

First Christian Church Newsletter

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Welcome wholly.
Love authentically.
Share God's grace abundantly.

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Upcoming Events

- **Sun, June 21st—Installation of Rev. Daniel Kovaly** at 10:00 am
Join us each Sunday for worship, in person or online, via [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)!
—**Potluck at The Baldrige's Home** following worship
All are invited to celebrate Rev. Dan Kovaly's installation as Senior Pastor at First Christian Church.
- **Tues, June 23rd—Women's Bible Study** at 2:00 pm
Open to anyone non-binary or fem-identifying who is looking for a safe, feminine space for Bible study. A link for the Zoom meeting will be sent to everyone on the Bible Study list serv prior to the call. To be added to the Bible Study list serv, [email the church office](#).
- **Sun, June 28th—Elders' Meeting** at 9:15 am
For Elders of the church to gather regarding duties and ministry. Please let an Elder Co-Chair know if you are unable to make the meeting in person.
- **Tues, June 30th—Women's Bible Study** at 2:00 pm
Open to anyone non-binary or fem-identifying who is looking for a safe, feminine space for Bible study. A link for the Zoom meeting will be sent to everyone on the Bible Study list serv prior to the call. To be added to the Bible Study list serv, [email the church office](#).
- **Saturday, July 4th—American Independence Day**
- **Sunday, July 5th—Worship Service** at 10:00 am
Join us each Sunday for worship, in person or online, via [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)!

Prayer Requests & Praises

If there is a name that needs to be removed or added to the prayer list, please contact the church office via email at firstonfifthcc@gmail.com. Prayer request details are kept private and only first names will be published publicly for prayer. Prayer Requests will remain on the list for one month, and then will automatically be removed unless we have been asked to keep it on.



Cristal



Elinor's family & friends



Hilde



Janet



Rev. Cooper's family & friends



Marvin



Mary



Patricia



Scott



Nick graduated college



Morgan graduated high school

Letter from Pastor Dan

Greetings First Christian Church Covington:

I want to start by offering my deepest thanks and congratulations to elder Richard Addison for preaching an amazing service last Sunday! Your eight simple rules for being a decent/good person really hit home. We all need a reminder, every now and again, to love all without stipulations, strings attached, or asterisks. I also loved the Bruce Lee philosophy of being water. In these complex and divisive times may we all be fluid and adaptable! If you have a sermon idea/concept please reach out to me, I love collaborating and bouncing ideas off one another!

Installation Service is this Sunday! I really appreciate all the effort put forth by the musicians and church leadership. I am excited to have our first FCC/BCC combined worship service! I know Covington will make the Bullittsville people feel welcome. I know Bullittsville has always considered FCC their sister church, now we're making it official! Extra special thanks to Doug and Hilde for hosting the potluck afterwards. Don't forget your bathing suit!

With Pride and Installation we are having an especially busy month, I hope everyone can find some pockets of sabbath and self care. If you or someone you know

is in need of pastoral care please do not hesitate to call/text/email me!

Peace Be Unto Y'all
Rev. Dan



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OF THE PASTOR

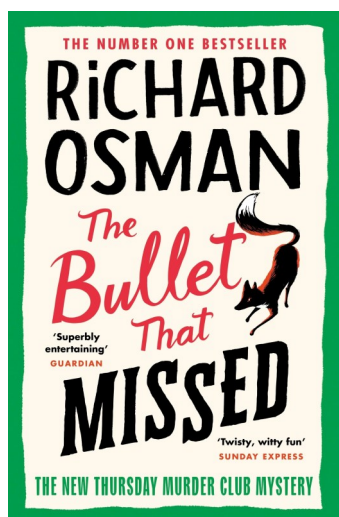
Congrats to Graduates

We'd like to offer a big congratulations to the graduates we know! You've worked hard and deserve our recognition!

- Nick, Arretta's son, graduated from Northern Kentucky University
- Morgan, Audrey's daughter, graduated from High School



July Book Club Details



Thank you to everyone who read last month's selection and attended our discussion meeting!

Our next Book Club selection is "The Bullet That Missed" by Richard Osman — a Thursday Murder Club book!

Folks will gather for discussion via Zoom on Sunday, July 12th at 2:00 pm. A zoom link will be sent to the Book Club list serv prior to the call.

If you have not received emails about Book Club from us before and would like to be added to the list serv, please email firstonfifthcc@gmail.com and let us know!

June Leadership Council Meeting Notes

Attendees

Leadership Council: Doug Baldrige, Patrick Hunt, Jeff Nipper, Tom Norwood, Lettie Van Hemert, Arretta Ketron

Other Attendees: Sterling and Brenda Staggs, Larry and Marilyn Smith, Richard Addison, Pastor Dan Kovaly

Financial Update (Provided from Sheri to Doug) - Income was \$3,150 and expenses were \$6,000 for May.

Budget (From Sheri) - The subcommittee, that includes Pastor Dan, Lettie, Sterling, Brenda and Sheri, will meet before the next Leadership Council meeting in July to decide where the outreach and local benevolence funds will be directed. This will be included in the budget that will be presented to the congregation.

Trustees Meeting - The trustees will meet June 17 @ 7:00.

Congregational Welcome Service for Pastor Dan (Dan) - Pastor Dan gave an update on his installation service which has been finalized for June 21. The service will include the congregation at Bullittsville Christian Church, their organist and Tommy Thomson on bagpipes. They will join Brenda and Joanna for our music selection. Don Gillette will give the service. After the service, we will have a potluck lunch at the Baldrige's home. We will also go through some of the pictures that were taken from the office to try and identify them before they are taken to the library for retention. **Doug will provide directions to his house.**

Updates from Pastor Dan

- Dan called Marilyn before her surgery on Friday, June 12 to pray with her. Please continue prayers that she heals from the surgery.
- Would like to implement cards that people can use to put into the offering plate to say that they give online and will print these for service.
- Would like the words for the Doxology to be printed on the slides of the service. Will talk to Alex to include these.

Celebration for Pastor Larry and Marilyn - We decided to have a potluck lunch on July 12 at Bullittsville after their service. Arretta and Richard will lead the arrangements.

2026 Pride Update (Lettie) - Pride was a big success this year! Special thanks to Lettie for organizing and leading the church with our booth and parade. Having water available really helped to draw people into conversations. Richard has agreed to lead Pride in 2027. Thank you to all who helped walk in the parade or man (or woman) the booth.

BOHH Concert - We would like anyone who'd like to attend the Band of Helping Hand's concert on June 27 at 6:30 - 10:00 p.m. Music will feature "The Feels", a band that includes Joanna Ward's son. Please let Doug know as soon as possible so he can purchase enough tickets. Tickets are \$30, including dinner, and the money for the tickets can be given to Doug before the concert.

Ideas for Fun Events

- Extend any events to Bullittsville
- Theater, potentially Shakespeare in the Park
- BOHH has another concert on July 25, "Doug Deming and the Jewel Tones"

Johnson Control Update - The church is now receiving collection letters for the quarterly bill that was due before the purchase of the church building. There is another potential issue that may also go into collections; the buyout of the contract. Doug will keep us updated on any new developments.

Other Discussion - Brenda spoke about the Regional Assembly. The 2026 Regional Assembly will take place from September 17-19, 2026, hosted at the First Christian Church in Bardstown, Kentucky. The General Assembly is on July 10 and 11. Pastor Dan will send a link on when and how to register for these. We would like to nominate Donna Scholer, and potentially Brenda depending on our number of votes, to be a voting representative of the church. Sterling will discuss this with Donna.

Next Leadership Council meeting will be July 8 at 7:00 p.m.

Happy Pride Month!
from First Christian Church