

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)
OF SMITHVILLE, MISSOURI**

January 18th, 2026

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

Prelude Steven Cornwell
Bringing in the Light Brinley and Becket Milne
Greeting / Announcements Rev. Laura Guy
Call to Worship Cheryl Merideth

We are here to worship a remarkable God.

Come as the joyful, come as the eager, come as the thankful, come as the recipients of amazing grace.

The love of God welcomes us, the grace of Christ awaits us, the joy of the Spirit enfolds us.

*(*Denotes please rise in body or spirit.)*

*Hymn of Praise **Come, Now is the time to Worship**

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Laura Guy

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer **(‘Debts’ and ‘Debtors’ version)**

Gloria Patri **#36**

(Children may go to Children's Church.)

Scripture **Luke 3:21-23a** Cheryl Merideth

Worship Hymn **His Eye is on the Sparrow** **#82**

Sermon **The Baptism of Jesus** Rev. Laura Guy

Hymn **Kyrie** **#CP96**
Of response

Communion Meditation Rev. Laura Guy

Communion Prayer Elder John Merritt

(Barbara Millard, Cheryl Lewis, Jack Massie and Volunteer, please come forward to serve Communion.)

Communion: We practice Open Communion at the Lord's Table. All are welcome to participate in Communion here. 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. If you don't wish to take Communion, just pass the tray to the person next to you or a deacon.

Invitation to Stewardship Elder John Merritt

Special Music **What Wondrous Love Is This** Steven Cornwell

*Doxology **#46**

*Offering Prayer Elder John Merritt

*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 **Jesus Walked that Lonesome Valley** **#211**
of Sending

Benediction Rev. Laura Guy

Postlude Steven Cornwell

GIVING / TITHING



We are thankful for your faithful and generous support of this ministry. Scan this QR Code for online giving: or go to: <https://smithvillefirstchristian.org/donate/>

Our Memorial Book is open today in memory of **Robert Gene Lake**

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Pastor Laura Guy

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Elder for the week: John Merritt

Scripture Reading
GROW READ IMAGINE PRAY

Luke 3:21-23a, NIV

When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased." Now Jesus himself was about thirty years old when he began his ministry.

DAILY DEVOTIONAL READINGS: Jan 19th - 24th

Monday: Psalm 40:6-17; Exodus 12:1-13, 21-28; Acts 8:26-40;

Tuesday: Psalm 40:6-17; Isaiah 53:1-12; Hebrews 10:1-4;

Wednesday: Psalm 40:6-17; Isaiah 48:12-21; Matthew 9:14-17;

Thursday: Psalm 27:1-6; 1 Samuel 1:1-20; Galatians 1:11-24;

Friday: Psalm 27:1-6; 1 Samuel 9:27-10:8; Galatians 2:1-10;

Saturday: Psalm 27:1-6; 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Luke 5:27-32;

WORSHIP SCHEDULE: SUNDAY, Jan, 25 2026

Pulpit: Rev. Laura Guy

Elder: Jennifer Schoonover

Lay Leader: Susie Clower

Greeters: Glenda Cantwell

Prep & Serve: Linda Neer, Belinda Miller

Serve & Clean-up: Kathy Hamilton, Linda Prout

Cash Counter: Phil French

Acolyte(s): Keaton Crosby, Case Crosby

Nurser : Joyce French

(January schedule is emailed and posted. 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

🙏 Raphael Perez needs a new job and transportation 🙏
Merideth Family 🙏 Pam Winn

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

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.



ANNOUNCEMENTS (Full List on our Website)

Fellowship Dinner: Jan 18th Today

Join us for our monthly Potluck Meal today after the service.

Church Office Hours Have Changed:

In 2026, Church office hours will change to Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Women's Event: Candlemaking: Sunday Feb 8th & CFW

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

Women of all ages are invited to make a poured candle as a fun craft project. We'll share a potluck lunch before we start crafting led by Meagan Jacoby. Please bring a medium glass container for an 8 oz candle. CFW is collecting soup for the food pantry again this year. Please bring a donation of canned soup by Feb 8th.

Church Cleanup Day: Sunday, February 15th

Find your favorite lemon polish and duster and let's make the church sparkle for Lent and Easter! Sign up for the area you want to clean, and bring your own supplies from home

Bread and Broth Begins Feb 18th 5:30 pm

We will meet during Lent on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7 pm for a meal and a time of study and conversation. The first Bread and Broth will be Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18, and will include the imposition of ashes. Polly McCann will have a lesson and activities for children following the meal each Wednesday in Lent.

Ramadan Friendship Meal: March 15th 6:30 pm

Our Turkish friends from the Dialogue Institute will give a presentation about Ramadan, and then they will break their fast by sharing a traditional Turkish meal.

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THIS WEEK AT SFCC

Please check the church calendar online for the most up-to-date info www.smithvillefirstchristian.org

Sun, Jan 18

- 9:15 AM - Koinonia Sunday School (Parlor)
- 10:00 AM - Fellowship Coffee & Donuts (FH)
- 10:30 AM - Worship Service
- 12:00 - Fellowship Dinner (Potluck)
- 3:30 PM - Boy Scout Meeting

Mon, Jan 19

- 9:30 AM - Yoga (Fellowship Hall)
- 11:00 AM - Writer's Group

Tue, Jan 20

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

Wed, Jan 21

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

Thurs, Jan 22

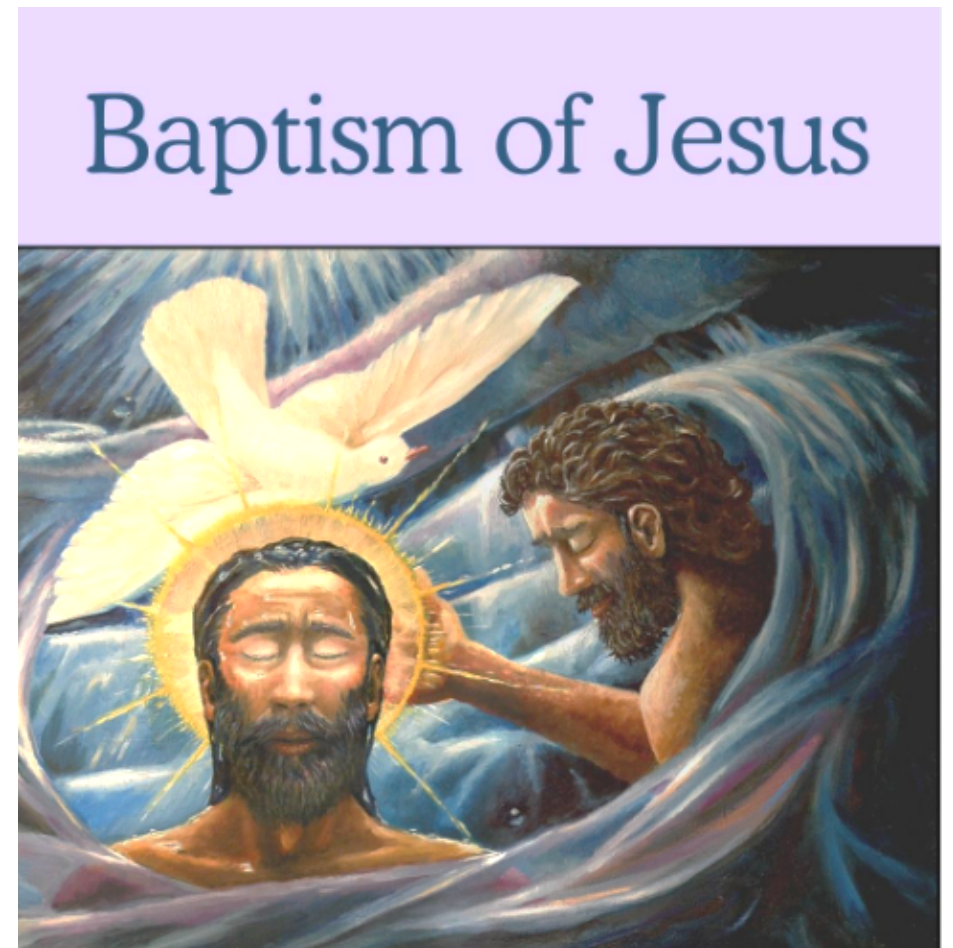
- 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Threads of Faith
- 5:30 PM - Girl Scout Unit 3398
- 6:00 PM - AA 12- Step

Fri, Jan 23

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

Sun, Jan 25

- 9:15 AM - Koinonia Sunday School (Parlor)
- 10:00 AM - Fellowship Coffee & Donuts (FH)
- 10:30 AM - Worship Service
- 3:30 PM - Boy Scouts Meeting



Baptism of Jesus

January 18th, 2026

9:15 Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship



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