

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Congregational Meeting

There will be a Church Congregational Meeting following the 11 a.m. service on May 31 to elect new elders, deacons, and church officers, and to decide on the issue of becoming an Open & Affirming congregation. Because of the important nature of the business to be discussed, there will be only one service that Sunday. We hope all our early service people will join us at the 11 a.m. service, and following, for these important discussions and decisions.

Youth Group Meal

Volunteers are needed for the Youth Group Meal on May 24 and throughout the month of June. Please prayerfully consider when you want to prepare a meal for our youth and spend some valuable time with them. Plan to feed 12 to 15 people, usually immediately following the 11 a.m. service. This is a great way to get to know our youth better and be involved in their activities.

Upcoming RT Outing

The next RT outing will be on May 21st, and they will be going to Fava's 1910 Diner of Georgetown in Georgetown, KY. The bus will be leaving at 10:15. Sign up by May 19th

Save the Date Upcoming VBS June 22-25, 2026

VBS Planning meeting May 26, 6 pm. It is not too early to volunteer. Please see Laine about how you wish to participate this year. Everyone is welcome!

Monday 18: 10:30 am Bible Study, 6 pm Bible Study

Tuesday 19: 6 pm Nurture

Wednesday 20: 6 pm Praise Team, 6 pm Handbells, 7 pm Choir

Thursday 21: 10:15 RT Outing, 6 pm Stephen Ministry C.E.,
6 pm VRO Dinner

Friday 22: Cup Deadline

Monday 25: Office Closed, Memorial Day, No Bible Study

Tuesday 26: 6 pm VBS Planning Meeting

Wednesday 27: 6 pm Praise Team, 6 pm Handbells, 7 pm Choir

Friday 29: 7 pm Emerging Artists Recital

PRAYER CONCERNS Rick Albrink, Cheryl Ballard, Lee Barnett, Susan Beagle, Wanda Burgin, Ava Carriss, Joe Caruso, Helen Clark, Jeanie Coleman, Robin Crawford, Miles Cresat, Melinda Cunningham, David Erickson, Christopher Fackler, Kay Fain, Jim Fegenbush, Barbara Goode, Ann Graham, Lou & Wayne Gunnell, Ann Hayes, Angie Hickman, Heather Hill, Phillip Hill, Mike Jeffries, Mark Jessee, Family of Cynthia Johnson, Patsy Jung, Kenji Knight, Annie Long, Ida Lyons, Rev. Sally McClain, Jeanette Miller, Adriane Murphy, Cyndy Murray, Greg Peerce, Florence Pilkinton, Family of Kyle Ray, Larry Roach, Margaret Sames, Marty Shaver, Ron Simmons, Tim Spaulding, Bobby Stivers, Libby Brown-Stoner, Family of Harvey Styron, Dr. Sally Sugg, Marvin Swinford, Sandra Tennill, Eloise Terhune, David Wainscott, Pam Ward, and Kari Yount.

2025-2026 ELDERS

A-Bea	Rev. Sally McClain - 2026	(502) 744-7255
Beb-Bz	Jesse Gilbert - 2026	(502) 741-0089
C	Julie Mulcahy - 2026	(502) 220-8311
D-G	Sarahbeth Farabee- 2028	(502) 232-1899
H	Jeff Manning - 2027	(270) 670-5041
I-L	Lydia Turner - 2027	(502) 682-7094
M-O	Gary Smith - 2026	(502) 593-5017
P-R	James Mulcahy - 2028	(502) 321-9159
S	Rev. Dr. Howard Griffith - 2028	(502) 257-1460
T-Z	Diane Bland - 2027	(502) 321-0767



Mission Statement

We are Christians committed to reaching the unchurched and challenging the faithful in the loving service of Jesus Christ.

First Christian Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation



Stephen Ministry is a one-to-one caring ministry where trained lay caregivers (Stephen Ministers) provide confidential, Christ-centered support to people who are hurting.

For more information, contact Laine Kephart (our Stephen Leader), the church office, or visit stephenministries.org.

Interested in Joining First Christian Church?

You are welcome to come forward during the Invitation Hymn in worship services or speak privately with a staff member if you prefer. No re-baptism will be required regardless of previous mode of baptism.

Contact the church office at 502-633-3345 or visit www.disciples.org to learn more about the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Ways to Give:

In-Person: Place offerings in the plate or donation box at the sanctuary entrance. Envelopes are available for cash donations (please include your name and address).

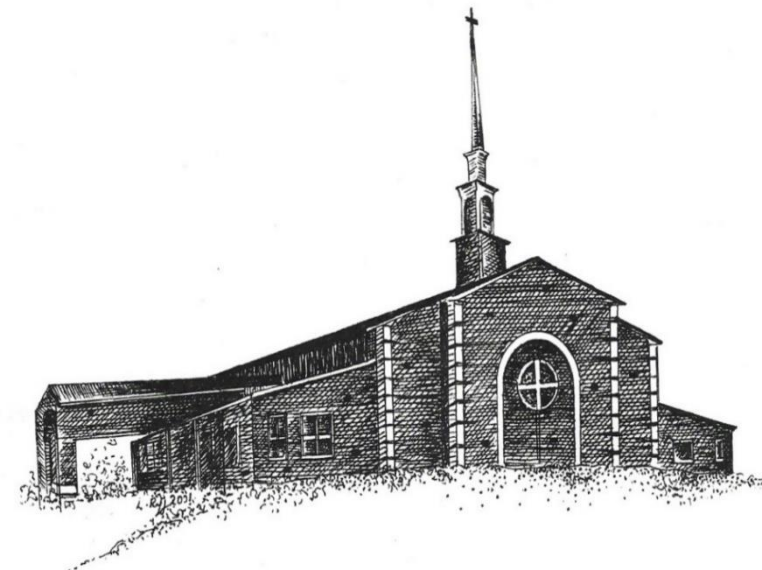
Electronic Options:

Zelle: shelbyvillekyfcc@gmail.com

Website: Click "More" → "Donate"

Vanco Mobile App: Create a profile to set your gift amount, frequency, and preferred fund (general operations, building reserve, or designated offerings).

Thank you for your generosity!



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)

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May 17, 2026

Worship Service 9 am & 11 am

Sunday School 10 am

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here and hope you feel warmly welcomed. Please ask any of our members if you have questions about your experience. You are always welcome here, and we hope you return.

Rev. Tracy Parker, Interim Senior Minister
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Elizabeth Huling, Music Director
(502) 644-6671 elizabethhuling@gmail.com

Jordan Lardner, Youth Director
(502) 232-1167 jordanlardner@gmail.com

Sharon Lee, Music Accompanist

Sunday Worship Service

Welcome, Announcements	Amy Bramblette
Prelude	Sharon Lee
Hymn of Praise	**CH#305 2x
“Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”	
Call to Worship	Amy Bramblette
Joys and Concerns	Amy Bramblette
Memorial Candle	Rev. Tracy Parker
Wanda Kemper Perkins, Kyle Ray, Harvey Styron	
Morning Prayer	Diane Bland
Special Music	Amy Bramblette
“Love Can Build a Bridge”	
Scripture	Acts 1:6–14 (CEB)
Message	Rev. Tracy Parker
“Prayerful Unity, Empowered Mission”	
Song of Invitation	**CH#494 vs. 1, 4
“They’ll Know We Are Christians”	
Stewardship Meditation	Rev. Tracy Parker
Doxology <i>(Please Stand)</i>	**CH#47 vs. 1
Communion Hymn <i>(11 am only)</i>	**CH#272 vs. 1
“The Church’s One Foundation”	
Communion Meditation	
Communion Prayer	James Mulcahy
Lord’s Prayer	Diane Bland
Benediction Song <i>(11 am only)</i>	**CH#433 vs. 1
“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”	
Postlude	

Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus prayed that we may be one, as God and Christ are one.

People: We lift our hearts in unity, trusting God’s sustaining power.

Leader: The Spirit equips and strengthens us for mission in the world.

People: We come to worship, pray, and prepare to serve together

Leader: Come, let us rejoice in the fellowship and unity God creates!

People: Let us celebrate the God who calls us to love and action!

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OBSERVING COMMUNION

Communion is central to worship in Disciples churches. As part of our communion service, we observe an open table, inviting everyone to partake of the communion elements with us. The bread and the cup are taken in unison following the words of institution.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR THE BREAD

“This is my body, which is broken for you.
Do this in remembrance of me.”

WORDS OF INSTITUTION FOR THE CUP

“This cup is the new covenant in my blood.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Our 11 am and some special services are broadcast live and recorded. By entering the sanctuary, you consent to your image and voice being captured. If you prefer not to appear on camera as a closeup let us know in advance. If you have special concerns, we will make every attempt to accommodate them.

Our 9 am service is not livestreamed.

<https://www.youtube.com/@DisciplesofChristShelbyville/streams>

Acts 1:6–14 (CEB)



As a result, those who had gathered together asked Jesus, “Lord, are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel now?”

Jesus replied, “It isn’t for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has set by his own authority. Rather, you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

After Jesus said these things, as they were watching, he was lifted up and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going away and as they were staring toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood next to them. They said, “Galileans, why are you standing here, looking toward heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way that you saw him go into heaven.”

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, which is near Jerusalem—a sabbath day’s journey away. When they entered the city, they went to the upstairs room where they were staying. Peter, John, James, and Andrew; Philip and Thomas; Bartholomew and Matthew; James, Alphaeus’ son; Simon the zealot; and Judas, James’ son—all were united in their devotion to prayer, along with some women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

