

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

## Lord's Day Celebration of Word, Song and Table

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 21, 2024



*As we celebrate in singing our favorite hymns in worship today, let us sing and make melody to the Lord with our whole heart and mind, and encourage one another.*



### The Community Gathers Before God

*As the Gathering Music begins, please create a quiet and respectful atmosphere so that everyone may prepare for worship. Also, please silence any phones or electronic devices.*

Gathering Music/Opening Songs

Linda Morgan

Welcome & Announcements

Gery Deaver

Call to Worship Psalm 100

Gery Deaver

L: Make a joyful noise to the Lord

**P: All the earth**

L: worship the Lord with gladness

**P: Come into God's presence with singing**

L: Enter into God's gates with thanksgiving

**P: And into God's courts with Praise.**

Gathering Hymn # 22 – "All Creatures of our God and King" vs 1,3,4

Two more Praise songs #2 - #50 in hymnal

Gathering Prayer

Gery Deaver



### The Community Hears and Responds to God's Word

First Reading – Colossians 3:16 Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

Hymn #323 "Wonderful Words of Life" vs 1,2

Two more Favorite Hymns

Children's Choice

The Prayers

Call to Prayer What am I to do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also.

ANTHEM: Precious Lord Take My Hand – sing along with choir

Our Prayer Concerns

Kathy Redding

Two more Prayer songs: #568 – 599 in Hymnal



### The Community Shares a Meal at Christ's Table

Hymn # 422 "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

Celebration of Holy Communion

Words of Institution

CJ Latham

Table Prayer over the Bread & Cup

Kathy Redding

The Lord's Prayer (using "debts")

Breaking of the Bread

Sharing of Holy Communion

*All are welcome to come forward to share Holy Communion.*

*Please place used cups in the basket before returning to your seat.*

*If unable to come forward, please raise your hand so Communion can be brought to you.*

Communion Music (feel free to sing along)

Linda Morgan

Song of Thanksgiving (sung)

**To thee, great One in Three eternal praises be hence evermore!**

**Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.**

Words: Anonymous Music: Felice de Giardini ITALIAN HYMN

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication *(in unison)*

*We sing to the Lord a new song and tell of God's greatness through our gifts and talents.  
We declare God's glory among the nations and praise the Creator's marvelous works.  
Let us go forth and serve God's People with joyful hearts and minds.*

**Community is Sent to Love and Serve**

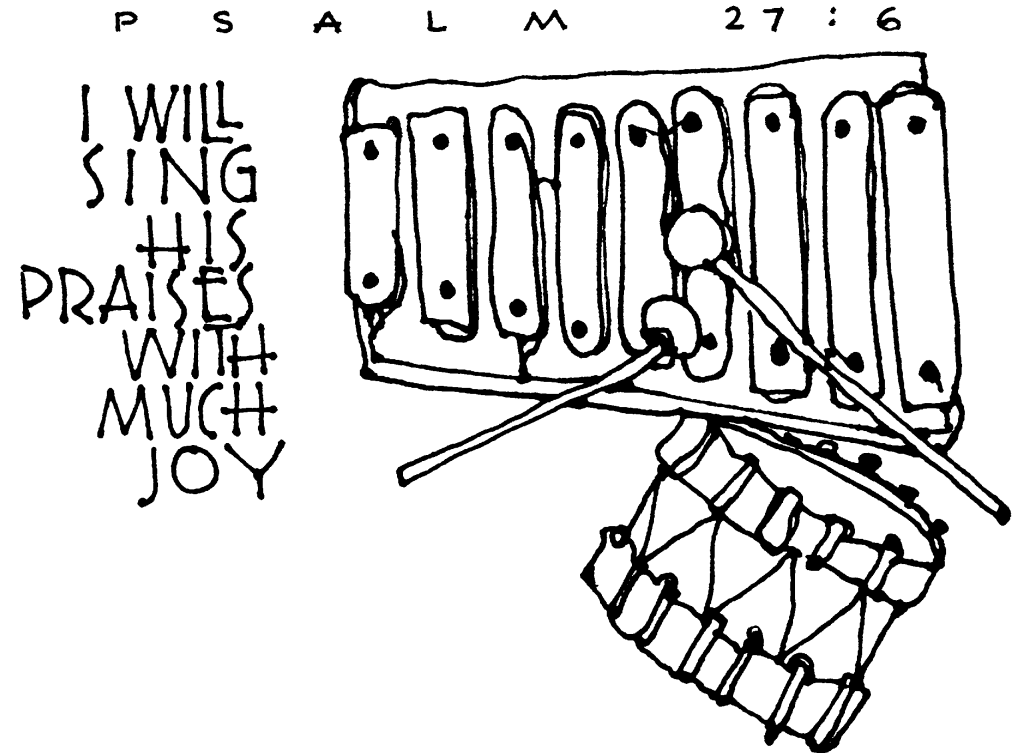
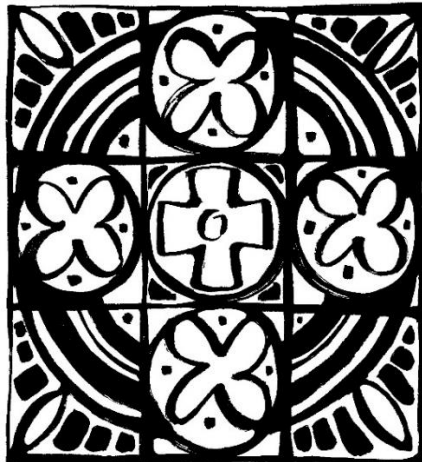
Hymn #614 "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

More Favorite Hymns as time allows

Benediction

Linda Morgan

Gery Deaver



**Welcome to worship at First Christian Church.** If you are a visitor or guest, we especially welcome you and are glad you are here.

To assist everyone in their worship this morning, please be aware that large print bulletins are available on the table by the entry doors. If you need hearing assistance, please see the sound booth attendant for a hearing device. The restrooms are in the upstairs hallway by the elevator. Offering plates are not passed during the service, but those who wish to leave an offering may do so in an offering plate as you come forward to Communion. Please know that all are welcome to share Holy Communion, for Christ invites you and turns no one away. *We want you to know God loves you and so do we!*



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*"We are Disciples of Christ,  
a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.  
As part of the one body of Christ  
we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us."*