

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Nun Danket" Cruger/Swann

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

Pastor: We thank you, Lord, for the privilege of seeing another new year,

People: **For in You we live and move and have our being.**

Pastor: We thank You, Lord, for the many good things we have received and experienced during the year that is past,

People: **For You have anointed our heads with oil and our cups overflow.**

Pastor: We thank You, Lord, that even amid sorrows and difficulties, You were with us,

People: **For You led us beside still waters and restored our souls.**

Pastor: Now as we look to the future, make us sensitive to the limited time we have on earth,

People: **Teaching us to number our days, that we may get a heart of wisdom.**

Pastor: May we have the grace to leave behind the guilt, the hurts, the bad memories and the burdens of the past,

People: **Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead.**

Pastor: So that we may be free to pursue the one goal that is worthy of the one lifetime You have given us,

People: **Pressing on toward the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.**

Pastor: We pray, Lord, that we may not be impelled to make nervous efforts to predict what will come, dabbling in those secrets which are Yours alone,

People: **For the hidden things belong to God.**

Pastor: Rather, may we grasp enthusiastically the challenges of each new day, and may we faithfully perform the tasks that You have set before us,

People: **For that which is revealed belongs to us and to our children.**

Pastor: And grant, Lord, that as we plunge into the unknown, we will have with us a sense of Your presence and Your power,

People: **For it is the Lord who goes before us; He will not fail us or forsake us; we will not fear or be discouraged.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Shout to the Lord" Praise Hymnal No.35

***INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER (Trespas) and GLORIA PATRI**

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CHILDREN'S BLESSING

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.

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PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Call to Stewardship

Special Music Offering

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

"Thank You, Lord"

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ANTHEM

"Mary, Did You Know"

George & Judy Dudley

PASTORAL PRAYER

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CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communion Hymn "Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread" Chalice Hymnal No. 398

Invitation to Communion

Prayer of Communion

Joye Taylor

Hubert Nall

(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

"Lord, Be Glorified"

Kilpatrick

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

John 1:35 - 42

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SERMON

"What Do You Want?"

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*** HYMN OF INVITATION**

"To God Be the Glory"

Chalice Hymnal No. 72

***BENEDICTION**

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***POSTLUDE**

"Rejoice, the Lord is King"

Darwell/Swann

***Those who are able, please stand.**

LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, January 3

9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Worship Service
10:15 am Children's Worship and Wonder
6:30 pm Reception for College and Careers Young Adults
at the Spencer's

MONDAY – FRIDAY

9:45 am – 1:30 pm The Adventure Nook
(Our Preschool Ministry)

MONDAY, January 4

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

TUESDAY, January 5

9:45 am Chapel
7:00 pm Elder Calls

WEDNESDAY, January 6

9:45 am Chapel
6:30 pm Choir Practice



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

Where The Grace of God Awaits You



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