

# Christian Service of Worship

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 12, 2015 at 10:30 a.m.

*\*indicates for those who are able to stand*

## We Gather Together

Welcome and Mission Announcements Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King

\*Passing of the Peace of Christ

*(As the risen Christ greeted his beloved disciples with the greeting, "Peace be with you," let us now turn and greet one another in mutual love.)*

Prelude

\*Entrance Hymn *Bring Many Names* 10

\*Call to Worship Rev. Betty Brewer-Calvert

One: People of God, come and worship.

**Many: In a world filled with cynicism, let us proclaim hope.**

One: In a world filled with violence, let us proclaim peace.

**Many: In a world filled with death, let us proclaim life. Amen!**

\*Unison Prayer of Invocation Rev. Betty Brewer-Calvert

**God of love, we indeed ask that you show us in this hour, your gospel of hope, of peace and of life. May our hearts be opened by your heart, that we might be energized anew to live justly and beautifully. Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

## We Receive and Respond to the Word

Lessons from the Holy Scriptures Rev. Betty Brewer-Calvert

Daniel 6: 16-24 (*Pew Bible OT Page 827*)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**Many: Thanks be to God.**

Children's Focus on Faith Rev. Betty Brewer-Calvert

*Children welcome, in the name of Jesus. Children welcome, in the name of love.*

*All are welcome, in the name of Jesus. All are welcome, in the name of love.*

Joys and Concerns for Church and Community Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King

Pastoral Prayer and 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.*

Children's Church with Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King

Sermon *"Lions: God in Our Darkest Hour"* Rev. Melissa Fain

Invitation to Discipleship

Rev. Melissa Fain

*(You may join First Christian Church by transfer of membership, confession of faith, or by renewal of the vows of your baptism. Please come forward during the hymn.)*

\*Hymn of Invitation

*Fairest Lord Jesus*

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## We Remember and Celebrate as the Body of Christ

Invitation to Faithful Stewardship

Rev. Lynn Trapp

Offertory Music

\*Doxology (Hymn of Praise) *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* 46

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God, all creatures here below;*

*Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts:*

*Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*Offertory Prayer

Rev. Lynn Trapp

Communion Hymn

*Let Us Break Bread Together* 425

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Rev. Melissa Fain

Prayers for the Bread and Cup Rev. Betty Brewer-Calvert and Rev. Lynn Trapp

Words of Institution 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26

One: For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said,

**Many: "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."**

One: In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying,

**Many: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."**

One: For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

*(Christ invites you to partake of Holy Communion. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us. You may partake of the Bread as it is passed and hold the Cup, or you may hold both elements so that we may partake of Holy Communion together.)*

Prayer of Commission

**God our help: We thank you for this supper, shared in the spirit with your son Jesus, who makes us new and strong, who brings us life eternal. We praise you for giving us all good gifts in Him and pledge ourselves to serve you, even as in Christ you have served us.**

## We Are Led Out By the Spirit

\*Hymn of Going Forth

*O, How I Love Jesus*

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\*Benediction

Rev. Melissa Fain

Postlude

Welcome home! We are delighted that you are here today. Please fill out the Visitor/Member Card so we may have a record of your participation.

Please be aware that our Senior Pastor James Brewer-Calvert is on Sabbatical from July 1 through August 31, 2015. Rev. Dr. Barbara Sims-King is faithfully serving Christ's church as Acting Pastor throughout the summer. Her contact info is 317-487-9554.

If you wish for a prayer joy or concern to be shared aloud during worship, please complete the back of the card now. Deacons collect prayer cards before our pastoral prayer. If your prayer request is confidential or you simply do not want it shared aloud, you may place your card in the offering plate alongside our collective tithes and offerings. On Monday morning our Prayer Ministry will lift up to God your prayer requests.

We kindly request that, unless you are on-call for professional reasons, all cell phones and electronic devices be turned off during worship. Thank you.

The Holy Scriptures for today may be found printed in the bulletin insert.

### Ministers: All the People

#### Your Church Staff:

The Rev. Dr. James L. Brewer-Calvert,  
*Senior Pastor*  
William E. Garner, *Director of Music*  
Rev. Barbara Sims-King,  
*Dir. of Christian Education*  
Kathy Westbrook, *Church Organist*  
Sherry Davis, *Church Administrator*  
Azeb Gidey, *Custodian*

#### Your Volunteer

#### Wedding Coordinator:

Diana Blake, *Wedding Coordinator*

### Continental Breakfast

July 12: Sylvia Gibbs  
July 19: \_\_\_\_\_  
July 26: \_\_\_\_\_  
Aug. 2: \_\_\_\_\_  
Aug. 9: \_\_\_\_\_  
Aug. 16: \_\_\_\_\_  
Aug. 23: \_\_\_\_\_

### Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, July 12, 2015

Preaching: Rev. Melissa Fain  
Holy Scriptures: Daniel 6: 16-24  
Sermon Title: "*Lions: God in our Darkest Hour*"  
Elders: Rev. Betty Brewer-Calvert and  
Rev. Lynn Trapp  
Deacons: Doug Schuette, Bridgette Boker,  
Steve Oliver  
Greeters: TBD  
Acolyte: Will Kidd

### Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, July 19, 2015

Preaching: Rev. Melissa Fain  
Holy Scriptures: Numbers 22: 28-31  
Sermon Title: "*Donkeys: God in Unlikely Moments*"  
Elders: TBD and Rev. Lynn Trapp  
Deacons: Russell Broomfield, Susan Watts,  
Tom Gard, Robbin Brown  
Greeters: Russell Broomfield, Lee Stanley  
Acolyte: Tori Jackson

### Sunday Morning Offerings

9 a.m. Continental Breakfast  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Sanctuary Service



***Welcome Home!***

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***Resolve to Love, Agree to Differ, Unite to Serve, Break Bread Together***