

First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 14, 2024

The Community Gathers Before God

Prelude *Prelude in G Major* Susan Doherty
by Johann S. Bach

Lighting of the Candles

Welcome Cathy Liss

*Call to Worship Cathy Liss

Come, give to the Lord your praises of thanksgiving.

We come this day, grateful for God's wondrous gifts to us!

Sing with great enthusiasm of God's mighty power and love.

We celebrate that love that frames our lives.

It is a wonderful thing to praise God!

May God's praise always be in our hearts and in our lives. AMEN.

*Opening Hymn *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* #622

*Prayer of Invocation Cathy Liss
Announcements, Joys and Concerns Rev. Monica Banks

*Passing of the Peace
Through the Act of passing the peace of Christ, we offer our sincere desire to love our neighbor.

Children's Moment/Noisy Offering Inside Youth Services Dale and Derek Katzenmeyer

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Monica Banks

The Community Hears and Proclaims God's Word

Hebrew Scripture Reading 2 Samuel 6:1-5,12b-19 Cathy Liss

Special Music *My Soul Has Been Anchored In The Lord* Michael Daniels, soloist
by Douglas Miller Sam Bryant, accompanist

Gospel Scripture Reading Mark 6:14-29 Cathy Liss

Sermon "The Gospel is Not a Biography" Rev. Monica Banks

The Community Shares in Christ's Life

Communion Hymn *Come to the Table of Mercy* Chalice Praise #158
Invitation to Communion Rev. Monica Banks
Words of Institution Rev. Monica Banks
Elder Prayer of Thanksgiving Debbie Metz
Communion Music *Arioso* Susan Doherty
by Johann S. Bach

Partaking of the Bread and Cup
The table of the Lord is open to any and all who would come. The Lord is host; he invites and welcomes everyone to share in his supper. Please partake of the bread and cup as you receive it.

Lord's Prayer Rev. Monica Banks
(please feel free to use sins, debts or trespasses as you feel led)
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 (), as we forgive those who () 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.

Invitation to Offering Cathy Liss
Offertory Music *Aria* Susan Doherty
by Johann S. Bach

*Doxology #47

*Prayer of Dedication Cathy Liss

The Community Departs for Ministry

Invitation to Discipleship
The Invitation is an opportunity that is given each Sunday for individuals and families to take the next step in their journey of faith. This is an important tradition in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) family. We welcome you to come forward during the closing hymn to let us know of your desire to become part of our church family. You may also share your desire by messaging the church on Facebook or via church email, to which Pastor Monica will respond.

*Closing Hymn *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* #73

*Carrying the Light to the World

*Benediction Rev. Monica Banks

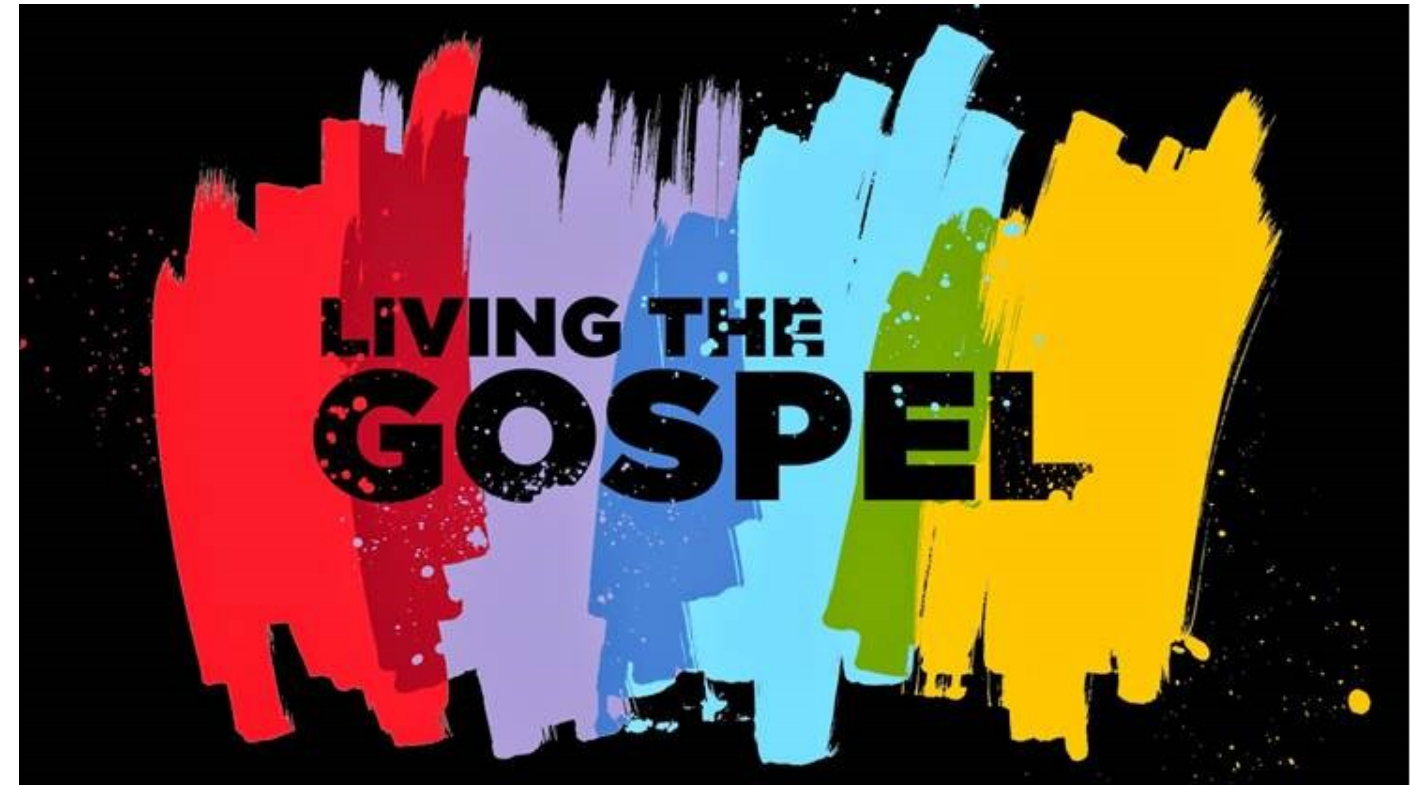
Postlude *Prelude and Fugue in C Major* Susan Doherty
by Johann S. Bach

*Those who are able, please stand.

Life of Our Church

- TODAY – Noisy Offering Sunday for Inside Out Youth Services
- July 14-Aug 3 – **Family Promise** needs volunteers at St. Paul's Methodist Church parsonage. Please contact Family Promise at 719.329.1244 (Zach's ext. 5) about volunteer opportunities.
- **July 22 – Ministry Board Meeting, 6pm**
- August 7 – Missions and Outreach Mtg, 5pm
- August 11-24 – Family Promise co-hosting at Grace & St. Stephens, volunteers needed. Please see Joan Arnold.
- August 19 – Ministry Board Meeting, 6pm

- ❖ Our **Nursery** is open for children through the age of 4.
- ❖ **Children's Sunday School** is open from age 5 through grade 3.



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<https://www.discipleshomemissions.org/missions-advocacy/green-chalice/>

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Notice of Change in Hours:

Monday: AT CHURCH 9am-4pm / Tuesday: WORK REMOTELY 9am-6pm
Wednesday: AT CHURCH 9am-4pm / Thursday: WORK REMOTELY 9am-6pm
(Feel free to contact her on her cell at 805-551-5495)

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Susan Doherty, organist**