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## Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost – October 30, 2022

### THE GATHERING

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Welcome		Dr. Mark Bender
Prelude		Debbie Watson
Call to Worship		Claire Baer
Opening Hymn	<p><i>Be Thou My Vision – vs. 1, 2 &amp; 4</i> <b><i>Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my redeemer, my love thou hast won, thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.</i></b></p>	No. 595
Opening Prayer		Claire Baer

### THE PROCLAMATION

Scripture Reading	Colossians 4:2-6	Sandra Marvel
Children's Message and Blessing of the Coats for Kids		Claire Baer
Response: <b>Holy and loving God: your son Jesus told us that whatever we do for the least of your children, we do for you. We present these coats, and pray that you bless them and the children</b>		

who receive them. May the warmth of these coats reflect the warmth of your love, and may the children feel that love through these coats. In you Son's name we pray. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Brooke Reid

**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.**

Anthem

*Covenant Prayer – Forrest*

Chancel Choir

Sermon

*Time*

Dr. Mark Bender

## THE RESPONSE

Communion Hymn

*Here at Thy Table, Lord – vs. 1 & 2*

No. 384

***Here at thy table, Lord, this sacred hour,  
O let us feel thee near, in loving power;  
calling our thoughts away from self and sin.  
As to thy banquet hall we enter in.***

***Sit at the feast, dear Lord, break thou the bread;  
fill thou the cup that brings life to the dead;  
that we may find in thee, pardon and peace;  
and from all bondage win a full release.***

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table and Words of Institution

Dwight Ross III

Prayers for the Bread & Cup

Sandra Ross & Craig Reynolds

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

*All believers are invited to share in the Lord's Supper.*

**I believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God.**

## THE OFFERING

Moment for Mission

Brooke Reid

Offertory

*Lord, Here Am I - Beck*

Chancel Choir

\*Doxology

No. 46

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below:  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.***

\*Offertory Prayer

## THE SENDING

Sent from the Table & Invitation to Discipleship

Dr. Mark Bender

Closing Hymn

*Take Time to Be Holy – vs. 1 & 4*

No. 572

***Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord;***

*abide in him always, and feed on his word.  
Make friends of God's children; help those who are weak;  
forgetting in nothing God's blessing to seek.*

*Take time to be holy, be calm in thy soul;  
each thought and each motive beneath his control;  
thus led by his spirit to fountains of love;  
thou soon shalt be fitted for service above.*

Benediction

Brooke Reid

Postlude

Debbie Watson

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### **Memorials and Honors**

The rose on the Communion Table this morning is in honor of Jensen Michael Ivie born on October 21<sup>st</sup>. Jensen Michael is the son of Angela Glover and brother of Hailey Wilks and Lilianna Ivie.

**Sermon Notes**

1. Words have meaning

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2. Breakdown

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3. Because you're busy...

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4. Most difficult to discern

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5. Redeem for...

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## CALENDAR

Sunday, October 30 Stewardship Campaign Begins / Blessing of the Coats		
8:40 am	Worship Service	Chapel
9:30 am	Sunday School	
9:30 am	Journey Through Scripture	Parlor
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary/ Livestream
12:00 pm	College Bible Study	TBA
4:00-6:00 pm	Trunk or Treat with First Presbyterian Church	North Parking Lot
Monday, October 31		
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
7:30 pm	Boy Scouts Troop 15	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, November 1		
9:30 am	FCC Staff Meeting / Worship Planning	Room 310
6:00 pm	Leadership Development Committee Meeting	Room 310
6:30 pm	Common Ground Recovery Ministries Support Groups Anger Management, Parenting, Rebuilding Your Life,	Rooms 304-308
Wednesday, November 2		
7:00 am	Elders' Breakfast	Room 405
9:00 am	CCF Spanish	Room 300
10:15 am	Sheri Sutton's Bible Study: "What's So Amazing About Grace?"	Room 310
1:00 pm	Stretch Class	Parlor
5:30 pm	Brown Bag Fellowship	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, November 3		
10:00 am	YAS Chapel	Chapel
Friday, November 4		
9:00 am	CCF Music	Room 300
10:00 am	YAS Chapel	Chapel
	DC Youth Middle School Retreat (Nov. 4-6)	Disciples Crossing
Saturday, November 5		

### THANKSGIVING BASKET CAMPAIGN STARTS TODAY

We kick off our Thanksgiving Basket campaign today. Throughout the church, you can find bags with shopping lists so that you can help provide families in our community with a hearty Thanksgiving meal. To make their Thanksgiving memorable, all you have to do is pick up these items on your next trip to the grocery store and then return them to the church by Sunday, November 13. Those items will be blessed in worship that day and then the following Saturday (November 19), will be distributed to families in our community.

### LEARN MORE ABOUT FIRST CHRISTIAN AT FIRST THINGS

Whether you're a first-time guest, a new member, or a long-time participant here at First Christian Church, you are invited to *First Things* on Sundays, November 13, from 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm, with lunch and childcare provided. At *First Things*, we'll share about the history of First Christian Church, the beliefs and traditions of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), and why we believe First Christian Church should be your church home. You can RSVP for First Things on our website or by calling the church office (940.692.2282). We look forward to helping you know the first things about First Christian!

The Picture of a Generous Disciple

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