

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CONNECTIONS—We welcome all who attend as our honored guests. Please complete the Connections Card in the pew if you are new. You may drop it off at the Connections Desk or place it in the offering. Stop by the Connections Desk to allow us to welcome you to our church.

SOUL FOOD—The men will meet in the Sanctuary studying *Fighting the Shadows*. The women will meet in the Fellowship Hall studying “Because of Jesus!” about the work of the Holy Spirit.

PRAYER MEETING—**Wednesday, November 6th at 7:30pm** We invite all to attend a prayer time for teens and adult children. Our meeting will take place in the White House next to the church. A Zoom option will be emailed. Please contact Cathy Zei if you are interested in participating or for more details: fourzei@msn.com or phone 443.224.8199.

MISSIONS PRAYER MEETING—**Sunday, November 10th at 8:30am** Please join us next Sunday as we gather for the monthly prayer meeting for our FCF supported missionaries and beyond. We meet in the Prayer Room located to the right of the Connections Desk.

DISCOVER FAITH SERIES—**Sundays, November 10, 17 and 24** Are you new or nearly new to our church family? Would you like to know who we are, what we do and why? We invite you to join us for the next Discover Faith series held at the White House following worship. Please sign-up at the Connections Desk so we can look forward to meeting with you and provide enough materials. You may also sign-up by emailing Adrienne O'Connor at: fcoffice@fcchurch.org

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Do you want to make a difference in a child's life, their family and community? Please pick up an Operation Christmas Child box and label. Fill it with items for a girl or boy and return it on **November 17th or 24th**. Online options are available at the display table! Join the fun as we send blessings of Christmas around the world.



To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest, to all who mourn and long for comfort, to all who struggle and desire victory, to all who sin and need a Savior, to all who are strangers and want fellowship, to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness, and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.



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Pastor J.B. Watkins —Senior Pastor

We have LARGE print and braille Bibles. See an Usher if you are interested.

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Calendar and materials from Sunday services are available online at www.fcchurch.org

Sunday, November 3, 2024

Order of Service

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS—Deacon Jim Hicks

CALL TO WORSHIP—from Psalm 115

Leader: “The Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

People: Why should the nations say, ‘Where is their God?’ Our God is in the heavens; he does all that he pleases.

Leader: The heavens are the LORD’s heavens, but the earth he has given to the children of man.

All: ... we will bless the LORD from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the LORD!”

SONGS OF PRAISE—At the Cross; Crown Him with Many Crowns

CORPORATE PRAYER

SONG OF ADORATION—Turn Your Eyes

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING—Proverbs 8:12-17

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING—John 5:19-24

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN—Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent; according to Your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. Grant that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life; to the glory of His holy name. Amen.

Moment of Silence for Personal Confessions

ASSURANCE OF PARDON—**Leader:** Church, hear the Good News: Christ died for our sins and rose again that God may free us from the tyranny of judging others to live fully in the power of God’s grace. In the name of Jesus Christ, God forgives your sins and offers you a transformed future. Live fully into God’s grace. Amen. **People:** AMEN!

TITHES & OFFERINGS/FRIENDS OF JESUS

SERMON “Being Subject to Every Human Institution”

COMMUNION

CLOSING SONG—Doxology

Sermon Notes

SERMON “Being Subject to Every Human Institution”

1 Peter 2:13-17; Pastor JB Watkins

“[13] Be subject for the Lord’s sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, [14] or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do evil and to praise those who do good. [15] For this is the will of God, that by doing good you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish people. [16] Live as people who are free, not using your freedom as a cover-up for evil, but living as servants of God. [17] Honor everyone. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor.”

A Prayer to Receive and Rest on Jesus Christ for Salvation

“Heavenly Father, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through your Son Jesus, I can be more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. Jesus, I thank you that you lived the life I should have lived, and paid the debt and punishment I owed by dying on the cross for me. Receive me now. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior. Amen.”

If you have made a decision to trust in Jesus Christ for your salvation please let any member, usher or leader know so that we might assist you in your spiritual growth as a new believer.