

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

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

**July 6, 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	Pastor Laura Guy
Call to Worship ( <i>Psalm 52:8-9</i> ) <i>But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever. For what you have done I will always praise you in the presence of your faithful people. And I will hope in your name, for your name is good.</i>	Cheryl Merideth
*Hymn of Praise	<b>Put Your Hand in the Hand</b>
Pastoral Prayer	Pastor Laura Guy
Silent Prayer	
Lord's Prayer	(Using "Debts")
*Gloria Patri	<b>#36</b>
<i>Children are dismissed for Worship and Wonder</i>	
Scripture	<b>Romans 1:8-13</b> Cheryl Merideth
Worship Hymn	<b>You Say</b>
Sermon	<b>"Why Does Smithville Christian Church Matter?"</b> Rev. Laura Guy
Hymn of Response	<b>#416 Here, O My Lord, I See Thee</b> <b>Face to Face vs. 1,2,3</b>
Communion Meditation & Words of Institution	Laura Guy
Communion Prayer	Elder Greg Atkins

*(Linda Prout, Kathy Hamilton, Linda Neer, & Belinda Miller 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	<b>Melodie</b>
*Doxology	<b>#46</b>
*Offering Prayer	Elder Greg Atkins
Commissioning new Elders, Deacons and Trustees	
*A Time of Invitation <i>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.</i>	Pastor Laura Guy
*Hymn of Sending	<b>#352 Spirit Song</b>
Benediction	Pastor Laura Guy
Postlude	Steven Cornwell

Our Memorial Book is open today in memory of  
**Ralph Curtis Denney**

**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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**Pastor Laura Guy:** 913-515-3720,  
[laura.guy@smithvillefirstchristian.org](mailto:laura.guy@smithvillefirstchristian.org)

Elder for the week is Greg Atkins  
816-532-4457, [glatkins@sbcglobal.net](mailto:glatkins@sbcglobal.net)

**Grow Read Imagine Pray**

**Romans 1:8-13**

8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world. 9 God, whom I serve in my spirit in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness how constantly I remember you 10 in my prayers at all times; and I pray that now at last by God's will the way may be opened for me to come to you.

11 I long to see you so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong— 12 that is, that you and I may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith. 13 I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that I planned many times to come to you (but have been prevented from doing so until now) in order that I might have a harvest among you, just as I have had among the other Gentiles.

**Daily Devotional Readings July 7 - 12 :**

**Monday:** Psalm 6; 2 Kings 5:15-19a; Acts 19:21-27;  
**Tuesday:** Psalm 6; 2 Kings 5:19b-27; Acts 19:28-41;  
**Wednesday:** Psalm 6; 2 Kings 6:1-7; Luke 10:13-16;  
**Thursday:** Psalm 82; Amos 1:1-2:3; James 2:14-26;  
**Friday:** Psalm 82; Amos 2:4-11; Acts 7:9-16;  
**Saturday:** Psalm 82; Amos 2:12-3:8; John 3:16-21;

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

- **Donate food to the Food Pantry or Blessing Box**
- **Care Connection Volunteers** - Contact [ln eer23@gmail.com](mailto:ln eer23@gmail.com)
- **Hospitality Task Force** - Contact Pastor Laura Guy

**Worship Schedule – Sunday, July 13, 2025**

**Pulpit:** Johnny Viebrock **Elder:** Susie Clower  
**Lay Leader:** Kathy Hamilton  
**Prep:** Suzanne Becker & Janice Roberts  
**Prep & Serve:** Argel Merideth & Larson Viebrock  
**Serve & Clean-up:** Sue Boswell & Barbara Millard  
**Greeters:** Charles Porter & Ruth Anne Porter  
**Cash Counter:** Phil French **Nursery:** Linda Neer  
**Acolyte(s):** Lincoln Viebrock & Kyla Kays **Laptop:** John Merritt



*(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 <http://bit.ly/4lq8rBG>.*

## **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

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## **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**

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

### **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, 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)

### **Monday, July 7**

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

### **Tuesday, July 8**

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

### **Wednesday, July 9**

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

### **Thursday, July 10**

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

### **Friday, July 11**

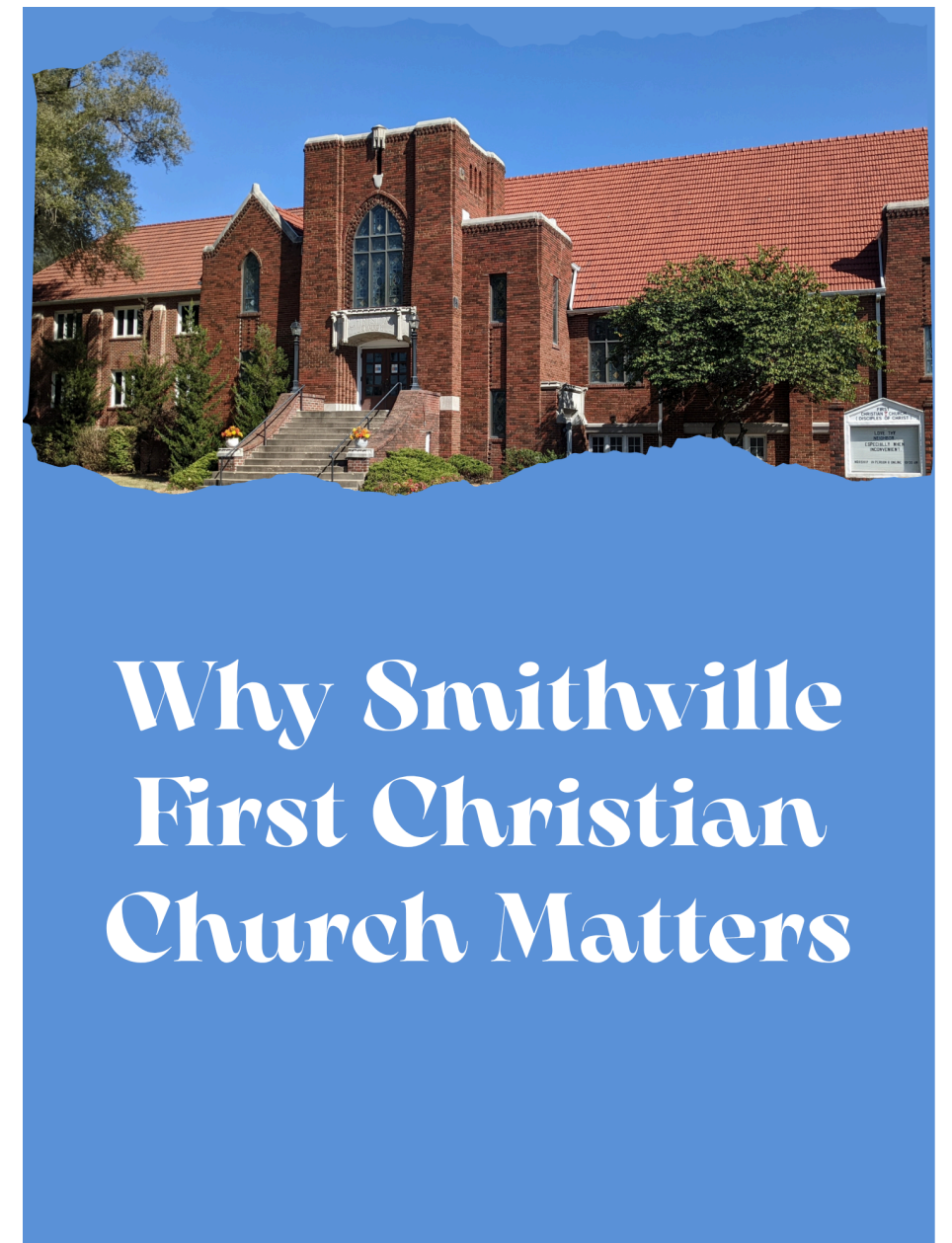
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**Worship Live-Stream found at:**

<https://www.facebook.com/smithvillefcc>