

**Service of Worship
June 2, 2024 | 10AM**



**First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Wilson, NC**

First Christian Church at Worship

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† At this sign you are invited to rise in body or spirit.

CH indicates Chalice Hymnal (red hymn book)

CP indicates Chalice Praise (purple hymn book)

Gathering in Spirit

Welcome and Announcements

Theresa Mathis

Chiming of the Trinity

Sharing the Light of Christ

Prelude

Hallelujah by Joel Raney

Chalice Ringers

†Call To Worship

Alysun Skinner

Leader: Come and worship, all you who love and serve the Lord—

**All: outsiders and insiders, old-timers and newcomers,
the young, old and the in-between.**

Leader: Come as you are, for this is God's house—

**All: a house of prayer for all people,
and God welcomes each one who comes.**

†Opening Hymn of Praise

Holy, Holy, Holy

CH #4

vs1—Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

vs 2—Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee;
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
god ever living, through eternity.

vs. 3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
through the sinful human eye thy glory may not see;
only though art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love, and purity.

vs 4—Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty;
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

† Praying Together

led by Alysun Skinner

**Come, Lord, come down, come in, come among us.
Enter into our darkness with your light.
Come fill our emptiness with your presence.
Dispel the clouds and reveal your glory.
Come refresh, renew, restore us.
Come Lord, come down, come in, come among us. Amen.**

Children's Moment

Rev. Scott Schieber

(Following the children's moment, children pre K—3rd grade are welcome to grab a Children's Worship Bag and remain in worship.)

Prayer Concerns

Beth Williams

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Schieber

Hymn of Unity

Make Us One

CP #82

Make us one, Lord, make us one;
Holy Spirit, make us one.
Let your love flow so the world will know
we are one in you. (repeat)

Scripture

Mark 2:23-3:6

Alysun Skinner

Sermon

Let Love In

Rev. Schieber

Hymn of Response

On the Sabbath Day of Rest

TUNE: ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

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On the Sabbath day of rest Jesus broke the law and healed.
Those in pain, he touched and blessed; through him wholeness was revealed.
Citing what the law entails, righteous leaders called him "fraud."
Jesus taught that love prevails; healing is the work of God.

At the margins of belief, out of legal order's sight,
to the people veiled in grief Jesus shines a healing light.
Rulers meet the dazzling blaze, Close their eyes and turn in shame
as the lowly stand and gaze Into Christ's life-giving flame.

God, within these shadow lands, governed by the law of fear,
Let our weary, stubborn hands work your justice, even here.
Pour through this abysmal deep brilliant light in shimm'ring streams.
Wake us from our shallow sleep into grace beyond our dreams.

Invitation to Offering Rev. Schieber

Offertory ***Great Is Thy Faithfulness*** Chalice Ringers
arr. Cathy Moglebust

†Doxology TUNE: LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

†Blessing the Gifts Rev. Schieber

Invitation to Communion Rev. Schieber

Communion Prayer Beth Williams

Serving the Sacraments

*(The Bread and the Cup will be served to you in the pews.
We will take them together when the Minister speaks the Words of Institution)*

Music for Communion ***Crowded Table*** by The Highwomen Encounter

Words of Institution Rev. Schieber

†The Lord's Prayer led by Rev. Schieber

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

†Hymn of Sending Forth ***Shout to the Lord*** CP #35

My Jesus, My Savior, Lord, there is none like you.
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love.

My comfort, my shelter, tower of refuge and strength,
let every breath, all that I am never cease to worship you.

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down, and the seas will roar at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands; forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

†Benediction

Rev. Schieber

Postlude

Casey Childers, organ

Toccata in F major by Dieterich Buxtehude

Postlude Etiquette—As worship ends, it's not necessary for you to sit and listen to the postlude, but please be respectful of those who do care to enjoy it.

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In Our Prayers

Vickie Balazsi (Kathy Sandifer's cousin); Jim Boswell; Donahue Bottoms, Jr. (Dalen Bottoms' son); Mia Brunette (daughter of Jennifer Brow); Victoria Burns (Friend of Sue Ray); Bobbie Deans; Norma Faye Etheridge; Mary Louise Gray; Nell Griffin; Elaine Hanna; Janet Harris (Laura Pritchett's aunt; Anita Hathorn (Laura Pritchett's aunt); Shirley Hayes (Kathy Proctor's stepmother); Camryn Jefferson (Wimpy Jefferson's grand-daughter); Kay (Stephanie Pridgen's aunt); Lynn Kyle (friend of Libby & Allan Daniell); Jack Ludlam (William Wooten's Brother-in-law); LaRue Massey (Kathy Sandifer's friend); Evelyn Meyer; Larry Mitchell (Gilda Cauley's friend); JoJo Near; Doris Peele; Janet Robbins; Troy and Leigh Ann Tatum.

Homebound

Jim Boswell; Dalen Bottoms; Sherry Brenner; Hazel Byers; Gena Carter; Gilbert Ferrell; Judy Harris; Doug Ramsey; Anne Sharpe; Lenore Smith; Kathleen Ujlaki; A.J. Walston.

(If you have prayer requests, you may fill out a prayer request card, located in the pew racks, and place it in the offering plate. They will be collected and given to the Elders.)

Church Calendar

Sunday, June 2

- 10:00am Worship
11:15am Disciples Class
12:00pm Wilson Pride Festival Faith Gathering at Whirligig Park

Tuesday June 4

- 10:30am Staff Meeting
6:30-7:30pm Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, June 9

- 10:00am Worship
12:00pm Pot Luck Lunch hosted by the Compassion and Service Team

Rev. Schieber will be on vacation from June 12 thru June 27.

Filling in at the pulpit will be Bobby White on June 16 and Mike McHarg on June 23.

Visiting? Welcome!



We are an open and inclusive Disciples of Christ congregation who welcomes all to God's table and service. Let us know you are with us! We will hopefully get a connection card to you, but if we miss you, they are located in the back of the church! Also, feel free to scan the QR code and share info there. We love saying 'welcome' around here!

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