



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

External Communications Manager/Office Admin, Cassidy Hall

Music Designer/Organist, Sean Baker

Just Peace Intern, Allison Welz

Media Technician, David Clark

We celebrate our church leadership:

Senior Councilors: *Alice Rutherford, Steve Coomer, Larry Eckel

Clerk: Rev. Dr. Pat Larracey

Treasurer: Jim Lootens

Financial Secretary: Cheryl Dillenback

We celebrate our worship leaders today:

Mayflower Quartette

Plymouth Players

Allison Welz

Cassidy Hall

Wendy Baldwin, Liturgist



October 24, 2021

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

We Can Praise You, God!

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INTROIT

Make Me a Servant

Mayflower Quartette

WELCOME

Rev. Dr. Sarah
Lund

OPENING SONG #117

We Can Praise You, God!

Sing!
Prayer and Praise

MOMENT OF PEACE

Allison Welz

WE PROCLAIM

SCRIPTURE

Mark 10:46-52

Wendy Baldwin

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

Mayflower Quartette

SERMON

Give Thanks

Rev. Dr. Sarah
Lund

SERMON RESPONSE

Amen

Mayflower Quartette

WE RESPOND

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

MEDITATION

A New Beginning

Baker, Rutherford

PASTORAL PRAYER (Adapted from Enfleshed)

Cassidy Hall

Holy Spirit, thank you for bearing witness to our souls. Quiet within us the urge to advise, fix, or save another. May we be like you and yield the inner wisdom found within all beings. Amen.

PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR (from UCC Book of Worship)

Cassidy Hall

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE

Mayflower Quartette

WE GO

CLOSING SONG #143

Grateful

Sing!
Prayer and Praise

BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Sarah
Lund

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Go Make a Diff'rence

Mayflower Quartette

POSTLUDE

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore You

arr. S. Baker

CALLS to SERVE

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

TODAY! Patio Psalms and Prayers at 10:00 a.m. – On Sunday mornings, grab your lawn chair and join us on the patio for an outdoor gathering time for faith formation. **Today: Psalm 21, Next week: Psalm 23.**

NO COFFEE HOUR – While Marion County is “Yellow”, we will enjoy seeing each other in-person, but will refrain from refreshments. Hopefully, by Thanksgiving, the county will be “Blue”, and we can enjoy some pie after worship on our traditional Thanksgiving Sunday, November 21st.

Spiritual Support Group, Thursdays at 5:00pm (Zoom) – This group openly invites anyone seeking spiritual care concerning well-being. Contact Pat Larracey at plainandfancy1963@att.net, or 317-625-6801, or Pastor Sarah at pastorsarah@fcindy.org, or 386-478-9012.

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 by mailing your check to the church or through online giving at <http://www.fcindy.org/online-giving/>

Members In Need Fund - The Members In Need Fund is available to support financial needs for any of our church family who find themselves in need. To request funds for you or your family, please contact Pastor Sarah by email pastorsarah@fcindy.org or cell (386) 478-9012.

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.

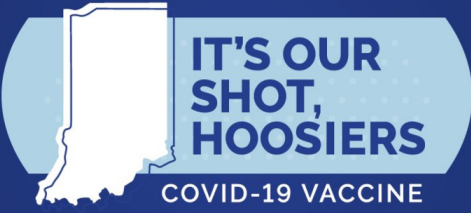
The Trevor Project hotline offers support for LGBTQIA+ youth and families struggling with mental health challenges at 1-866-4-U-TREVOR (488-7386) and www.theTrevorProject.org

How to Access our Zoom Gatherings

Please contact our office admin to join Zoom Gatherings: cassidy@fcindy.org

This Week at FC Indy:

Sunday, October 24	10:00 a.m.	Adult Education (Psalms)
Sunday, October 24	11:00 a.m.	Sunday Hybrid Worship (In-Person AND YouTube, FB, Dial In)
Sunday, October 24	REMINDER	NO COFFEE HOUR
Sunday, October 24	5:00 p.m.	Sermon Reflections (Zoom)
Thursday, October 28	1:00 p.m.	Men's Lunch
Thursday, October 28	3:00 p.m.	W.I.S.E. Team Meeting (Zoom)
Thursday, October 28	5:00 p.m.	Spiritual Support Group (Zoom)
Sunday, October 31	10:00 a.m.	Adult Education (Psalms)
Sunday, October 31	11:00 a.m.	Sunday Hybrid Worship (In-Person AND YouTube, FB, Dial In)
Sunday, October 31	REMINDER	NO COFFEE HOUR



IT'S OUR SHOT, HOOSIERS
COVID-19 VACCINE

YOUR VACCINATION BRINGS US ONE DAY CLOSER TO CONTROLLING THE PANDEMIC AND REOPENING CHURCH

GET YOUR VACCINE ASAP!

VACCINE AND BOOSTER ELIGIBILITY INFO AVAILABLE NOW AT [OURSHOT.IN.GOV](https://ourshot.in.gov)

Marion County "color"	Indoors	Outdoors
Blue, positivity is decreasing	Masks are <u>optional for vaccinated people</u> , and <u>required for unvaccinated</u>	Masks are <u>not required</u>
Blue, positivity is increasing	Masks are <u>encouraged for vaccinated people</u> , and <u>required for unvaccinated</u>	Masks are <u>not required</u>
Yellow	Masks are <u>required for all</u>	Masks are <u>encouraged for vaccinated people</u> , and <u>required for unvaccinated</u>
Orange	Building is <u>closed</u> for in-person gatherings	Masks are <u>required for all</u>
Red	Building is <u>closed</u> for in-person gatherings	No church-sponsored outdoor gatherings

Current Marion County "color status": **YELLOW**

Today's Scripture

Mark 10:46-52

They came to Jericho. As Jesus was leaving Jericho with the disciples and a large crowd, a blind beggar named Bartimaeus ben-Timaeus, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, "Heir of David, Jesus, have pity on me!"

Many people scolded him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the louder, "Heir of David, have pity on me!"

Jesus stopped and said, "Call him here."

So they called the blind man. "Don't be afraid," they said. "Get up; Jesus is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, Bartimaeus jumped up and went to Jesus.

Then Jesus said, "What do you want me to do for you?"

"Rabbuni," the Blind man said, "I want to see."

Jesus replied, "Go, your faith has saved you." And immediately Bartimaeus received the gift of sight and began to follow Jesus along the road.

(The Inclusive Bible. Sheed & Ward. Kindle Edition)