

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

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

**September 14, 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	<b>Keaton &amp; Case Crosby</b>
Greeting / Announcements	Rev. Laura Guy
Call to Worship	John Merritt
<i>We gather for worship today to celebrate. We are celebrating the gifts we give to this church, the pledges we are making for the upcoming year. We are celebrating a future full of outreach, a future full of service, a future full of worship and a future full of growth. We are celebrating a future with hope. We are celebrating the visions of those who have come before us, the visions that brought us to where we are today and the visions that we see for the future. Let us gather in celebration! Let us worship God!</i>	
*Hymn of Praise	<b>#381 Take My Gifts</b>
Pastoral Prayer	Rev. 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>1 Chron 29:1a,3-9</b> John Merritt
Worship Hymn	<b>In Christ Alone</b>
Moment for Stewardship	<b>Gerry Carson</b>
Sermon	<b>"Freely and Wholeheartedly"</b> Rev. Laura Guy
Hymn of Response	<b>#CP 152 We are an Offering</b>

Communion Meditation & Words of Institution Rev. Laura Guy

Communion Prayer Elder Jennifer Schoonover  
(Larson Viebrock, Jack Massie, Scott Schoonover & Barbara Millard 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 **Come, All Christians, Be Committed**

\*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 **#379 Accept, O God, the Gifts We Bring (2x)**

Benediction Rev. Laura Guy

Postlude Steven Cornwell

Our Memorial Book is open today in memory of  
**Benjamin Moreland**

**PRAISE & PRAYER REQUESTS**

<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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**G.row R.ead I.magine P.ray**

**1 Chron 29:1, 3-9 Gifts for Building the Temple**

Then King David said to the whole assembly: "My son Solomon, the one whom God has chosen, is young and inexperienced. The task is great, because this palatial structure is not for man but for the Lord God.

Besides, in my devotion to the temple of my God I now give my personal treasures of gold and silver for the temple of my God, over and above everything I have provided for this holy temple: three thousand talents of gold (gold of Ophir) and seven thousand talents of refined silver, for the overlaying of the walls of the buildings, for the gold work and the silver work, and for all the work to be done by the craftsmen. Now, who is willing to consecrate themselves to the Lord today?"

Then the leaders of families, the officers of the tribes of Israel, the commanders of thousands and commanders of hundreds, and the officials in charge of the king's work gave willingly. They gave toward the work on the temple of God five thousand talents and ten thousand darics of gold, ten thousand talents of silver, eighteen thousand talents of bronze and a hundred thousand talents of iron. Anyone who had precious stones gave them to the treasury of the temple of the Lord in the custody of Jehiel the Gershonite. The people rejoiced at the willing response of their leaders, for they had given freely and wholeheartedly to the Lord. David the king also rejoiced greatly.

**DAILY DEVOTIONAL READINGS: SEPT. 14 - 20**

**Monday:** Psalm 94; Jeremiah 5:1-17; 1 Timothy 1:18-20  
**Tuesday:** Psalm 94; Jeremiah 5:18-31; 2 Peter 3:8-13  
**Wednesday:** Psalm 94; Jeremiah 14:1-10, 17-22; Luke 22:31-33  
**Thursday:** Psalm 79:1-9; Jeremiah 12:14-13:11; Romans 3:1-8  
**Friday:** Psalm 79:1-9; Jeremiah 8:1-13; Romans 8:31-39  
**Saturday:** Psalm 79:1-9; Jeremiah 8:14-17; 9:2-11; Mark 12:41-44

**Pastor Laura Guy:** 913-515-3720,  
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## **WORSHIP SCHEDULE: SUNDAY, SEPT. 21, 2025**

**Pulpit:** Johnny Viebrock **Elder:** Angie Viebrock

**Lay Leader:** Gerry Carson **Greeters:** Mary Gordon & Kyla Kays

**Prep & Serve:** Sandra Matthews & John Matthews

**Serve & Clean-up:** Diane Soetaert & Earl Soetaert

**Help Clean-up:** Marcia Hayes **Cash Counter:** Phil French

**Acolyte(s):** Lincoln Viebrock & Kyla Kays

**Nursery:** Linda Neer **Laptop:** Tom Massie



*(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**

### **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**

Cream of mushroom soup and rice and pasta sides would be appreciated. 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.

### **Meet Pastor Laura**

Pastor Laura has a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall for anyone who didn't get to meet with her in the spring. Find a time that works for you, or let her know a better time for you to meet.

### **Ice Cream Social: Today after worship!**

Join us in the Fellowship Hall following the Worship Service. We'll celebrate our Commitment Sunday with some sundaes! We'll serve hot dogs and have a sundae bar with all the toppings.

### **Women's Bible Study: Monday, Sept. 22 at 6 pm**

A new Women's Bible Study that will meet on Monday nights at 6 pm (whenever there isn't a Board Meeting). Sheila Gerling and Jonica Merritt will be the facilitators, and the group will use a book and DVD curriculum called "Trustworthy", based on 1 & 2 Kings. The first meeting will be on Monday, Sept. 22 at 6 pm, and Jonica will provide meatballs and dessert. The study will end on Nov. 10, and the group will decide on a new book they want to study in the new year.

### **All Ages Worship: Sept. 28**

Sunday, September 28th is All Ages Worship! Children will stay in worship and participate in this special service designed for all ages.

### **Church of the Resurrection Tour**

Saturday, Oct. 11th at 2 pm at the Leawood Campus of Church of the Resurrection. We can carpool from church at 1 pm, and we'll return around 4 pm. The Sign-up sheet is in the Fellowship Hall.

### **The Tall Oaks Gala**

The Tall Oaks Gala is the biggest fundraiser of the year to support our church camp. Make plans now to attend this year's Gala on Friday, Nov. 14 at 5 pm at Tall Oaks. <https://givebutter.com/c/TOgala2025>

## **THIS WEEK @ FCC Smithville**

### **Sunday, Sept 14**

9:15 AM – Adult Sunday School (Upstairs)  
10:00 AM - Fellowship Coffee & Donuts (Fellowship Hall)  
10:30 AM - Worship Service  
12:00 PM - Ice Cream Social  
3:30 PM – Boy Scouts (Basement)

### **Monday, Sept 15**

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

### **Tuesday, Sept 16**

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

### **Wednesday, Sept 17**

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

### **Thursday, Sept 18**

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

### **Friday, Sept 19**

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

### **Saturday, Sept 20**

8:00 AM - Quilt Guild

### **Sunday, Sept 21**

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)

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

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