



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

*No matter who you are, or
where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here!*

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UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Welcome home! We celebrate being a Just Peace making church with an Open and Affirming covenant supporting the LGBTQ community since 1994.

We welcome first time guests and include **all ages** in our worship service. We believe we are called by Jesus to be a transforming presence for God in the world. We are a place to **belong**, a place to **heal** and a place to **love**.

Pastor Sarah's Office Hours	Shannon's Office Hours
Monday – Sabbath	Monday – Sabbath
Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Wednesday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Wednesday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Thursday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Thursday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Friday – working off site	Friday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Pastoral Care:

Pastor Sarah may be reached at (386) 478-9012 or at pastorsarah@fcindy.org.

We celebrate the team of people called to serve on our church staff:

Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund
Pastoral Care Associate, Pastor Carol Sowle
Office Administrator, Shannon Abbott
Music Designer/Organist, Sean Baker
Choir Director, Julie Houston
Student Pastor, Cassidy Hall
Just Peace Intern, Grace Langford

We celebrate the team of people elected to lead our church:

Rich Gibson, Moderator
Lianna Campos, Vice Moderator
Rev. Dr. Pat Larracey, Clerk
Jim Lootens, Treasurer
George Meier, Financial Secretary

We celebrate those leading us in worship today:

Nancy Dickinson, Worship Leader

The flowers on the altar are from Judy Fletcher's garden.

OCTOBER 13, 2019

11 A.M.

Please speak the **bold**-printed words in unison.

Asterisk (*) indicates those who choose to may stand.

WE GATHER

PRELUDE Sonata No. 5 in G Major, K. 283 I Allegro W.A. Mozart
INTROIT When the Church of Jesus P. Hamill
WELCOME and PRAYER Pastor Carol Sowle

*CALL to WORSHIP from Psalm 66 Nancy Dickinson

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

With joyful voices, we sing praises to God.

Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

With joyful voices we say, "Come and see what God has done!"

God watches over us, over all the people of the world;

Let us worship our God together!

*UNISON PRAYER

Gracious God, though the world is full of troubles, help us to be hopeful people. Though cries of pain seem multiplying, help us to be compassionate people. As we seek to love and serve all our neighbors, near and far in every situation, help us to be joyful people. And when we need a helping hand to keep us moving towards your Kin-dom, help us trust and turn to you. Amen

*OPENING SONG #8 Come to the Banquet *Sing! Prayer and Praise*

*THE PEACE

WE PROCLAIM

MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

ANTHEM Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God K. Getty & S. Townsend

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God, breathe new life into my willing soul.

Bring the presence of the risen Lord to renew my heart and make me whole.

Cause your Word to come alive in me; give me faith for what I cannot see.

Give me passion for your purity; Holy Spirit breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within; may your joy be seen in all I do.

Love enough to cover every sin in each thought and deed and attitude.

Kindness to the greatest and the least; gentleness that sows the path of peace.

Turn my striving into works of grace. Breath of God show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, giving life to all that God has made.

Show your power once again on earth, cause your church to hunger for your ways.

Let the fragrance of our prayers arise; lead us on the road to sacrifice,

That in unity the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

SCRIPTURE

Luke 17:11-19

Nancy Dickinson

SERMON

Though You Maybe Have No Money

Pastor Carol Sowle

SONG #575

O for a World

New Century Hymnal

WE RESPOND

SHARING of JOYS and CONCERNS

*We invite those who desire to share a joy or concern. Please share your name so that people might get better acquainted. Loving God **hear our prayer.***

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father or Our Mother or Our Creator or Our Sacred Presence, 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 sins as we forgive those who have sinned against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

INTERLUDE

Sonata No. 5 in G Major, K. 283 II Andante

W.A. Mozart

OFFERING of GIFTS and TITHES

CALL TO OFFERING and SERVICE

We invite those who desire to share a service opportunity to do so briefly if the announcement is not in the bulletin. Please see the "Calls to Serve" for volunteer opportunities.

Guests, please fill out a **Connect Card** found in the pew holders so that we might learn more about you. The cards may also be used to for prayer requests that will be shared through our weekly prayer chain. Please place Connect Cards in the offering plate.

*DOXOLOGY (778)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

*UNISON OFFERING PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All good gifts come from you, Gracious God! You have given us new life in Christ. As you have given us gifts, so we offer our gifts that we may be gifts to one another, as Jesus taught us. Multiply and use us and our offerings to bring your good news to this place and throughout the world. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

WE GO

*CLOSING SONG #129

Dream God's Dream

Sing! Prayer and Praise

*BENEDICTION

Pastor Carol Sowle

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

When the Church of Jesus

P. Hamill

POSTLUDE

Sonata in G Major, K.283 III Presto

W.A. Mozart

Please remain seated for the postlude or leave the sanctuary quietly. Everyone is invited for coffee, refreshments, and conversation in the church parlor.



To the parents of our young children: God put the wiggle in children, please don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. You are invited toward the front using the Playground if you like. Keep children engaged by quietly explaining the parts of the service, actions of the pastor, worship leaders, and musicians. Sing, pray, and speak the responses; children learn worship behavior by copying you. The way we adults welcome children in church directly affects how they respond to the Church and to one another. Let all ages know that they are at home in this house of worship. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

To the members of our congregation: The presence of children is a gift to our church and to our community. They remind us that we are to share and pass on our faith. It is a gift to have children among us. Please welcome our children and encourage their parents with a warm smile.

Thank you.

CALLS to SERVE

"Here am I; send me!" Isaiah 6:8

TODAY!!! FC Spiritual Explorer's Labyrinth Walk @ St. Luke's UMC, 1:00 p.m. - FC's third 2019 labyrinth-walking experience is at 1 PM on October 13 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 100 W 86th St, Indianapolis, IN 46260. After we have all walked the labyrinth, we can go inside to discuss our experiences. All FC members and visitors are invited.

Sunday Adult Class, Sunday, October 20 – Student Pastor Cassidy Hall will be leading and will discuss more about her experience in the intersection of filmmaking and spirituality, including sharing some of her work.

Friday Night at the Movies, October 18th, 6:30ish - Join us on the third Friday of each month at 6:30ish at Keystone Art Cinema in the Fashion Mall at Keystone. We'll decide which film(s) to see, get refreshments, and socialize. Then, after the movie, hang out at the Indie Lounge for more fellowship. Questions? Contact Wendy Baldwin

October Buzz & Luncheon: W.I.S.E. Mental Health - Sunday, October 20th - Join the Mental Health Team for a Luncheon and short Buzz after worship on Sunday October 20th. We will present the W.I.S.E. (Welcoming, Inclusive, Supportive, and Engaged) covenant (see below) the team has been working on and ask for your input. We will also discuss how becoming a W.I.S.E. congregation might affect our church and its activities. Come join us for food, fellowship and discussion.

Thinking about making First Congregational your church home? We would love to welcome you into membership. We are planning our next New Member **Sunday, November 10th**, so let Pastor Sarah know if you are interested or have questions.

Choir Rehearsals – Rehearsals are on Thursday nights from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. We welcome new members. If anyone is interested in joining the choir, please email Julie at juliehouston@comcast.net. We would love to have you join us!

Green Team Tip - What responsibility do we have for our children's adequate nutrition? Is not helping them development physically and mentally investing in the earth's future? (If you want to share a green habit, please send it to hoot.gibson.tds@gmail.com.)

October Mission of the Month: Neighbors In Need - Neighbors in Need (NIN) is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds of this offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives. As we continue to hear about this administration's injustices at the southern border our JWM are giving special consideration to projects focusing on assisting our immigrant neighbors and communities. Grants are available to empower local churches to support these justice issues. Please give as generously as you can. Thank You. (source: www.ucc.org)

Pantry Items of the Month – During October we are collecting the following items: pudding and Jello mix, rice and beans, canned soup, paper towels.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL

Sunday, October 13	1:00 p.m.	Labyrinth Walk @ St. Luke's UMC
Thursday, October 17	1:00 p.m.	Men's Lunch
Thursday, October 17	6:30 p.m.	In Harmony
Thursday, October 17	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, October 19	10:30 a.m.	Bell Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, October 19	1:00 p.m.	IKC Borderland Trip Planning Meeting
Sunday, October 20	9:45 a.m.	Sunday Adult Class w/ Cassidy Hall
Sunday, October 20	11:00 a.m.	Worship
Sunday, October 20	12:30 p.m.	Buzz & Lunch: W.I.S.E. Mental Health Covenant

Today's Scripture (NRSV Translation)

Luke 17:11-19

¹¹On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" ¹⁹Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."



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