

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

www.smithvillefirstchristian.org

August 24, 2025
9:15 am - Adult Sunday School
10:00 am - Coffee/Donuts Fellowship
10:30 am - Worship Service

Please sign 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	Lincoln Viebrock & Kyla Kays
Greeting / Announcements	Rev. Laura Guy
Call to Worship (Jonah)	Kathy Hamilton
<i>The word of God came to Jonah. The word of God comes to us: Go, despite your fears, speak the truth of God. Love your neighbor and your enemy. Forgive as you have been forgiven. Receive grace upon grace overflowing from the fullness of God.</i>	
*Hymn of Praise	#72 To God Be the Glory
Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Laura Guy
Silent Prayer	
Lord's Prayer	(Using "Debts")
*Gloria Patri	#36
<i>Children are dismissed for Worship and Wonder</i>	
Scripture	Jonah 4 Kathy Hamilton
Worship Hymn	All My Hope
Sermon	"Jonah and the Wail" Rev. Laura Guy
Hymn of Response	#408 Come, Share the Lord
Communion Meditation & Words of Institution	Rev. Laura Guy
Communion Prayer	Elder Jennifer Schoonover

(Diane Soetaert, Earl Soetaert, Sandra Matthews & John Matthews please come forward to serve Communion)

Communion: We practice Open Communion at the Lord'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	We are an Offering
*Doxology	#46
*Offering Prayer	Elder Jennifer Schoonover
*A Time of Invitation	Rev. Laura Guy
<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>	
*Hymn of Sending	Awesome God (2x)
Benediction	Rev. Laura Guy
Postlude	Steven Cornwell

Our Memorial Book is open today in memory of
Mary Justice

PRAISE & PRAYER

<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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Elder for the week is Jennifer Schoonover
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JONAH CHAPTER 4:1-11

Jonah's Anger at the Lord's Compassion

But to Jonah this seemed very wrong, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord, "Isn't this what I said, Lord, when I was still at home? That is what I tried to forestall by fleeing to Tarshish. I knew that you are a gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love, a God who relents from sending calamity. Now, Lord, take away my life, for it is better for me to die than to live."

But the Lord replied, "Is it right for you to be angry?"

Jonah had gone out and sat down at a place east of the city. There he made himself a shelter; sat in its shade and waited to see what would happen to the city. Then the Lord God provided a leafy plant and made it grow up over Jonah to give shade for his head to ease his discomfort, and Jonah was very happy about the plant. But at dawn the next day God provided a worm, which chewed the plant so that it withered. When the sun rose, God provided a scorching east wind, and the sun blazed on Jonah's head so that he grew faint. He wanted to die, and said, "It would be better for me to die than to live."

But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the plant?"

"It is," he said. "And I'm so angry I wish I were dead."

But the Lord said, "You have been concerned about this plant, though you did not tend it or make it grow. It sprang up overnight and died overnight. 11 And should I not have concern for the great city of Nineveh, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left—and also many animals?"

DAILY DEVOTIONAL Readings August 24 - 31

Monday: Psalm 10; Jeremiah 7:1-15; Hebrews 3:7-4:11

Tuesday: Psalm 10; Jeremiah 7:16-26; Revelation 3:7-13

Wednesday: Psalm 10; Jeremiah 7:27-34; Luke 6:6-11

Thursday: Psalm 81:1, 10-16; Jeremiah 11:1-17; 1 Peter 3:8-12

Friday: Psalm 81:1, 10-16; Jeremiah 12:1-13; 1 Peter 4:7-11

Saturday: Psalm 81:1, 10-16; Jeremiah 2:1-3, 14-22; Matt 20:20-28

OPPORTUNITIES for Service & Outreach this week

- **Donate food to the Food Pantry or Blessing Box**
- **Care Connection Volunteers** - Contact lineer23@gmail.com
- **Hospitality Task Force** - Contact Pastor Laura Guy

WORSHIP SCHEDULE – SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 2025

Pulpit: Laura Guy **Elder:** Angie Viebrock

Lay Leader: Becky Crosby

Greeters: Shirley Curtis-Klein & Kathy Hamilton

Prep & Serve: Linda Prout & Belinda Miller

Serve & Clean-up: Linda Neer & Kathy Hamilton

Cash Counter: Janice Roberts

Acolyte(s): Keaton Cosby & Case Cosby

Nursery: Suzanne Becker **Laptop:** John Merritt



(If you are unable to serve, please find a replacement and update the office by Wednesday at noon.) The Volunteer List can be viewed online by scanning this QR code or going to <https://bit.ly/4ktjhGm>.

PRAISE & PRAYERS

🙌 Denney and Shirley French celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary on Friday. They were married in our church August 22, 1964

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 🙌 Rick Bullock 🙌 Julie Hatcher 🙌 Melinda Powell

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Full List on our Website)

Food Pantry

Non-Canned Items for the Blessing Box (Ramen noodles, hamburger helper, pasta and rice sides, mac & cheese, cereal, instant mashed potatoes, etc.) Donations can be dropped off at the church: **Mon. - Fri. 9 AM - 12 PM.** The food pantry is open to anyone in the community: **Tues. 8:30 - 11 AM**

Smithville First Christian Church Softball Team

Come support our church softball team at their final game on Monday, Aug. 25 at Heritage Park. The game starts at 7:30 pm against Grace 1 on Field 2.

Women Together Outing: Sat., Sept. 13

Our next Women Together outing is a time travel tour to the fabulous Nicol House, built in the 1960s. We'll leave the church at 9 am.

THIS WEEK @ FCC Smithville

Sunday, Aug 24

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, Aug 25

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

Tuesday, Aug 26

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, Aug 27

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

Thursday, Aug 28

9:00 AM - Threads of Faith
6:00 PM - AA (Downstairs)
6:30 PM - Quilt Guild

Friday, Aug 29

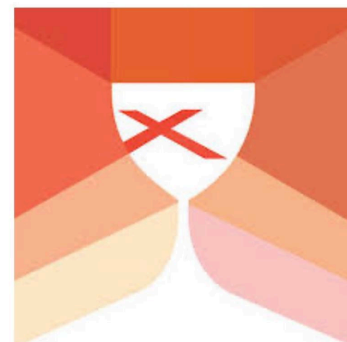
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12:00 PM – Al-Anon (Upstairs Classroom)

Sunday, Aug 31

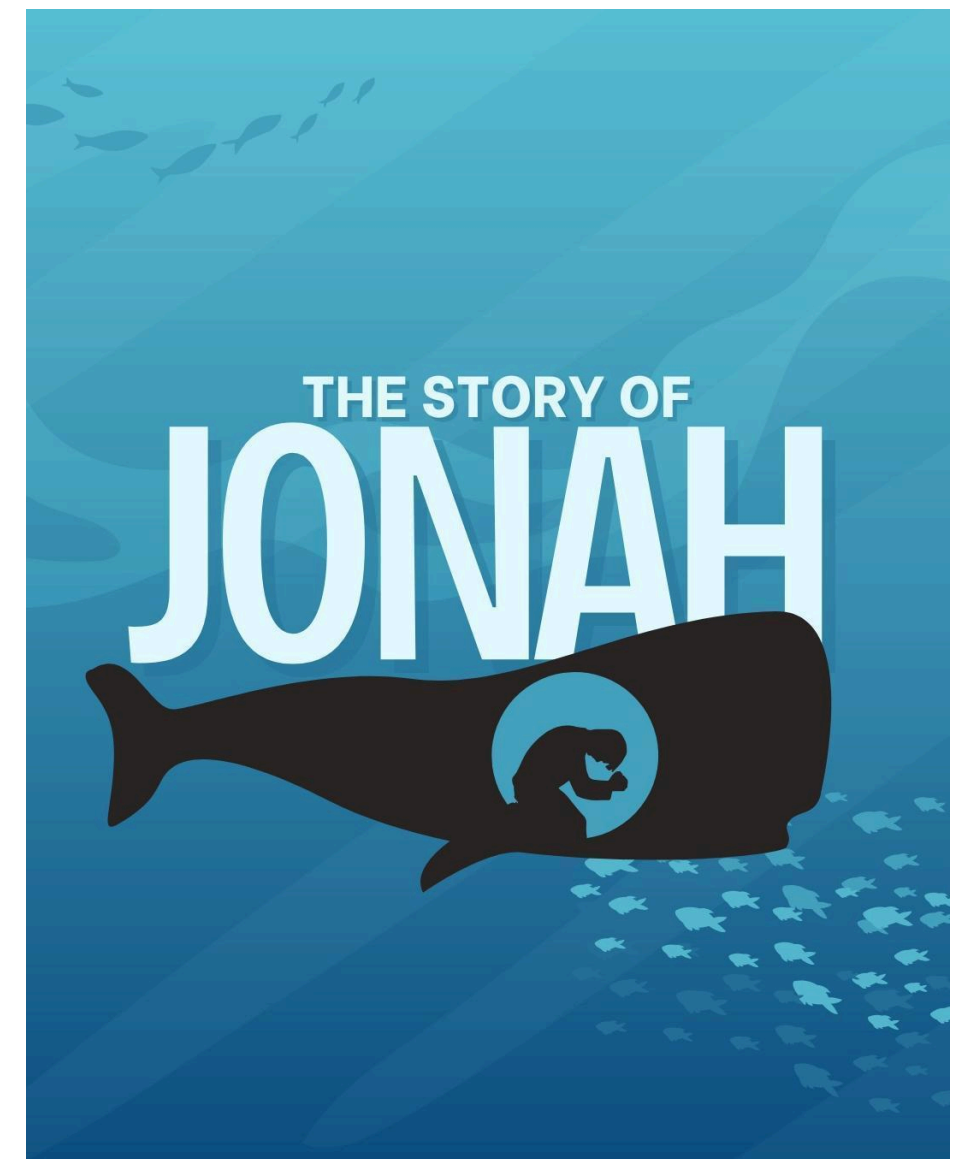
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August 24th, 2025
10:30 AM Worship

Worship Live-Stream found at:
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