

Sunday, August 2nd, 2026



Reach Up

Reach In

Reach Out

We are here to help people know God, find freedom, discover their purpose, and make a difference in the community, near and far. No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey...

You are welcome here.

Welcome to First Christian Church



WEEKLY EVENTS

Bible Study.....Sunday, 9 AM
Worship Service*.....Sunday, 10:15 AM
Men's Breakfast (at University IHOP).....Wednesday, 9AM
Spiritual Practices.....Thursday, 9 AM

** Our Hybrid Worship Service is held in-person at the church,
and live-streamed via Zoom and Facebook Live.*

MONTHLY EVENTS

Celebrate Birthdays of the Month.....First Sunday, 11:30 AM
Contemplative Worship.....First Sunday, 6:30 PM
Potluck.....Third Sunday, 11:30 AM
Brown Bag Lunch.....Third Wednesday, 11:30 AM

STAY IN TOUCH

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UPCOMING SERVICES

Services are at 10:15 am MDT unless otherwise noted.

August 9th, 2026

Worship Leader: Paul Cook

Offering: Deb Cook

Communion: Hilda McKee

August 16th, 2026

Worship Leader: Scott Hays-Strom

Offering: Sue Bogart

Communion: Deb Cook

August 23rd, 2026

Worship Leader: Deb Cook

Offering: Scott Hays-Strom

Communion: Esther Devall

August 30th, 2026

Worship Leader: Sue Bogart

Offering: Esther Devall

Communion: Eric Hays-Strom

NOTICE:

Anyone allergic/sensitive to scents is welcome to use the single stall bathroom across the hall from the main bathrooms.

ABOUT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we celebrate communion weekly. We welcome all to the Lord's table as God has welcomed us.

We are the United Church of Christ, committed to hearing God's ancient story anew and afresh in our lives and in the world today. Why? Because God is still speaking.

We are an Open and Affirming community. In Christ's example, we want to offer all persons, regardless of race, creed, sexual orientation, or gender identity, the opportunity to discover and develop their gifts of God's love and service.

Welcome!

If you are visiting us today, we welcome you!

Please come worship with us again!

Global Ministries is supported by both DOC and UCC.

For more information, visit globalministries.org.

To assist with global crisis relief efforts, please visit:

DoC: www.weekofcompassion.org

UCC: www.ucc.org/what-we-do/wider-church-ministries/global-hope/

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE.....Aletta Wilson

CALL TO WORSHIP.....Jeanne Knotts

Please join in the responsive Call to Worship, with everyone giving voice to the bold text as found in this bulletin and on the screens.

As we gather and as we disperse, as we rise and as we sleep, as
we eat and play and work,
We offer God praise.

As we wash our car, scrub the dishes, rinse the grime of the day
from our hands,
We offer God praise.

As we feel the tips of the grass on our feet, the wind against our
face, the sun on our backs,
We offer God praise.

Come, let us worship God who creates, redeems, and sustains
us to live out our praise in all we do!

**We come as people formed by grace to offer God praise with
our whole selves now and in all the ordinary moments of our
lives! Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

Gather Us In.....Chalice Hymnal #284

1

Verses 1, 2, & 4

Here in this place, the new light is streaming,
shadows of doubt are vanished away.

See in this space our fears and our dreamings,
brought here to you in the light of this day.

Gather us in, the lost and forsaken;
gather us in; our spirits inflame.

Call to us now, and we shall awaken;
we shall arise at the sound of our name.

2

We are the young-our lives are a mystery;
we are the old, who yearn for your face.
We have been sung throughout all of history,
called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in-the rich and the haughty;
gather us in-the proud and the strong;
give us a heart so meek and so lowly;
give us the courage to enter the song.

4

Not just in buildings, small and confining,
not in some heaven, light years away,
here in this place the new light is shining;
now is God present and now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us forever;
gather us in and make us your own;
gather us in, all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

UNISON PRAYER.....Jeanne Knotts

God of the galaxies, yet accessible to every heart;
Mind behind the universe, yet one whom we can call our Parent;
Infinite, yet within our reach;
Awesome and majestic, yet compassionate and tender;
Above and beyond us, yet here beside us;
We praise your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



PASS THE PEACE.....Rev. Patrick Crocker

PRAYER TIME.....Rev. Patrick Crocker

GOING FORTH HYMN

The Storm is Strong.....Chalice Hymnal #181
Verses 1, 2, & 3

1

The storm is strong; we face the wind.
The water rises; waves crash in.
Where are we now? Where will we be?
There is no mercy on this sea.

2

But you, Christ, you are with us here.
We turn to you in all our fear.
The single word you say is “peace,”
And wind and waves and storm all cease.

3

Who can you be? What power your say
That even winds and sea obey?
Remove our fear of death and harm.
Give us your faith and still our storm.

POSTLUDE.....Aletta Wilson



COMMUNION HYMN

I Hunger and I Thirst.....Chalice Hymnal #409

Verses 1, 2, 3, & 4



1

I hunger and I thirst;
Jesus, my manna be!
O living waters, burst
out of the rock for me!

2

O bruised and broken Bread,
my life-long needs supply.
As living souls are fed,
so feed me, or I die.

3

O true life-giving Vine,
let me your goodness prove.
By your life sweeten mine,
refresh my soul with love.



4

For still the desert lies
behind me and before:
O living waters, rise
within me evermore!



CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST.....Rev. Patrick Crocker

ANNOUNCEMENTS & BENEDICTION.....Rev. Patrick Crocker

HYMN OF GRATITUDE

The Gift of Love.....Chalice Hymnal #526
Verses 1, 2, & 3



1

Though I may speak with bravest fire,
and have the gift to all inspire,
and have not love, my words are vain,
as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

2

Though I may give all I possess,
and striving so my love profess,
but not be given by love within,
the profit soon turns strangely thin.

3

Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
by this we worship, and are freed.



CELEBRATION OF GRATITUDE.....Esther Devall
SCRIPTURE.....Psalm 17:1-7, 15 (FNV)
SERMON.....Rev. Patrick Crocker
Time to Wake Up