



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 to your spiritual home! We celebrate being a Just Peace making, Green for care of Creation, WISE (Welcoming, Inclusive, Supportive and Engaged) for mental health church with an Open and Affirming covenant supporting the LGBTQAAI+ 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)478-9012 or pastorsarah@fcindy.org.

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

We celebrate our worship leaders today:

Alice Rutherford & Angela Edwards, Worship Leaders
Mayflower Quartette
Mike Kessler, African drum
Julie Houston, flute

National Suicide Prevention Hotline: 1-800-273-TALK (8255) (press 1 for veterans, 2 for Spanish)

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Information HelpLine provides information and referral services. 1-800-950-NAMI (6264) and 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

When I wonder if the breath of the Living God has been extinguished

I can't breathe.

God of Love and Justice, breathe into me, and help me to be your breath for a world that can't breathe.

We will breathe. Amen.

*THE PEACE

Share with those around you a sign of Christ's peace.

WE PROCLAIM

MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

ANTHEM

Spirit of Gentleness

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 28:16-20

SERMON

"Making Anti-Racism Disciples"

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.

INTERLUDE

Happy the Home When God Is There

Ware, Dykes

PRAYER OF CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

Angela Edwards

Creator God, who so lovingly made this world, forgive us for not loving each other as we should. When we stereotype people because of the color of their skin;

God, Forgive Us

When we dismiss someone's voice just because we do not understand their accent;

God, Forgive Us

When we judge others because they are not like us;

God, Forgive Us

When we let past experiences cloud our judgment;

God, Forgive Us

When we are bullied into racism;

God, Forgive Us

When we fail to learn more about other cultures;

God, Forgive Us

When we do not speak up for our siblings who are subject to racism;

God, Forgive Us

SILENCE

Family of God, know that when we confess our sins and the sins of this world in Jesus name, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

GLORIA

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

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

CLOSING HYMN

We Shall Overcome (vs. 4,5,6) African-American Spiritual

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

POSTLUDE

God Be with You till We Meet Again

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CALLS to SERVE

“Here am I; send me!” Isaiah 6:8

TODAY! Zoom Coffee Hour – Immediately following worship, everyone is invited for coffee hour via Zoom. (For the link, see “How to Access our Zoom Gatherings” below.)

June Mission of the Month: Hoosier Interfaith Power and Light - HIPL is an interfaith organization dedicated to advocating for sustainable living and changes to protect God’s creation of life on this earth, both human and others. Its mission is to educate congregations on sustainable living practices that will reduce our carbon footprint, and promote the use of renewable energy resources. The organization is funded primarily from contributions from its member congregations and additional support is always needed to continue the work of improving the care for creation advocated by almost all major religious teachings. Please send a check to the church with MOM: HIPL in the memo line, or donate online at: <http://fcindy.org/online-giving/> (Please designate MOM: HIPL in your online giving).

Soul Care with Pastor Sarah: Tuesdays, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. - Join us for our weekly “Soul-Care with Pastor Sarah” a time for church members to check-in, reflect on Richard Rohr’s weekly meditations, and to pray together. Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84830474505?pwd=Ny9oeE84a0lpcTUrWHU2dUhfVUZZQT09>

Spiritual Support Group for Mental Health, Thursdays from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. – The Spiritual Support Group is open to all with mental illness and those living with mental illness loved one. It is open to you, neighbors, friends & acquaintances. This group will meet every Thursday via Zoom:

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

Upcoming Buzz - Following worship on June 14, join us on Zoom for another opportunity to gather in fellowship virtually. Our focus will again be on how we are navigating through the coronavirus crisis as a community of faith. The Comeback Team will share our deliberations, along with some of the guidance we regularly receive from the national UCC and the Indiana-Kentucky Conference. We also want to hear thoughts, questions, and concerns from everyone as well, so please plan to join in with video, audio, or just a phone. During this Buzz we will also be accepting new members into our church, and honoring Julie Houston for her years of service at FC. Julie retires at the end of this month, so please take this opportunity to wish her well, and to greet new members of our faith community.

Publications - Bulletins, Sermons, Epistles, and Colony are all available on our website:
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/>

FC Emergency Fund - The FC Emergency Fund seeks to support your housing, food, and medical needs if you find yourselves unemployed or underemployed. You can send a check to the church with "emergency fund" on the memo or make a donation on the church website. To request funds for you or your family, please contact me by email pastorsarah@fcindy.org or cell (386) 478-9012.

This Week on Zoom at First Congregational

Sunday, June 7	12:00 p.m.	Coffee Hour
Tuesday, June 9	5:00 p.m.	Soul Care with Pastor Sarah (see announcement above for zoom link)
Wednesday, June 10	5:00 p.m.	WISE Mental Health Team
Wednesday, June 10	7:00 p.m.	Church Council
Thursday, June 11	1:00 p.m.	Men's Lunch
Thursday, June 11	5:00 p.m.	Spiritual Support Group
Sunday, June 14	9:30 a.m.	Sunday Adult Class
Sunday, June 14	11:00 a.m.	Worship (YouTube, FB, & Dial In)
Sunday, June 14	11:45 a.m.	Coffee Hour
Sunday, June 14	12:30 p.m.	Buzz: Q&A + New Member Reception

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

Matthew 28:16-20

¹⁶ The Eleven made their way to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had summoned them. ¹⁷ At the sight of the risen Christ they fell down in homage, though some doubted what they were seeing. ¹⁸ Jesus came forward and addressed them in these words: "All authority has been given me both in heaven and on earth; ¹⁹ go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations. Baptize them in the name of Abba God, and of the Only Begotten, and of the Holy Spirit. ²⁰ Teach them to carry out everything I have commanded you. And know that I am with you always, even until the end of the world!"

Priests for Equality. The Inclusive Bible: The First Egalitarian Translation (p. 660). Sheed & Ward. Kindle Edition.



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