

**Minister:** Rev. William Brown

**E-mail:** fccbedfordwill@gmail.com

**Choir Director:** Lillie Judge

**E-Mail:** ljudgefcc@gmail.com

**Organist:** Mary Ruth Yates

**A/V Technician:** Duncan Kane

**Church Office Hours:** Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

**Administrative Assistants:**

Mitzi Flynn: Monday, Dawn Manke: Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday

**Bookkeeper:** Linda Smith

**E-mail:** shawswick63@gmail.com

**Custodian's Hours:** Monday-Wednesday: 8:00 am - 11:00 am, Sunday: 1 hour

**Custodian:** Steve Harrell

**Camp Manager:** Chuck Bair

**E-Mail:** manager@campbedford.com

**Web Page:** firstccbedford.org

**Camp Bedford Web Page:** campbedford.com



**SERVING SCHEDULE:  
NOVEMBER**

Elder: **Jack & Christie  
Maxwell**

Greeters

15th St **Pat Merchant**

K St **Helen Merchant**

Canopy **Treva Olson**



# First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

1101 15<sup>th</sup> Street  
Bedford, IN 47421

[www.firstccbedford.org](http://www.firstccbedford.org)

812-275-4497  
[office@firstccbedford.org](mailto:office@firstccbedford.org)

Reaching Outward to Connect People with God's Abundance



November 19, 2023

November 19, 2023

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

10:30 am

*Please complete the cream-colored card located in the back of each pew and place it in the offering plate. Help us by filling out the card as completely as you can. You may also use the card to inform the office of any prayer requests, joys, concerns, upcoming events, changes, etc.*

***Turn off cell phones as they may interfere with the live stream. Thank you.***

\*\*\*\*\*

**\*Please Stand (as you are able)**

**Prelude** Voluntary on "Kremser" - Charles Callahan

**Welcome and Announcements** Rev. William Brown

**\*Opening Hymn** Our God, Our Help In Ages Past #67 (vs 1, 3 & 5)

**\*Call to Worship** Worship Leader

Leader: LORD, you have been our dwelling-place in all generations.

**All: From everlasting to everlasting, you are God.**

Leader: Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,

**All: So that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.**

Leader: Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,

**All: O Prosper the work of our hands!**

**Lord's Prayer** All

**Scripture** Matthew 25:14-30 (NRSV) Worship Leader

**Special Music** Hear My Words by Steven Paulus

<b>Proclamation</b>	Making the Most of It	Rev. William Brown
<b>*Hymn of Discipleship</b>	In Christ There Is No East or West #687 (vs. 1, 2 & 3)	
<b>*Invitation to Giving</b>		Rev. William Brown
<b>*Doxology</b>		All
<b>*Prayer of Dedication</b>		Elder
<b>Communion Hymn</b>	We Call Ourselves Disciples #357 (vs.1, 3 & 5)	
<b>Invitation to Christ's Table</b>		Rev. William Brown
<b>Prayer for the Bread and Cup</b>		Elder
<b>Communion Music</b>	A Gaelic Improvisation - Charles Callahan	
<b>Words of Institution</b>		Rev. William Brown
<b>Taking of the Bread and Cup Together</b>		
<b>*Closing Hymn</b>	Come, Ye Thankful People, Come #718 (vs. 1 & 2)	
<b>*Blessings and Benediction</b>		
<b>*Postlude</b>	Fanfare on "St. George's Windsor" - Charles Callahan	

## Upcoming Events:

<b>Today:</b>	11/19	09:30 am 10:30 am Following Worship	Coffee Hour Worship Thanksgiving Luncheon-Fellowship Hall
<b>Tuesday:</b>	11/21	02:00 pm 05:30 pm	Bible Study Board Meeting-Fellowship Hall
<b>Wednesday</b>	11/22	12:00 pm (noon)	Office Closed for Thanksgiving
<b>Thursday</b>	11/23	All Day	Office Closed for Thanksgiving
<b>Sunday:</b>	11/26	09:30 am 10:30 am Following Worship 2:00 pm	Coffee Hour Worship Decorating for Advent & Worker Lunch Nursing Home Ministry-Johnson Christian Village
<b>Sunday:</b>	12/3	Following Worship	Elder's Meeting
<b>Wednesday:</b>	12/20	6:30 pm	Prayer Ministry Meeting

## **Outreach Committee Ministry**

We are collecting

**BAKING SUPPLIES (FLOUR, SUGAR, ETC.)**

during the month of **November** for **L.I.F.E. Pantry**.

Please place all packages in the baskets located in the foyer. *Any food or items you wish to donate are welcome any month.*

## **It's Time for Our Adopt a Family Project**

The Christmas list is posted in the foyer.

Please **read the guidelines** before you purchase a gift. **All gifts need to be the library by December 11.**

If you would like to give a monetary donation, please make the check payable to First Christian Church with a memo for Adopt-A-Family.  
Contact Amy Holbrook, 812-583-1105, for any questions.

<b>Prayer List:</b>	Ethan Holsapple	Rita Roberts
Paula Beaton	Ainsley Jefferies	Betty Robbins
Levi Chisholm	Beth Joyner	Mary Beth Sieman
Janet Cooper	Judy Juranek	Sydney Sowders
Leo Coulter	Van Kavanaugh	Brook Spires
Tina Corum	Defne Leonard	Shirley Stroud
Chantell Emberton	Danny Lyons	Candy Sykes
Aaron Evans	Rocky McClain	Tim Tincher
Jerry Francis	Wanda McPike	Greg VanCleave
Ariene Gilbert	William Metz	Mark Wingo
James Hackney	Sheila Miskuf	Nathan Witt
Karen Hackney	Patricia Morris	Ridge Wolka
Liam Harting	Shelly Perrson	Fred Wolka Sr.
Gloria Hilkey	Emily Roberts	Roger Wykoff

**Those away from home serving the church,  
in military, civil service, education and work.**

**Those unable to be with us in Worship:**

Homebound - Vivian Fishel, Leona Russell, JK Robbins

Autumn Trace – Laverne Speer (109), Betty Wagoner (110)

Majestic Care - (Garden Villa) – Jacob Householder (611)

Stonebridge - Carol Mifflin (502), Paul Miller (516), Carolyn Tumey (109), Jimmy Waggoner (208)

Bell Trace (Bloomington) – Shirley McMunn (1118B)

***Please advise Elder Susan Maxwell-Lewis or the church office of any prayer concerns or updates. You may also fill out a pew card & drop it in the offering plat***



## Hear My Words by Stephen Paulus

Hear my words, O gracious Lord, To my thoughts attentive be; Hear my cry, my King my God, I will make my prayer to thee.

Thou art Holy O my God, Thou delightest not in sin; Evil shall not dwell with Thee, Nor the proud Thy favor win.

With the morning light O Lord, Thou shalt hear my voice arise; And expectant I will bring, Prayer as morning sacrifice.

Thou art Holy O my God, Thou delightest not in sin; Evil shall not dwell with Thee, Nor the proud Thy favor win.

O gracious Lord, Hear my words, O gracious Lord, I will make my tentative be; Hear my cry my King my God, I will make a prayer to thee.

The background of the poster is a warm, golden-toned still life. It features a large wicker basket overflowing with various fruits like apples, pears, oranges, and bunches of green and red grapes. In the foreground, there are several pumpkins and gourds, some with dried leaves scattered around them. A slice of pie is visible in the bottom right corner. The overall atmosphere is cozy and festive, typical of Thanksgiving.

# **Thanksgiving Luncheon**

**Sunday, November 19, 2023**

**Following Worship**

**Turkey  
and Drinks  
Provided**

**Please bring the  
following to share:**

**Vegetable, Salad  
and/or Dessert**

**Join us as we count our blessings  
with our families and friends!**