

# Throughout the Church...

**TODAY** - Monthly Potluck & Reception for Adam's Installation  
Installation of Rev Adam Bradley  
- **TODAY @ 2pm**  
**Baptizing America Book Study (in person)**  
- **Tuesday @ 10:30am**  
**Cluster Meeting - Tuesday @ 6:30pm**  
**Bible Study - Wednesday @ 10:30am**  
**Baptizing America Book Study (virtual)**  
- **Thursday @ 6:30pm**  
**Elder's Meeting - Sunday @ 12pm**



Check out our full calendar of events here

Please always check with the church office if you are wanting to use the church building.  
Thank you!

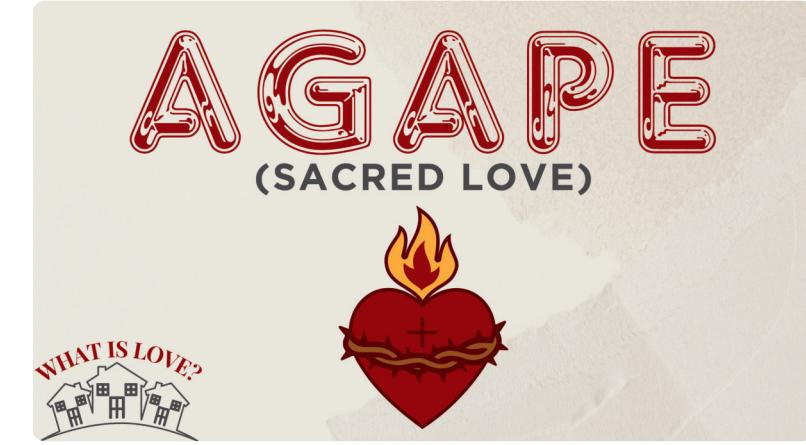
We are an open and affirming congregation that celebrates all people as sacred creations of a loving God. We embrace the fullness of human diversity - across orientations, identities, experiences, and backgrounds - and seek to follow Christ by offering love, compassion, and acceptance to all. In that spirit, we welcome everyone to participate fully in the life, leadership, and ministry of our church.

# Loving Our Neighbors



## 2026 Worship Theme

01	JANUARY	What Is Love?	07	JULY	Pursuing a Liberating Love
02	FEBRUARY	Learning to Love Yourself	08	AUGUST	God's Unbreakable Love
03	MARCH	Lent: Learning to Love the Dust	09	SEPTEMBER	Stewardship Campaign: When Love Is Enough
04	APRIL	Who Is Our Neighbor?	10	OCTOBER	A Just Love
05	MAY	When Neighbors Feel Like Enemies	11	NOVEMBER	Responding to Love
06	JUNE	Love Wins	12	DECEMBER	Advent: Love Embodied



**January 25, 2026**  
**10:30am**

**First Christian Church**



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## Today's Meditation

God loved us not because we are lovable, but because God is love.  
- C.S. Lewis

†Please Stand If You Are Able

Fellowship of the Church

Music for Meditation & A Moment of Silence  
*Andante Espressivo* - Haydn/Blake

†Call to Worship

One: *Love me from the inside out, God. Take the fear hidden deep in me and burn it off in your purifying fire.*

**Many: Love me from the inside out, God.**

One: *Take the roots of my mistrust and deaden their hold on my life.*

**Many: Love me from the inside out, God.**

One: *Take the thoughts that run freely in my mind and trap them in your grace.*

**Many: Love me from the inside out, God.**

One: *Take the hope you have planted in me and nourish it with the support of the Church.*

**Many: Love me from the inside out, God.**

One: *Take the gift of the Spirit living in me and ignite your love to lead me to your service.*

**ALL: Love me from the inside out, God.**

†Opening Hymn #4  
*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

†Opening Prayer

Leader: *Let us pray together...*

**All: Loving God, you have told us throughout the ages that to love you, love our neighbors, and love ourselves was to live a life worthy of being called Holy. Created by love, surrounded by love, and made whole in loving - we stumble. We do not believe in your infinite compassion for us. Forgive our doubt. We withhold unmerited forgiveness from each other. Forgive our desperate need for control. We despair we can ever love those who have hurt us. Forgive our shallow hope. Free us from the fears that hobble our steps, as we join together in praying the prayer that Jesus has taught us to pray, saying: Our Father/Creator...**

## †Vision Response

*We Call Ourselves Disciples* vs 4

#357

## Scripture Reading

*This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

John 13:34-35

## Children's Message

Rev. Emily Williams

## Special Music

*'Twas in the Moon of Wintertime*

Jubilate Ringers

William Ringham

## Sermon

Rev. Adam Bradley

*Agape (Sacred Love)*

## †Hymn of Commitment

*One Spirit of Love*

Chalice Praise #151

## A Time of Prayer

*Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.*

## Communion Hymn

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*Take Our Bread*

## The Lord's Supper

**All: Here we celebrate that all people are welcome at this table of God's grace.**

*Let Us Break Bread Together* - arr. Birchwood

## Offering Meditation

## Tithes & Offerings

If you are able, please come forward at this time to place your offering in the plate in front of the communion table.

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God* - Hayes/Wagner

## †Doxology

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## †Dedication of Offering

## †Benediction

## †Congregational Response

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*God, Dismiss with Your Blessing* vs 1

## Postlude

*Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing* - arr. Kendall



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## Ministering Today

Elders

Chere Peters

Jenny Tripses

Deacons

Chancel Head

Beth Reynolds  
Tim Dougherty  
Lindsey Hinshaw  
Peter Hinshaw  
Levi Holloway

Lay Reader

Acolyte

Tech

Greeters

Kate Spielman  
Natalie Woods  
Debra Kreps  
Sandy Surface  
Aldine Allen

John & Lisa Best

Kevin Wolfe  
Kathleen Wheeler  
Linda Rex

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Adult SS

Youth SS

Preschool

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