

This Week At FCC

Sunday	9:00 am	Sunday School
	10:00 am	Worship Service
Wednesday		Church Office Closed
Thursday		Church Office Closed
Friday		Church Office Closed

The 2026 budget was approved overwhelmingly.

Practicing The Way: Sabbath— January

Sabbath is a 24-hour time period set aside to stop, rest, delight, and worship. In our era of chronic exhaustion, emotional unhealth, and spiritual stagnation, few things are more necessary than the recovery of this ancient practice. Join us Wednesday evenings in January at 6pm in the Worship Center for this study on Sabbath. The first class will be on January 7th.

Women's Brunch— January 10th

The Sister 2 Sister Ministry is hosting a women's brunch on Saturday, January 10th, at 10:00 am, at Golden Corral. Sign up at the Information Table. For more information, contact Cindy Rush (847-489-8924).

NEXT Steps: Plugged-In Class (two part class)

On January 18th & 25th, at 9:00 am, Pastor Brad will offer the Plugged-In class. In this class you will learn all about First Christian Church; where we come from, our mission, vision, core beliefs, and how you can plug in and grow as part of this church family. If you would like to attend please let us know in the "Leave a message for the staff" section of the yellow connection card or through the YouVersion online connection card.

See the Information Table for

Upcoming Events
& Sign-up Sheets

Volunteer Opportunities

December 28, 2025

OUR VISION AT FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Making Disciples in Cookeville, Putnam County, and to the ends of the earth.



Today's Sermon:



As Christmas fades and a new year begins, God invites us into a holy pause. We remember His faithfulness, release what no longer belongs, and re-center on His presence—stepping into the new year with peace, trusting God to lead the way.

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Message Notes 12/28/2025
BETWEEN THE PROMISE AND THE PURPOSE
Brad Windlan First Christian Church
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Three Thoughts To Lead Us Into 2026

#1. _____ GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

Psalm 103:2 (NIV) "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits."

#2. _____ WHAT DOES NOT BELONG

Philippians 3:13–14 (NIV) Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."

#3. _____ ON GOD'S PRESENCE

Proverbs 3:5–6 (NIV) "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; 6 in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

TALK IT OVER

1. Remember God's Faithfulness: As you look back on this past year, where have you seen God's faithfulness—big or small—and how does remembering those moments help you trust Him as you step into 2026?
2. Release What Does Not Belong: Paul talks about forgetting what is behind in order to press forward. What might God be inviting you to release—whether a disappointment, a regret, or even a success—that could be holding you back from what He's doing next?
3. Re-Center on God's Presence: Proverbs reminds us to trust the Lord rather than lean on our own understanding. What does re-centering your life on God's presence look like in a practical way as you begin this new year?