

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Welcome and thank you for joining us in worship.

**Please stand if able*

THEME: Just Breathe

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS BEFORE GOD

GATHERING MUSIC Linda Morgan

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Gery Deaver

*CALL TO WORSHIP Gery Deaver

L/ The Risen Christ breathed on the disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

P/ (sung) Breathe on me breath of God, fill me with life anew.

L/ In these moments today, Risen Christ breathe on us:

P/ (sung) Breathe on me breath of God, till I am wholly thine.

L/ Alleluia! Praise the Risen One! Praise the Spirit!

P/ Alleluia! Alleluia! (Based on John 20:22)

*HYMN "Spirit" **№ 249**

EASTER GREETING Pastor Bob

L/ Alleluia! Christ is risen!

P/ Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

GATHERING PRAYER Pastor Bob

THE COMMUNITY HEARS AND RESPONDS TO GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING (Page 885) Acts 2:1-8, 12-17a

ANTHEM "Breathe on Me, Breath of God" Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING (Page 883) John 20:19-23

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON Pastor Bob

THE PRAYERS

CALL TO PRAYER "Spirit of the Living God" **№ 259**

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS Jim Boileau

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY Pastor Bob

THE COMMUNITY SHARES IN CHRIST'S LIFE

*HYMN "Let It Breathe on Me" **№ 260**

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION Pastor Bob

TABLE PRAYER OVER THE BREAD AND CUP Jim Boileau

THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "debts/debtors") Jim Boileau

BREAKING OF THE BREAD Pastor Bob

SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome to come forward to receive Holy Communion.

Please deposit the cups in the basket before returning to your seat.

If you are unable to come forward, raise your hand and the elements will be brought to you.

An offering tray is available for your convenience.

COMMUNION MUSIC Linda Morgan

*SONG OF THANKSGIVING "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

(Chalice Hymnal #50)

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION (in unison) Jim Boileau

O God, you have breathed on us your Spirit, surrounded us by your peace and fed us by your grace. Accept our lives dedicated to you, knowing that as you sent Jesus, you now send us. Amen.

THE COMMUNITY DEPARTS FOR MINISTRY AND SERVICE

*HYMN "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" **№ 261**

BENEDICTION Pastor Bob

*DEPARTING MUSIC Linda Morgan

THE WORD THIS WEEK

Scriptures to read and reflect upon this week:

Today (28) – Acts 2:1-13	Thurs. (1) – Matthew 8:14-17
Mon. (29) – Acts 2:14-21	Fri. (2) – 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Tues. (30) – Matthew 8:1-4	Sat. (3) – Matthew 28:16-20
Wed. (31) – Matthew 8:5-13	Sun. (4) – Psalm 8

Scriptures for Next Sunday – 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 & Matthew 28:16-20

PRAYER UPDATES

UPPER MIDWEST REGIONAL PRAYER CALENDAR

Christian Church Foundation—works with congregations or individuals managing permanent funds benefiting various ministries of the church
Ankeny Christian Church, Pastors, Owen Cayton, Ankeny, IA
Elkhart Christian, Pastor, Joel Aurand, Elkhart, IA
First Christian Church, Pastor Kevin & Sue Blader, Winterset, IA
Pastors: Sylvia Larsen, Deborah Lewis, Ryan Osler, David Cobb

(To have someone added to the Prayer List, please call the church office, talk to the Elder prior to worship or use the Prayer Request form in the narthex. The complete Weekly Prayer List is emailed on Mondays to the Prayer Chain. To receive the Prayer Chain email, please notify the office or note it on the communication card.)

FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

Large print bulletins and hymnals located by sanctuary doors
Hearing assistance equipment in sanctuary sound room
Restrooms located in upstairs hallway by the elevator

FIND US ONLINE

www.CedarFallsDisciples.org
email: firstchristian@cfu.net
Facebook: First Christian Church of Cedar Falls



*"We are Disciples of Christ,
a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.
As part of the one body of Christ
we welcome all to the Lord's Table
as God has welcomed us."*



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May 28, 2023

Pentecost

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Church Potluck - There will a potluck following the Congregational Meeting on Sunday, June 11 following worship. Please bring a dish to share and your own tableware.

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Spirit Dates June 20

FIRST CHRISTIAN STAFF

MINISTERS: EVERY MEMBER

PASTOR: Rev. Bob Fread

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BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR: Tami Kofron

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№ 249 “*Spirit*”

Refrain: Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness, calling and free,
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
stir in me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

1. You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep,
and over the eons you called to each thing,
“Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings.”
2. You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,
And you gifted your people with a law and a land,
when they were confounded with idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.
3. You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still,
and down in the city you called once again
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.
4. You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes,
from the bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions, our men clear eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise.

№ 259 “*Spirit of the Living God*”

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

№ 260 “*Let It Breathe on Me*”

Let it breathe on me, let it breathe on me,
let the breath of the Lord, now, breath on me,
let it breathe on me, let it breathe on me,
let the breath of the Lord, now, breathe on me.

№ 261 “*Sweet, Sweet Spirit*”

There’s a sweet, sweet Spirit in the place,
and I know that it’s the Spirit of the Lord;
there are sweet expressions on each face,
and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,
stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
without a doubt we’ll know that we have revived
when we shall leave this place.