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## Serving Schedule for March 1, 2026

**Responsive Reader**  
Mark Richardson  
**Communion Prayer**  
Gail Doss  
**Offertory Prayer**  
LaVerne Matthews  
**Van Driver**

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell



## Serving Schedule for March 15, 2026

**Responsive Reader**  
Gary Croy  
**Communion Prayer**  
Mark Richardson  
**Offertory Prayer**  
Kathy Richardson  
**Van Driver**

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell



## Serving Schedule for March 29, 2026

**Responsive Reader**  
Gail Doss  
**Communion Prayer**  
Megan Garland  
**Offertory Prayer**  
Kim Wagganer  
**Van Driver**

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell



Senior Fellowship will meet in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, March 17th. Please bring a dish and join us for a good time!

# MARCH

## Upcoming Opportunities

### SUNDAY, MARCH 1:

9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship  
First Sunday Fellowship  
Brunch

### MONDAY, MARCH 2:

4:00 p.m. Daycare Board Meeting

### SUNDAY, MARCH 8:

**Daylight Savings Time Begins**  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship

### THURSDAY, MARCH 12:

5:30 p.m. Church Board Meeting

### SUNDAY, MARCH 15:

9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship

### TUESDAY, MARCH 17:

11:30 a.m. Senior Fellowship,  
Fellowship Hall

### THURSDAY, MARCH 19:

1:30 p.m. CWF, Church Parlor

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22:

9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship

### SUNDAY, MARCH 29:

**Palm Sunday**  
9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship

## SUNDAY SCHOOL PERFECT ATTENDERS

### January

Gail Doss  
Kay Gilbreath  
Gleta Gorman  
Mary Grobe  
Jack Maxwell  
Gene Roberts

### February

Gail Doss  
Gleta Gorman  
Kay Gilbreath  
LaVerne Matthews  
Jack Maxwell  
Eva Kay Smith



## Serving Schedule for March 8, 2026

**Responsive Reader**  
Kay Gilbreath  
**Communion Prayer**  
Steve Fowler  
**Offertory Prayer**  
Pat Fowler  
**Van Driver**

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell

## First Sunday Fellowship Brunch

First Sunday Fellowship Brunch will follow worship on Sunday, March 1st in the Fellowship Hall. The brunch will be potluck. Bring a dish and enjoy the fun!



## Serving Schedule for March 22, 2026

**Responsive Reader**  
Melody Ducote  
**Communion Prayer**  
Jack Childress  
**Offertory Prayer**  
Gail Doss  
**Van Driver**

Mark Richardson/Jack Maxwell



## SPRING FORWARD

Sunday, March 8th  
Don't be late for Sunday School.....Set your clock ahead one hour before going to bed Saturday night.

*In Loving Memory*

OF

**Gloria Michel**

By: CWF  
Gail Doss  
Gleta Gorman

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ATTENDANCE REPORT
February 1, 2026

ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL WORSHIP ..... 86
SUNDAY SCHOOL
Homebuilders..... 6
Men's Class..... 2
Total ..... 8

ATTENDANCE REPORT
February 8, 2026

ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL WORSHIP ..... 70
SUNDAY SCHOOL
Homebuilders..... 6
Men's Class..... 2

ATTENDANCE REPORT
February 15, 2026

ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL WORSHIP ..... 77
SUNDAY SCHOOL
Homebuilders..... 5
Men's Class..... 2
Total ..... 7

ATTENDANCE REPORT
February 22, 2026

ATTENDANCE:
TOTAL WORSHIP ..... 75
SUNDAY SCHOOL
Homebuilders..... 6
Men's Class..... 1
Total ..... 7

Drawn to the Light

This Epiphany season has been a gift to our church family. In recent weeks, we have baptized four people and welcomed fifteen new members into the life of First Christian Church. These are moments of deep gratitude, not because of numbers or growth alone, but because each story represents a life being drawn closer to Jesus.

In John 12:32, Jesus says, "And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." That promise reminds us that the true work of the church is not attraction, marketing, or strategy. The work of the church is lifting up Christ. When Jesus is clearly seen, faithfully proclaimed, and lovingly lived, people are drawn, not to a building, not to a program, but to Him.

Every baptism is a testimony to new life in Christ. Every new member is a reminder that God is still gathering His people. These moments point beyond themselves to the living reality of Jesus at work among us. They are signs of grace, not achievements. They are gifts, not trophies.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer once wrote, "The church is the church only when it exists for others." That vision reshapes how we understand growth. We are not here to build something impressive, but to be a faithful presence in the lives of others. We exist to bear witness to Christ in word and deed, to extend His mercy, and to embody His love in a world hungry for hope.

These signs of life press us forward, not into celebration, but into deeper faithfulness. They call us to greater prayer, greater attentiveness, and greater trust in the quiet work of God unfolding among us.

At First Christian Church, we sense that God is moving among us. Not in flashy ways, but in quiet, holy ways, through changed hearts, renewed faith, deeper commitment, and growing trust. This is how resurrection life often unfolds: slowly, faithfully, and beautifully.

As we look ahead, may we keep our eyes fixed on Christ. May our worship lift Him



At Home

Lonnie Green, Cathy Haggerty

Kings Daughters and Sons
Nursing Home, Bartlett TN

Vince Halferty, Room #221

Oakdale Care Center

Marion Parks, Room#401

Westwood Hills

Gloria Michel, Room #67

[Names will remain on our
Prayer Concern list until
the Church Office is notified
to remove them.]

Looks who's having a
Birthday in
March

Kay Gilbreath 1
Gleta Gorman 16
Mark Richardson 19
Stacie Pinkston 28

high. May our service reflect
His humility. May our love
echo His grace. And may ever-
everything we do, as individuals
and as a church, point clearly
and consistently to Jesus.

For when Christ is lifted up,
lives are changed, and hope is
born again.

Jesus Is Enough,
Pastor Jason