

Opening Song

"If We're Honest"

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the candles & bringing in the elements

Praise Song

"Change My Heart, O God"

Call to Worship & Unison Prayer

Praise Song

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

Children's Time

Special Guest—Will Edgar

**"Down to the River to Pray",
arranged by Mary McDonald**

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn

"Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove"
#248 vs 1&3

Scripture

Matthew 13:24-30,36-43 #13-14

Sermon

"Seeds & Weeds"

Hymn

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God" #254

Offering and Communion Invitation/Prayer

Communion Hymn

"We Sing Your Mighty Power, O God"
#64

Words of Institution

Blessing

Extinguish candles & take the light out into the world

Closing Song **"Go, My Children, with My Blessing"**

#431 v 2

Call to Worship:

Leader: Though there is strife in the world.

People: Yet will we seek God.

Leader: : When our hearts grow heavy and the burdens
are overbearing,

People: We will turn to the Lord.

Leader: : God is with us in all things.

**People: We can place our trust in the God of love
and hope.**

Unison Prayer

**"Heavenly Father, thank You for Your word and
for planting us in Your field. As we reflect on
Matthew 13:24-30, grant us the wisdom to
understand Your teachings. In a world filled
with both good and evil, give us the patience
and trust to leave ultimate judgment in Your
hands. Help us to focus on growing as Your
wheat, bearing good fruit, and resting in the
assurance that You are the Lord of the harvest.
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 INFORMATION:

**Sunday, July 19th: Spaghetti Luncheon IS
CANCELLED!! Prayers for Joyce Guthrie.**

***The Sunday Bulletin is posted to the website under
Newsletters & Bulletins.**

Please sign the attendance slips



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July 19, 2026 Pastor Alan Berneman Seeds & Weeds

As for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it. He indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty." -Matthew 13:23 ESV



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