

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

**April 27, 2025
9:15 am - Adult Sunday School
10:00 am - Coffee/Donuts Fellowship
10:30 am - Worship Service**

Please sign in on 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 Keaton & Case Crosby
Greeting / Announcements Pastor Laura Guy
Call to Worship (Psalm 18:1-2) Stacey Sapp

I love you, Lord, my strength. The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

*Hymn of Praise #284 Gather Us In vs. 1,2,4
Pastoral Prayer Pastor Laura Guy
Silent Prayer
Lord's Prayer (Using "Debts")
*Gloria Patri #36

Children are dismissed for Worship and Wonder

Scripture Acts 20:7-12 Stacey Sapp
Worship Hymn #349 My Jesus, I Love Thee
Sermon "The Killer Sermon" Pastor Laura Guy

Hymn of Response #CP32 Celebrate the Lord of Love (2x)
Communion Meditation & Words of Institution Pastor Laura
Communion Prayer Elder Jennifer Schoonover

(Becky Crosby, Belinda Miller, Scott Schoonover, and Angie Viebrock, please come forward to serve Communion)

Communion: We practice Open Communion at Christ'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
Offering Special Music One Spirit of Love
*Doxology #46
*Offering Prayer Elder Jennifer Schoonover
*A Time of Invitation Pastor 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 #276 We Gather Together
Benediction Pastor Laura Guy
Postlude Steven Cornwell

Our Memorial Book is open today in memory of
Hazel Williams

Praise & Prayer Request Form

<https://bit.ly/3WIOXyf> - Please submit your praise or prayer requests to our new form. Our Pastor, and Elders will monitor the form for submissions.



Giving/Tithing to the Church:

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Grow Read Imagine Pray

Acts 20:7-12

Eutychus Raised From the Dead at Troas

7 On the first day of the week we came together to break bread. Paul spoke to the people and, because he intended to leave the next day, kept on talking until midnight. 8 There were many lamps in the upstairs room where we were meeting. 9 Seated in a window was a young man named Eutychus, who was sinking into a deep sleep as Paul talked on and on. When he was sound asleep, he fell to the ground from the third story and was picked up dead. 10 Paul went down, threw himself on the young man and put his arms around him. "Don't be alarmed," he said. "He's alive!" 11 Then he went upstairs again and broke bread and ate. After talking until daylight, he left. 12 The people took the young man home alive and were greatly comforted.

Daily Devotional Readings:

Monday, April 28: Psalm 122; Esther 7:1-10; Revelation 1:9-20;
Tuesday, April 29: Psalm 122; Esther 8:1-17; Revelation 2:8-11;
Wednesday, April 30: Psalm 122; Esther 9:1-5, 18-23; Luke 12:4-12;
Thursday, May 01: Psalm 30; Isaiah 5:11-17; Revelation 3:14-22;
Friday, May 02: Psalm 30; Isaiah 6:1-4; Revelation 4:1-11;
Saturday, May 03: Psalm 30; Genesis 18:1-8; Luke 14:12-14;

Opportunities for Service & Outreach this week:

- Donate food to the Food Pantry or Blessing Box.
- Care Connection Volunteers - Contact lneer23@gmail.com
- Hospitality Task Force - Contact Pastor Laura Guy

Youth Registration

<https://smithvillefirstchristian.org/youth-registration-form/>

- Children's Church
- The Nursery & Youth Group

Worship Schedule – Sunday, May 4, 2025

Elder – Greg Atkins **Lay Leader** - Rob Guy
Prep & Serve – Becky Crosby & Susie Clower
Serve & Clean-up – Sandra Matthews & John Matthews
Greeters – Bob Arnold & Barbara Arnold
Cash Counter – Phil French **Nursery** - Ruth Anne Porter
Acolyte(s) – Lincoln Viebrock & Hudson Wolfe



(If you are unable to serve, please find a replacement and update the office by Thursday.) The Volunteer List can be viewed online by scanning this QR code or going to <https://bit.ly/3CWjFO0>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Full List on our Website)

smithvillefirstchristian.org/connect-with-us/announcements-events/

New Office hours

Monday - Thursday - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm (lunch break from 12 - 12:30 pm). Friday - Closed

Food Pantry

For April, looking for donations of Hamburger Helper. Donations can be dropped off at the church: **Mon. - Thurs. 8 AM - 4 PM.** The food pantry is open to anyone in the community: **Tuesdays from 8:30 - 11 AM**

Hospitality Task Force: Monday May, 5th

Monday, May 5th is the first meeting of the Hospitality Task Force. Since it's Cinco de Mayo, we're going to meet at 6 pm and enjoy a nacho bar. If you'd like to join in our work, let Pastor Laura know.

Scholarships

Apply for the First Christian Church Scholarship and the Margaret Wilson Miller and David Rader Miller Scholarship Funds for undergraduate students only. Applicants must be members of the First Christian Church. Submit by Friday, 5/2/25. <https://smithvillefirstchristian.org/scholarships/>

Sunday, May 4th: Pastor Laura's Installation Service

Please join us for Pastor Laura's Installation Service during Worship Service on Sunday, May 4 at 10:30 am. We'll have guests from the Regional Office. After Service we'll have cake!

Saturday, May 10th: Turkish Food Festival

Saturday, May 10th is a Turkish Food Festival at The Dialogue Institute. Several of us attended the Ramadan Dinner with them last month, and this festival is another opportunity to share some delicious food with our Muslim friends. This is a fundraiser, so the food is available for purchase. It's an outdoor event at their location, 4215 Shawnee Drive, Kansas City, KS.

Sunday, May 11th is Mother's Day

Pastor Laura will make a special effort to honor all women in that service, whether they are mothers or not. There are many ways that women can nurture us and support us, and we'll celebrate all those special women - aunts, teachers, grandmothers, neighbors - and have a gift for all of them.

Sunday, May 18 is Graduation Sunday

Pastor Laura will be out of town for her niece's wedding, but Stacey Sapp, Johnny Viebrock and Cara Massie will honor our graduates in worship that day.

Woman Together: Sunday, June 1st at 5 PM

We are going to launch a new women's ministry - Women Together (until we come up with a better name). We recognized a need for women to have opportunities for fellowship and friendship, so we're creating monthly get-togethers or outings for any women in the church who are able to attend. Our first get-together will be at the home of Jonica Merritt on Sunday, June 1st at 5 pm. She will have a fun craft for us to try, and then we will roast hot dogs and marshmallows around the fire pit.

This Week @ FCC Smithville

Sunday, April 27

9:15 AM – Adult Sunday School
10:00 AM - Fellowship Coffee & Donuts
10:30 AM - Worship Service

Monday, April 28

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, April 29

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

Wednesday, April 30

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

Thursday, May 1

9:00 AM - Threads of Faith
5:30 PM - Girl Scouts (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 PM - AA (Downstairs)

Friday, May 2

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

Sunday, May 4

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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April 27th, 2025

10:30 AM Worship

Worship Live-Stream found at:

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