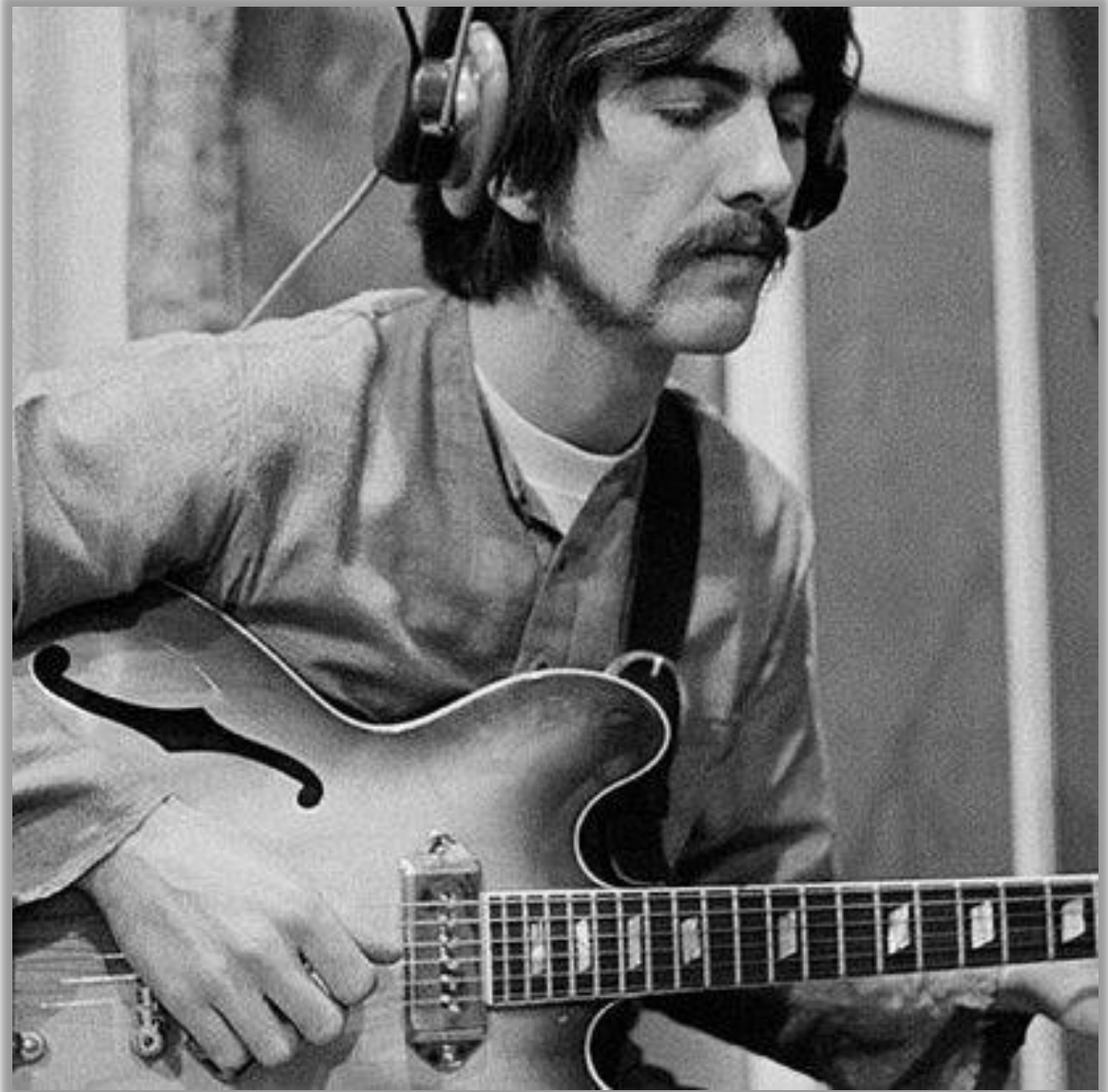


First Congregational United Church of Christ
Sunday January 10, 2021



“I look at you all and see the love there that’s sleeping, while my guitar gently weeps.”
– George Harrison, “While My Guitar Gently Weeps”

“As wickedness is multiplied, most people’s love will grow cold...” – Matthew 24:12

Welcome To Our Church Family!

Prelude- “Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart”

Arr. Heather Sorenson, offered by Shelley Fisher

Tolling of the Bell

Words of Welcome

Opening Hymn #638 – “O, Christ the Healer, We Have Come” (vs 1 & 3)

(1) O Christ, the healer, we have come to pray for health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to be restored when reached by love that never ends? (3) In conflicts that destroy our health we recognize the world’s disease; our common life declares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?

1st Scripture Reading – Proverbs 3:27-28

Special Music

2nd Scripture Reading – Matthew 24:12-13

**Special Music – “While My Guitar Gently Weeps” – George Harrison
- offered by Toby Jones and Shelley Fisher**

Morning Message – “When Love Falls Asleep” offered by Toby Jones, Pastor

Hymn #612 – “When Love is Found” (vs 1, 2, & 4)

(1) When love is found and hope comes home, sing and be glad that two are one. When love explodes and fills the sky, praise God and share our Maker’s joy. (2) When love has flowered in trust and care, build both each day, that love may dare to reach beyond home’s warmth and light, to serve and strive for truth and right. (4) When love is torn and trust betrayed, pray strength to love till torments fade, till lovers keep no score of wrong, but hear through pain love’s Easter song.

The Offering

**Offertory Music – Concerto in C Minor, J.C. Bach. 2nd movement-Adagio.
Offered by Trisha Berquist, accompanied by Shelley Fisher**

The Doxology

Morning Prayers & The Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn #595 – “They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love” (vs 1-3)

(1) We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord. We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord. And we pray that all unity may one day be restored. And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love. Yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love. (3) We will work with each other; we will work side by side. We will work with each other; we will work side by side. And we’ll guard each one’s dignity and save each one’s pride. And they’ll know we are Christians by our love, by our love. Yes, they’ll know we are Christians by our love.

Charge & Benediction

Postlude- Hymn of Joy, Beethoven

offered by Trisha Berquist, accompanied by Shelley Fisher

Special Musical Guest



Trisha Berquist is the Assistant Director of the Dorothy Gerber Strings Program and violist for the Cummings Quartet. She enjoys an active and varied career as a performer and pedagogue. She has appeared regularly and held principal positions with many orchestras in the southeast, including the North Mississippi Symphony Orchestra, Tuscaloosa Symphony Orchestra, Huntsville Symphony Orchestra and Mobile Symphony Orchestra. Trisha is a former member of the Capstone String Quartet who toured internationally in Ireland and Italy. She earned her Undergraduate and Masters degrees from the University of Memphis and is a doctoral candidate at the University of Alabama. During the summers, Trisha has taught at the Interlochen Arts Camp. She previously held the position of Violin/Viola Instructor at Mississippi State University.

Sunday 01/10	Mon 01/11	Tues. 01/12	Wed. 01/13	Thurs. 01/14	Fri. 01/15	Sat. 01/16	Sunday 01/17
10:30 am live-streamed Worship www.chxucc.org 2020 Annual Report Submissions Due	6:00 pm Pantry	10:00 am Bible Study Zoom	10:00 am By-laws meeting				10:30 am live-streamed Worship
Annual Meeting- Sunday January 31st Keep a lookout for more details in the days to come							

Prayer Requests

Healing	Erin Nickels- Covid-19 Kirk Gunderson- Heart attack Bryan Burns- Covid-19 Christine Ashton- Sick Dog	Tim Watts- Surgery Rick Wright- Covid-19 Earl Bennett- Surgery
Prayers	Covid-19 Patients	Essential Workers
Grieving	Family & loved ones of Marv Smith.	Family & loved ones of Robert Rowe
Joys	Lisa Hammond- new grandson, Liam	

Attention Church Leadership:

2020 Annual Report submissions are due TODAY. Please submit your typed reports via email in an editable format, preferably Microsoft Word. No JPEG or PDF files, please. If you need help submitting your report, please let the church office know. If you would prefer, a submission form can be found on the church's website at <https://chxucc.org/2020-annual-report-submission-form/>