

## A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** "Quiet Reflections" George/Kartsonakis

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Jim Langley

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Jim Langley

Leader: We come into this holy place for renewal.

**People: God's Spirit washes over us in love.**

Leader: We are God's children, loved from our very birth.

**People: And we are God's children, who will inherit His eternal grace.**

Leader: We come to seek God in new and fresh ways.

**People: We come to worship Almighty God.  
Great is His faithfulness to us.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Chalice Hymnal No. 86

**\*INVOCATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER (Trespas) and GLORIA PATRI**  
(Words to the Lord's Prayer, Gloria Patri and Doxology are in the pews) Jim Langley

**CHILDREN'S BLESSING** Jim Langley  
Children who are rising four years old through fourth grade will be dismissed to Children's Worship & Wonder. (An experiential worship experience for children which meets in our library).

**PRESENTATION OF TITHES, and OFFERINGS**  
**Call to Stewardship** Jim Langley  
**Special Music Offering** "It Was His Amazing Grace" Phillipe  
**\*Doxology**  
**\*Prayer of Dedication** Jim Langley

**ANTHEM** "I Don't Know How to Love Him" Webber  
from Jesus Christ Superstar  
Twila Tyree, soprano

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Rev. Edd Spencer

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**  
**Communion Hymn** "Let Us Break Bread Together" Chalice Hymnal No. 425  
**Invitation to Communion** Bob Coupland  
**Prayer of Communion** Sheila Coupland  
(This is the Lord's Table. All believers in Christ are invited. As the emblems are passed, partake of the bread and hold the cup, offering your own prayer/meditation until after the congregational response.)

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**  
(Taken from the New Testament: First Corinthians 11:23-26)

**ELDER:** The Lord Jesus, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is My Body which is given for you."

**COMMUNION MUSIC** "Jesus Is Worth It All" Ronaele

**ELDER:** In the same way also the cup, after supper saying, "This cup is the new covenant of My Blood. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me."

**CONGREGATION:** As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

**SCRIPTURE** I Corinthians 11:23-26; Philippians 1: 3-6 Rev. Edd Spencer

**SERMON** "Thank You For The Memories" Rev. Edd Spencer

**\*HYMN OF INVITATION** "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" Chalice Hymnal No.261

**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. Edd Spencer

**\*POSTLUDE** "Siyahamba" Schaffer

# First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) *Where The Grace of God Awaits You*

## LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY, August 1

9:00 am	Sunday School
9:45 – 10:15 am	Fellowship Moments
10:15 am	Worship Service
10:30 am	Children's Worship and Wonder

### MONDAY, August 2

7:00 am	Men's Bible Study on Habakkuk
10:00 am	Staff Meeting

### TUESDAY, August 3

7:00 pm	Elder Calls
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### THURSDAY, August 4

7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study on John
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### FRIDAY, August 7 & SATURDAY, August 8

6:00 pm	Hall/Martin Wedding Rehearsal and Ceremony
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## Sunday, August 1, 2010

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Rev. Edd Spencer & Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

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**BASIC BELIEFS OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
(Disciples of Christ)**

**THE WEEKLY OBSERVANCE OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

Disciples' life is centered at the table. Through communion we are connected to one another and to God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

**BELIEVER'S BAPTISM BY IMMERSION**

Following the earliest tradition of the church, we demonstrate our commitment to God by dramatic action, letting the waters of our baptism give witness to God's grace upon us.

**OPEN MEMBERSHIP**

Recognizing that the traditions of the whole church are many and varied, we do not insist that our baptismal practice is the only one that is valid. We know that baptism is God's action far more than our own.

**AN ATTITUDE OF TOLERANCE AND A REJECTION OF CREEDS AS TESTS OF FAITH**

- We celebrate diversity as strength rather than weakness, and do not expect everyone's interpretation of the Bible or the Christian life to be identical.

**THE IMPORTANCE OF SCRIPTURE**

We believe that the Bible is the inspired word of God and is best heard and understood within the community of faith with the diverse insight that context provides.

**THE INCLUSION OF THE LEADERSHIP OF WOMEN**

We believe that God provides spiritual gifts to all and do not restrict any office or role in the life of the church by gender.

**AN EMPHASIS ON LAY LEADERSHIP**

Aside from performing weddings which is regulated by the state, lay persons in our church are permitted and encouraged to all things, including presiding and offering the Eucharistic prayers at the Lord's Table, often restricted to ordained clergy in other denominations.

**AN EDUCATED CLERGY**

We set educational and professional standards for ministers – licensed and ordained, and hold our clergy to ethical accountability through denominational oversight.

**A PRIORITY ON ECUMENICAL LIFE**

Disciples earnestly pray and strive for the unity of the church and attempt to work in ways that bridge the separation of Christ's body.

**WORSHIP LEADERS**

*WORSHIP LEADERS: Rev. Edd Spencer & Jim Langley*  
*MUSIC MINISTER: Rev. Jan Watts*

*ORGANIST/PIANIST: David Brasher*  
*ELDERS ON CALL: Bob & Sheila Coupland*  
*SERVING DIACONATE: Donnette Mee, Lisa Burdette, Fletcher Hamilton, Sandy Hamilton, Carlton Horne, Tiffany Horne, Scott Jackson, Katherine Mee, Ed Powell, Bob Smith, Cory Tabb, Charlie Thigpen, Jacob Thigpen, Leanna Webb*

*CHILDREN'S WORSHIP & WONDER:*

*LESSON: The Story of the Light*

*STORYTELLER: Bud Flora*

*GREETERS: Pepper Edwards & Paulette Farquhar*

*SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER: Jim Thigpen*

*WORSHIP GREETERS: Paul & Donna Penn*

*WORSHIP TABLE GREETER: Virginia Guthrie*

**REGIONAL YOUTH LOCK-IN Friday – Saturday August 13-14**

The Alabama/Northwest Florida region will hold its annual back to school lock-in at our church August 14-15. Together, we will enjoy fun, fellowship, Bible study, and worship. It begins at 7:00 pm on Friday and concludes at 10:00 am on Saturday. This lock-in is open to all 6-12 graders. Chi Rho/CYF youth will be receiving forms in the mail. The cost is only \$10 to be paid at the door. Bring your sleeping bag, a pillow, personal toiletries, and a great attitude as we fellowship with youth around the region. See you there!

**THE ADVENTURE NOOK SUPPORT GROUP**

We are blessed to have a great pre school. It is a blessing for the community. We are also blessed to have a great Adventure Nook Support Group. The new group is as follows: Amanda Boyles, Chair, Nancy DeVore, Linda Byrd, Stacy Cason, Beth Patterson, TAN Director, and Debbie Braswell, Assistant TAN Director.

*The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are in celebration of Hubert Nall's birthday, given by his family.*

**A FELLOWSHIP MOMENT**

The Fellowship Mission will provide light refreshments of fruit, cookies, coffee, and juice between Sunday school and Worship. The refreshment table will be located in the Narthex

by the church office. Stop by between 9:45 and 10:15 to enjoy refreshments. Also, this is a wonderful opportunity to meet our guests and welcome them to First Christian Church.

### **THE PRAYER CHAIN**

If you have a prayer concern or a special joy to share, call the church office and ask that it be put on the prayer chain. I will be notified of your written request (or Jean Nicholson if I'm not available) and I will initiate the call, which then goes out to all 50 participating members of the group. At that time we form our unseen circle of intercessory prayer for your request. If you would like more information or if you wish to join us in this prayer ministry, please call the church office or me at 822-5645 or email me at [claradelcsh@aol.com](mailto:claradelcsh@aol.com).

### **BE A BLOOD DONOR FOR OUR CHURCH MEMBERS**

Would you be willing to donate blood for another church member if needed? If so, please sign our blood donor list in the narthex. We will keep this list on file. If anyone in our church family has an emergency and needs this critical life source, we can call persons on our blood donor list to donate blood for another church member. If you would be willing to donate blood, please sign the list in the narthex. Thank you!

*Lisa Burdette*