



**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL**

**UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

*Gathered to Share God's Love*



**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**  
**NOVEMBER 6TH, 2022**

# Welcome

## THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPING WITH US!

We are honored that you have chosen First Congregational United Church of Christ as your place of worship. No matter where you come from or how long you have been away - welcome home.

We are an Open and Affirming church, covenanting with all people regardless of sexual orientation, gender expression or identity. All people are welcome to participate fully in the life of the church, including the rites, sacraments, and leadership of the congregation. For more information please visit:  
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### LET US SUPPORT YOU

We are here to support you on your journey in faith. Reach out to us, we would be honored to speak with you. Contact the office and we'll help you get connected to a pastor. (309)-762-0787 *admin@fccmoline.org*.

**\* Indicates when to stand in body or spirit**

**Please join us in reading the bold responses printed in your bulletin.**

## **CHILDREN, WORSHIP & ACTIVITY BAGS**

Hello, One Human Family!!!

Thank you for worshipping with us today! Here are a few important things:

- 1) No matter who you are or where you are in life's journey, you are welcome here!
- 2) If you have children and are nervous about them being loud, let us help you. The space to the right of the sanctuary is set up for kids and you. We also have worship bags available in the back.
- 3) For you, check out the color page in the bulletin and the colored pencils in the pews. Leadership knows that listening and keeping our hands busy is valuable and we won't get offended.
- 4) On Communion Sundays, you and all are welcome to come to the table for communion. Wine and juice are available.

## **RESTROOMS**

Restrooms on the main level are located out the side exit through the library.

Restrooms on the lower level are located through the dining room, across from the kitchen.

## **COAT RACKS**

Coat racks are located at the Tower Door, Main Sanctuary Doors by the elevator, and on the Lower Level at the bottom of the stairs to the sanctuary *Feel free to ask a Host for assistance.*

## **FCC LIVE**

Sunday worship is live streamed on Facebook Live and YouTube Live. Please help support this ministry by sitting in the front two sections. The two sections behind the cross aisle are reserved for privacy. Visit [fccmoline.org/fcclive](http://fccmoline.org/fcclive) for details.

# Gathering As God's People

## **PRELUDE**

Pagina d'album, arr. Michele Mangani

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Welcome to First Congregational United Church of Christ, where no matter who you are or where you are in life's journey...

**You are welcome here!**

## **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

God chose you as the first fruits of salvation,  
Calling you to receive the good news of Jesus Christ.  
Thanks be to God for such extravagant grace!

**Praise the Lord!**

## **GATHERING SONG**

*How Firm a Foundation*  
(Music on the next page)

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## How Firm a Foundation 241

FOUNDATION

1. How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
 2. "In ev - 'ry con - di - tion, in sick - ness, in health,  
 3. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,  
 4. "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
 5. "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,  
 6. "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose

is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!  
 in pov - er - ty's vale, or a - bound - ing in wealth,  
 for I am thy God and will still give thee aid.  
 the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;  
 My grace, all - suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply.  
 I will not, I will not de - sert to his foes;

What more can He say than to you He hath said,  
 at home and a - broad, on the land, on the sea,  
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
 The flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

who un - to the Sav - ior for ref - uge have fled?  
 as days may de - mand, shall thy strength ev - er be."  
 up - held by My right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand."  
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress."  
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine."  
 I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er for - sake!"

WORDS: "K" in John Rippon's *A Selection of Hymns*, 1878

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MUSIC: American folk tune, Funk's *Genuine Church Music*, 1832

# Preparing Our Hearts

## OPENING PRAYER

Let us pray.  
Ever-Living God, splendid and wondrous are your acts!  
You give life and breath to your whole creation  
And watch over those you love.  
Strengthen us in every good work,  
And keep us in your care,  
That our days may be long to bless you and praise you.  
You are great, and greatly to be praised! **Amen.**

## CONFESSION

The psalmist tells us that the Lord is near  
To all who call on God in truth.  
Therefore let us now turn to God in prayer,  
Trusting in the nearness and compassion of the Holy One.  
**Gracious God, we call upon you, for you will answer us.  
We confess that we have transgressed in our speech  
And have not always avoided the ways of the violent.  
Our steps have not always held to your paths.  
Try us, forgive us, and heal us, dear God.  
Set us on your right ways,  
and guard us as the apple of your eye,  
Embracing us once more in your steadfast love. Amen.**  
Through grace Christ gives us eternal comfort and good hope.  
I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ. You are forgiven.

## \*PASSING OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all!  
**And also with you!**

# Listening To God's Word

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

**SCRIPTURE**

**JOB 19:23-27**

*A reading from the book of Job*

'O that my words were written down!  
O that they were inscribed in a book!  
O that with an iron pen and with lead  
they were engraved on a rock for ever!  
For I know that my Redeemer lives,  
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;  
and after my skin has been thus destroyed,  
then in my flesh I shall see God,  
whom I shall see on my side,  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.  
My heart faints within me!

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 145: 1-5, 17-21**

I will exalt you, my God and king,

**and bless your name  
forever-er and ever**

Everyday will I bless you

**and praise your name  
forever and ever.**

Great is the Lord  
and greatly to be praised!

**There is no end to your greatness.**

One generation  
shall praise your works to another

**and shall de-clare your power.**

I will speak of the glorious splendor  
of your majesty

**and all your marvelous works.**

You are righteous in all your ways

**and loving in all your works.**

You are near to all who call upon you,

**to all who call up- on you faithfully.**

You fulfill the desire of those who fear you;

**you hear their cry and save them.**

You watch over all those who love you,

**but all the wicked you shall destroy.**

My mouth shall speak  
the praise of the Lord;

**let all flesh bless God's holy name  
forever-ever and ever.**

**SCRIPTURE****LUKE 20:27-38**

*A reading from the book of Luke*

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, ‘Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.’

Jesus said to them, ‘Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Rev. Michael Dyer

## Responding To God’s Word

**SONG OF PREPARATION***O Master, Let me Walk with Thee**(Music on the next page)*

## O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

1. O Mas-ter, let me walk with Thee In low - ly  
 2. Help me the slow of heart to move By some clear,  
 3. Teach me Thy pa-tience; still with Thee In clos - er,  
 4. In hope that sends a shin - ing ray Far down the

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paths of ser - vice free; Tell me Thy se - cret,  
 win - ning word of love; Teach me the way - ward  
 dear - er com - pa - ny, In work that keeps faith  
 fu - ture's broad - 'ning way, In peace that on - ly

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help me bear The strain of toil, the fret of care.  
 feet to stay, And guide them in the home-ward way.  
 sweet and strong, In trust that triumphs o - ver wrong.  
 Thou canst give, With Thee, O Mas-ter, let me live.

*This tune in a lower key, No. 364.*

*Baptist Hymnal 1991 279*

WORDS: Washington Gladden, 1836-1918

MUSIC (MARYTON 8.8.8.8.(L.M.)): H. Percy Smith, 1825-1898



## PASTORAL PRAYER

*God has raised Jesus Christ to sit at his right hand. Let us therefore pray to our God in heaven through Jesus for all the world and all the saints.*

O God: we thank you today for calling us your saints. In spite of our unholy lives you look at us and see Jesus' perfect life and death covering ours. Thank you for this grace, the grace we received when we were baptized.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

Thank you for every Christian who has helped us on our journey and encouraged us to keep believing when we felt like giving up. Thank you for all those who taught us the faith. Thank you for those who made the ultimate sacrifice of their lives to ensure others could hear of your love in Christ.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

We remember the saints in heaven. Thank you for releasing them from the burden of sin and death in this life and for keeping your promise to them. We especially remember those from our community who have passed away in the past year

*Marci Tewksbury*

*Helen Simmons*

*Faye White*

*Alan Hallene*

*Francis (Brink) Brinkmeyer*

*James Zaiss*

*Elaine Dishbein*

*Pat Shannon*

*Rick Shannon*

*Herb Thompson*

*Patricia Versluis*

*Faye Lawson*

*Dorthea Duncan*

*Thelma Bromley*

*Myrtie Perkins*

Give comfort to all those who grieve over loved ones no longer with us on earth. Give them the hope only your word can offer us.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

We pray for your church on earth, that it may remain faithful to the apostles' teaching and that it will strive for unity. We pray for all Christians, especially those under persecution, that they may imitate the martyrs in bold witness to the gospel.

We pray for those who are not yet part of your church and for those who have left it, asking your spirit to convince them of your love for them in Jesus.

Lord in your mercy: **Hear our prayer**

God of life, we give thanks for the love you have shown to the world through all your saints, and we celebrate our continuing communion with them whenever we worship.

**We pray that, encouraged by their example  
and strengthened by their fellowship,  
we may be partakers with them  
of the inheritance of the saints in light;  
through the merits of our savior,  
Jesus Christ our Sovereign. Amen.**

#### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.  
Amen.**

## INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Let us offer to God our tithes and offerings

## OFFERING

*Please fill out the tear off in the Bridge and  
place it in the offering plate for attendance. Thank you!!!*

*Hosts will collect the offering.  
Alternatively you can give online by scanning the QR Code.*



## \*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy God, in gratitude for all that you give us,  
We offer you these gifts and ask you to bless and multiply them,  
That they may become the good work and word  
That comforts and strengthens. **Amen.**

# Sharing At the Table

## COMMUNION PRAYERS

### SHARING OF BREAD AND WINE

Larghetto arr. Mozart

*Juice is clear; wine is red.*

If you are worshiping at home  
Offer to another a piece of bread or cracker saying,  
“This is the body of Christ broken for you”.  
Offer a cup of juice to another saying,  
“This is the cup of salvation given for you”.

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Let us pray.

Thank you good and gracious God, for all of your gifts;

This table, this community, these new members of our faith community.

Together may we become more like you because of what we have shared today.

May our gratefulness compel our generosity in the world. **Amen.**

## Going Forth as Disciples

### \*SENDING SONG

*Let All Things Now Living  
(Music on Next Page)*

### \*BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

*Holy God We Praise Thy Name*

# Let All Things Now Living



1. Let all things now liv - ing a song of thanks - giv - ing To  
2. By law God en - forc - es. The stars in their cours - es, The



God our Cre - a - tor tri - um - phant - ly raise; Who  
sun in its or - bit o - be - dient - ly shine; The



fash - ioned and made us, Pro - tect - ed and stayed us, By  
hills and the moun - tains, The riv - ers and foun - tains, The



guid - ing us on to the end of our days. God's  
depths of the o - cean pro - claim God di - vine. We,



ban - ners are o'er us, Pure light goes be - fore us, A  
too, should be voic - ing Our love and re - joic - ing With



pil - lar of fire shin - ing forth in the night: Till  
glad ad - o - ra - tion, a song let us raise: Till



shad - ows have van - ished, All fear - ful - ness ban - ished, As  
all things now liv - ing U - nite in thanks - giv - ing, To



for - ward we trav - el from light in - to Light.  
God in the high - est, ho - san - na and praise.

## **WORSHIP LEADERS SERVING TODAY**

Music Director - Trent Teske

Organist - Marcia Renaud

Clarinet - Rob Miller

FCCLive - Amber Olson

Reader - Mary Newcomb

Hosts - Sunny Moorhusen, Kim Fuller, Shirley Morton, and Pam Wendt

*Serving Next Week: Margaret Peterson, Hailey Deem, and Isabella Denys, Pam Wendt, and Shirley Morton*

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