



First Christian Church

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God's Justice And Mercy

September 6, 2026

10:00 A.M. Worship Service

Pastor Jeff Seger

Welcome

*Opening Hymn - #283 - What Wondrous Love Is This?

**Passing of the Peace*

Call To Worship:(from Psalm 149)

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the saints.

People: Let Israel rejoice in their maker; let the people of Zion be glad in their king.

Leader: Let them praise his name with dancing and make music to him with tambourine and harp.

People: For the Lord takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with salvation.

ALL: Let the saints rejoice in this honor and sing for joy on their beds.
May the praise of God be in their mouths and a double-edge sword in their hands.

Opening Prayer:

*God of all, shine down your light upon us that we might follow your path.
Send your Holy Spirit upon us that we might say it has been good to be in
the house of the Lord. Strengthen us by the example of your Son, our Lord
and Savior, Jesus Christ, for our journey here on earth. Guide us and
direct us. Be with your people gathered together here this morning.*

Do not leave us nor forsake us.

In the precious name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*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, and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory forever.
AMEN*

Please continue to remember in prayer...			
- Our Church Family	- Cole Dunlap	- Barbara McVicker	- Frank Shirer
- George Cover	- Nancy Dunlap Sr.	- Jim Lefler	- Kayln Hall
- Bethel Ford	- Meg Smith	- Marsha Gastineau	- Pastor Marshall Murphy
- Larrinda Wolf	- Joanie Witherington	- Jan Merritt	- Mia Berarducci
- Patti Coons	- Vianne Lewis	- Audrey Parmele	- Rick Williams
- Phil Lewis	- Tonya Todd-Barker	- Betty Malone-Lintner	- Sandra Schauer
- Shirley Maxwell	- Dan Wood	- Paul Parmele	- Bob Hilton
- Eileen Phegley	- Pastor Jeff Seger	- Oaklie Disney	

Scripture Text: Ezekiel 33: 7 - 20 (NRSV)

7 So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. 8 If I say to the wicked, “O wicked ones, you shall surely die,” and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. 9 But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

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10 Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel: Thus you have said: “Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?” 11 Say to them: As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel? 12 And you, mortal, say to your people: The righteousness of the righteous shall not save them when they transgress, and as for the wickedness of the wicked, it shall not make them stumble when they turn from their wickedness, and the righteous shall not be able to live by their righteousness when they sin. 13 Though I say to the righteous that they shall surely live, yet if they trust in their righteousness and commit iniquity, none of their righteous deeds shall be remembered, but in the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. 14 Again, though I say to the wicked, “You shall surely die,” yet if they turn from their sin and do what is lawful and right— 15 if the wicked restore the pledge, give back what they have taken by robbery, and walk in the statutes of life, committing no iniquity—they shall surely live; they shall not die. 16 None of the sins that they have committed shall be remembered against them; they have done what is lawful and right; they shall surely live.

17 Yet your people say, “The way of the Lord is not just,” when it is their own way that is not just. **18** When the righteous turn from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it. **19** And when the wicked turn from their wickedness and do what is lawful and right, they shall live by it. **20** Yet you say, “The way of the Lord is not just.” O house of Israel, I will judge all of you according to your ways!

Scripture Readings - Ezekiel 33: 7 - 20 (NRSV)

Sermon - “***God’s Justice And Mercy***” — Pastor Jeff Seger

Invitation to Generosity and Presentation of the Gift

*Doxology - #382 - Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him,
all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen***

*Prayer for the Gifts

Intro to Communion - #215 - Tell Me The Story of Jesus

Words of Institution

Prayer for the Bread and the Cup - Distribution of both Bread and Cup

OFFERTORY & COMMUNION

*The bread and the cup are distributed together.
Please hold until you are invited to partake together.*

*Hymn of Invitation - #401 - Jesus I Come

*Benediction

Leader: Our service is ended. Go into the world, you are the body of Christ.
And may the blessings of Almighty God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be with you now and even forevermore.

People: Thanks be to God.

Todays Meeting:

10:00 a.m. - Sunday Worship Service - Pastor Jeff Seger

Weekly Meetings:

Monday, September 7th

OFFICE CLOSED

Wednesday, September 9th

12:30 p.m. - Tearing/Bagging Beef

Thursday, September 10th

4:00 p.m. - Beef Dinner Prep/Sack Packing

Friday, September 11th

4:00 p.m. - 52nd Beef ‘N Noodle Dinner

Sunday, September 13th

10:00 a.m. - Worship Service - Pastor Jeff Seger

Beginning Balance As Of 8-31-26	9406.86
Expenses - Payroll x2 - TAXES	5123.22
Weekly Offering	1555.00
Difference	-3568.22
Ending Balance	5838.64

Announcements

Week of August 30th - Attendance: 46; Live Stream Views: - YouTube Live: 30;

Approx. Views: 45 - 91

Tickets: - Beef & Noodle dinner tickets are now available for purchase.

Beef ‘N’ Noodle Dinner: As we prepare for the 52nd Beef ‘N’ Noodle Dinner on

Friday, September 11th, we need to remember a few days and I am asking for your help on the following: On Wednesday, September 9th, at 1 p.m. I need volunteers to help tear and bag beef. Thursday, September 10th, at 4 p.m., I need help to bag silverware, rolls, applesauce, and cookies. If you volunteered to make cookies, the boxes of cookies are in the freezer in the fellowship hall. Also, I ask that you please put 2 cookies in a ziplock baggie and have them to the church no later than 4 p.m. on September 10th. On Friday, September 11th, at 4:00 pm, it is All Hands On Deck. If you are interested in making a donation towards the dinner, it will help with the advertising cost as well as supplies. Thank you all for your help. It’s very much appreciated! — Rick Williams

The schedule of events and job list that was previously in the bulletin are located in the narthex.



August Birthdays

3 - Landon Sayler
7 - Judy Smith, Dave Sutton
16 - Pamela Turner
20 - Patrick Dowds
21 - Christy Jordan
25 - Mark Slade
26 - Jordan Evers
27 - Mindy Pettet
31 - Hanna McNeal

September Birthdays

1 - Alyssa McNeal
6 - Mark McNeal
7 - Brian Arnold
10 - Lisa Templeton
11 - Michelle Lintner
12 - Laura Roberts
13 - Jeff Ploughe
14 - Bob Hilton
17 - Pam Christopher
19 - Paul Dunlap
23 - Sally Siela
24 - Dana Joslyn
27 - Avery Dunlap,
Marilyn Kuyrkendall

August Anniversaries

1 - Cory & Jenny Craig - 1998
8 - David & Alison Hickman - 1992
12 - Bob & Heidi Phillips - 1978
16 - Stan & Kris Bailey - 1975
17 - Steve & Donna Bailey - 1974
17 - Christopher & Jennifer Porter - 1991

Septemebr Anniversaries

11 - Paul & Bev Dunlap - 1966
15 - Jim & Leisa Donnelly - 1979
28 - Chris & Trissa Arihood - 1985