

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

March 8, 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	Kyla Keys & Clay Hickman
Welcome / Announcements	Rev. Laura Guy
Call to Worship	Jan Howard
<i>Lord, we hear you say "follow me," but we have fishing nets that need our attention. We have work to do and meetings to attend and shows to watch. Maybe we will follow you if we can find the time in our busy lives.</i>	
<i>Lord, we hear you say, "I will make you fishers of people," and so we decide to drop our nets and follow you along the highways and byways, finding those without hope.</i>	
<i>Lord, make us your disciples, so that we will love as you loved and serve as you served.</i>	
(*Denotes please rise in body or spirit.)	
*Hymn of Praise	How Majestic is Your Name #63
Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Laura Guy
Silent Prayer	
Lord's Prayer	('Debts' and 'Debtors' version)
Gloria Patri	#36
Greeting Time - <i>Greet new friends near you with a smile and wave and tell them your name. For old friends, share a handshake or hug, if you like. (Children may go to Children's Church)</i>	
Scripture	Matt 10:2-4; Mark 2:13-17 Jan Howard
Worship Hymn	Precious Lord, Take My Hand #628
Sermon	Matthew & Simon Rev. Laura Guy
Hymn Of Response	Softly and Tenderly #340
Communion Meditation	Rev. Laura Guy

Communion Prayer

Elder Susie Clower

(Cheryl Lewis, Argel & Cheryl Merideth, Greg Atkins *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 Susie Clower
Special Music	There is a Fountain Stephen Cornwell
*Doxology	#46
*Offering Prayer	Elder Susie Clower
*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	Create in Me a Clean Heart #CP91
Benediction	Rev. Laura Guy
Postlude	Steven Cornwell

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in memory of Lillie Ferril

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Sign up for our newsletter <https://bit.ly/3ZeXsDx>

ELDER FOR THE WEEK

Susie Clower: clowsk@gmail.com, 816-679-7391

PASTOR LAURA GUY

Pastor Laura's office hours vary each week depending on her schedule. She's happy to meet with you. Please make an appointment so she is sure to be in the office. 913-515-3720, laura.guy@smithvillefirstchristian.org

Scripture Reading

GROW READ IMAGINE PRAY

Matt 10:2-4, Mark 2:13-17, NIV

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

Once again Jesus went out beside the lake. A large crowd came to him, and he began to teach them. As he walked along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax collector's booth. "Follow me," Jesus told him, and Levi got up and followed him.

While Jesus was having dinner at Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were eating with him and his disciples, for there were many who followed him. When the teachers of the law who were Pharisees saw him eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they asked his disciples: "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

On hearing this, Jesus said to them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

DAILY DEVOTIONAL READINGS: Mar 1-Mar 7

Monday: Psalm 81; Genesis 24:1-27; 2 John 1:1-13
Tuesday: Psalm 81; Genesis 29:1-14; 1 Cor 10:1-4
Wednesday: Psalm 81; Jer 2:4-13; John 7:14-31, 37-39
Thursday: Psalm 23; 1 Sam 15:10-21; Ephesians 4:25-32
Friday: Psalm 23; 1 Samuel 15:22-31; Ephesians 5:1-9
Saturday: Psalm 23; 1 Samuel 15:32-34; John 1:1-9



WORSHIP SCHEDULE: SUNDAY, March 15, 2026

Pulpit: Rev. Laura Guy
Elder: Greg Atkins
Lay Leader: Cheryl Merideth
Greeters: Janice Roberts, Mary Gordon
Prep & Serve: Sue Boswell and Belinda Miller
Serve & Clean-up: Jack Massie Larson Viebrock
Cash Counter: Phil French
Acolyte(s): Brinley & Beckett Milne
Nursery: Linda Prout
(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

🙏 Neighbors & Friends' Health 🙏 Debbie Bennet, Kathy Hamilton's Friend 🙏 Shannon (Atkins) Lo Pizzo fell and broke two ribs and her ankle 🙏 Jay Hixson health (Polly McCann's family) 🙏 Military and their families

Ongoing Prayers: 🙏 Pam & Perry Winn 🙏 Bud Morton 🙏 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

Send praises or prayer concerns to our online form or the prayer box in the back of the sanctuary. Our Pastor, and Elders will be happy to pray for your needs.
<https://bit.ly/3WIOXyf>



ANNOUNCEMENTS (Full List on our Website)

Bread and Broth This Wednesday, 5:30 pm

We will meet during Lent on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7 pm for a meal and a time of study. Polly McCann will have a lesson and activities for children, Cara Massie will lead a youth study.

Easter Lily Orders Due Today March 8

Order them in memory or in honor; (6 inch pot) Easter lily is \$13.75. Order Forms are in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Susie Clower with questions.

Love to Sing? Special Choir for Easter & Lent

Rehearsal for choir will be Wed, March 18th & 25th after Bread and Broth and Wed, April 1 at 6 pm. We will sing on Palm Sunday, Good Friday & Easter.

Ramadan Friendship Meal Next Sunday March 15th 6:30 pm

Our Turkish friends from the Dialogue Institute will give a presentation and share a traditional Turkish meal. (Our

Fellowship Dinner: March 22nd

Fellowship Dinner is March 22nd after the service. Bring a dish or side to share in our monthly Potluck right after the 10:30 service.

Donate Candy to our Egg Hunt: by March 25

Annual Potluck Easter Brunch 9:00 AM then our Easter Egg Hunt 10 AM, followed by the Easter Service at 10:30 AM. Please donate candy to the box in the Fellowship Hall by March 25th.

Good Friday Service: April 3rd, 7 pm.

You are invited to a Good Friday Easter Service Friday Evening, April 3rd at 7 pm. The Special Choir will perform.

Thinking About Getting Baptized? April 5th

Easter is the perfect day to enter the waters of new life! Contact Pastor Laura to learn more.

THIS WEEK AT SFCC

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

Sun, Mar 8

- 9:15 AM - Koinonia Sunday School (Parlor)
- 10:00 AM - Fellowship Coffee & Donuts (FH)
- 10:30 AM - Worship Service
- 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM Boy Scout Meeting

Mon, Mar 9

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

Tue, Mar 10

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

Wed, Mar 11

- 9:30 AM - Yoga (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30 PM - Bread & Broth + Study Adults, Kids, Youth

Thurs, Mar 12

- 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Threads of Faith
- 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM Girl Scouts
- 6:00 PM - AA 12- Step
- 6:00 PM - Bible Study (Zoom)

Fri, Mar 13

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

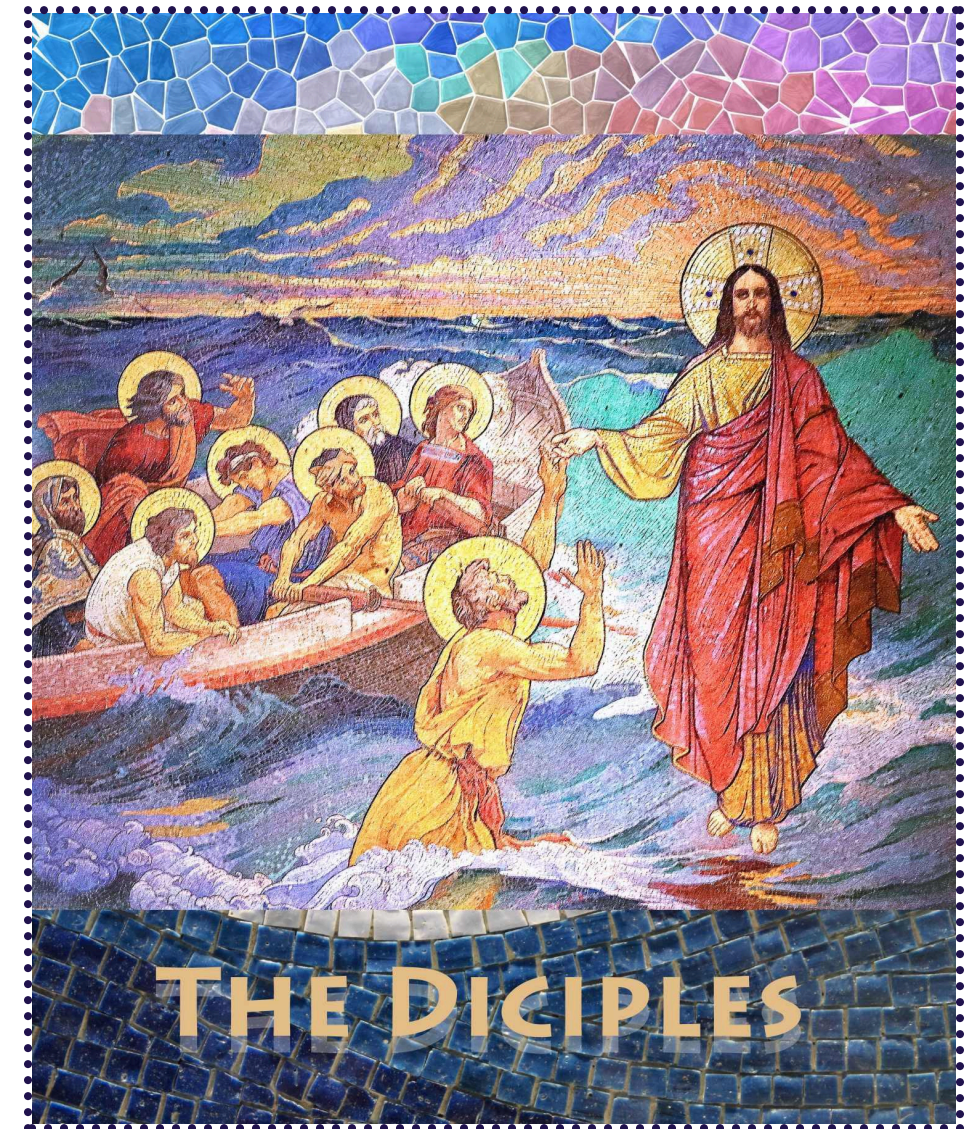
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The Disciples: Matthew & Simon

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