



**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
(Disciples of Christ)

November 27, 2022  
First Sunday of Advent  
Worship at 10:00 am

*Diverse in Thought | United in Faith | Called to Serve*

Welcome to this time of worship at FCC. As we gather, you are invited to greet one another.  
As the prelude begins may we enter a time of quiet meditation, allowing the music  
and these words of scripture to help us prepare to worship.

*“God will judge between the nations,  
and settle disputes of mighty nations.  
Then they will beat their swords into iron plows  
and their spears into pruning tools.  
Nation will not take up sword against nation;  
they will no longer learn how to make war.”*  
- Isaiah 2:4 (CEB)

PRELUDE

Canticle of the Turning  
Shayla Van Hal, organ

Ron Schmoltze (1936-2018)

Tune: Star of County Down: Irish traditional.  
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WELCOME

Pastor Kyrmen Rea

INTROIT

Watchman, Tell Us of The Night

arr. Crawford R. Thoburn  
(1862-1899)

Watchman, tell us of the night,  
What its signs of promise are.  
Traveler, o’er yon mountain’s height,  
See that glory beaming star.  
Watchman, does its beauteous ray  
Aught of joy or hope foretell?  
Traveler, yes—it brings the day,  
Promised day of Israel.

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*\*Please stand if able.*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Ethan Fletcher

LEADER: We are called to wake from sleep,  
to wake up and hear,  
to wake up and see.  
What does the Lord have to show us?

**ALL: A new life,  
a new world,  
a different set of priorities,  
freedom from the tyranny  
of desiring and acquiring.**

LEADER: Wake up,  
wake up!  
Hear the invitation  
that echoes down the centuries.

**ALL: Welcome the Way of Christ  
and find freedom.**

*(by Ann Siddall, posted at <http://stillpointsa.org.au/prayer/prayers-and-liturgies/>)*

\*ADVENT HYMN 132 (*vss. 1*)

When God Is a Child

MOON BEAMS

Words: Brian Wren, 1985. Music: Joan Collier Fogg, 1987  
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LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE OF HOPE

Gale Hill and Cheryl Engber

\*OPENING HYMN 119 (*vss. 1 & 4*) O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI EMMANUEL

Words: 12th-century Latin hymn; texts by John Mason Neale, 1851, Henry Sloane Coffin, 1916  
Music: 15th-century French melody; arr. and harm. Thomas Helmore, 1854.

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*(During the final verse of the hymn, all children are invited to gather  
on the chancel steps for the children's message.)*

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 2:1-5 (CEB)

Ethan Fletcher

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

A MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

Sarah Lynne Gershon

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you...

**People: and also with you.**

*You are invited to greet one another in the name of Christ. For those who are worshipping at home, reach out and share peace through emails, texts and phone calls in the days to come.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 debts as we forgive our debtors;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 24:36-44 (CEB)

SERMON

Be Ready for Hope!

Pastor Kyrmen Rea

ANTHEM

Sleepers, Wake!

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Wachet Auf, Cantata no. 140

“Sleepers, wake, for night is flying,”  
The watchmen on the heights are crying:  
“Awake, Jerusalem, at last!”  
Midnight hears the welcome voices,  
And at the thrilling cry rejoices:  
“Come forth, you maidens, night is past.  
The bridegroom comes, awake!  
Your lamps with gladness take!”  
“Alleluia!  
Your lamps prepare,  
go meet him there,  
that you the wedding feast may share.”

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DOXOLOGY

*As you leave the sanctuary at the conclusion of the worship service, please place your tithes and offerings in the trays located at each entrance to the sanctuary. You may also offer your gift online, by mail, through your bank, or by phone (see the insert). Please stand if you are able, as we praise God:*

\*Offering Response 46

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Communion Hymn 538 (*us. 1 & 2*) Hope of the World VICAR

Words: Georgia Harkness, 1954, alt. Music: V. Earle Copes, 1963.  
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Music © 1963, The United Methodist Publishing House.

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Communion Prayer

Words of Institution and Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Proclamation

## INVITATION TO COMMUNITY

\*CLOSING HYMN 125 Come, O Long-expected Jesus HYFRYDOL

Words: Charles Wesley, 1744. Music: Rowland H. Pritchard, 1830; harm. The English Hymnal, 1906.  
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*If you desire to declare your faith in Christ through baptism, or if you would like to become a member of First Christian Church through affirmation of faith or through a transfer of membership, please join Pastor Kyrmen at the front of the sanctuary during the closing hymn.*

\*BLESSING

POSTLUDE O Day of Peace Mark Sedio (b. 1954)  
Shayla Van Hal, organ

Tune: C. Hubert H. Parry (1848-1918).  
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*As you leave the sanctuary, please place your offering in the trays and take your bulletin and communion cup with you to the receptacles located outside the sanctuary doors.*

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## MUSICIANS

Shayla Van Hal, organ  
Maria Izzo Walker, soprano  
Tiara Abraham, soprano  
Sara Dailey Muños, alto  
Connor Stratton, tenor  
Anthony Josep, bass

Members of The Sanctuary Choir of First Christian Church

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Join us for Coffee Fellowship Time In the Chapel Gathering Space after Worship**

*Please join us in extending gratitude to Jean Thompson and the Faith, Film & Friends group for generously hosting fellowship hours this morning.* FCC depends on gracious volunteers to unite us in fellowship. If you would like to be involved as a volunteer in helping the church welcome visitors and gather as a family before and after each week's worship, please reach out to Kate Kroll, [marymclainkroll@gmail.com](mailto:marymclainkroll@gmail.com), or Crystal Hammon, [hammon.crystal@gmail.com](mailto:hammon.crystal@gmail.com).

## **Upcoming Advent Activities**



**December 11** following worship: Join us in Great Hall following worship on MCUM Gift Wrapping and Pizza Party on December 11. We will gather following worship to wrap Christmas gifts for MCUM families and enjoy pizza together. Join us for this fun holiday tradition!

**December 18** at 4:00 pm: Let's meet at FCC at 4:00 pm to begin our Christmas Caroling caravan around Bloomington, bringing Christmas cheer all along the way through song! Everyone is invited to join this intergenerational holiday tradition! When we have caroled our last stop on the list, we will meet at Café Pizzeria for fellowship and pizza!



## Staff

### Senior Pastor

Rev. Kyrmen Rea

### Student Associate Pastor

Sarah Lynne Gershon

### Music Ministry

Jan Harrington, director of music  
Shayla Van Hal, organist, handbell director  
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## Ways to Give to FCC

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### Mail Checks to FCC at:

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47408

### Online Giving link on our website:

[www.fccbloomington.org](http://www.fccbloomington.org)

### Text to Give:

844-298-8978

Include the amount in your text message line.  
You may receive a text reply with a link and  
instructions to complete your contribution.

## An Invitation to Community

As God has welcomed us, we welcome you.

With all our differences--  
in age, ability and physical condition,  
in race, cultural background and economic status,  
in sexual orientation, gender identity & family  
structure--

God has received each one  
with loving kindness, patience and joy.

All that we are together  
and all that we hope to be  
is made more perfect  
as the richness of varied lives  
meets the mystery of God's unifying Spirit  
and we become the Body of Christ.



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