



First Christian Church

Location: 650 McCallie Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37403
Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 am-2 pm | Phone: 423.267.4506

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Christian Education for all ages: 9:30 am | Coffee & Conversation: 10:30 am | Worship: 11 am

A CHURCH OF SERVICE, WORKING FOR WHOLENESS IN A BROKEN WORLD.

SERVANTS IN WORSHIP

Worship Leader..... Kate Wallace
 Red Book Pickup Sally D. Hunt / Dreema Adkins
 Deacons Coordinator..... Paul Shoun
 Ushers..... Hank Bramblet, Debby Demos
 Missy McKenna, Gail Rich
 Servers..... Kirsten Hyde, Kimberly Wynn
 Elders at the Table
 Pulpit Side (Prayer of Consecration) Barbara Voss
 Pulpit Side (Pastoral Listener) Dick Sharpe
 Lectern Side (Prayer of Thanksgiving)... Phil Summerlin
 Lectern Side (Pastoral Listener) Greg Givens
 Scripture..... 1 Kings 8
 Proclamation Rev. Brandon
 A King's Actions: Give

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*Regional Assembly
2018*

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Pre-Assembly Friday, October 12

- Clergy Luncheon
- National Civil Rights Museum Tour & Discussion
- Registration Open at Lindenwood

Regional Assembly, Friday Evening October 12

- Youth Arrive (planning underway- more info for Chi Rho & CYF youth coming next week)
- Worship with Rev. Dr. Katie Hays Preaching
- Regional Assembly Reception, Rev. Dr. Christal Williams Hosting

Regional Assembly, Saturday October 13

- Registration at Lindenwood
- Worshipful Work (Business Session) Led by Moderator Deborah DeWitt & Rev. Dr. Christal Williams
- Luncheons
- Workshop Sessions (x3)
- All Assembly Dinner
- Worship & Communion with Rev. Teresa Hord-Owens Preaching
- Twilight Ice Cream Social

Register at: tndisciples.org/regionalassembly2018



Dick Sharpe; Family of Skip Brannen; Jim Henry; Dave Fleury; Journey Manis (Barbara Kirby's daughter-in-law's niece); Carolyn Hickerson; Bill Dowell; Doug Ford; Jack Barker; Janice Hayes (friend of Beth Harris); Jim & Barbara Northcut; Caroline Moore; Catherine Shutters; Dennis Daniel (Uncle of Angie Cass); Missy McKenna; Amanda Mealer-McArtor & Sophie McArtor; Steven Lyle; Cheryl Bingham; Bill Allen; Mai "Mike" Nary; Angelita Sedigo; Shawn Baldwin; Dewayne & Sue Renfro; Lyndsay Wells (Bill Allen's Step-Sister); Rona Gary; Chuck Martin; Mary Gifford (Mary Davis' sister-in-law); Paul Shoun; Gary Wilkes; Jill McPhail DeVore (Kate Gilliland's mother); Erick Griggs; Daniel Tomanelli; Gary Goforth; Nick Dobbs; Howard VanZant; Judy Fitzgerald; Edward Everett (Gayle Mingledorff's cousin) John Black (Barbara Voss's brother); Leroy Lewis (Bob Lewis' brother).

Contact the church office to add or remove someone on the prayer list, 267-4506.

Remembering Skip Brannen

Skip Brannen, a beloved member of First Christian, died early this morning at his home. His wife Peggy and son Trip were with him when he transitioned.

Visitation and a Celebration of Skip's life will be held at First Christian Church on September 7th. Visitation will be from 4-6 and the Celebration of Life will begin at 6.

More details will be shared as plans are finalized. Please keep the Brannen family in prayer now and in the coming days.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, August 26

- 9:30 am Door Greeters; Covenant Group 2 (Shoun)
- 9:30 am Christian Education for all ages
- 9:30 am Choir Practice
- 10:30 am Coffee & Conversation; Crane Lounge
- 11:00 am Worship; Sanctuary
- 12:00 pm Sanctuary Clean Up; Covenant Group 2
- 2:00 pm Hospice Memorial Service; Sanctuary

Monday, August 27

- 1:00 pm Staff Meeting; Conference Room
- 5:30 pm Turning the Pages Support Group; Faith Collective Room
- 7:30 pm NA Meeting; Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, August 28

- 7:30 pm NA Meeting; Fellowship Hall
- 8:00 pm House Worship

Wednesday, August 29

No Activities Scheduled

Thursday, August 30

- 7:00 am Men's Group; Bluegrass Grill

Friday, August 31

- 3:00 pm Community Kitchen Volunteering
- 7:30 pm NA Meeting; Fellowship Hall

Saturday, September 1

No Activities Scheduled

Sunday, September 2

- 9:30 am Door Greeters; Covenant Group 3 (Hyde)
- 9:30 am Christian Education for all ages
- 9:30 am Choir Practice
- 10:30 am Coffee & Conversation; Crane Lounge
- 11:00 am Worship; Sanctuary
- 12:00 pm Sanctuary Clean Up; Covenant Group 3

The dates of this year's Stewardship campaign: Sept. 16, 23, & 30.

FROM THE TABLE

A Questioning Faith: New Sermon Series in October

At First Christian (and, honestly, at every Disciples Church of which I've been a part), asking questions has been highly valued.

Rooted in both the intellectual tradition of the Enlightenment and a love for Scripture, our movement has always encouraged conversation about interpretation—and emphasized not only the ability but the responsibility for all of us, lay and clergy, young and old, to ask critical questions about the Bible, our traditions, our theology, what it means when we worship the way we do or when we make social commitments in the world.

For Disciples, it's not enough to be told "That's how things are." We learn from early on that we should ask "Why?"

In that Spirit, for my October Sermon series, I need your help.

I'll be preaching three sermons that will wrestle with questions that you submit.



If there's a question you have—about the Bible, about the history of Christianity, about an idea or a concept from our shared faith—send it my way. The questions will be grouped together for each week in a way that makes sense, and we'll wrestle with them together in a way that brings history, our theological claims, and the real, relevant world in which we live together.

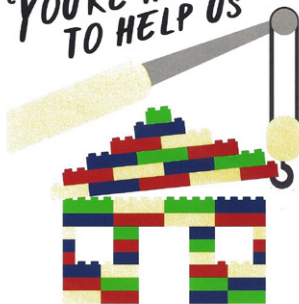
While I can't guarantee I will get to every question, I'll work with as many of them as possible, and maybe we can spend some time in conversation after worship in further conversation.

In order for me to spend an adequate amount of time preparing for October 7, 14, and 21, I'd like to ask you to start submitting your questions this week. We'll have sheets for you to submit over the next few Sundays, or you can email your question(s) to FCCChattquestions@gmail.com.

I think this will be a great way for us to worship, explore, and as always, be in ministry together.

Thanks for the privilege of doing so
Rev. B.

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A Very Happy Birthday to...



AUGUST

- 27 Tina Chadwick, Matthew Petree
- 28 Nancy Dobbs, Meredith Lambert,
Patrick Kirby, Buz Smithers
- 29 Heather Droke, Sally D. Hunt
- 30 Ike Summerlin, Kimberly Wynn
- 31 Maxwell King, Brad Northcut

SEPTEMBER

- 3 Anna Wylie, Dick Sharpe
- 4 Diana Summerlin
- 12 Miller Fulgham
- 18 Kate Gilliard
- 19 Betty Jolly
- 20 Carolyn Hickerson, Patti Obert
- 22 Megan Coleman, Ella Wiisanen

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