

**First Congregational United Church of Christ
Sunday November 15, 2020**



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Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p. m.

Welcome To Our Church Family!

Prelude- "Meditation on Simple Gifts" By Michael Larkin

Welcome

Opening Prayer -

Gracious and Always Merciful God, we have come here this morning to be with you in an intentional and transforming way. We are tired from a week in a world that continues to exhaust and confuse us. We are hungry for your word and in need of your sustenance. Speak to us this day, as we listen to the Book of James, as we hear hymns sung, and as we gather with this family of faith. While we do seek your comfort in this place, Lord, we also want to be inspired, challenged, and called to the risk-taking life that is your Gospel. Shake us free from complacency and move us to Christ-like service, we pray. Amen.

Opening Hymn- #667 "God Has Spoken By the Prophets"

(1) God has spoken by the prophets, spoken the unchanging Word, each from age to age proclaiming God, the one, the righteous Lord! 'Mid the world's despair and turmoil one firm anchor holding fast: God eternal reigns forever, God the first and God the last. (2) God has spoken by Christ Jesus, Christ, the everlasting Son, brightness of the Father's glory, with the Father ever one; spoken by the Word incarnate, God of God, ere time was born; Light of light, to earth descending, Christ, as God in human form. (3) God is speaking by the Spirit, speaking to our hearts again; in the age-long Word declaring God's own message, now as then. Through the rise and fall of nations one sure faith yet standing fast: God abides, the Word unchanging, God the first and God the last.

1st Reading- Matthew 28:20

2nd Reading- James 3:1-12

Morning Message: "What do you do?" - Hugh Hansen

Hymn #562 “We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations”

(1) We’ve a story to tell to the nations, that shall turn their hearts to the right, a story of truth and mercy, a story of peace and light, a story of peace and light. (2) We’ve a song to be sung to the nations, that shall shift their hearts to the Lord, a song that shall conquer evil and shatter the spear and sword, and shatter the spear and sword. (3) We’ve a message to give to the nations, that the Lord who reigns high above has send us his Son to save us, and show us that God is love, and show us that God is love. (4) For the darkness shall turn to dawning, and the dawning to noon-day bright; and Christ’s great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light.

Morning Offering

Offertory Music – “Teach Your Children” by Crosby, Stills, & Nash

Performed by Hugh Hansen and David Bowen

The Doxology

Charge & Benediction

Postlude- “March Recessional” by Michael Larkin

Today we welcome Ellen Kendall to the keyboards, as Shelley is on vacation. A very special thank you to Ellen!

Important Photo Directory Update

We recently sent out an email which included a link to the newest photo directory draft. This draft is located on our website and protected by a password which was also included in the email. There will be printed drafts available on Sunday, if you prefer. Please keep in mind the directory is not intended to be a list of "church members;" the purpose is to provide accurate and up-to-date contact information for church participants. If you find an error, or missing information please contact the church office no later than November, 19th with details.

****If you do not currently have a photo in the directory, please send us one ASAP! We are hoping to only include people with photos in our next directory. We are happy to take a photo for you!**

Thank you!



CHRISTMAS COOKIES- SHARING IS CARING



If you are disappointed, as we all are, that there won't be a Cookie Walk this year due to Covid-19... Cheer up! There is a way you can spread the Christmas spirit by sharing your homemade cookies with participants & friends of the church.

Even though many of us are now able to worship together in-person, there are still many in our church family who cannot. Although they are currently out of sight, they certainly are not out of our hearts and minds. If you would like to make cookies for those who are "out of sight" and deliver them sometime over the holiday season, please contact the church office to be added to our list of bakers, and we will match you up with a lucky someone.



We reuse the bulletins. Please be gentle with them before turning them back in. Thank you

Sunday 11/15	Mon 11/16	Tues. 11/17	Wed. 11/18	Thurs. 11/19	Fri. 11/20	Sat. 11/21	Sunday 11/22
10:30 am live-streamed Worship	5:15 pm Trustee Meeting 6:00 pm Pantry	10:00 am Bible Study	10:00 am By-laws review Meeting 6:30 pm Diaconate				10:30 am live-streamed Worship Noisy Offering

Prayer Requests

Healing	Roger Caylor- Surgery Jeannine Wallace - Healing from fall	Jack Lehmkuhl- Cancer
Joys		
Prayers	Alice Schad- cognitive difficulties Covid-19 Patients	Teachers, staff and students First Responders & Essential Workers
Grieving	Friends and loved ones of Bonnie Staffel	

To submit a prayer request, please visit our website and complete a Prayer Request Form. <http://chxucc.org/prayer-request-form/>