

## A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** "Greater Is He" Wolfe

### **LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** Jim Baxter

**CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP** "Spirit" Jim Baxter

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP** Jim Baxter

*Leader:* The disciples had done many things wrong, but now they had done something right.

*People:* **They had taken their risen Lord at His word and had waited, just waited for the gift of the Spirit.**

*Leader:* Today we celebrate that gift – the gift of God's Spirit, the gift of power to the church being born.

*People:* **They were all together, like they were supposed to be, in one place and of one expectant mind.**

*Leader:* We long for the same power, O God, to give wings to our words and courage for matching deeds.

*People:* **Let us take the gospel with us, out of the church, into the marketplace, as witnesses both to Your judgment and to Your grace.**

*Leader:* Today help us to hear the story of Pentecost as if for the first time.

*People:* **And to help us so to tell it to others, that they may be irresistibly attracted to our Lord Jesus, the Christ. Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "Every Time I Feel the Spirit" Chalice Hymnal No. 592

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

**CHILDREN'S BLESSING** Jim Baxter  
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, OFFERINGS, and PENTECOST OFFERING**  
**Call to Stewardship** Jim Baxter  
**Special Music Offering** "Glory Hallelujah - Pentecostal Power!" Pilliph  
**\*Doxology**  
**\*Prayer of Dedication** Jim Baxter

**ANTHEM** "I'm Gonna Sing When the Spirit Says Sing" Helvey  
Special 4 hand piano accompaniment: Twila Tyree & David Brasher

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Rev. Edd Spencer

**CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**  
**Communion Hymn** "You Are Here" Chalice Praise No. 53  
**Invitation to Communion** Bud Flora  
**Prayer of Communion** Georgia Flora  
(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** "Spirit of the Living God" Iverson

**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** Acts 2: 1 - 47 Rev. Edd Spencer

**SERMON** "Happy Birthday To The Church" Rev. Edd Spencer

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

**GOING OUT INTO GOD'S SANCTUARY (Please walk out to the parking lot)**

**THE SOARING OF THE SPIRIT**

**THE SONG OF THE SPIRIT**

*Spirit of the living God, fall a fresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall a fresh on me.  
Melt me. mold me, fill me, use me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall a fresh on me.*

**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. Edd Spencer

*May the winds of the Spirit fill your heart with joy.  
May the fire of Pentecost fill you with holy energy.  
May the mighty surge of God's power turn your world upside down.  
In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen*

**LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY THIS WEEK**

**SUNDAY, May 23**

9:00 am Sunday School  
10:00 am Worship Service - Pentecost  
10:15 am Children's Worship and Wonder  
11:00 am Pot Luck Lunch

**MONDAY, May 24**

7:00 am Men's Bible Study on Micah  
10:00 am Staff Meeting  
6:30 pm Men's Gathering

**TUESDAY, May 25**

10:00 am Women's Bible Study on James  
6:30 pm Elder Visitation

**WEDNESDAY, May 26**

12:00 am Young At Heart  
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

**THURSDAY, May 27**

7:00 pm Men's Bible Study on John



# First Christian Church

## (Disciples of Christ)

*Where The Grace of God Awaits You*



**May 23, 2010**

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## IN THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH

**POT LUCK AFTER WORSHIP** – Everyone is invited to the Pot Luck lunch after worship this morning. There will be plenty of food for everyone. Also, there will be a wonderful birthday cake as we celebrate the Birthday of the Church. May all members, friends and especially visitors come to the Pot Luck lunch and celebrate the Birthday of the church.

**NEW WORSHIP TIME - 10:15 am BEGINNING Sunday, June 6** – The Mission Council affirmed the positive vote by the congregation to change the time that Worship service will begin. The positive aspect for the change will be that Sunday School will be free of any interruptions. Thereby, allowing choir member, teachers, and others serving in worship to remain in class. Beginning on Sunday, June 6 the worship service will start at 10:15 am.

**“IT DID NOT FALL, FOR IT WAS FOUNDED ON THE ROCK”** – A man named Rock is looking to build a very special place for children ages 12-18 with addictive issues. Come hear his testimony on how his ministry titled “The Transformation Ranch” will provide a Christ-centered long term facility with emphasis on spiritual and clinical treatment that will lead young people to look to God as the anchor in their lives. A former F-16 fighter pilot for twenty-one years and a Captain for United Airlines Rock’s story and call to the ministry are moving to say the least. Come join us on Men’s Night, Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at the church. Steve Pasky along with the James Gang will provide their usual fine meal. If you plan to attend please sign-up on the sheet in the narthex. Don’t miss this very special message Rock Hobbs has to share. It will give you a lift. Sign up today in the narthex.

**YOUNG AT HEART Wednesday, May 26** - How well do you remember your fairy tales? Can you picture the villain or the wicked character that we were so frightened of long ago? Of course we do remember how they all ended...happily ever after. The Seasoned Performers are performing a short play for us with rejected villains and no longer needed bad guys. What fun! We have invited the players to join us for lunch and then we will sit back and have a good laugh. May 26<sup>th</sup> at noon..... hope you can come and bring a friend, or maybe an old retired ogre or two. Sign up today in the narthex.

### FOOD, FUN AND FITNESS CAMP

“Your Bodies Are Temples of The Holy Spirit... Therefore Honor God with Your Bodies”  
(1 Corinthians 6: 19-20)

For children who have completed 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade *When:* June 7-11, 2010

*Time:* 9:00 am -Noon

Registration Costs: \$40.00 or \$20.00 for church members - deadline June 1<sup>st</sup>

Contact the church office for Registration forms

## WORSHIP LEADERS

*WORSHIP LEADERS:*

*Rev. Edd Spencer & Jim Baxter*

*MUSIC MINISTER:*

*Rev. Jan Watts*

*ORGANIST/PIANIST:*

*David Brasher*

*ELDERS ON CALL:*

*Bud & Georgia Flora*

*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: Pentecost*

*STORYTELLER: Paulette Farquhar*

*GREETERS: June Pryor & Pepper Edwards*

*SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER: Jim Thigpen*

*WORSHIP GREETERS: Wanda Swihart & Ginny White*

**MIRACLE DAY: June 5<sup>th</sup> at First Christian Church, Anniston** - When was the last time you felt like you were part of a miracle? The Miracle Day program sponsored by the Christian Church in Ala/NW Florida in partnership with the districts is not a new idea. It’s like an Amish barn raising, a Habitat for Humanity build, and a church workday all rolled into one. It is Disciples, young, old and in-between, getting together for work, worship, fellowship and food. I have been blessed to take part in every Miracle Day program since it began ten years ago. Congregations in Mt. Willing, Saraland, Auburn and Cullman have all received miraculous blessings and revitalized ministries through this semi-annual event. However, in every case, the volunteers, myself included, received the greatest miracle of all! We need volunteers, donations and prayers. Please consider joining me and Disciples from all around the region on June 5<sup>th</sup> in Anniston. You will be blessed! For the next several weeks, I will be manning a table outside the sanctuary after worship to answer your questions, provide volunteer sign-up sheets, and encourage donations. *George Dudley, Miracle Day Coordinator*

**CAMP HIGH HOPES** - It’s time to reserve your slot as a Camp High Hopes counselor. Each year, for 30 years, FCC Outreach sponsors a weekend camp for mentally challenged adults from Jefferson, Shelby, and Chilton counties. Those who are looking for a way to contribute their time for the service of others should take advantage of this experience. It is also fun. Counselors participate with campers in recreational experiences such as: horseback riding, swimming, fishing, motorcycle riding and dancing. The camp is at YMCA Hargis on the weekend of June 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Jim Langley at 980-1827 with any questions and to reserve your slot. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex. *Jim Langley, Camp High Hopes*