

Service of Worship
June 16, 2024 | 10AM
Father's Day



First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Wilson, NC

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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)

Welcome and Announcements

Theresa Mathis

Chiming of the Trinity

Sharing the Light of Christ

Kaitlyn Henderson, Acolyte

Prelude

Casey Childers, organ

Hyfrydol sur la Canarie by Kristina Rizotto

†Call To Worship

Tish Scott

Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, our God,
who loves us with an everlasting love,

**All: as a father loves his children; who gathers
us together from the north and the south,
the east and the west;**

Leader: who leads us beside quiet streams,

All: and shows us the way we should go.

†Opening Hymn of Praise

Morning Has Broken

CH #53

Morning has broken like the first morning,

Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.

Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!

Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall sunlit from heaven,

Like the first dewfall on the first grass.

Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,

Sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning

born of the one light Eden saw play!

Praise with elation, praise every morning,

God's recreation of the new day!

†Praying Together led by Tish Scott

Heavenly Father, we gather this morning with those who love you, that we might sing your praises and share our love with one another. You have shown our faithfulness to us everyday in ways that we do not always recognize, so we gather today in order to thank you for your constant care for us. Help us to entrust our lives to you and your purposes. Amen.

Children's Moment Jeannette Etheridge

Following the children's moment, children are welcome to grab a Children's Worship Bag and remain in worship. Children's Sunday School will resume after Labor Day.

Prayer Concerns Alysun Skinner

Pastoral Prayer Carol Steffa

Music for Meditation Casey Childers, organ

My Shepherd, You Supply My Need by Kristina Rizotto

Scripture John 15:12-17 Tish Scott

Sermon Rev. Bobby White

Hymn of Response ***This is My Father's World*** CH #59

This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears,
all Nature sings and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world; I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; God's hands the wonders wrought.
This is my Father's world; the birds their carols raise,
the morning light, the flowers bright, declare their Makers praise.
Our God has made this world and shines in all that's fair;
in rustling grass I hear God pass, who speaks to me everywhere.
Our God has made this world; oh, let us ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
God trusts us with this world, to keep it clean and fair.
All earth and trees, the skies and seas, God's creatures everywhere.

Invitation to Offering Carol Steffa

Offertory Casey Childers, organ

Lobt Gott den Herrnn, ihr Heiden all arr. Kristina Rizotto

†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 Carol Steffa

Invitation to Communion Carol Steffa

Communion Prayer Alysun Skinner

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 Casey Childers, organ

Words of Institution Carol Steffa

†The Lord's Prayer led by Carol Steffa

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 ***When, in Awe of God's Creation*** CH #688

When, in awe of God's creation, we view earth from outer space,
This mysterious, floating marble strewn with clouds and bathed in grace,
How can we not pause in wonder, seeing earth as one and whole?
As we heal our proud divisions, may earth's healing be our goal.

Blue and tan, with lace clouds swirling, flung in space and circling there,
Habitat for myriad creatures meant for land and sea and air!
Must we draw our lines of hatred marking nation, class, and race?

God, forgive us, we entreat you, for all pride of self and place.

Living now, this is the picture we no longer can deny,
for we see no angry boundaries when our view is from the sky:
rivers, deserts, forests, snowfields, oceans, lakes, and mountains too,
but no fences built for barring you from me or me from you.

Now we face the unknown future, challenged by the work at hand.

Still the God of all creation summons us with one command:
“Love each other!” Will we do it? “Love each other!” Wars might cease!
“Love each other!” Justice follows: “Love each other!” There is peace!

†Benediction

Carol Steffa

Postlude

Casey Childers, organ

Toccata on Lasst uns Erfruen arr. Kristina Rizo

*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; 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 granddaughter); 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; Jo Shackelford; Ronnie Dickens

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 16

10:00am Worship

11:15am Disciples Class

Monday, June 17

8:00am-3:00pm Camp Sunshine

10:30am Mobile Music Ministry with Gilbert Ferrell

Tuesday June 18

8:00am-3:00pm Camp Sunshine

Wednesday June 19

8:00am-3:00pm Camp Sunshine

11:30am Young At Heart at Something Different

Thursday June 20

8:00am-3:00pm Camp Sunshine

Friday, June 21

8:00am-3:00pm Camp Sunshine

Rev. Schieber will be on vacation from June 12 thru June 27. Our guest ministers during that time will be Bobby White on June 16 and Mike McHarg on June 23.

Father's Day Flowers

The flowers for the service today are given to the glory of God and in remembrance of L.G. Etheridge by Jeannette and Glenn Etheridge and Ira P. Norfolk by his five children Ronnie, Jeannette, Lynne, Craig and Allen.

Let's Celebrate Christy's June 18th Birthday With Bucks For Backpacks

The goal is 530 backpacks - 10 for each of Christy's 53 years in this beautiful world!

*A gift of \$25 will provide one backpack and all the supplies
a disadvantaged child will need to kick off the 2024-25 school year just right.*

FCC is accepting donations in any amount through Sunday, June 23.

*Enter **FOR CHRISTY'S BACKPACKS** on your check or in the online giving tool.*

Happy Birthday, Christy!

SUMMER FOOD DRIVE

Let's give **Hope Station, the Soup Kitchen, & CHEW** a boost this summer!

Food and Monetary donations are equally WELCOME!

Remember to enter **SUMMER FOOD DRIVE** in the memo field
on your check or in the online giving tool.

Most Needed Food Items:

**canned tuna or chicken peanut butter healthy cereal oatmeal
applesauce canned fruit in natural juice 100% fruit juices rice
canned vegetables(including low salt) dried beans canned beans
spaghetti sauce plain pastas & noodles(including whole wheat)
pudding cups with milk listed as the first ingredient
salt free foods gluten free foods sugar free foods**

Place items in the wagons in the narthex or the education building.

Help & Hope Are Ours To Give!

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Composer Spotlight for June 16 | Kristina Rizzotto

For the month of June, we continue lifting up impactful sacred music composers in our LGBTQ+ community. Today I am humbled to feature the organ works of a dear friend of mine, Kristina Rizzotto. Kristina and I were in the organ studio at East Carolina University together gaining our master's degrees. I humbly share her works today, although I can assure you, she plays them better!

Dr. Kristina Rizzotto has played concerts in Argentina, Brazil, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, and in 21 American states. Highlights include Rīga Dom Cathedral and Liepāja's Holy Trinity Cathedral in Latvia; Pelplin Cathedral International Organ Festival in Poland; Piccolo Spoleto Festival in Charleston; Christopher Summer Festival in Vilnius, Lithuania; Basilica of the Blessed Sacrament in Buenos Aires; Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Denver; Anchorage Lutheran Church in Alaska; and the American Guild of Organists' OrganFest 2021 at the Cathedral of Saint Paul in Minnesota.

Dr. Rizzotto was named a member of The Diapason's 20 Under 30, which recognizes young leaders in the fields of organ, harpsichord, carillon, and church music. She is the Director of Music at Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church in Minneapolis. Dr. Rizzotto is also a self-published composer for organ, choir, and piano, with emphasis in sacred repertoire for religious services. All her compositions are available for download here and she is open for commissions. She was previously the organist at the Benedictine Abbey of Rio de Janeiro, built in 1590 and home of one of the oldest organs in South America, from 1773.

Dr. Rizzotto's YouTube channel features 350+ organ, piano, and choral recordings which have been viewed over 2 million times.

Kristina holds a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Organ Performance from the University of Oklahoma, a Master of Music in Sacred Music and Organ Performance from East Carolina University, and a Bachelor's degree in Piano Performance from the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Magna cum Laude. She is grateful for the inspiration of her teachers and mentors, especially Miriam Grosman, Alexandre Rachid, Andrew Scanlon, Mark Taggart, and John Schwandt. Her doctoral dissertation was about the importance of music in the formation of the national identity of the Latvian people, focusing on organ compositions by Aivars Kalējs which represent the values and spirit of the Latvian heritage.

Kris and Dr. Clara Rizzotto married in Alaska in 2015 and are now the proud parents of three children.