

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Agnus Dei" Smith

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Pastor: The hour has come to worship our God,
People: To gather as people of faith and to glorify the God of all grace.
Pastor: The time has come to devote ourselves to worship,
People: To bring the burdens we carry and to lift our hopes to God who hears us.
Pastor: The hour has come to rejoice and make God's name known, and to shout to the Lord in praise for all His blessings to us.*

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Shout To The Lord" No. 35

***INVOCATION**

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

CHILDRENS MOMENT Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

Children of preschool through fifth grade are welcome to join the Pastor in front of the sanctuary. Young worshipers (age 3 through third grade) are invited to Children's Worship after the Children's Sermon. Please join the Leader in the back of the sanctuary.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Call to Stewardship
Special Music Offering "We Are The Reason" Rev. Mary Pat Spencer
Doxology Meece
Prayer of Dedication Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

ANTHEM "Surely The Presence Of The Lord" Lanny Wolfe
Wanda Davis, Alto

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*Communion Hymn "Lord, We Need Bread" No. 25
Invitation to Communion Jim Baxter
Prayer of Communion Beverly Baxter
(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 "Change My Heart, O God" Espinosa

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 14: 1-12 Rev. Edd Spencer

SERMON "In My Father's House" Rev. Edd Spencer

***HYMN OF INVITATION** "There's Something About That Name" No. 9

*** BENEDICTION** Rev. Edd Spencer

POSTLUDE "Celebrate Jesus" Oliver

** Those that are able please stand*

LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, August 10

9:00 am
10:00 am

Sunday School
Worship

MONDAY, August 11

7:00 am
10:00 am
6:30 pm

Men's Bible Study on Isaiah
Staff Meeting
Elders Gathering

TUESDAY, August 12

7:00 pm

Finance Meeting

WEDNESDAY, August 13

6:30 pm

Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, August 14

6:30 pm

Columbarium Organizational Meeting

FRIDAY, August 15

7:00 pm

Regional Lock-In

SATURDAY, August 16

11:30 am

Clergy Women's Luncheon



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(Disciples of Christ)

Where the Grace of God Awaits You



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IN THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH

- **EVERYONE TAKE A BOW!** Our Performing Arts Camp last week was a huge success and the Musical Presentation of "It's Cool In The Furnace" in Sunday's worship was fabulous. Our sincere thanks are expressed to the staff who made it all possible: Jan Watts, Carole Rudd, Virginia Guthrie, Georgia Flora, Carolyn Goodall, Stacy Cason, Elizabeth Orazine, Jean Nicholson, Lucille Leaman, Pat Deaton, Sandy Hamilton, Trudie Edwards, Peggy Daniels, Clarissa Harms, Marian Moon, and Melissa Martino. Thanks also to our office staff: Chris McCayna and Cecelia Roberts. Extended thanks to: David Brasher, for his musical talent; to Bill Watts, for being our sound man; Nickey Rudd, our props builder; and last but not least, to Lloyd Smith, our custodian, for all his hard work.
- **REGIONAL YOUTH LOCK-IN Friday, August 15 – Saturday, August 16**
The Regional Youth Lock-In is this weekend at First Christian Church. The Lock-In is for youth in grades 6-12 in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) throughout Alabama and Northwest Florida. The Lock-In begins at 7:00pm Friday and ends at 2:00 pm on Saturday. The cost is \$20.00 per person. It will be a great time for youth to make new friends, play fun games, Bible Studies, pizza, and just celebrate life as Christian young people.
- **COLUMBARIUM PLANS-** Committee has now been formed to make plans for the construction of a Columbarium in conjunction with our lovely Outdoor Worship Center. The Columbarium will be a beautiful monument in which the cremated remains of FCC loved ones can be reverently interred. Jim and Ann Langley are chairing the committee. Also involved are Edd, Trustees Ellis Hill and Hugh Henderson, and Elder Co-Chair Clarissa Harms. Anyone else interested in working with us to plan for this long-awaited new ministry at FCC, please plan to attend our organizational meeting Tuesday, August 14 at 6:30 at the church.
- **YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON August 27th** - Our Young at Heart have certainly been busy with some very interesting programs and wonderful luncheons these hot summer Wednesdays. It has been an exciting trip for us.
A big thanks to every one that has help us get a great program started. We have one more great program for the summer on August 27th at noon. Our own Deb Carpenter and her creative ways will give us an inside look at some Biblical characters that we think we know. It is a humorous creation and will tickle your funny bone. For our lunch, we are asking everyone to bring a salad to share; the dessert and drink will be furnished. This will be fun! See you Wednesday, August 27th at noon. *Janet*

WORSHIP LEADERS: Rev. Edd Spencer, Rev. Mary Pat Spencer
MINISTER OF MUSIC: Rev. Jan Watts
ORGANIST/PIANIST: David Brasher
ELDERS ON CALL: Jim Baxter, Beverly Baxter
SERVING DIACONATE: Pepper Edwards, Susan Hales, Shane West, Jenny West, Clark Andrich, Brent Beatty, Jacob Beatty, Bobby Boyd, Faye Boyd, Stacy Cason, Luci Colee, Emma Harms, Sherri LaBeau, Allison Mirabito, Barry Storer, Susan Storer
WELCOME GREETERS: Bob & Sheila Coupland
CHILDREN'S WORSHIP: Janice & Alyssa Lamb
SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER: Jim Thigpen

GOD BLESS YOU

All of our family is grateful for your love and support in the loss of our Dad. You have been truly present for us with your hugs, prayers, food, cards, calls, and Christian love. Your glorious example of dedication to our family has renewed our faith. May God richly bless you.

Thank You. Edd & Mary Pat

The beautiful flowers in the sanctuary today are in celebration of Hubert & Virginia Nall's 51st Wedding Anniversary.



WORSHIP LEADERS