

Opening Song

"All My Hope"

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the candles & bringing in the elements

✠ Praise Song

"I Give You My Heart"

✠ Call to Worship & Unison Prayer

Praise Song

"Better Is One Day"

Children's Time

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

#97 vs 1,3

Scripture

John 17:1-11

#106

Sermon

"Be One"

Hymn

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing" *#90 vs 1,2*

Offering and Communion Invitation/Prayer

Communion Hymn

"We Come as Guests Invited " *#386 vs 1,2*

Words of Institution

✠ Blessing

Extinguish candles & take the light out into the world

✠ Closing Song

"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

#431 vs 2

Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus prayed for his disciples, committing them to God's care.

People: Jesus prays for us, entrusting us in God's care.

Leader: We are blessed with the love of the Savior.

People: We live in that love and serve God.

Leader: Open your hearts to hear God's word.

People: May our lives reflect God's love.

Unison Prayer

Holy Father, we come together in the name of Jesus, recognizing that the hour is here to glorify Your Son, so that the Son may glorify You.

Thank you for the gift of eternal life—that we may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

As Jesus finished the work You gave Him on earth, we ask for the grace to continue that work. We belong to You, and we ask that You keep us in Your name, which You have given to us.

We pray for unity—that we may be one, just as You and the Son are one.

Protect us in the world, that our lives may bear witness to the truth. May all we do bring glory to You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

✠ - **Indicates to stand if you are able.**

Here at First Christian Church, we practice an open Communion Table where everyone is welcome. Please come forward to receive your communion elements. Upon return to your seat we will partake of the Lord's Supper together.

Please sign the pew register, pass it to your neighbor and return it to the center aisle.

Bibles and Hymnals are in the pew racks.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday, May 18th: Looms of Love 1-3pm.

Tuesday, May 19th: Scouts 6-7pm.

Wednesday, May 20th: Bible Study 6pm?

Thursday, May 21st: CWF at 9:30am at church.
All Ladies Welcome.



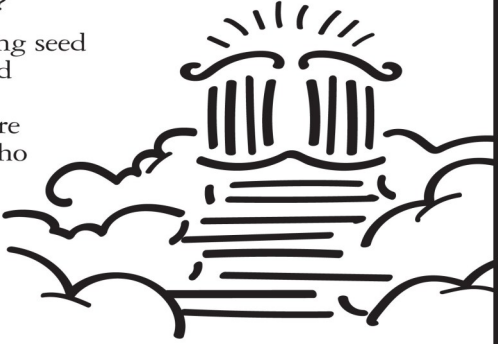
Congratulations to the 2026 Graduates!

If you have or know of a graduate in our church family, please let the church office know.

?? ? **Bible Quiz** ? ?

In Matthew 13, to what does Jesus compare the kingdom of heaven?

- A. A farmer sowing seed
- B. A mustard seed
- C. Yeast
- D. Hidden treasure
- E. A merchant who finds a pearl
- F. A fishing net
- G. All of the above



Answer: G (See Matthew 13:24-51.)

May 17, 2026
Pastor Alan Berneman
Sermon: Be One



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