthex before and after worship, but you can contact her any time (573-881-8385) if you're interested in volunteering! We will need bread & cookie makers, servers, and more to make this year's Bazaar a success!

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 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 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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