First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
112 E. College St.
Georgetown, KY 40324

First Christian Church Outreach

Gathering Place Mission Collection
For the month of June we will be supporting an urgent need at the Gathering Place Mission. We will be collecting paper towels, toilet tissue, and all-purpose cleaner such as Fabuloso. Items can be donated in the bin outside of the gathering area, or checks can be made out to First Christian Church with Gathering Place on the memo line.

Open Table LGBTQ+ & Allies Support Group Summer Meetings
The Open Table group will move online for the summer months of June and July, meeting on the church Zoom on Sundays, June 28 & July 26 from 3:00-4:30. The group is open to other members of the community in addition to our congregation. If you have any questions, please contact Rev. Christy Messick at cmessick@christymessick.com.

Share the Harvest Produce Shuttle
If you have a driver's license and an hour to spare on any **Tuesday or Friday between 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.** you can do this! You will be helping our neighbors in need by delivering rescued excess produce from Evans Orchard. Volunteers will drive to Evans Orchard, pop their trunk for loading, and then shuttle donated produce to The Gathering Place . It's that simple! If you are interested, please click on the link https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D4AA8AB2EA4FB6-64462463-evans#/ to choose a date that will work for you. Questions? Call or text Judy Kushner at 859-351-7385 or email silkworm@judykushnerartdesigns.com.

Green Chalice Fellowship Update
Eli Simpson, our fellow for the Justice & Creation summer fellowship grant from Green Chalice, led an open meeting after worship on June 7 to share some of the project possibilities as well as hear ideas and input. Eli's work will continue through early August. Watch for regular ongoing updates in the weekly Connections e-mail, bulletin, and worship moments, including opportunities to be involved in the work!

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Monday-Thursday, July 20-23 from 5:30-7:30 pm.

Wake up those neurons, get those synapses flowing, and jump on the wavelength of God's love! This is #KidsConnect, an interactive Vacation Bible School where children ages pre-K through 5th grade use their brain power as they connect with Jesus, family, and friends of all ages! As children learn and create together, they will find a place of belonging, relate to trusted adults, make new friends, and follow Jesus' example of making room for all and loving one another. Key elements of faith formation found in #Kids Connect include: Relationship building, gathered worship, spiritual practices, centrality of the Bible story, wondering questions, discovery-based learning, a child-centered approach, and an invitation to grow in faith. We hope you will join us! All are welcome.

You can register your child here: https://tinyurl.com/29tjk2wn. If you have questions, you can contact Carly Dickinson at carly.dickinson@gmail.com or 315-420-2627.

OUR STAFF

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
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11:00 am – 3:30 pm
fccgeorgetown.org
502-863-2049

Please check the weekly mailchimp, the bulletins, and with the office for minister's schedules as they are subject to change weekly depending on the needs of the church. If you'd like to make an appointment please contact the church at 502-863-2049 or fccgeorgetown@bellsouth.net

Sunday Worship 11:00 am
Adult Sunday School 9:45 am

Kids, Youth, & Family Events

Summer Children, Youth, & Families Activities
While we take a break from Wednesday night programs and youth group for the summer, we can still get together and have fun! Save the date for the following summer events and watch for more details to come:
Tuesday, June 16 --middle and high school youth skating Night at Champs in Lexington
Wednesday, July 15- middle and high school youth -- LSC vs New Mexico United soccer game in Lexington
Wednesday, August 12-- all families back-to-school Meet Me at Suffoletta pool-- 5-7 pm

Sanctuary Changes for Grant Project
As part of our Children Here! Children There! Children Worship Everywhere! Lilly grant, our worship coordinator group (a working group of Congregational Wellness Ministry) has been hard at work planning and visioning for worship services and ways to intentionally include children. In keeping with the covenant and funds awarded for this grant, we have been discussing ways to modify our sanctuary to create a special worship space for our children. Many of the other 11 churches involved in the grant have begun creating these spaces utilizing best practices in intergenerational worship and child development. The outcomes of our grant project will be shared with churches across the country at the end of the 5-year grant period.
Our working group decided to move forward with removing three pews in the front of the sanctuary in order to make room for a floor worship space for our children, similar to what we use in our Children Worship & Wonder program. Worship & Wonder (and our new worship space) utilizes a framework that incorporates storytelling and materials in a developmentally appropriate way, designed to meet children where they are and to build on their already-existing relationship with God.
The new space is diagonal to the minister's pulpit, approximately 10x16 feet, and will include soft flooring to define the area, as well as some shelving, small individual rugs, and simple materials for the children to work with during the service. It is our goal that this is a beautiful, tidy, well-organized space that adds to the aesthetic of the sanctuary rather than taking anything away, and that this space will make participating in worship more meaningful for our children. We will begin using this space during the 5-week worship series this summer, starting June 14.
We have been inspired and encouraged by the congregation's embracing of these changes up to this point, but we also realize there are growing pains and some degree of trial and error with any change, especially when we are on the cutting edge of innovation. We appreciate ongoing feedback, questions, and concerns you may have as we continue to live more fully into our mission and vision of Intergenerational Faith Formation together.
Grace and Peace, Chris Cash-- Senior Minister
Carly Dickinson-- Children, Youth, & Families Director and Grant project Lay Leader

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Sacred Inklings Adult Sunday School Class
Sacred Inklings adult Sunday school class is beginning a new book study: I*nspired – Slaying Giants, Walking on Water and Loving the Bible Again* by Rachel Held Evans. New attendees are ALWAYS welcome, but the start of a new book is an especially good time to begin. In addition to the book study with lively and interesting discussion led by Willow Hambrick, Sacred Inklings offers warm fellowship and shared prayer support. The class starts at 9:45 a.m. in the chapel but many members come for coffee and conversation in the gathering area (just inside the Clinton Street door) from 9:15-9:45.

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Offerings & Outreach

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Needed Monthly	Received in May	General Budget YTD Income: $110,560.77
$25,517.83	$25,040.00	General Budget YTD Expenses: $111,478.40

Outreach Giving: Contributions collected as of May 31, 2026 for outreach giving are as follows:

Amen House: $2,233.50	Week of Compassion: $3,338.00
Blanket Sunday: $795.00	Kentucky Refugee Ministries: $100.00
Disciples Women's Fellowship Blessing Boxes: $290.00	DOC Pentecost Special Offering: $150.00
Disciples Women's Fellowship School Supplies: $405.00	

Electronic Giving Options
Recognizing that people handle their finances in variety of ways, there are a variety of ways you can give to FCC! You can always share cash or checks in the offering boxes on Sunday mornings or mail/drop off checks to the church office. Additionally, you can give digitally using these options:
· **Givelify App:** this secure giving app is downloadable for both Android & iPhones. You can find us on the app by searching "First Christian Church Georgetown" or if you're at the church, allowing the app to use your location will bring us up as the first choice of giving. You can also access through our website: www.fccgeorgetown.org.
· **Paypal**-: You can give to the church via Paypal by using fccgeorgetown@bellsouth.net to find us on the app
· **ACH Recurring Giving:** ACH donations are deducted automatically from your bank account the same time each month. These donations are set up by you on an annual basis and can be discontinued at any time. For more information, contact Teresa Buta, Administrator, at fccgeorgetown@bellsouth.net.
· **Online Bill Pay Gifts:** Many banks and financial institutions allow their members to process gifts electronically through their checking or savings account. These gifts may be one-time gifts or recurring according to your banks' system and regulations. If you have any questions about setting up giving in this way, please feel free to contact Teresa at fccgeorgetown@bellsouth.net.

PRAYER LIST

Jacque Hukill
Cecil Lewis
Fred Nippert
Diana Thomas
Betty & Rick Covington
Joyce Welch

FAMILY
Carmen Wagner (daughter of Jim & Rosalie Calloway)
Xander Willham (great-nephew of Wanda Ray)
Karen Trosper (mother of Adam Trosper)
Lisa Shackelford (cousin of Jerry Hamilton)
Dave Anderson (brother of Lauren Sellers)
Michael Curtsinger (father of Anna Jones)
Judy Curtsinger (mother of Anna Jones)
John Furlong (bother of Alison Fisher)
Brad Britt (father of Serena Culbertson & Keda Trosper)
Jarrod Messick (son of Mark & Kim Messick)
Sue Wilson (mother of Betty Covington)
Jimmy Paul Clark (cousin of Jean Hall)
David Gaddie (cousin of Pauline Kincaid)
Cheryl Johnson (mother of Christy Messick)

FRIENDS
BJ Litteral (of Molly Litteral-Lewis)

Kroger Rewards Code
You can support FCC through your Kroger Rewards. New enrollees will just enter code ED328 on your rewards account.

AMEN House/Blessing Box Collection- Sunday, July 5, 2026
For our monthly First Sunday Food Collection, both food items and monetary donations will be collected and blessed at the start of the worship service. All food items collected will be shared through our Blessing Box on College Street and monetary donations will be given to the AMEN House. We welcome all kinds of non-perishable food donations for the Blessing Box and items with pop-tops that do not require a microwave/stove to prepare can be especially helpful to some in our community. Sharing these resources helps address food insecurity here in Scott County. (Food items can also be donated throughout the month by placing them in the red wagon in the hall outside the chapel)

Disciples Women's Fellowship
DWF Meeting **June 15, at 5 PM** in the Gathering Area
Lesson: Just Women 2025: pg. 45 *Facing Selfish Truth* Romans 8:2-4
Service Project: Elizabeth Village – Monetary gifts or personal care items, dish soap, paper towels, toilet paper, trash bags, cleaning supplies

DWF Meeting **July 20, at 5 PM** in the Gathering Area
Lesson: Just Women 2025 :p49 *Women on Front Line* I Tim 2-4
Service project: Back Pack Sunday July 26 (open to congregation), backpacks for elementary children Backpacks for those unable to participate in Back-to - School Events and/or in need during the School Year. **Scott County Schools Resource Center distributes Back Packs and Supplies as needed.**
Greeting Card Support is in need of greeting cards with messages and blank and Forever Stamps - bring to meetings.
Please RSVP to Kathy Nippert by Sunday before meeting. katnipp3@yahoo.com or 502-542-1204

Church Calendar
You can always view the complete church calendar by viewing our Google calendar: https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/2?cid=ZmNjZ2VvcmdldG93bmt5OGdtYWlsLmNvbQ To request having a church event/program added (or to make changes to an existing event/program), please contact Teresa Buta in the church office (teresa@fccgeorgetown.org).

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Stewards of Our Building
One of our congregational values is "stewardship of the earth, including our own land and building." Weekly, our space is shared with the community with Zumba and Art with Friends groups, Alcoholics Anonymous, Scout Troop 177, and a drumming circle from the Montessori School. Youth Theater of the Bluegrass has recently been using the fellowship hall as they rehearse for a production. Our space has also been used for the MLK Community Breakfast in January and the Georgetown Child Development Center graduation in May and we've shared use of our side yard space with our neighbors at Georgetown Baptist. We also rent our parsonage building next to the sanctuary to Elizabeth's Village for $1 a year as a way to support the work of their transitional home. We're grateful for this resource we have to share for our own life together as well as with the larger community.

Office Hours & Upcoming Schedule
- Regular weekly office hours (the church office is closed on Fridays):
  - Teresa Buta, Administrator- 11:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Monday-Thursday
  - Chris Cash, Senior Minister- 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. - Monday-Thursday (availability depends on meetings, visits & pastoral care needs, etc.)
- Teresa will be out on vacation leave Tuesday-Thursday, June 16-18. If you call the church office those days and Chris is out of the office at that time, you can leave a direct voicemail for him using the menu or try calling his cell (859-953-1613).
- Chris will be out on leave Monday-Sunday, June 22-28. Our elders will be available to respond to pastoral care needs while he is away. Sunday, June 28, is one of our Children & Worship grant services and will include creative response times instead of a traditional sermon.
- The church office will be closed Thursday, July 2, in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

Director of Music Ministry Update
We are grateful for the work of Jeremy Crockett-Sturgill these past two years. As shared in the May Keynoter, Jeremy has resigned to pursue teaching full-time now that he has completed graduate school. His last Sunday is June 14 and we will be recognizing him in worship that Sunday. A search team (comprised of choir representatives Linda Glass & Stan Hankins, Board Vice-Chair & Support Ministry representative Audrey Carr, accompanist Julie White, and Senior Minister Rev. Chris Cash) has been meeting, seeking input from the choir and others, and will open a search soon.