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Fill out this Connection Card and include it in today's offering. New around here? Address changes? Fill out what's relevant.

Today's Date: April 7, 2019

Your Name(s)

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give

Many of us give in ways other than putting money in the offering plate each week. Some of us give online at the church's website, or use our bank's online bill pay. Some of us make one large annual gift, or we fulfill our pledge by making a gift once a month. We give our time and our talents because all of our gifts make a difference. Note ways to participate on the reverse side.

Gold envelopes are available in the pews for any financial gifts you would like to give today. Place this card in the offering as a symbol of a gift you've made in another way.

Opportunities for the Week of April 7-April 14

Today	9:00	Speaker Series Featuring Rachel Baker
	9:15	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00	Worship and Fellowship
	11:15	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
	5:30	NYP: Neighborhood Youth Project at FCC
	5:30	Potluck & Program for Children & Families at FCC
	8:00	Language of the Heart Alcoholics Anonymous
Monday	10:00	Staff Meeting
Tuesday	5:00	The ARC Mentor Program, Fellowship Hall
	7:00	Table Topics
Wednesday	9:00	Vintage Bunch Trip to Ava Gardner
	7:30	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	6:15	Table Talk Serves Dinner at YWCA Shelter, 1807 E. Wendover
	8:00	Al-Anon and Alateen
Sunday	9:00	Small Groups
	9:15	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00	Worship and Fellowship
	11:15	Board Meeting
	8:00	Language of the Heart Alcoholics Anonymous

Preaching Next Week: Robert Martin

Join us for good stories and good music and really, really good news.

Plan to join us for these Holy Week Services: We will shout our hosannas in a palm parade next Sunday, April 14. We will revisit the night of the Last Supper on April 18. We will gather in quiet contemplation on April 19.

We will join together in fanfare and celebration April 21.

Can you contribute fruit, bread, or a breakfast casserole for Easter breakfast? Sign up on the Connection Card.

Serving Next Sunday, April 14

Acolyte Chloe Murray **Elders** Jim Tebow and George Manley **Deacons** Troy Desselles, Crystal Flynt, Bill Lund, MaryKate Holden, Jamie Cannady, and Dona Norwood
Worship Leader JoAnn Tucker **Children's Moment** TBD
Children's Church Amanda Desselles and Meredith Cooper **Greeters** TBD
Coffee Hour Host Laura Tebow **Building Responsibilities** Jim Tebow

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Sunday, April 7, 2019, First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

Chiming of the Hour

Gathering Music

“Wade in the Water”

African-American Spiritual
Setting by Chuck Marohnic

Lighting of Candles and Processional

***Choral Call to Worship**

“O Christ, the Healer” (v. 1)

O Christ, the healer,

**we have come to pray for health,
to plead for friends.**

**How can we fail to be restored
when reached by love that never ends?**

No. 503
ROCKINGHAM

***Proclamation**

Kay Phelps

The Lord God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger,
and abounding in steadfast love. We cry for help and God says,
“Here I am.” The Lord forgives, guides us continually, and satisfies our needs
in parched places. We join our voices in prayer and praise.

***Hymn of Praise**

“Bring Many Names”

No. 10
WESTCHASE

***Invocation and Lord's Prayer** Kay Phelps
**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. Lead us not into
 temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom
 and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

***Response in Praise** "Gloria Patri" GREATOREX
**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.**

Words of Welcome Jimmy Gawne

Ministry Moment

Scripture Isaiah 43:16-21 Kay Phelps
 One: The word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God.

Children's Moment Jimmy Gawne
*Following the Children's Moment, children age 3 through 2nd grade
 are invited to gather at the back of the sanctuary for Children's Church.
 Children's Church leaders: Amanda Desselles and Dona Norwood*

Prayers of the People
 Preparation for Prayer No. 340
 "Softly and Tenderly" (refrain) THOMPSON
**Come home, ye who are weary, come home;
 earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling—calling,
 "O sinner, come home!"**

Pastoral Prayer Jimmy Gawne

Sharing our Gifts
 Call to Offering Faith Manley
 Offertory *Our gifts support the ministry of this congregation,
 here in our community and around the world. The gold envelopes in the pews can
 be used for general gifts to First Christian. The connection card in
 this bulletin can also symbolize gifts made electronically.*

***Response** OLD ONE HUNDREDTH
**Praise God who binds our broken lives.
 Praise Christ, the broken body rise.
 Praise Spirit binding hearts with care.
 Praise Triune binding all that share. Amen.**

Dedication of Gifts Faith Manley

Anthem "He Never Failed Me Yet" Robert Ray

Scripture John 12:1-8 Kay Phelps
 One: The word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God.

Message "Always With You" Jimmy Gawne

Sharing the Feast
 Communion Hymn "Jesus, Remember Me" (sing 3x) No. 569
 REMEMBER ME
 Call to Communion Jimmy Gawne

One: Come to the Lord's Table.
Many: We give thanks for God's love.
 One: Come to the Lord's Table.
Many: We confess our sin.
 One: Come to the Lord's Table.

Many: We know God forgives and satisfies our needs.
 Words of Institution Jimmy Gawne
 Prayer for the Bread and Cup Spencer Smith
 One: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, share in the feast.
*All who seek to follow Jesus are invited to share in communion.
 All are invited to come forward to share in these gifts
 by taking a piece of the bread and dipping it into the cup.
 If you prefer to remain in your seat, a deacon will bring communion to you.*
 One: We give you thanks, O God. We celebrate the life that Jesus has shared
 among his community through the centuries and shares with us now.
Many: Amen.

Invitation to Discipleship Jimmy Gawne

***Hymn of Dedication** No. 503
 "O Christ, the Healer" ROCKINGHAM

***Taking the Light of Christ into the World**

***Benediction** Jimmy Gawne

***Postlude** "Rigaudon" André Campra
 (1660-1744)

**Please stand as you are able.*
 Many thanks to our guest preacher, Jimmy Gawne.

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prms Feel free to share Joys and Concerns:

- participate* Let us know your plans.
- I'll be at youth group or the children & families potluck and program tonight!
 - Did God kill Jesus? Interesting question. I'll join in the Table Topics conversation Tuesday at 7 p.m.
 - I'm interested in this Wednesday's Vintage Bunch trip to the Ava Gardner Museum.
 - I'll be at choir rehearsal Wednesday.
 - I can contribute something or help serve the meal at the YWCA shelter this Thursday. (We'll be in touch!)
 - I can bring diapers for the diaper drive. Collection ends Mother's Day.
 - I can make a contribution to help our church representatives participate in the General Assembly. At least three of our members need assistance with costs of registration and travel to the GA in Des Moines, Iowa, in July.
 - I can contribute fruit, bread, or a breakfast casserole for Easter breakfast.
 - I'd like more info about serving a meal at the urban ministry shelter.
 - I'm looking forward to the palm parade next Sunday and will be here as we enter into Holy Week.
 - Other: