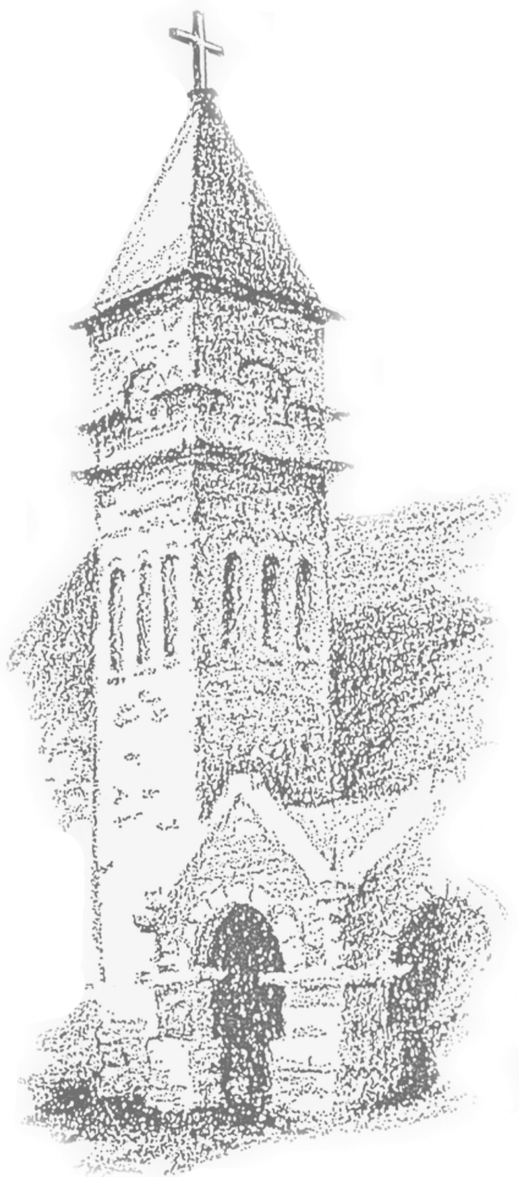


# Worship



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**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**OCTOBER 19, 2025**



**10:30 A.M.**

# Gathering in Praise

(\*) Denotes to stand, if able.

Welcome & Announcements

Rev. Dr. Brad Stagg

Prelude

*I Need Thee Every Hour*  
arr. Mary McDonald, tune by Robert Lowry

Rochelle Parker

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

Jacki Davidson

How beautiful is the word of the Lord!

**How wise are God's commandments!**

Through the Lord's precepts, we gain understanding.

**Through God's wisdom, we find truth.**

The Lord is our God; we are God's people.

**God's word lives within us, for it is written on our hearts.**

\*Hymn #322

*O Word of God Incarnate*

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

Jacki Davidson

Let us pray. **Lord, Your words are sweet to the taste, sweeter than honey; let them be our daily meditation and our study. Give us ears to hear, for we marvel at Your instruction. Train us in righteousness, grant us patience and persistence, and equip us for every good work. Inspire our faith, and give us voices to proclaim Your message. Guide our feet, keep us from every false way, for You alone speak the words of life. Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri #35

## Proclaiming the Word

The Children's Moment

Rev. Dr. Topher Endress

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

The Prayers of the People

Dr. Stagg

Pastoral Prayer and Choral Response #312

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 (NT p. 213)

Dr. Stagg

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

Response: **Thanks be to God!**

Special Music

*Morning Has Broken*

Angelina Nazario

Sermon

*Apprenticeship: Scripture*

Dr. Stagg

## Response of Great Thanksgiving

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| Invitation to Discipleship                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Dr. Stagg                       |
| *Hymn #552 (v. 1 & 2)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <i>Standing on the Promises</i> |
| Invitation to Stewardship                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Dr. Stagg                       |
| Offertory Music                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Travis McFarlane                |
| *The Doxology #46                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                 |
| Invitation to the Table                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Dr. Endress                     |
| Communion Hymn #321                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <i>Break Thou Bread of Life</i> |
| Prayer for Offerings                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Jeff Underwood                  |
| Words of Institution                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                 |
| Prayer for Communion and Lord's Prayer                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Brenda Mosby                    |
| <p><b>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.</b></p> <p><i>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. <b>Gluten free</b> communion elements can be found in the Narthex. All communion elements are <b>non-alcoholic</b>.</i></p> |                                 |
| Receiving the Bread and Cup                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Dr. Endress                     |

## Departing in Service and Joy

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| Benediction                                                                                                                                                                            | Dr. Stagg                                                 |
| *Recessional #552 (v. 4)                                                                                                                                                               | <i>Standing on the Promises</i>                           |
| <p><b>Standing on the promises I cannot fall,<br/>list'ning every moment to the Spirit's call,<br/>resting in my Savior as my all in all,<br/>standing on the promises of God.</b></p> |                                                           |
| Postlude                                                                                                                                                                               | <i>Revive Us Again</i><br>arr. Mary McDonald/John Husband |
|                                                                                                                                                                                        | Rochelle Parker                                           |

## Prayers of the Congregation

***Prayers for Support, Hope, and Healing:*** Sherry Kaye Dobbs (no visitors);  
Mary Ann Atteberry; Helen Stemmons; Carol Slusher

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 **Chuck & Emily Scott** in memory of  
**Charles A. and Lorena F. Scott.**

The **yellow rose** on the organ is in celebration of **Bob Dixson's** 91st birthday on Thursday, October 23!

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

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## Serving Today

**Office Receptionist:** Carole Harris-Randerson

**Welcome Station:** Carrie Batterson

**Flower Ministry:** Dave & Debbie Potthast

**Coffee Fellowship Hosts:** The Fuemmelers

**Communion Prep:** Vicki & Alex Johnson

**Greeters:** Janelle Patterson (N. Door), Cindy Rose (S. Door),  
Debbie Potthast (Atrium), David Potthast (Portico)

**AV Team:** Dan Gieseke & Noah Stagg

**Liturgist:** Jacki Davidson

**Deacon Team:** The Underwood Team

**Elders:** Jeff Underwood, Brenda Mosby, Dan Tevis (Balcony)

**Children's Worship:** Hayley Batterson

**Offering Counters:** Sarah Storm and Deb Batterson

# **This Week in the Life of the Church**

## **Sunday, October 19**

- 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
- Sunday Movie Matinee: The Sting, 12pm, 3rd Floor Cinema

## **Tuesday, October 21**

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

## **Wednesday, October 22**

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

## **Saturday, October 25**

- Breakfast for Our Brethren, 7-9am, Room at the Inn (1509 Ashley St)

## **Sunday, October 26**

- 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
- Trunk or Treat, 4-6pm, Parking Lot

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## **Sunday Movie Matinee: “The Sting” - Sunday, October 19**

The Giesekees are hosting a Sunday Movie Matinee in memory of Robert Redford immediately following worship this afternoon. They’re showing the 1973 classic “The Sting” in the 3rd Floor Cinema. Popcorn will be available for free, and pizza will be available for a donation of \$5! You don’t want to miss this fun opportunity!

## **Next Sunday! Trunk or Treat—Sunday, October 26**

Dress up, bring your friends, and join us in the church parking lot this year on Sunday, October 26 for some trunk-or-treating, treats, games, and fun! The event will take place in both the church parking lot and Yonker Fellowship Hall from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. Join us for the entirety or just a portion of that time for fun and good treats!

## **All Saints Sunday Hymn Sing—Sunday, November 2**

There will be a hymn sing on Sunday, November 2 for All Saints Sunday. Bring your beautiful voices and look up the numbers of a few of your favorite hymns to prepare for Sunday morning as we sing together and honor our saints who have passed away since November of last year.

# WELCOME

**Welcome Visitors!** We are glad you are with us. Please take a moment to visit our website, [firstchristian.org](http://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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