

Welcome, All Worshipers

Whoever you are, and wherever you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here.

"Human life has always been lived on the edge of a precipice. Human culture has always had to exist under the shadow of something infinitely more important than itself. If men had postponed the search for knowledge and beauty until they were secure, the search would never have begun." ~C.S. Lewis

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(\* indicates when those who are able will stand.)  
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Prelude

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PAT LABADIE, LAY READER

(Please complete the Friendship Book as it is passed during announcements; then pass it toward the center aisle.)

*OPENING HYMN: 498 JESU, JESU, FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE VERSES 1-4

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*Call to Worship:

Leader: The Lord is continually creating something new.

All: We are part of that creation, renewed, redeemed, beloved.

Leader: Through all this change, God is with us.

All: Though we struggle and doubt, yet God is faithful.

Leader: Praise be to God who continually blesses us.

All: Let our hearts, our voices, and our spirits sing God's praises.

*Opening Prayer:

All: In the midst of continual change, God remains steadfast in God's love for us. God is creating something new, a new heaven and a new earth. Each day offers newness of hope and faith. Let us open our hearts and spirits to God's creative word for us that we may learn, grow, and serve as effective witnesses to God's love and power. Amen.

*The Gloria Patri (sung)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Words: Anonymous, 4th Century.

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SCRIPTURE: 2 THESSALONIANS 3:6-13

ANTHEM

CHOIR

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

LYNN BORKE

GOSPEL: LUKE 21:5-19

SERMON: GETTING TO WORK AND HOLDING ON

REV. JON GOUGEON

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (DEBTS AND DEBTORS)

*HYMN: #528 YOU ARE THE SEED VERSES 1-2

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SHARING OF TITHES AND OFFERING

MINISTER: LET US GIVE AS EACH IS ABLE FROM THE FULLNESS OF OUR GRATITUDE TO GOD.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW.
PRAISE GOD, ALL CREATURES HERE BELOW.
PRAISE GOD ABOVE, YE HEAVENLY HOST.
PRAISE FATHER, SON, AND HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

*UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION (ALL): ALL GOOD GIFTS ARE FROM GOD.
WE SHARE FROM OUR ABUNDANCE WITH GRATITUDE. MAY WE GIVE WITH
PASSION FOR JUSTICE, AND WITH GOD'S LOVE GUIDING OUR PATHS. AMEN.

*CLOSING HYMN: GUIDE MY FEET LORD (INSERT) ALL VERSES

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*BENEDICTION

Minister: Let us join together and read responsively:

All: Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who make the journey with us. So be swift to love, and make haste to be kind.

Minister: And the blessing God who made us, who loves us, and who travels with us, be with you now and forever. Amen.

*UNISON RESPONSE: And God will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of God's hand. Amen. Words/music by Michael Joncas. Copyright 1979 OCP. Permission to reprint/stream obtained from OneLicense #A-739847.

Postlude

OUR APPRECIATION IS EXTENDED TO MEMBERS AND FRIENDS
WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP MINISTRY

Lay Reader: **Pat Labadie**
Altar Guild: **Cindy Straley**
Ushers: **Max & Vicky Lindsay**
Counters: **Dennis & Janet Artley**

Live Stream Operators: **Jay Kettler**
and **Lynn Borke**
Greeter: **Ann Gerow**
Fellowship Hosts: **Mary Minnick**
and **Gary & Sandy Jarmuzewski**

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

November 13, 2022

*We welcome people as they are,
share Jesus as He is, and serve
our community and the world in love.*

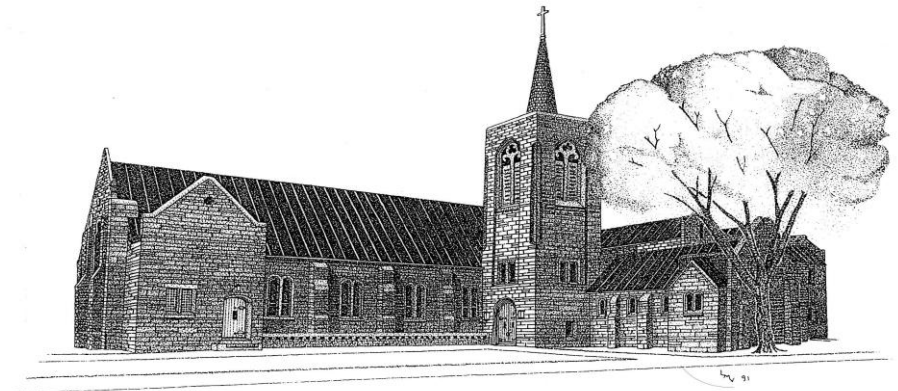
This Week's Calendar

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| Sunday | November 13 | 10:00 a.m. | Worship Service and Fellowship |
| Thursday | November 17 | 5:30 p.m. | Choir Practice |

Announcements:

- ❖ Feed A Family items needed: Hamburger and Tuna Helper, Rice & Sides, Noodles & Sides, 4-pack Pudding and Jello Cups, canned Ravioli and canned Spaghetti.
- ❖ We will be decorating the sanctuary for Christmas next Sunday, November 20 immediately following the worship service. Please come and join the fun!
- ❖ Save the Date: Sunday, December 11 - All Church Family & Friends Christmas Luncheon -- More information to follow.
- ❖ Please remember to sign the Care Letter for Joe Beland and to keep him and his family in your prayers this week.

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A unisex handicap-accessible restroom is located through the doors to your left as you exit the sanctuary.  
A ladies' room is near the Lockwood Street entrance. A men's room is in the middle hallway.  
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