



July 7, 2024
Worship at 10:00 am

Welcome to this time of worship. 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 inspiring words to help us prepare to worship.

*“Some people think they are in community, but they are only in proximity.
True community requires commitment and openness.
It is a willingness to extend yourself to encounter and know the other.”*
-David Spangler

PRELUDE

Les Enfants de Dieu (*The Children of God*)

Olivier Messiaen

Shayla Van Hal, organ

(1908-1992)

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WELCOME

Pastor Kyrmen Rea

*Congregational Sung Introit

We Are the Church

PORT JERVIS

Refrain



I am the church You are the church. We are the church to - geth - er.

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all who fol-low Je - sus, all a-round the world! Yes, we're the church to - geth - er!



We care for one a - noth - er. That's how the church should be. We

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list - en and we lend sup - port. Our love for all to see.

D.C.

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Haley Norris

We are First Christian Church

First Christian Church exists.

Why do we exist?

We exist to share the inclusive love of Christ.

How do we share the inclusive love of Christ?

We share the inclusive love of Christ through serving, welcoming, learning, and offering spiritual connection.

We are the Church.

Let us worship God together.

**Please stand if you are able.*

*OPENING HYMN 420 (*vss.* 1, 4 & 5) I Come With Joy DOVE OF PEACE

Children are invited to come to the steps during the final verse of the hymn for the children's moment.

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FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Ecclesiastes 4:9-12(CEB) Haley Norris

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

People: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Pastor Kyrmen Rea

*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 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 Acts 2:42-47 (CEB)

SERMON Engaging Our Vision: Spiritual Connection Pastor Kyrmen Rea

SOLO A Time for Everything Mark Hayes (b. 1953)

Patti Parkes, soprano

(See music insert for solo texts)

Text: from Ecclesiastes 3:1-8; adapted by Mark Hayes

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INVITATION TO GIVING Betsy Watson

Your offerings may be placed in the offering plates as they are passed, or you may offer your gift online, by mail, through your bank, or by phone (see the insert).

Offertory Improvisation on "They Will Know We are Christians" Peter Scholtes
Shayla Van Hal, organ (1938-2009)

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

Betsy Watson

THE LORD'S SUPPER

All are welcome to share in the Communion meal. Gluten-free bread and water are available in the center of each communion tray. Please hold the Bread and Cup so that we may take them together.

Invitation to the Table

Pastor Kyrmen Rea

Communion Hymn 392

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

UNION SEMINARY

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Communion Prayer

Betsy Watson

Communion Solo

No Ordinary Song
Patti Parkes, soprano
(See music insert for solo texts)

Elizabeth Alexander (b. 1962)

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Words of Institution and Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Proclamation

Pastor Kyrmen Rea

INVITATION TO COMMUNITY

*CLOSING HYMN 497 (*vss. 1, 2 & 3*) In Loving Partnership

PARTNERSHIP

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BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Come, Christians, Join to Sing
Shayla Van Hal, piano

arr. by Heather Sorenson
(b. 1974)

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*Childcare is available in the nursery during
worship for infants through age 5.*

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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.



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)

BLOOMINGTON, IN



DIVERSE IN THOUGHT | UNITED IN FAITH | CALLED TO SERVE

Announcements

Support The Welcome Table Breakfast with a Food Donation

Since First Christian Church started offering The Welcome Table breakfast, the number of diners has grown from between 50-70 people to around 100 people each week! If you would like to support The Welcome Table, but aren't able to volunteer, you can help out by adding some extra groceries to your cart (or pick up order) each week and dropping them off at the church! Below is a list of needed items:

Non-perishables can be dropped off in the bin by the Fireside study. We can accept: cereal, sandwich bread, boxes of individual portioned instant oatmeal, Pop-Tarts, peanut butter, jelly or jam, ground coffee, and tea

If you would like to donate perishable items, please contact Pastor Sarah Lynne, or bring them to the Great Hall on Sunday morning. We can accept: milk (regular and chocolate), orange juice, hard-boiled eggs, sliced cheese, sandwich meat, mandarin oranges, and bananas

We can also use more spoons and coffee mugs. If you've got more than you need, please drop them off at church, during office hours (Mon-Thurs 9-4 pm) or bring them on Sunday morning to the Great Hall.



Support the Summer Forum Fellowship Table!

Last year, we decided to move from asking small groups to sign up to bring food to fellowship hour and instead ask congregants to bring food each week based on the first letter of their last name. As we are encouraging everyone to stay after church to reflect on our mission and identity, now is a great time to get in the habit of bringing some finger food to share at fellowship hour. Next week, July 14th, is the 2nd Sunday of the month so folks with last names F-J are invited to bring snacks to share. Here is the schedule for the month:

- 1st week of the month: A-E Last Names**
- 2nd week of the month: F-J Last Names**
- 3rd week of the month: K-R Last Names**
- 4th week of the month: S-Z Last Names**
- For 5th Sundays, FCC provides donuts**

MUSICIANS

Shayla Van Hal, organ

Patti Parkes, soprano

Texts for Today's Solos

Solo

A Time for Everything

Mark Hayes (b. 1953)

Patti Parkes, soprano

There is a time for everything,
a season for everything under heaven.
A time to be born and a time to die,
a time to plant and a time to harvest,
a time to kill and a time to heal,
a time to destroy and a time to rebuild,
a time to weep and a time to laugh,
a time to grieve and a time to dance,

a time to scatter stones and a time to gather
stones, a time to embrace and a time to turn away,
a time to search and a time to lose,
a time to keep and a time to throw away,
a time to tear and a time to mend,
a time to be silent and a time to speak,
a time to love and a time to hate,
a time for war and a time for peace.

There is a time for everything under heaven.

There is a time.

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Communion Solo

No Ordinary Song

Elizabeth Alexander (b. 1962)

Patti Parkes, soprano

As we lift our voices on this day,
Many hearts are heavy with despair.
How can our lifted voices find a way
To bring us one step closer to repair?

If a wounded world we wish to heal,
We must sing no ordinary song.
Make it a cadence relevant and real,
Its every measure purposeful and strong.

Let this song our greatest hopes contain:
Well-fed children be its just refrain,
Roofs over every heartbeat be its tune,
Its harmony from peaceful cities hewn.

Sing of hope while hammering each nail.
Sing of joy while pulling every weed.
Sing to renew a covenant grown frail.
May every alleluia plant a seed.

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