



First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)



Prelude

Ubi Caritas Nara Lee (b. 1984

Nara Lee, organist

As you prepare to worship please gather the following elements: A Candle, Bread and Juice, handwashing items (e.g. bowl and towel, hand sanitizer, disposable wipes, etc)

Greetings and Instructions

Pastor Bruce

Lighting of the Christ Candle and the Tenebrae Candle

Pastor Helen

Please light a Candle as a reminder of Christ's light, even in the darkest days

Call to Worship (responsive)

Leader: This is the night of love

People: **This is the night of love**

Scripture Reading

from John 13

Act of Hand Washing

As you wash the hands of a loved one who is with you spiritually and/or physically, please be reminded of Jesus' commandment to love one another as he has demonstrated his love for you

Anthem

Love Consecrates the Humblest Act

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arr. Moonyeen Albrecht (b. 1936)

Love consecrates the humblest act
and haloes mercy's deeds;
it sheds a benediction sweet
and hallows human needs.

When in the shadow of the cross
Christ knelt and washed the feet
of his disciples he gave us
a sign of love complete.

Love serves and willing stoops to serve;
what Christ in love so true
has freely done for one and all,
let us now gladly do!

- S.B. McManus (1902)

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration for the Bread and Cup

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

*Please hold the elements in your hands as the music is played.
We will partake in unison.*

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Lord's Prayer (unison)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Scripture

John 18:1

Extinguishing of the Tenebrae Candle

Draping of the Table

Anthem

And No Bird Sang

Douglas E. Wagner (b. 1952)

Calm was the wind and dark was the sky,
when our Lord came to die;
Lone, on the cross for our sins He did hang,
and no bird sang.

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Kyrie eleison
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God have mercy
God's will be done. Eleison

No bird sang in the sky
When Christ did come to die.
- Douglas E. Wagner

Closing Hymn

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

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1. When I survey the wond'rous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ, my God;
all the vain things that charm me
most, I sacrifice them to his blood.
3. See, from his head, his hands,
his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Isaac Watts, 1707

Benediction**Postlude**Abide with Me Albin
Jihye Choi, organist

C. Whitworth (b. 1938)

This service was pre-recorded in various segments to allow the worship leaders to strictly follow guidelines regarding social distancing.
Special thank you to Ashlyn Reynolds, Jono Palmer and Jennifer Fettchenhauer for assistance in producing and posting our worship services online.

Good Friday Online Worship, April 10, noon (online)

This traditional Good Friday Service will lead us to the foot of the cross. There, we will be invited to “lean into” the painful events of that day, and to reflect on wondrous love of Christ Jesus for us and for this world. This brief and reflective service will contain scripture from John’s Gospel, prayers, music, and images. Join us online at noon at:

<https://www.firstccbedford.org/>

Easter Sunday Online! Guest Preacher: The Rev. Teresa “Terri” Hord Owens General Minister and President of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Disciples from across the United States and Canada will shout out our Alleluias with one voice on Easter as our General Minister and President proclaims the Good News of Resurrection to all of us! The Rev. Teresa “Terri” Hord Owens, a powerful preacher who has a great love for the church, will strengthen, encourage, and empower us to be the church of Jesus Christ.

FCC Bedford and FCC Bloomington will welcome Terri by (hopefully) “parachuting” her into our online joint Easter Sunday service. Pastor Helen and Pastor Bruce will lead the service of worship from Bloomington FCC’s sanctuary, and our FCC musicians will offer special music and lead us in our hymn singing! We will partake of communion together in spirit and have our online coffee fellowship following our time of worship! Plans are still being finalized (and there are surprises yet to be revealed!), so please watch your inbox for updates from Pastor Bruce via a sticky note.



About our General Minister and President Rev. Hord Owens was elected as the General Minister and President on July 9, 2017. A Disciple since young adulthood, she served as dean of students at the University of Chicago Divinity School and pastor of First Christian Church of Downers Grove, IL prior to her election. Terri’s resume includes more than 20 years in corporate America leading diverse teams in data management before she entered seminary. For 15 years, she served as the dean of students at the University of Chicago Divinity School, shepherding a varied student body in both background and theology. Rev. Hord Owens is widely sought after as a preacher, speaker and workshop facilitator. Her ministry and intellectual interests include a theology of reconciliation, cultural intelligence, developing inclusive and multi-cultural congregations, and the mentoring of youth and young adults.

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**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.**

***Disciples of Christ Statement of Identity**

CHURCH STAFF:

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11:00 am - 1:00 pm

CUSTODIAN'S HOURS:

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