

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

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

**June 29, 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	Elder Cara Massie
Call to Worship ( <i>Psalm 19:7-10</i> )	Jan Howard <i>The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple. The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes. The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the Lord are firm, and all of them are righteous. They are more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb.</i>
*Hymn of Praise	<b>#63 How Majestic is Your Name (2x)</b>
Pastoral Prayer	Elder Cara Massie
Silent Prayer	
Lord's Prayer	(Using "Debts")
*Gloria Patri	<b>#36</b>
<i>Children are dismissed for Worship and Wonder</i>	
Scripture	<b>Ephesians 2:19-22</b> Jan Howard
Worship Hymn	<b>#722 This is My Song</b>
Sermon	<b>"Why Does Church Matter?"</b> Rev. Laura Guy
Hymn of Response	<b>#CP91 Create in Me a Clean Heart</b>
Communion Meditation & Words of Institution	Elder Cara Massie

Communion Prayer Elder Greg Atkins  
*(Argel Merideth, Cheryl Merideth, Belinda Miller & 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 Greg Atkins

Special Music **Put Your Hand in the Hand**

\*Doxology **#46**

\*Offering Prayer Elder Greg Atkins

\*A Time of Invitation Elder Cara Massie  
*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 **#720 O Beautiful for Spacious Skies**

Benediction Elder Cara Massie

Postlude Steven Cornwell

Our Memorial Book is open today in memory of  
**Jimmie P. Rule**

**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

**Ephesians 2:19-22**

19 Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, 20 built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. 21 In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. 22 And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

**Daily Devotional Readings June 29 - July 5:**

**Monday:** 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14, Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20, 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21, Psalm 16, Galatians 5:1, 13-25, Luke 9:51-62

**Tuesday:** Psalm 75; 2 Kings 3:4-20; Ephesians 5:6-20;

**Wednesday:** Psalm 75; 2 Kings 4:1-7; Matthew 10:16-25;

**Thursday:** Psalm 30; 2 Kings 4:8-17; Romans 7:14-25;

**Friday:** Psalm 30; 2 Kings 4:18-31; 2 Corinthians 8:1-7;

**Saturday:** Psalm 30; 2 Kings 4:32-37; Luke 9:1-6;

**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, July 6, 2025**

**Elder** – Greg Atkins **Lay Leader** - Cheryl Merideth

**Prep & Serve** – Linda Prout & Kathy Hamilton

**Serve & Clean-up** – Linda Neer & Belinda Miller

**Greeters** – Bob Arnold & Barbara Arnold

**Cash Counter** – Janice Roberts **Nursery** - Janice Roberts

**Acolyte(s)** – Keaton Crosby **Laptop:** Johnny Viebrock



*(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**

🙏 Denney and Shirley French are happy to announce the marriage of their grandson, Conner French, to Ashley Newman on June 20, 2025 in Colorado. Ashley's daughter, Addie, also joins the French family.

🙏 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**

Chunky Soup & Dry Beans would be appreciated in July. 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**

**Welcome Polly McCann**, our new Administrative Assistant! Polly begins as the new face and voice of our office this week. Her hours, and the office hours, will be Mon-Fri, 9-12. She brings a wealth of writing and administrative gifts, and she has been involved in the work of the Church throughout her life. If you're in the office, please stop by and welcome Polly!

**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 29**

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 30**

9:30 AM – Yoga (Fellowship Hall)  
11:00 AM – Writers Group (Fellowship Hall)  
11:00 AM - Quilt Guild

### **Tuesday, July 1**

8:30 AM - 11:00 AM – Food Pantry (Basement)  
6:00 PM - AA (Basement)  
6:00 PM – Al-Anon (Upstairs Classroom)

### **Wednesday, July 2**

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

### **Thursday, July 3**

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

### **Friday, July 4**

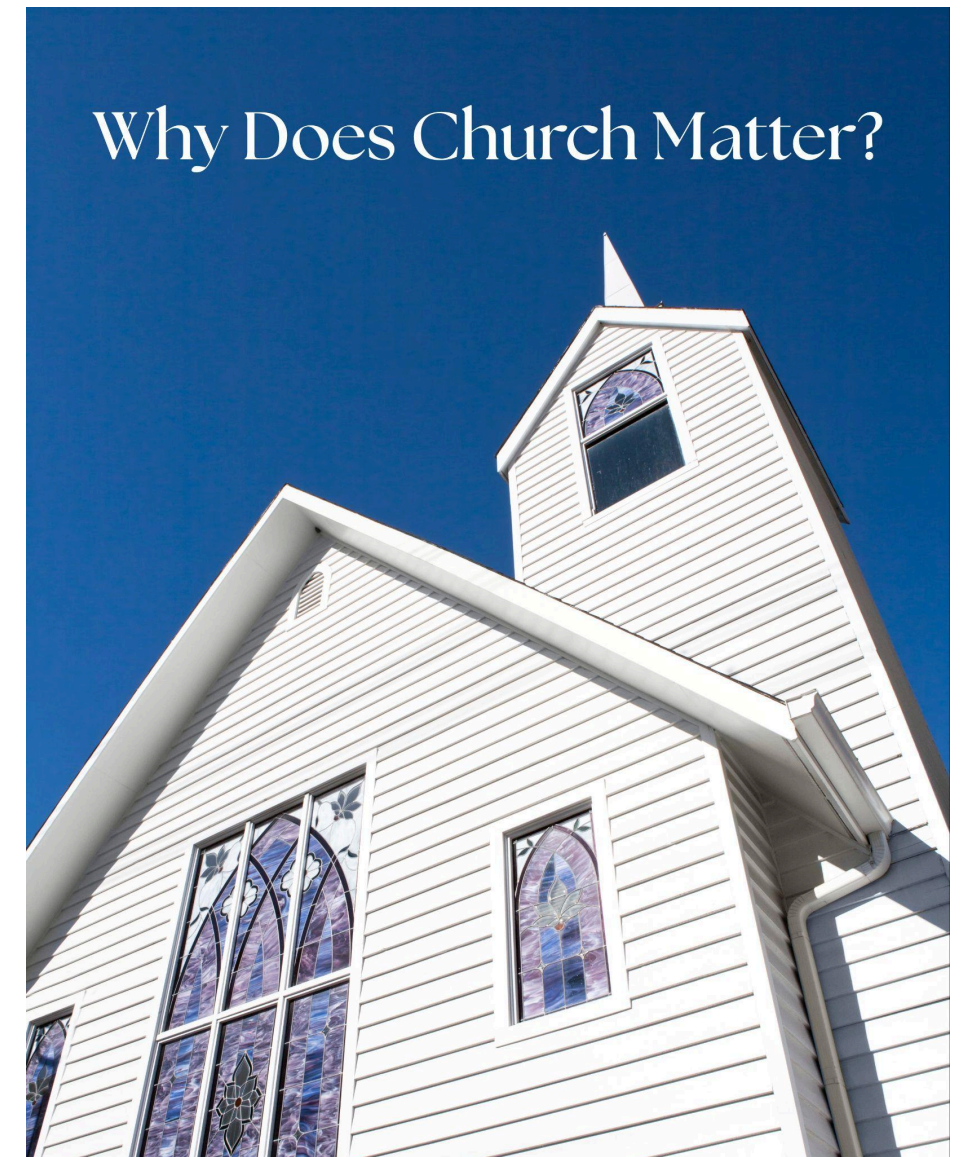
12:00 PM – Al-Anon (Upstairs Classroom)

### **Sunday, July 6**

9:15 AM – Adult Sunday School (Upstairs)  
10:00 AM - Fellowship Coffee & Donuts (Fellowship Hall)  
10:30 AM - Worship Service\  
2:30 PM - Boy Scout Committee Meeting  
3:30 PM – Boy Scouts (Basement)

Please check the church calendar online for the most up-to-date information [www.smithvillefirstchristian.org](http://www.smithvillefirstchristian.org)

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Worship Live-Stream found at:  
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