

## 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.

Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund Pastoral Care Associate, Pastor Carol Sowle External Communications Manager/Office Admin, Cassidy Hall Music Designer/Organist, Sean Baker Media Technician, David Clark

#### We celebrate our church leadership:

Senior Councilors: \*Larry Eckel, Steve Coomer, Judy Fletcher Clerk: Janet Selby Treasurer: Jim Lootens Financial Secretary: Sue Chapman Just Peace Intern, Spenser Churchill

#### We celebrate our worship leaders today:

Mayflower Quartette **Plymouth Players** Liturgist, Steve Leatherman

February 13, 2022		11:00 A.M.
PRELUDE	Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee	
INTROIT	I Am the Light of the World	
WELCOME		Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund
OPENING SONG #576	For the Healing of the Nations	New Century Hymnal
MOMENT OF PEACE		Spenser Churchill

MEDITATION	To God Be the Glory			
	WE PROCLAIM			
SCRIPTURE	Luke 6:17-26	Steve Leatherman		
SCRIPTURE RESPONSE		Mayflower Quartette		
SERMON	Just Peace and Faith in Indiana	Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund		
SONG #170	We Share a Hunger	Sing! Prayer and Praise		
	WE RESPOND			
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE				
SPECIAL MUSIC	Love and Justice	Goudey, arr. Baker		

PASTORAL PRAYER (from Enfleshed)

Blessed are you who are hungry, now. For you shall be filled. Blessed are you who are weeping, for you will know joy. To make it so is the work of God among us. Let us bring our gifts and offerings as a sign of our commitment to one another and to enfleshing the Kindom of God here, among us. Amen.

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE

**Mayflower Quartette** 

Sing! Prayer and Praise

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

WE GO

Listening Now

CLOSING SONG #160

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Come Sweet Justice

POSTLUDE

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

arr. Baker

#### **CALLS to SERVE**

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

Look for the Annual Meeting Report in a Special Email. Printed copies can be picked up at church or contact the office for a mailed copy: cassidy@fcindy.org

**Zoom:** Adult Education at 10:00 a.m. – On Sunday mornings, join us on Zoom for a gathering time for faith formation.

#### Zoom: Coffee Hour Immediately Follows Worship!

**Spiritual Support Group, Thursdays at 5:00pm (Zoom)** – This group openly invites anyone seeking spiritual care concerning well-being. Contact Pastor Sarah at <u>pastorsarah@fcindy.org</u>, or 386-478-9012.

**Publications -** Bulletins, Sermons, Epistles, and Colony are all available on our website: <u>www.fcindy.org</u>

**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 <u>http://www.fcindy.org/online-giving/</u>

#### Members In Need Fund" is now the "Acts of Kindness Fund"

This fund has been repositioned as the "Acts of Kindness Fund". Members can now make requests for gifts to be made from the fund to assist others in our church family. This could be to help with ride-share transportation, shovel or plow snow, pay an unexpected expense, etc. While honoring the dignity of the recipient, these gifts are to assist people who might not ask for help. The fund also continues to be available to support financial needs for any of our church family who find themselves in need. All requests for use of this fund will be confidential, and your privacy will be honored and respected. To request funds or gifts, please contact Pastor Sarah by email <u>pastorsarah@fcindy.org</u> 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 <u>www.nami.org</u>.

**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 <u>www.theTrevorProject.org</u>

#### How to Access our Zoom Gatherings

Please contact our office admin to join Zoom Gatherings: <u>cassidy@fcindy.org</u>

#### GIVING

We seek to love and to share our joy. We offer care, give thanks and praise, when Christ is present among us all. We know the world's a mission field, needing forgiveness, justice and hope.

**Our Current Covenant Outreach focus is related to our Just Peace Covenant.** Our current outreach recipients: Exodus Refugee, Peace Learning Center, Family Promise, and Faith In Indiana.



#### THIS WEEK AT FC INDY:

Sunday, February 13	10:00 a.m.	Adult Education (Zoom)
Sunday, February 13	11:00 a.m.	Sunday Online Worship (YouTube, FB) (Dial-in only at 2pm)
Sunday, February 13	Reminder	Coffee Hour Following Worship (Zoom)
Tuesday, February 15	1:30 p.m.	Circle Book Club
Wednesday, February 16	7:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting
Thursday, February 17	1:00 p.m.	Men's Lunch
Sunday, February 20	10:00 a.m.	Adult Education (Zoom)
Sunday, February 20	11:00 a.m.	Sunday Online Worship (YouTube, FB) (Dial-in only at 2pm)
Sunday, February 20	Reminder	Coffee Hour Following Worship (Zoom)

### **Today's Scripture**

### Luke 6:17-26

Coming down the mountain with them, Jesus stopped in a level area where there were a great number of disciples. A large crowd of people was with them from Jerusalem and all over Judea, to as far north as the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon—people who had come to hear Jesus and be healed of their diseases, and even to be freed from unclean spirits. Indeed, the whole crowd was trying to touch Jesus, because power was coming out of him and healing them all.

Looking at the disciples, Jesus said:

"You who are poor are blessed,

for the reign of God is yours.

You who hunger now are blessed,

for you'll be filled.

You who weep now are blessed,

for you'll laugh.

You are blessed when people hate you,

when they scorn and insult you

and spurn your name as evil

because of the Chosen One.

On the day they do so,

rejoice and be glad: your reward will be great in heaven,

for their ancestors treated the prophets the same way.

But woe to you rich,

for you are now receiving your comfort in full.

Woe to you who are full,

for you'll go hungry.

Woe to you who laugh now,

for you'll weep in your grief.

Woe to you when all speak well of you,

for their ancestors treated the false prophets

in the same way.

Priests for Equality. The Inclusive Bible, Sheed & Ward. Kindle Edition.

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