

CHRISTIAN CELEBRATION & WORSHIP

January 28, 2024

9:00 AM

WE SHARE WITH ONE ANOTHER

ENTRANTE Amy Horton, Accompanist
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Elder
ACOLYTES/PRELUDE

WE PRAY TO GOD

*INVOCATION Elder

*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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, Amen."

*GLORIA PATRI Worshiping Church #807

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 31:1-5)

Elder

In Thee, O Lord, do I seek refuge; let me never be put to shame;

IN THY RIGHTEOUSNESS DELIVER ME!

Incline Thy ear to me, rescue me speedily!

BE THOU A ROCK OF REFUGE FOR ME, A STRONG FORTRESS TO SAVE ME!

Yea, Thou art my rock and my fortress;

FOR THY NAME'S SAKE LEAD ME AND GUIDE ME,

take me out of the net which is hidden for me,

FOR THOU ART MY REFUGE.

Into Thy hand I commit my spirit;

THOU HAST REDEEMED ME, O LORD, FAITHFUL GOD.

*HYMN OF PRAISE & WORSHIP

#21 vs.1,2,3

"How Great Thou Art"

JOYS-CONCERNS-PRAISES

Elder

PRAYER

➤CHILDREN'S SERMON

Chris Milam

WE WORSHIP BY GIVING

CALL TO GIVING

Elder

OFFERING OF TITHES & GIFTS

OFFERTORY MUSIC

*DOXOLOGY #809 & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

WE HEAR THE LORD'S WORD

ANTHEM Chancel Choir directed by Jessica Hendrickson

"In This Very Room"

*SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 13:1-13 ~ Pew Bible pg.10

SERMON

Pastor Jim Blue

"Roads That Lead Away from God"

WE CELEBRATE THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN OF COMMUNION

#526 vs.1,2,3

"Trusting Jesus"

INVITATION & COMMUNION MEDITATION

COMMUNION PRAYERS

COMMUNION MUSIC

WORDS OF INSTITUTION/PARTAKING OF ELEMENTS

All those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ are invited to eat and drink the Lord's Supper. Eat as the loaf is served, hold the cup so that all may drink together.

WE RESPOND TO THE LORD

*INVITATION HYMN

#635 vs.1,2

"He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought"

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*BENEDICTION

Pastor Blue

*CLOSING HYMN

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

#78 vs.1,2

"O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home! Under the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure; sufficient is Thine arm alone, and our defense is sure."

POSTLUDE

(Please remain in place until speaker and acolytes have exited)

**Please stand if able*

➤Today's Children's Church leader is Faith Milam; children ages 4,5,6 will be dismissed to go upstairs for Children's Church following the Children's Sermon.

~ The Nursery is staffed by Cathy Clawson each Sunday for babies and toddlers. ~



WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

PLEASE sign your name to the attendance pad.

THE INSERT is provided by the local Choices Pregnancy & Health Center in honor of Sanctity of Human Life Sunday (usually the third Sunday of January).

GOD'S GANG/Crossroads begins this Wednesday - see Faith Milam for details.

COFFEE BAR is at 8:00 & Sunday School classes are at 8:15 & 10:15 AM.

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## **CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK:**

|       |           |                                            |
|-------|-----------|--------------------------------------------|
| TODAY | 2:00 PM   | Program Committee mtgs. in Fellowship Hall |
|       | 6-8 PM    | Youth Group                                |
| WED   | 2:00 PM   | God's Gang/Crossroads begins               |
|       | 6:30 PM   | Chancel Choir rehearsal                    |
| SUN   | 8/8:15 AM | Coffee Bar/Open Door & Children's S.S.     |
|       | 9:00 AM   | Youth Sunday!                              |
|       | 10:15 AM  | New Horizon's SS class                     |

## **UPCOMING**

- ◆ Tues., Feb. 6 – Circle of Light, 5:00 PM in Fellowship Hall
  - ◆ Fri-Sun., Feb. 9-11 – Youth Winter Retreat to Spring Hill
  - ◆ Sun., Feb. 11 – Blanket Sunday
  - ◆ Wed., Feb. 14 – Valentine in a Bag delivery to shut-ins - Happy Valentine's Day!  
– Ash Wednesday Service, 6:00 PM\*
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## **NOTE**

- \* During the Lenten season FCC takes this time to pray for one another. "Prayer Packets" are being made up that will contain: a letter of explanation, a Lenten devotional booklet, and several index cards with member names. Participation is voluntary; take a packet, pray for those listed and use the devotional booklet to grow closer to God during Lent to Easter. Packets will be available beginning Feb. 14 at the Ash Wednesday Service.
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## **PRAYER CONCERNS & PERSONALS**

- ◆ Hospitalized: Bob Martin, Union
- ◆ Home from the Hospital: Ken Hamilton
- ◆ Complications preventing bone marrow transplant: Tate Kest, grandson of Warren & Jody Sperry
- ◆ Nursing Home: Brandon Bell, Linda Driver, Irma Julian, Ron Odle, Martha Stephen
- ◆ Continued Prayers for: Louise Bridwell, Janice Nicholson, Kenny McCain, Carol Marlowe, Randy Creech, Marge Houghland, Chantell Whitezel, Leah Gobin, Diana Rogers, Al Englebright, Steve Free

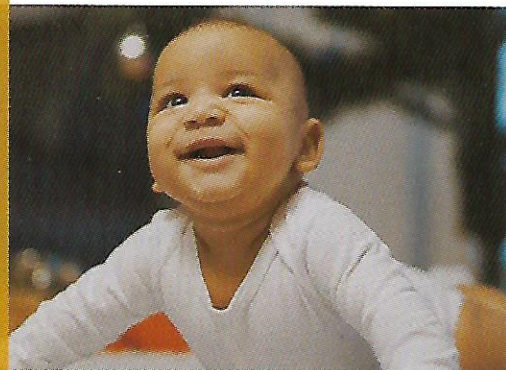
First Christian Church  
*Disciples of Christ*  
Paris, Illinois

Carry each other's  
burdens, and in this  
way you will fulfill  
the law of Christ.

Galatians 6:2

Love never fails!

1 Cor. 13:8



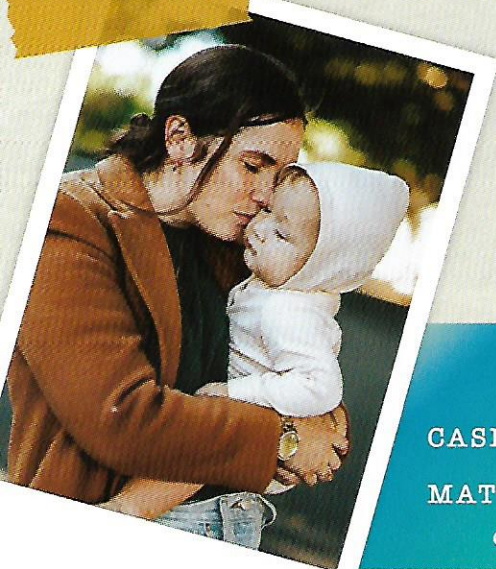
*Choices Pregnancy & Health*

The Sanctity of Human Life

Love Life!



it takes a  
community.



When a woman finds herself facing an unexpected pregnancy, it is easy for her to feel alone. What if the father doesn't want to be involved? What if her family refuses to help? What if her friends are unsupportive? With fear crowding in, she may feel like abortion is her only option.

But that is where we step in. When she walks through our doors, we welcome her with open arms. Our client advocates listen to her story, answer her questions, and offer positive alternatives. Our medical team is ready to administer tests and provide an ultrasound that lets her see her baby for the first time. Our advocates invite her to participate in programs that enable her to feel more confident about becoming a mother. Our volunteers gather supplies for her that might have otherwise been out of her financial means. Our center comes together to surround her in God's perfect love.

And that is where you step in. You provide the support that makes all of this possible. Whenever you offer up your gifts and talents, you join our community and help families find hope. **How will you join in our community?**

**VOLUNTEER**

Don't worry, we will train you!

**BECOME A  
FINANCIAL PARTNER**

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