



## 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**. **At First Congregational we recognize God as a loving, creating, all-encompassing Spirit who is not limited by usual human boundaries. Therefore, we practice the use of inclusive, expansive, and non-gendered language when speaking of and to God.**

**Pastoral Care:** Pastor Sarah  
may be reached at (386)478-  
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**We celebrate 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

**We celebrate our church leadership:**

Alice Rutherford, Moderator  
Larry Eckel, Vice Moderator  
Rev. Dr. Pat Larracey, Clerk  
Jim Lootens, Treasurer  
Cheryl Dillenback, Financial Secretary

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**MAY 3, 2020**

**COMMUNION SUNDAY**

**11:00 A.M.**

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

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

### **WE GATHER**

TIME OF GATHERING and GREETING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

\*THE PEACE

*You are invited to share a sign of Christ's peace.*

### **WE PROCLAIM**

MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

SCRIPTURE

Acts 2:42-47

SERMON

“What in the World is God Doing?”

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

### **WE RESPOND**

SHARING of JOYS and CONCERNS

*We invite those who desire to share a joy or concern.*

PASTORAL PRAYER & PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR (from UCC Book of Worship)

Our God in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

CELEBRATING HOME COMMUNION

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 additional ways we can support ourselves and our community during this time. We invite you to mail your financial contributions to the church or donate electronically through our website.*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### WE GO

\*BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

### CALLS to SERVE

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

#### **May Mission of the Month: UCC Mental Health Network**

The UCC Mental Health Network works to reduce stigma and promote the inclusion of people with mental illness/brain disorders and their families in the life, leadership and work of the congregation. Send a check to the church with MOM: UCC MHN in the memo line, or donate online at: [www.mhn-ucc.org](http://www.mhn-ucc.org)

**Publications** - Bulletins, Sermons, Epistles, and Colony are all available on our website: [www.fcindy.org](http://www.fcindy.org)

**Continue Your Support of First Congregational UCC** - Please continue supporting the mission and ministries of your local church at <http://www.fcindy.org/online-giving/>

**National Suicide Prevention Hotline** offers confidential help at 1-800-273-TALK (8255) (press 1 for veterans, 2 for Spanish),

**The national Disaster Distress Helpline** provides 24/7/365 crisis counseling & emotional support and continues to be available for anyone experiencing distress or other mental health concerns during the ongoing COVID-19 infectious disease outbreak. Calls (1-800-985-5990; press "2" for Spanish) and texts (text TalkWithUs to 66746) are answered by trained counselors from a network of independently operated crisis centers located across the U.S.

**National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)** Information HelpLine provides information and referral services. 1-800-950-NAMI (6264) and [www.nami.org](http://www.nami.org).

**The Trevor Project hotline** offers support for LGBTQIA+ youth and families struggling with mental health challenges at 1-866-4-U-TREVOR (488-7386) and [www.theTrevorProject.org](http://www.theTrevorProject.org)

## This Week on Zoom at First Congregational

Sunday, May 3	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour
Sunday, May 3	12:30 p.m.	Buzz: Q&A
Tuesday, May 5	5:00 p.m.	Soul Care with Pastor Sarah
Wednesday, May 6	7:00 p.m.	Trustees
Friday, May 8	5:00 p.m.	Friday Fellowship
Sunday, May 10	9:30 a.m.	Sunday Adult Class
Sunday, May 10	11:00 a.m.	Worship – Bread for the World Sunday (Facebook Live)
Sunday, May 10	11:45 a.m.	Coffee Hour

### How to Access our Zoom Gatherings

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/9264494206?pwd=dmtWbWE5UXRBTK5pcHZlYlB0aEFVUT09>

Meeting ID: 926 449 4206

Password: 7171

If you click on the URL, you should not need to enter in the Meeting ID and Password.

To dial in by phone: +1 312 626 6799, Meeting ID 926 449 4206, Password 7171.

### Today's Scripture

#### Acts 2:42-47

<sup>42</sup> They devoted themselves to the apostles' instructions and the communal life, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. <sup>43</sup> A reverent fear overtook them all, for many wonders and signs were being performed by the apostles. <sup>44</sup> Those who believed lived together, shared all things in common; <sup>45</sup> they would sell their property and goods, sharing the proceeds with one another as each had need. <sup>46</sup> They met in the Temple and they broke bread together in their homes every day. With joyful and sincere hearts they took their meals in common, <sup>47</sup> praising God and winning the approval of all the people. Day by day, God added to their number those who were being saved.

*Priests for Equality. The Inclusive Bible: The First Egalitarian Translation (p. 714). Sheed & Ward. Kindle Edition.*



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