

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
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OF SMITHVILLE, MISSOURI
816-532-0773
www.smithvillefirstchristian.org

May 4, 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	Lincoln Viebrock
Greeting / Announcements	Pastor Laura Guy
Call to Worship (Psalm 118:21-24)	Rob Guy

I will praise You, For You have answered me, And have become my salvation. The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This was the Lord's doing; It is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day the Lord has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.

*Hymn of Praise	#2 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee, 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	Matthew 28:16-20	Rob Guy
Worship Hymn	#CP9 New Song (Number 40)	
Sermon	"The State of the Church"	
	The Disciples in U.S. and Canada	Rev. Ron Routledge Interim Regional Minister of Greater Kansas City
	The Greater KC Region	Rev. Amy Shoemaker Associate Regional Minister for New Church

Smithville First Christian Church Rev. Laura Guy

Hymn of Response	#CP151 One Spirit of Love
Communion Meditation & Words of Institution	Pastor Laura
Communion Prayer	Elder Greg Atkins
<i>(Becky Crosby, Susie Clower, Sandra Matthews & John Matthews, please come forward to serve Communion)</i>	

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.

Communion Special Music	Invitation Fountain Cliff and Jennifer Hall
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Invitation to Stewardship	Elder Greg Atkins
*Doxology	#46
*Offering Prayer	Elder Greg Atkins
The Installation of Rev. Laura Guy	<i>(please see insert)</i>

*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	#357 We Call Ourselves Disciples, vs 1, 2, 5
Benediction	Pastor Laura Guy
Postlude	Steven Cornwell

Our Memorial Book is open today in memory of
Jemell & Pearl Denney

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:

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/>



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Matthew 28:16-20 The Great Commission

16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. 17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. 18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Daily Devotional Readings:

Monday, May 05: Psalm 121; Ezekiel 1:1-25; Acts 9:19b-31;
Tuesday, May 06: Psalm 121; Ezekiel 1:26-2:1; Acts 26:1-18;
Wednesday, May 07: Psalm 121; Isaiah 6:1-8; Luke 5:1-11;
Thursday, May 08: Psalm 23; Ezekiel 11:1-25; Revelation 5:1-10;
Friday, May 09: Psalm 23; Ezekiel 20:39-44; Revelation 6:1-7:4;
Saturday, May 10: Psalm 23; Ezekiel 28:25-26; Luke 12:29-32;

Opportunities for Service & Outreach this week:

- Donate food to the Food Pantry or Blessing Box.
- Care Connection Volunteers - Contact lineer23@gmail.com
- Hospitality Task Force - Contact Pastor Laura Guy

Youth Registration

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

- Children's Church
- The Nursery & Youth Group

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Pastor Rev. Laura Guy: 913-515-3720,
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Elder for the week is Greg Atkins
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Worship Schedule – Sunday, May 11, 2025

Elder – Cara Massie

Lay Leader - Susie Clower

Prep & Serve – Janice Roberts & Kathy Hamilton

Serve & Clean-up – Danny Heath & Amy Heath

Greeters – Charles Porter & Ruth Anne Porter

Cash Counter – Susie Clower

Nursery - Joyce French

Acolyte(s) –



(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/](https://www.smithvillefirstchristian.org/connect-with-us/announcements-events/)

New Office hours

Mon. - Thurs. - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm (lunch break from 12 - 12:30 pm)

Food Pantry

For May, 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.

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.

Coffee with the Pastor - Tuesday, May 13 at 6 PM

If you're relatively new here, come hang out with Pastor Laura and learn more about our denomination, our church and her own story and theology. Ask any questions you like! Premium decaf coffee, iced tea and desserts will be served.

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. 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, May 4

9:15 AM – Adult Sunday School

10:00 AM - Fellowship Coffee & Donuts

10:30 AM - Worship Service

Monday, May 5

9:30 AM – Yoga (Fellowship Hall)

11:00 AM – Writers Group (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, May 6

8:30 AM - 11:00 AM – Food Pantry (Basement)

6:00 PM - AA (Basement)

6:00 PM – Al-Anon (Upstairs Classroom)

6:30 PM - Girl Scout Leader

Wednesday, May 7

9:30 AM - Yoga (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 PM - Zoom Bible Study

Thursday, May 8

9:00 AM - Threads of Faith

6:00 PM - AA (Downstairs)

Friday, May 9

9:30 AM – Yoga (Fellowship Hall)

10:30 AM - Yoga Tea Party (Fellowship Hall)

12:00 PM – Al-Anon (Upstairs Classroom)

5:00 PM - Boy Scouts Micosay Retreat (Basement)

Sunday, May 11

9:15 AM – Adult Sunday School (Upstairs)

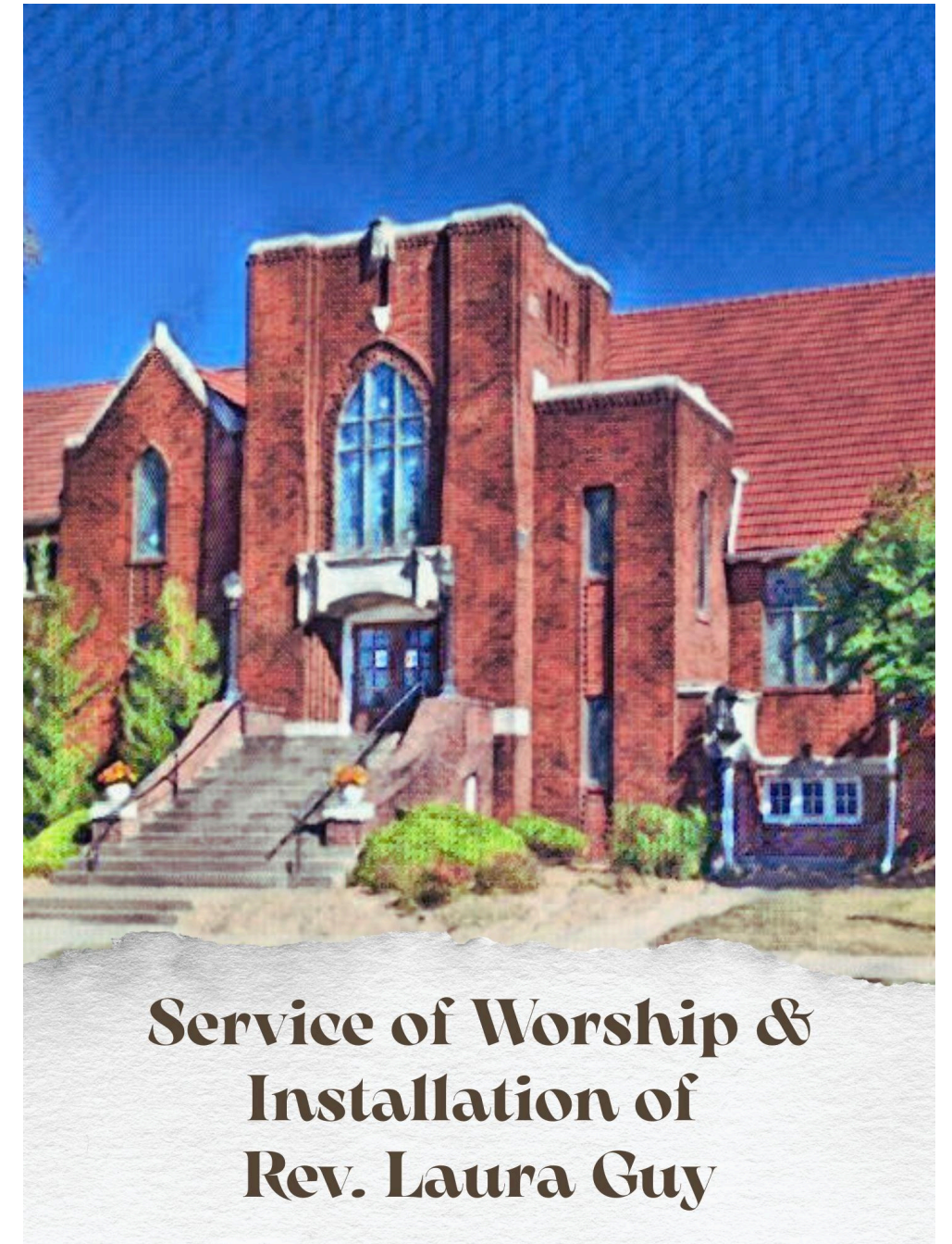
10:00 AM - Fellowship Coffee & Donuts (Fellowship Hall)

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

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Service of Worship & Installation of Rev. Laura Guy



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10:30 AM Worship

Worship Live-Stream found at:

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