

Sunday, July 19th, 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



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OF CHRIST



UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST
a just world for all

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE.....Aletta Wilson

CALL TO WORSHIP.....Eric Hays-Strom

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.

Today, we gather to join our voices with winds and seas,
sunshine and rain, mountains and grassy plains to worship God,
our Creator.

We gather as children of God, stewards of God's creation.

We gather to join our hearts with creatures who creep and
crawl, slither and squirm, swim and soar, to worship God, our
Creator.

We gather as children of God, stewards of God's creation.

We gather as witnesses of the harm that has been done to God's
creation, to the groanings of the earth and all the earth's
inhabitants who long for peace and flourishing.

We gather as children of God, stewards of God's creation.

Come, let us worship God who strengthens and equips us,
guiding us to live out our faith as good stewards of God's good
creation.

**Come, let us worship God who inspires and empowers us to be
stewards of hope and redemption in a wounded and hurting
world! Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN
All Things Bright and Beautiful.....Chalice Hymnal #61
Verses 1, 2, & 3

Refrain:

All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
in love God made them all.

1

Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors,
God made their tiny wings. [Refrain]

2

The purple-headed mountain,
the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning
that brightens up the sky. [Refrain]

3

The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
God made them every one. [Refrain]

UNISON PRAYER.....Eric Hays-Strom

God of grace and love, we rely on Your love extended to us in all ways and at all times, extravagantly and with generosity. We live day by day knowing that Your care and concern is poured out for us in Your provision for our needs and beyond our imagining. You entrust us with the gift of the good news of the Gospel and invite us to be partners in the sharing of the message of grace. Day by day, we realize the many gifts lavished upon us. We come to You to acknowledge and praise You for all Your goodness to us. Amen.

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

PRAYER TIME.....Rev. Patrick Crocker

HYMN OF GRATITUDE

For Beauty of Meadows.....Chalice Hymnal #696

Verses 1, 2, & 3

1

For beauty of meadows, for grandeur of trees,
for flowers of woodlands, for creatures of seas,
for all you created and gave us to share,
we praise you, Creator, extolling your care.

2

As stewards of beauty received at your hand,
as creatures who hear your most urgent command,
we turn from our wasteful destruction of life,
confessing our failures, confessing our strife.

3

Teach us once again to be gardeners in peace;
all nature around us is ours but on lease;
your name we would hallow in all that we do.
fulfilling our calling, creating with you.

CELEBRATION OF GRATITUDE.....Paul Cook

SPECIAL MUSIC.....Joyful Noise Choir

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

SCRIPTURE.....Romans 8:12-25 (Msg)

SERMON.....Rev. Patrick Crocker

Eager Longing

COMMUNION HYMN

Come, Share the Lord.....Chalice Hymnal #408
Verses 1, 2 & 3

1

We gather here in Jesus' name,
his love is burning in our hearts like living flame;
for through the loving Son the Father makes us one:
Come, take the bread,
come, drink the wine,
come, share the Lord.
No one is a stranger here,
everyone belongs;
finding our forgiveness here,
we in turn forgive all wrongs.

2

He joins us here, he breaks the bread,
the Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead;
the one we love the most is now our gracious host:
Come, take the bread,
come, drink the wine,
come, share the Lord.
We are now a family
of which the Lord is head;
though unseen he meets us here
in the breaking of the bread.

3

We'll gather soon where angels sing;
we'll see the glory of our Lord and coming King;
now we anticipate
the feast for which we wait:
Come, take the bread,
come, drink the wine, come, share the Lord.

CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST.....Deb Cook

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

GOING FORTH HYMN

Let There Be Peace on Earth.....Chalice Hymnal #677
One Verse

Let there be peace on earth,
and let it begin with me;
let there be peace on earth,
the peace that was meant to be.
With God our creator,
children all are we.
Let us walk with each other
in perfect harmony.
Let peace begin with me;
let this be the moment now.
With every step I take,
let this be my solemn vow:
to take each moment
and live each moment
in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth,
and let it begin with me.

POSTLUDE.....Aletta Wilson



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/

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.



July 26th
August 2nd
August 9th
August 16th



Worship Leaders/Elders schedule is currently being adjusted to reflect changes in availability. Leaders will be contacted as soon as the schedule has been adjusted.

NOTICE:

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