

# First Christian Church

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# Jesus Christ Our Great High Priest

Jesus Christ, Our High Priest

November 3, 2024 10:00 A.M. Worship Service Special Music - Sang By FCC Choir

Welcome

\*Opening Hymn - #292 - Because He Lives

\*Passing of the Peace

# Call To Worship - from Psalm 146

Leader: Praise the Lord, O my soul. I will praise the Lord as long as I live.

People: I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Leader: Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in

the Lord their God,

People: Creator God, you made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is

in them, who keeps faith forever.

ALL: He executes justice for the oppressed and gives food to the

hungry. The Lord sets prisoners free and opens the eyes of the blind. He lifts up those who are bowed down and loves the

righteous. He watches over strangers and upholds the orphan

and the widow.

# **Opening Prayer**

Eternal God, we rejoice this morning in the gift of life, which we have received by your grace, and the new life you give us in Jesus Christ. Especially we thank you for the love of our families, the affection of our friends, strength and abilities to serve your purpose today, this community of believers that we are a part of, and opportunities to give as we have received. God of grace, we offer our prayers for the needs of others and commit ourselves to serve them even as we have been served in Jesus Christ. We pray all this in his holy name. Amen.

Prayer Hymn - #439 – Sweet Hour of Prayer

Prayers of the People

#### 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, the power and the glory forever.

AMEN

Please continue to remember in prayer			
- Our Church Family	- Cole Dunlap	- Barbara McVicker	- Sharon Armold
- Jim Phegley	- Nancy Dunlap Sr.	- Imogene Maxwell	- Kayln Hall
- Dave Harper	- Meg Smith	- Marsha Gastineau	- Luke Smith
- Bethel Ford	- Kate DeWees	- Jan Merritt	- Mia Berarducci
- Larrinda Wolf	- Vianne Lewis	- Audrey Parmele	- Rick Williams
- Mike Lintner	- Tonya Todd-Barker	- Helen Putman	- Sandra Schauer
- Phil Lewis	- Dean Putt	- Larry & Betty Lintner	- Dan Wood
- Palmer Bennett			

# Scripture Text: Hebrews 9: 11 – 14 (NRSV)

11 But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), 12 he entered once for all into the holy place, not with the blood of goats and calves but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. 13 For if the blood of goats and bulls and the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, 14 how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

Scripture Readings - Hebrews 9: 11 – 14 (NRSV)

Sermon - Jesus Christ, Our High Priest — Pastor Jeff Seger

Invitation to Generosity and Presentation of the Gift

\*Doxology

\*Prayer for the Gifts

Intro to Communion - #69 - Standing On The Promises

Words of Institution

#### OFFERTORY & COMMUNION

The bread and the cup are distributed together.

Please hold until you are invited to partake together.

Prayer for the Bread and the Cup - Distribution of both Bread and Cup

\*Closing Song - #230 - His Name Is Wonderful

#### \*Benediction

Our service is ended. Go into he world, you are the body of Christ.

And may the blessings of Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you now and even forevermore.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

# **Todays Meeting:**

10:00 a.m. - Sunday Worship Service

# **Weekly Meetings:**

Monday, November 4th

9:30 a.m. - Balance & Strengthening Session

Wednesday, November 6th

5:00 p.m. - Elder Meeting

6:00 p.m. - Wacky Wednesday

Sunday, November 10th

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service

Beginning Balance As Of 10-21-24	4713.47
Expenses/Payroll	3331.90
Weekly Offering	1885.00
Difference	-\$1446.90
Ending Balance	3266.57

#### **Announcements:**

Week of October 27<sup>th</sup> - Attendance: 29; Live Stream Views on Facebook Live: YouTube: Approx. Views:

**Balance & Strengthening Sessions:** will be every Monday at 9:30 a.m. in the church basement. Wear comfortable clothes and supportive shoes. Men and women welcome! If you have any questions please call me at 219-869-3513 or email me at <a href="mailto:karenr6403@hotmail.com">karenr6403@hotmail.com</a>. Please call Karen Wiseman at 219-869-3513 with any questions.

**Elder Meeting:** will be Wednesday, November 6, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

**FCC Singers:** If you are interested in singing, we will be meeting in the parlor at 9:15 a.m. We will be doing special music every Sunday before service begins.

**FCC Bell Choir:** We will be forming a bell choir soon. Keep an eye out, more details coming soon.

<u>Youth Group – Wacky Wednesday</u>: will meet Wednesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Meal will be provided by Jenny Craig. Thank you Jenny!

Mistletoe Magic #4: Our Church is going to have a booth on November 9<sup>th</sup> at the fairgrounds. We do have some items left from last year, but, we would also like to have new items. We are looking for homemade articles and ideas. We know many of you crochet, knit, sew, woodwork (Guys) and much more so we hope you will get creative and make something for the booth. When you decide on a project, have a question, or need an idea, please call Betty Lintner (866-5424) or Helen Putman (866-5266). If you cannot make anything for the event and would instead like to make a donation, we will gladly accept all contributions.

"No Fear Painting Classes": Abbie Parmele will be conducting class in the Fellowship Hall from 5:00 p.m. till 7:00 p.m. on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Come enjoy good fellowship and awaken your imagination and creativity! Any questions, please see Abbie.

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Operation Christmas Child: National Collection Week is November 18th thru November 25<sup>th</sup> of 2024. If needed, we have boxes and labels in the church office. Christmas wrapped shoe boxes may also be used. If you plan on packing a box or multiple boxes, please have them to the church no later than Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>. If you need some ideas on what to pack or have any questions, please call Betty Lintner. Betty Lintner has provided a box crayons in 28 of our boxes. The following items can NOT be included in the boxes.

**Do Not Include:** Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; scary or war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

Memorial Ornaments: The Holiday season can be a difficult time for many. Those who have gone before us are missed. Buying that special gift for that special person in our life can sometimes be hard. Again, this year there is a special opportunity to remember or honor those special people. Help us decorate the tree with a Nativity ornament by

donating \$25 per ornament to be placed on the tree in memory or in honor of that special person. The back of the ornament will be personalized and will be available for you to keep at the end of advent. The ornaments will be placed on the church tree once we receive your donation. Names will be listed in the bulletin. Complete the order form, located in the narthex, and get it back to the church office.



Facebook Account: We were having issues with streaming on Facebook because the account was somehow signed out. Unfortunately, we did not have full access to that account. We had to set up a new account for the streaming. We need to have 50 followers to go live with the new account. You may see an invite to join the new page or if you can search it, First Christian Church of Rensselaer, and give the page a like and follow, we would greatly appreciate it. I will keep you updated as we continue to work on it. The website is being worked on so that should be up within the next couple weeks. I will also keep you updated on that as well. We thank you for you patience while we get this issue fixed.



# **November Birthdays**

- 1 Kade Ploughe
- 4 Shannon Dowds, Kristina Phillips
- 5 Betty Ploughe
- 6 Allison Malone
- 11 Pam Sayler, Laura Maxwell, Jeff Seger
- 15 Randy Kinnaird
- 18 Russell Wiseman
- 21 Connor Jackson
- 27 Ava Jackson
- 28 Jason Lintner
- 29 Bonnie Phegley

# **November Anniversaries**

16 - Phil & Sharon Lewis - 1963

24 - Nolan & Casey Hitchcock - 2007

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