



First Christian Church

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Jesus Feeds the Five Thousand

August 2, 2026

10:00 A.M. Worship Service

Pastor Jeff Seger

Welcome

*Opening Hymn - #69 - Standing On The Promises

**Passing of the Peace*

Call To Worship:(from Psalm 145)

Leader: I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name forever and ever.

People: Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever.

Leader: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

People: One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts.

ALL: They will speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty, and I will meditate on your wonderful works. They will tell of the power of your awesome works, and I will proclaim your great deeds. They will celebrate your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

Opening Prayer:

Holy God, look with favor on your people gathered here this morning. Guide us by your Holy Spirit. Lead us along the straight and narrow path that leads to salvation. Remove anything in us that stands in our way of getting closer to you. We lift our prayers up to you now in the powerful name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayer Hymn - #2 – How Great Thou Art

Children's Moment

Prayers of the People

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	- Pat Machmeier	- 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
- Dawson Ploss	- Pastor Jeff Seger	- Joanie Witherington	- Pat Griffin
- Eileen Phegley			

Scripture Text: Matthew 14: 13 – 20 (NRSV)

Feeding the Five Thousand

13 Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. **14** When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. **15** When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” **16** Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” **17** They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” **18** And he said, “Bring them here to me.” **19** Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. **20** And all ate and were filled, and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full.

Scripture Readings - Matthew 14: 13 – 20 (NRSV)

Sermon - “*Jesus Feeds The Five Thousand*” — 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 - #30 - Break Thou The Bread Of Life

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 - #155 - Spirit Of The Living God (sing twice)

*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:

Sunday, August 9th

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

Beginning Balance As Of 7-20-26	4771.96
Expenses - Payroll x2	3464.90
Weekly Offering	815.00
Difference	-2649.90
Ending Balance	2122.06

Announcements

Week of July 26th - Attendance: 37; Live Stream Views: - YouTube Live:
11; Approx. Views: 17 - 50

Celebration of Baptism: On Friday, July 31st we welcomed Gayla Warran into
First Christian Church by the Sacrament of Holy Baptism. Please join us in
praying for Gayla as she continues to grow, serve, and walk in the fullness of
new life in Christ.



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

