

Official Newsletter of the Fountain of Hope Christian Church

MISSION: Encourage spiritual growth and nurture God's children to take care of self, community, and the world through Christian Education, Radical Hospitality, Authentic Praise and Worship, and Service.

Two Basket of Figs

Jeremiah 24:2

"Then the Lord asked me, 'What do you see, Jeremiah?' 'Figs,' I answered. 'The good ones are very good, but the bad ones are so bad they cannot be eaten.'"

Going into 2026 is like no other time in history. Some of the situations are similar to historical situations but the



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the players are definitely different. God asks Jeremiah what does he see and he responds.

At this time, the children of Israel were in captivity in Babylon and God showed Jeremiah some figs. God asked Jeremiah how would you describe these figs. What do you see? Jeremiah responded that there are very good ones and bad ones.

The good figs were "good exiles" and for those "good exiles", God promised to watch over them for their good and build them up. God will build them up and give them a heart to know God. They will be God's people.

The bad figs have a promise too. God says he will make them abhorrent and an offense in the kingdoms of the earth. God will send them

famine and plague against them until they are destroyed from the land.

This is not a difficult lesson to get as we start this new year. We can be either good or bad figs regardless of what anyone else is doing. God promises to deal with everyone in their own way of being. The question for us is will we be a good fig or a bad fig in 2026.

I'm trusting God to be a good fig. What will you be? There is no neutral fig. There are only good figs and bad figs. Our prayer is that you choose good regardless of what anyone else chooses.

MAY GOD BE WITH YOU!

Another Year of Mission and Ministry Fountain of Hope at 17

From the initial meeting on December 31, 2008 in the bottom of a florist shop in Atlanta, GA to the present, Fountain of Hope has lifted the universal beacon of hope, Jesus Christ. The vision of Fountain of Hope is a Church empowering to serve God through worship, mission, and ministry in Spirit and Truth. This is done by encouraging spiritual growth and nurturing God's children to take care of self,

community, and the world through Christian Education, Radical Hospitality, Authentic Praise and Worship, and Service. Now, Fountain of Hope is an affiliate of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

This ministry has touched people throughout the United States, Europe, Asia, Africa, and even South America.

As we prepare for the 17th Anniversary Celebration, we ask for your prayers, your fellowship, and even your offerings to help support the ministry. More information is coming on the Anniversary Celebration.



Happy Anniversary



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Christian Education

There are opportunities to grow: Virtual Bible Study (Each Wednesday at 7pm) and On Demand Classes



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JUST LET US KNOW -

- If you need pastoral care
- If you need prayer
- If you need someone to talk to
- If you wish to be married
- If you have loved ones experiencing death
- If you are faced with any life situation

Become a Member

Becoming a member is easy. All you need to do is take the step of faith and become a part of this fellowship. Our members are located all over the world. You can be a part of this transforming ministry by simply letting one of our leaders know that you desire to be a part. We can make the necessary arrangements with you in necessary.

You may join by one of three (3) ways: Baptism, Letter, or Watch Care.

Baptism—If you never have been baptized

Letter — If you are moving membership from another church.

Watch Care—Keep your current membership, but affiliate under care while you are in

News from the Disciples of Christ

Bible Study each week on Wednesday at 7:00 pm.
Send request for URL link to Fountainofhopeatl@gmail.com



BLACK MINISTERS RETREAT

Virginia Beach, VA

March 10 - 12, 2026

RESILIENCE!

Remembering, Reclaiming, & Recommitting to Black Communities
Hebrews 12:1-3





DISCIPLES
Home Missions

 Dr. Carlos W. Perkins Retreat Trainer <small>Asst. Research Scientist & Associate Director of Engagement Lake Institute of Faith and Giving</small>	 Bishop Valerie J. Melvin Retreat Preacher <small>Regional Minister and CEO of the Christian Church in North Carolina</small>	 Dr. Rickey McCray Retreat Musician & Psalmist <small>Pastor The Way Church, Indianapolis, IN</small>	 Rev. Joselyn Spence "Yoga On The Beach" Instructor <small>Dir. of Mental Health and Wellness National Benevolent Association</small>
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Eco Story Circles: Exploring Gratitude and Grief in these times. online gathering

Learn more and register at Greenchalice.org

7- Wednesdays,
February 11- March 25, 2026,
12:15-1:30 pm ET

Online Guides: Connie Burns
Sydne Stone, Martha Frame
Scott Hardin-Nieri, Nicole
Vickey

Save the Date!

The National Convocation

of the Christian Church Disciples of Christ

29th Biennial Session

June 11-14, 2026

Dallas, TX

Event Registration and Hotel Reservation
Details Coming Soon

www.nationalconvocation.org





Mission of Hope

We are seeking students who have a desire to improve their condition and to be all that God has created them to be. In this program, we would like to help assist youth leaders, teachers, mentors, and other in providing programs such as the following:

College Tours • African Heritage Tours • Leadership Development Experiences • Career Development

OBJECTIVE: *Provide hope enriching opportunities for the development of youth as future citizens, leaders, and support the development of meaningful personal goals.*



LEARN • INTERACT • TRAIN

- Students will have the opportunity to hear and speak with persons in various careers who will share paths to these careers.
- Students will have opportunity to speak to vocational and technical school admission professionals.
- Students and parents will have the opportunity to speak with professionals who can help finance their education.
- Opportunity for Students to earn while learning and leave with a career
- Students will have the opportunity to sign for college

Virtual Bible Study - Join US

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New Year with God

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Sunday School
 Holy Spirt
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 Church
 Prayer

Congregation
 Sanctuary
 Respect
 Pastor
 Jesus

Holy Bible
 Offering
 Worship
 Praise
 God

Date	Lesson	Devotional	Background
9/3/25	Isaiah's Call and Ministrhy	Isaiah 2:1-5	Isaiah 6:1-13; 7:1-7; 20:1-6; 38:1-22
9/10/25	Hezekiah's Passover	Psalm 1	2 Chronicles 30:1-27
9/17/25	Hilkiah's Discovery	Romans 7:7-12	2 Chronicles 33:1-33
9/24/25	The Servant's Suffering	Matthew 12:14-21	Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12
10/1/25	Jeremiah's Call and Arrest	Jeremiah 1:11-19	Jeremiah 1:1-10; 6:10-11; 8:18; 9:2; 26:1-24
10/8/25	Jeremiah's Message	Luke 6:40-46	Jeremiah 7:1-26
10/15/25	A Family's Example	2 Corinthians 6:16-7:4	Jeremiah 35:1-19
10/22/25	Changes Promised	Psalm 103:17-22	Jeremiah 31:1-40; John 1:17; Hebrews 8:7-13
10/29/25	Jeremiah's Rescue	Romans 13:1-10	Jeremiah 20:1-6; 37:1-38; 28; 43:1-7
11/5/25	Jerusalem's Fall	Lamentations 1:18-22	2 Kings 23:1-25:21
11/12/25	Ezekiel's Sign	2 Corinthians 1:2-6	Ezekiel 1:1-3; 2:1-3; 27; 8:1-4
11/19/25	Ezekiel's Responsibility	Jeremiah 17:5-10	Ezekiel 18:1-32; 33:1-20
11/26/25	Ezekiel's Vision	Revelation 7:9-17	Ezekiel 47:1-12
12/3/25	God's Word	Psalm 119:105-112	Deuteronomy 6:4--9; Joshua 1:8-9
12/10/25	Our Heavenly Father	Ephesians 1:3-10	Exodus 34:4-7; Psalm 103:10-14; Isaiah 40:27-31
12/17/25	Christ the Savior	2 Timothy 2:8-13	John 3:14-17; 10:9-11, 14-16, 27-28
12/24/25	The Holy Spirit	Ephesians 3:14-21	John 3:5-8, 14:16-17, 26; 15:26-27; 16:7-15; Acts 2:1-21, 32-33; 1 Corinthians 12:1-13
12/31/25	Sin and Forgiveness	Isaiah 59:1-8	Genesis 3:1-24; 1 John 1:5-2:6
1/7/26	Repentance and Faith	Mark 1:14-20	Isaiah 1:10-21; Ezekiel 18:20-23, 27-32
1/14/26	Prayer and Humility	Psalm 141	Nehemiah 1:4-11; Daniel 6:10; Matthew 6:5-15; Luke 18:1-14; John 17:1-26
1/21/26	Call and Growth	Colossians 2:1-7	John 1:40-42; Ephesians 4:11-16; Philippians 3:12-16; Colossians 1:9-11; Hebrews 6:1-3
1/28/26	The Christian Church	Acts 2:42-47	Matthew 16:13-20; Ephesians 1:15-23; 2:13-22; 5:22-27
2/4/26	Baptism and the Lord's Supper	John 1:29-34	Acts 2:38, 41; Romans 6:1-14; 1 Corinthians 11:23-29

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