

First Christian Church GEORGETOWN KEYNOTER



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FCC 2025 Leadership

In worship on January 26, we installed and blessed our leadership for 2025. We also acknowledged that we all have gifts we are called to share for the common good, including in our community of faith. We're grateful for these leaders and all who serve!

Officers: Congregational Chair: Phil Logsdon; Congregational Vice Chair: Stan Hankins; Congregational Secretary: Holly Osborn; Congregational Treasurer: Gary Kincaid

Elders: Jean Hall (Chair), Rev. Dr. Katherine Alexander, Linda Glass, Steve Jones, Rev. Christy Messick, Steve Carter, Mike Hockensmith, Lindsey Burns

Deacons: Martha Harris (Chair), Nate Alexander, Aimee Bayeba, Allen Cook, Michelle Cook, Serena Culbertson, Judy Kushner, Lauren Sellers, Keda Trosper, Jo Turley, Julie Knipp, Larry Prather, Alison Fisher, Lee Thomas, Karen Hankins, Patrice Bayeba

Trustees: Rev. Reggie Gentry, Jane Lucas, Jim Calloway, Wanda Ray

At-Large Board Member: Adam Trosper

Ministry Chairpersons:

Community Wellness: Bob Culbertson; Congregational Wellness: Kathleen Logsdon; Hospitality: Erin Cash; Stewardship: Will Harris; Support: Phil Logsdon

Ministry Area Leaders: Disciples Women Fellowship: Kathy Nippert; **Children Worship & Wonder:** Carly Dickinson

2025 Board:

Officers: Phil Logsdon, Stan Hankins, Holly Osborn, Gary Kincaid; Elder Representative: Christy Messick; Deacon Representative: Larry Prather; At-Large Member: Adam Trosper; Community Wellness Representative: Bob Culbertson; Congregational Wellness Representative: Diana Thomas; Hospitality Representative: Rosalie Calloway; Stewardship Representative: Reggie Gentry

Senior Minister: Chris Cash (ex-officio)

OUR STAFF

Senior Minister
Rev. Chris Cash

Director of Music Ministry
Jeremy Crockett-Sturgill

Child, Youth, & Family Director
Carly Dickinson

Accompanist
Pam Bridges

Administrator/Accountant
Teresa Buta

Maintenance/Housekeeping Scott Jarvis & Derek Jarvis

Nursery Attendant
Marcia Wallace
Gracelyn Parriman

Web & Social-Media Coordinator
Sara DeVane

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Thursday
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.

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

First Christian Church Outreach



February is "Month of Compassion" at FCC

FCC designates February as "Month of Compassion". Each Sunday throughout February, the worship service will include a brief update on various ministries funded by Week of Compassion.

Sunday, February 23, there will a breakfast gathering in fellowship hall beginning at 9:30. Reverend Kara Foster of Madisonville, KY will join us by Zoom to report on how FCC Madisonville helped respond to recovery and relief following tornado damage in western KY. Their church also hosted groups who came to help in this recovery, with some of the funding provided through Week of Compassion donations.

Donations to Week of Compassion will be collected during worship throughout February until Sunday, February 23, or can be forwarded to the church office at any time before or after that date (specified as WOC donation in the memo line). You can also donate online at www.weekofcompassion.org.



FCC Shirt Orders
The second order of shirts has been placed. If you ordered one, it will be available at the church early next week. If you didn't get a shirt in this order, we will make them available again in early summer!

Chili Supper & Desert Auction
Mark your calendars for the Chili Supper & Dessert Auction to support our Children & Youth programming. Join us on **Sunday, February 16 at 5:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall for chili and sandwiches, followed by your opportunity to bid on your own dessert! All funds raised in the auction help send our kids to camp and support Wednesday night programming. If you can make a dessert to auction, please sign up on the bulletin board outside the chapel.

“The Gift of Wonder in a Fractured World” Sermon Series
In a world that is fractured and troubled, could the posture of wonder be a gift that feeds our souls, deepens our connections, and sustains our strength? We'll explore the gift of wonder and each week will also include some possible practices to cultivate it further in your life. This series is informed by reading and reflection Chris did during his 2024 sabbatical around the theme of “embodied wonder.”
February 9- Aflame: Engaging Wonder
February 16- Sonder: The Wonder of Others
February 23- The Sustaining Power of Delight
March 2- Curiosity & Awe: Open to Wonder

Serving with Our Gifts
As we begin a new year, you have the opportunity to express your interest in serving in different ways, including with some of our ministry teams. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board, but you can also use the online form (<https://forms.gle/eTDeF1qD8MqujSRd7>) to indicate your interest at any time. (Need helping finding your fit on a ministry team? This info sheet can help!: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1QlcN3Wh8JZ-8xUUtb2m02CdAmR1bynuw/view?usp=sharing>) Whether you're a long-time member or newer to the congregation, we welcome your gifts as we serve together!

At-Home Communion
Once a month (usually during the first week of the month), one each of our Elders and Deacons share a visit, communion, and prayer with our home-centered folks. Those home-centered may be in their own homes or in a care facility. They may have a short-term status as home-centered (due to injury, surgery/recovery, a shorter-term health issue, or other concerns) or may have long-term considerations. If you would like to be on the at-home communion list (for either a short-term basis or regularly), please contact the church office.

Sunday Fellowship Time
If you frequently enjoy a donut, cup of coffee, or other goodie in The Gathering Area on Sunday mornings, maybe you wonder where all of those treats come from. They come from volunteers who are willing to purchase or prepare them each Sunday. Any donation you drop in the jar helps offset the person's costs. Can you help by supplying food for our fellowship times? Sign up on the Bulletin Board by the Chapel or at this link: <https://bit.ly/FCCBreakfastTreats>

Winter Weather Policy
In the event of inclement weather, you can find information about the closing status of FCC activities at www.fccgeorgetown.org, our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/fccgeorgetown) and on WKYT Channel 27's listings (www.wkyt.com). We will also send out a church-wide e-mail. Wednesday programs are cancelled if Scott County Schools are out that day due to weather. For Sunday worship, we will evaluate based on both road and parking lot conditions. If we are open, you are still encouraged to use your own judgment and comfort level. In the event that in-person worship is canceled, we will hold a time of sharing, prayer, and communion together on the church Zoom (meeting ID: 747 159 1922 passcode: 40324) at 11:00 a.m. that Sunday morning (which will last around 20 minutes).

Offerings & Outreach		
Tithes & Offerings		
Needed Monthly	Received in December	As of the end of December 2024
\$24,163.57	\$29,557.00	General Budget YTD Income: \$286,712.38
		General Budget YTD Expenses: \$280,919.85

Outreach Giving: Contributions collected as of December 31, 2024 for outreach giving are as follows:		
Amen House: \$3,417.00	Week of Compassion: \$3,715.00	
Blanket Sunday: \$960.00	WOC Disaster Relief: \$1,975.00	
Ukraine Relief: \$700.00	DWF Blessing Boxes: \$295.00	
Pentecost Offering: \$225.00	Elizabeth's Village: \$200.00	
Easter Offering: \$75.00	Reconciliation Offering: \$515.00	
Guatemala Mission Trip: \$550.00	KY Disaster Relief: \$200.00	
School Supplies: \$405.00	The Gathering Place \$500.00	
Thanksgiving Offering: \$100.00	Christmas Offering: \$100.00	

PRAYER LIST

MEMBERS

Jean Matheny
Jacque Hukill
Donna Ward
Cecil Lewis
Fred Nippert

FAMILY

Mary McBurney (grandmother of Carly Dickinson)
Carmen Wagner (daughter of Jim & Rosalie Calloway)
Brent Poole (cousin of Debbie Hockensmith)
Xander Willham (great-nephew of Wanda Ray)
Karen Trosper (mother of Adam Trosper)
Tony Shipman (cousin of Jean Hall)

FRIENDS

Kevin Carr (of Judy Kushner & Pat Clark)

Kroger Rewards Code

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

Leadership Retreat
On Saturday, January 25, our officers, board members, trustees, and ministry chairs met at Bleubird Studios for a retreat as we begin a new year living into our new church structure. It was an energizing time of learning and sharing, including a session led by guest facilitator, Rev. Dr. Kory Wilcoxson, on leading in transitional and liminal times. We're excited about what God is doing in our midst and living more deeply into our identity and values in the year ahead through shared ministry and collaboration!

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.
- **Paypal**- You can give to the church via Paypal.
- **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.
- **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.

Church Calendar
You can always view the complete church calendar by viewing our Google calendar: <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/2?cid=ZmNjZ2VvcmdldG93bmt5QGdtYWlsLmNvbQ> 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.

DWF Kitchen Shower Update & Thanks
Thank you to all who purchased items for the kitchen. With over \$1515 in donations from your generous gifts and a monetary gift from an anonymous donor, **all** items on the registry list have now been ordered. Our kitchen is now better equipped for us to show compassionate hospitality through shared meals and time around the table!

AMEN House/Blessing Box Collection- Sunday, February 2, 2025
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
February 17 DWF Meeting at **4 PM** in the Gathering Area
Lesson: Matt 6:19-24. Considering Service Project: The Gathering Place: Meal service supplies: paper plates, bowls, cups, napkins, plastic ware, takeout containers, cleaning supplies
RSVP to Kathy Nippert by Feb 16

March 17 DWF Meeting at **5 PM** in the Gathering Area
Lesson: Blessing Box Dedication
Service Project: Blessing Box offering proceeds are sent to KY Disciples Women to be forwarded to the Disciples Mission Fund and the Disciples Women 's Ministries.
RSVP to Kathy Nippert by March 16.

Staff Thank You
Thank you to the congregation for your generosity shown in our Christmas bonuses. We're grateful to serve alongside you and appreciate your support! – FCC Staff (Pam, Teresa, Chris, Jeremy, Sara, Carly, Scott, Derek, Gracelyn, Marcia)