

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

www.smithvillefirstchristian.org

September 21, 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 Johnny Viebrock

Call to Worship Gerry Carson

We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world. We are the salt of the earth. We are called to bring a new hope in God: that God gives us new life. We are the light of the world. We are called to follow the commandments and the law. The Law of God is to love God and to love one another. Come, let us be the salt of the earth, the light of the world. Come, let us love one another with the love of God. Let us join together in our love of God to worship and follow Jesus.

*Hymn of Praise **This Little Light of Mine**

Pastoral Prayer Johnny Viebrock

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer (Using "Debts")

*Gloria Patri #36

Children are dismissed for Worship and Wonder

Scripture **John 8:12 NIV, Mathew 5:14-16 NIV** Gerry Carson

Worship Hymn **#528 Give Thanks**

Sermon **"It only takes a Spark!"** Johnny Viebrock

Hymn of Response **#CP91 Create in Me a Clean Heart**

Communion Meditation & Words of Institution Johnny Viebrock

Communion Prayer Elder Angie Viebrock
(Sandra Matthews, John Matthews, Diane Soetaert & Earl Soetaert 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 Angie Viebrock

Special Music **#477 Pass It On**

*Doxology #46

*Offering Prayer Elder Angie Viebrock

*A Time of Invitation Johnny Viebrock
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 **#469 I Am the Light of the World vs. 2,3,4**

Benediction Johnny Viebrock

Postlude Steven Cornwell

Our Memorial Book is open today in memory of
Viola (Snook) Zumault

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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John 8:12 NIV - Dispute Over Jesus' Testimony

When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

Matthew 5:14-16 NIV

You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

DAILY DEVOTIONAL READINGS: SEPT. 22 - 27

Monday: Psalm 106:40-48; Jeremiah 9:12-26; Acts 4:1-12

Tuesday: Psalm 106:40-48; Jeremiah 10:1-16; 1 Corinthians 9:19-23

Wednesday: Psalm 106:40-48; Jeremiah 10:17-25; Luke 20:45-21:4

Thursday: Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; Jeremiah 23:9-22; 2 Cor. 8:8-15

Friday: Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; Jeremiah 23:23-32; Ephesians 2:1-10

Saturday: Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; Jeremiah 24:1-10; Luke 9:43b-48

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE: SUNDAY, SEPT. 28, 2025

Pulpit: Rev. Laura Guy **Elder:** John Merritt

Lay Leader: Cheryl Merideth **Greeters:** Jonica & John Merritt

Prep & Serve: Linda Neer & Kathy Hamilton

Serve & Clean-up: Linda Prout & Belinda Miller

Cash Counter: Janice Roberts

Acolyte(s): Beckett Milne & Brinley Milne

Nursery: Suzanne Becker **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.

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: September 28

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

Women's Craft Day: October 5

Women Together Autumn Craft Day is Sunday, Oct. 5th, after worship (11:45 - 2 pm). Meagan Jacoby will lead us in making fall-themed candle holders using dried leaves and flowers. Bring a jar or glass vase and a light lunch item to share - sandwiches or a salad.

Church of the Resurrection Tour: October 11

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.

Candy Donations for Haunted Campground: October 18

We will be participating in the Haunted Campground event again this year and are requesting that candy donations be dropped off at the church by Wednesday, October 15th.

5th Quarter Event Volunteers: October 24

We are helping with the 5th Quarter on Oct. 24th from 8-11 pm. We need volunteers to help run the games that are planned for the students following the football game.

Bingo Night: October 26

Bingo Night will be Oct. 26th, and we need Bingo prizes for all ages. Donations needed by the morning of Oct. 26th

The Tall Oaks Gala: November 14

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 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)

Monday, Sept 22

9:30 AM – Yoga (Fellowship Hall)
11:00 AM – Writers Group (Fellowship Hall)
11:00 AM - Writer Group
6:00 PM - Women's Bible Study

Tuesday, Sept 23

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

Wednesday, Sept 24

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

Thursday, Sept 25

9:00 AM - Threads of Faith
5:30 PM - Girl Scouts Unit 3398 (FH)
6:00 PM - Quilt Guild
6:00 PM - AA (Downstairs)

Friday, Sept 26

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

Sunday, Sept 28

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



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