

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)  
OF SMITHVILLE, MISSOURI  
816-532-0773**

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

**June 22, 2025**

**9:15 am - Adult Sunday School**

**10:00 am - Coffee/Donuts Fellowship**

**10:30 am - Worship Service**

*Please sign in on the attendance booklet at the end of the pews.*

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*(\*Denotes please rise in body or spirit)*

Prelude Steven Cornwell

Bringing in the Light - Acolytes

Greeting / Announcements Rev. Laura Guy

Call to Worship (*Psalm 33:1-5*) Stacey Sapp  
*Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him. Praise the Lord with the harp; make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre. Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy. For the word of the Lord is right and true; he is faithful in all he does. The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.*

\*Hymn of Praise #558 **Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead us**

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Laura Guy

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer (Using "Debts")

\*Gloria Patri #36

*Children are dismissed for Worship and Wonder*

Scripture **John 8:2-11** Stacey Sapp

Worship Hymn **I'd Rather Have Jesus**

Sermon **"Why Do People Need Jesus?"**

Hymn of Response #422 **Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ**

Communion Meditation & Words of Institution Rev. Laura Guy

Communion Prayer Elder Jennifer Schoonover

*(Sandra Matthews, John Matthews, Scott Schoonover & Kathy Hamilton please come forward to serve Communion)*

*Communion: We practice Open Communion at Christ's Table. All are welcome to partake in Holy Communion. Please take a piece of bread and eat it when the tray comes to you. Then drink the cup as the tray is passed to you and place the empty cup back in the tray.*

Invitation to Stewardship Elder Jennifer Schoonover

Special Music **Beethoven Sonata**

\*Doxology #46

\*Offering Prayer Elder Jennifer Schoonover

\*A Time of Invitation Rev. Laura Guy  
*If you wish to make a commitment to Jesus Christ, or would like to join Smithville First Christian Church, please come forward during the hymn.*

\*Hymn of Sending **In Christ Alone**

Benediction Rev. Laura Guy

Postlude Steven Cornwell

Our Memorial Book is open today in memory of  
**Lamera Lowman**

**Praise & Prayer Request Form**

<https://bit.ly/3WIOXyf> - Submit your praise or prayer requests to our new form. Our Pastor, and Elders will monitor the form for submissions.



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# Grow Read Imagine Pray

**John 8:2-11**

2 At dawn he appeared again in the temple courts, where all the people gathered around him, and he sat down to teach them. 3 The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group 4 and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery. 5 In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?" 6 They were using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing him.

But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger. 7 When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." 8 Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground.

9 At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there. 10 Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?"

11 "No one, sir," she said.

"Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."

**Daily Devotional Readings June 23 - 28:**

**Monday:** Psalm 59; 2 Kings 9:1-13; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31;

**Tuesday:** Psalm 59; 2 Kings 9:14-26; Ephesians 2:11-22;

**Wednesday:** Psalm 59; 2 Kings 9:30-37; Luke 9:37-43a;

**Thursday:** Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20; 1 Kings 22:29-40, 51-53; 2 Corinthians 13:5-10;

**Friday:** Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20; 2 Kings 1:1-12; Galatians 4:8-20;

**Saturday:** Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20; 2 Kings 1:13-18; 2:3-5; Luke 9:21-27;

**Opportunities for Service & Outreach this week:**

- **Donate food to the Food Pantry or Blessing Box**
- **Care Connection Volunteers** - Contact [lneer23@gmail.com](mailto:lneer23@gmail.com)
- **Hospitality Task Force** - Contact Pastor Laura Guy
- **Warrior School Clothes Closet** is in need of girls clothes from 3T - 14. Clothes can be gently used or new and should be clean. They are also accepting boys' clothing in those sizes. You can bring items to church through June, and then we will have them picked up so they are ready for the back-to-school.

## **Worship Schedule – Sunday, June 29, 2025**

**Elder** – Greg Atkins **Lay Leader** - Jan Howard  
**Prep & Serve** – Argel Merideth & Cheryl Merideth  
**Serve & Clean-up** – Belinda Miller & Kathy Hamilton  
**Greeters** – Denney French & Shirley French  
**Cash Counter** – Phil French **Nursery** - Suzanne Becker  
**Acolyte(s)** – Beckett & Brinley Milne



*(If you are unable to serve, please find a replacement and update the office by Thursday.) The Volunteer List can be viewed online by scanning this QR code or going to <https://bit.ly/3CWjFO0>.*

## **PRAISE & PRAYERS**

🙏 Pam & Perry Winn - Perry is at Benton House Memory Care Unit, Pam will continue to live at home with assistance. Both welcome visitors. 🙏 The family of Rick Bullock requests prayers as Rick faces Lewy Body Dementia. 🙏 Small Family is moving from Germany back to Smithville this summer. We need prayer around moving logistics, culture shock, and missing our friends in Germany.

## **Ongoing Prayers**

🙏 Lou Kindred 🙏 Pam & Perry Winn 🙏 Bud Morton 🙏 Kay Paul 🙏 Mary Ann Shannon 🙏 John & Joyce Summers 🙏 Traci Easton 🙏 Beverly Darling 🙏 Linda Mitchell 🙏 LaVera Craig 🙏 Jerry Wagle

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS (Full List on our Website)**

### **Food Pantry**

Pudding and Jell-O Mix would be appreciated in June. Donations can be dropped off at the church: **Mon. - Thurs. 9 AM - 12 PM.** The food pantry is open to anyone in the community: **Tues. 8:30 - 11 AM**

### **Now Hiring: Part-Time Administrative Assistant**

We are looking for a part-time Administrative Assistant. To apply or ask questions, please email [jobs@smithvillefirstchristian.org](mailto:jobs@smithvillefirstchristian.org).

**Tall Oaks Summer Camps** <https://www.talloaks.org/doc-camps>

### **Bingo Night: Wednesday, July 2**

We'll have an all-ages Bingo Night on Wednesday, July 2 at 6 pm. Snacks and drinks are provided. If you'd like to donate any new or gently used items - or gift cards - for the prize table, please bring the items to church by Sunday, June 29. We hope to have plenty of prizes that appeal to kids, youth and adults.

### **Church Softball Team**

The church softball team is starting their season soon. Games played on Monday evenings beginning July 7th. Anyone over the age of 14 is welcome to play! Contact Pat Burns for more information and to request your team t-shirt.

## **Women Together Outing on Saturday, Aug. 9**

Explore JOCO with Pastor Laura. We'll start in Downtown Overland Park at Crafted Fair Trade where we'll learn about fair trade and sample some treats. Then we'll shop for a bit, eat lunch together and drive to Leawood to get a private tour of Church of the Resurrection and their incredible stained glass window. We'll leave our church at 9 am and return around 4 pm. RSVP on Sign-Up Genius <https://bit.ly/4mWktVf>

## **This Week @ FCC Smithville**

### **Sunday, June 22**

9:15 AM – Adult Sunday School (Upstairs)  
10:00 AM - Fellowship Coffee & Donuts (Fellowship Hall)  
10:30 AM - Worship Service  
3:30 PM – Boy Scouts (Basement)

### **Monday, June 23**

9:30 AM – Yoga (Fellowship Hall)  
11:00 AM – Writers Group (Fellowship Hall)  
11:00 AM - Quilt Guild  
5:00 PM - Elder's Meeting  
6:00 PM - Board Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

### **Tuesday, June 24**

8:30 AM - 11:00 AM – Food Pantry (Basement)  
6:00 PM - AA (Basement)  
6:00 PM – Al-Anon (Upstairs Classroom)  
7:00 PM - Christian Women's Fellowship

### **Wednesday, June 25**

9:30 AM - Yoga (Fellowship Hall)  
6:00 PM - Zoom Bible Study

### **Thursday, June 26**

9:00 AM - Threads of Faith  
6:00 PM - AA (Downstairs)

### **Friday, June 27**

9:30 AM – Yoga (Fellowship Hall)  
12:00 PM – Al-Anon (Upstairs Classroom)

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## **Why Does Jesus Matter?**



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**Worship Live-Stream found at:**

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