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Third Sunday of Easter – May 1, 2022

THE GATHERING

Please let us know you're here by texting FCC to 77411.

Prelude	<i>Jacob's Ladder and Jesus Loves Me</i> – arr. Thompson	Young Disciples Chimes
Welcome		Dr. Mark Bender
Call to Worship		Claire Baer
Opening Hymn	<p><i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i> – vs. 1 & 3 <i>Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou hast been thou forever wilt be. Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided - Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!</i></p> <p><i>Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided - Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!</i></p>	No. 86
Opening Prayer		Brooke Reid

THE PROCLAMATION

Scripture Reading	Esther 4:1-17	Claire Baer
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Closing Hymn

O God Our Help in Ages Past – vs. 1, 3, 4 & 5

No. 67

***O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home!***

***Before the hills in order stood, or earth received its frame,
from everlasting, thou art God, to endless years the same.***

***A thousand ages, in thy sight, are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.***

***Time, like an ever-rolling stream, soon bears us all away;
we fly forgotten, as a dream dies at the opening day.***

Benediction

Brooke Reid

Postlude

Debbie Watson

Memorials and Honors

In memory of Jim Hay given by Paul & Maggie Goodrich, Rob & Linda Wilson, Mardi Gras Society, Roger DeVilbiss, Judy Muir, Robert & Cindy Hernandez, Doyle & Suzie Bentley, Gail Natale, Stephen & Janell Lundin, Bert & Missy Huff, Trip & Laurie Long, Jane Carnes, Mark & Debbie Turnbow.

In memory of Marilyn Vaughn given by Robert & Cindy Hernandez, Pat Duncan, Joe & Marjorie Parker.

In honor of Sheri Sutton given by Paul & Maggie Goodrich.

The flowers this morning are given by the Chancel Choir in loving memory of Marilyn Vaughn.

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Sermon Notes

1. Where's God?

2. The back story

3. Juggling identities

4. Have some things; lack some things

5. Here comes Mordecai

**First Friday at First
Friday, May 6**

Come join us for our May "Friday at First" (May 6) to pot May flowers – one for you and one to give away. "Bloom where you are planted"! Please make your reservations by calling the church office so you won't miss out.

**CWF Luncheon
Monday, May 9**

11:45 am, Fellowship Hall
Speaker: Jackie Nuttall
The Church of Jesus Christ
of Latter-Day Saints

**Joseph Martin Concert &
Piano Dedication**

*Sunday, May 15, 2022
3:00 pm*

First Christian Church Sanctuary



CALENDAR

Sunday, May 1		
8:40 am	Worship Service	Chapel
9:30 am	Sunday School / Journey Through Scripture	
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary/ Livestream
12:00 pm	"Putting Families First on the First" Luncheon	Fellowship Hall
5:00 pm	Young Disciples Choir (Grades K-5)	Stratten Hall
5:00 pm	Youth Activities (Grades 6-12)	Room 403/Gym
6:00 pm	Young Disciples (Grades K-5)	Room 402/405
6:00 pm	New Testament Bible Study	Fellowship Hall & Zoom
Monday, May 2 TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK		
7:30 am-6:00 pm	Children Come First "CCF" (M-F)	
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Young Ages Preschool "YAS" (M-F)	
9:00 am	CCF Chapel	Chapel
11:00 am	FCC Staff Mtg / Worship Planning	Room 310
7:30 pm	Boy Scouts Troop 15	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, May 3		
11:30 am	Whirlwind Cluster Ministers' Meeting	Nocona TX
6:30 pm	Common Ground Recovery Ministries Support Groups Anger Management, Parenting, Rebuilding Your Life, Domestic Violence Prevention	Rooms 304-308
Wednesday, May 4		
7:00 am	Elders' Breakfast	Room 405
9:00 am	CCF Spanish	Room 300
1:00 pm	Stretch Class	Parlor
5:30 pm	MSU Mustang Meal	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	Neighborhood Worship Service	Fellowship Hall
6:00 pm	First Kidz (PreK-5th Grade)	Room 402
7:00 pm	Youth Activities (Grades 6-12)	Room 403/Gym
7:00 pm	Chancel Choir (High School-Adults)	Stratten Hall
Thursday, May 5		
Friday, May 6		
9:00 am	CCF Music	Room 300
6:00 pm	First Friday at First	Fellowship Hall
Saturday, May 7		



Want to know why we do what we do the way we do it? Whether you're new to First Christian or you've been here a long time, come learn about the history of the church, the beliefs and traditions of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and what our church can offer you and your family. *First Things* will take place on Sundays, May 15 and May 22, from 9:45 am to 10:30 am. RSVP at firstchristianwf.com/first-things or by calling the church office (940.692.2282).