

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

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@FirstCongregationalUCCIndy

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 hybrid worship service. Whether you choose to join us online or in-person, we believe we are called together 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.** 

**\*Disclaimer:** Today's worship service is being live-streamed. While the focus will be on the worship leaders, anything you say or do may be on film. If you have any questions or need to ensure you are not on camera for your safety or other reasons, please speak with Pastor Sarah. <u>PastorSarah@fcindy.org</u>

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 Media Technicians, David Clark and Ben James

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 Readers, Rev. Worth Hartman and Sean Baker Liturgist, Marion Harcourt			
March 6, 2022		11:00 A.M.	
GATHERING MUSIC	Good Enough	arr. Baker	
WELCOME		Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund	
SONG	Good Enough	Mayflower Quartette	
CALLING ON GOD	Based on Psalm 91	Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund	
MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES		Alice Rutherford	
SONG #407	Our Lord, You Were Sent	See Insert	

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund Rev. Worth Hartman

#### THE PEACE

#### WE PROCLAIM

SCRIPTURE

Luke 4:1-13

Marion Harcourt

SERMON

Ordinary Lives Can Be Holy

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

#### WE RESPOND

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund Sean Baker

PASTORAL PRAYER (from Enfleshed)

God, you know us in the depths of our hearts. Our longings, our intentions, our places of struggle are all known to you. You meet us there with words of courage and deliverance. When fear or insecurity or ego beckon, do not let us be swayed in the direction of evil, but encourage us to trust in you. In Christ, our guide, 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. COMMUNION SONG

Take, O Take Me As I Am

Mayflower Quartette

COMMUNION

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

#### WE GO

CLOSING SONG #211 Lord, Jesus Who Through Forty Days (v 1-3) New Century Hymnal

**BLESSING AND BENEDICTION** 

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE** 

Good Enough

Mayflower Quartette

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

POSTLUDE

Good Enough

arr. Baker

#### Worship Notes:

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"A Blessing for a Joyfully Mediocre Journey" from <u>Good Enough: 40'ish Devotionals for a Life of Imperfection</u> by Kate Bowler and Jessica Richie. Used with permission. Purchase the book at <u>www.katebowler.com/goodenough</u>. Music licenses: OneLicense

#### **CALLS to SERVE**

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

Address Directory Update In March, we will be updating and producing our Address Directory, which will be available in print and electronically. There is a current directory on a table in the Narthex; please double check it for any changes, and put a check mark by your name so we know it has been reviewed. Or, if you have had a change in name, address, phone number, or email address in the past year, please contact Wendy Baldwin at <u>wbaldwinindy@gmail.com</u> by March 18. Also, if you are new to our church family, and would like to be in our Address Directory, we would love to have your contact info!

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

**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>

Acts of Kindness Fund - Members can make requests for use of this fund to assist themselves or others in our church family who might not ask for help. These gifts can help support financial needs, as well as help with ride-share transportation, shovel or plow snow, pay an unexpected expense, etc. Honoring the dignity of the recipient, all requests for use of this fund will be confidential, and privacy will be respected. To request funds or gifts, 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 <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: cassidy@fcindy.org

#### 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, March 6	10:00 AM	Hybrid Adult Education (In-Person and Zoom)
Sunday, March 6	11:00 AM	Sunday Hybrid Worship (In-Person, YouTube,
		FB) (Dial-in after 2 PM)
Sunday, March 6	1:00 PM	Buzz on gun violence
		reduction with Karen
		Walker (Zoom)
Tuesday, March 8	6:30-7:30 PM	Lenten Study with
		Pastor Sarah (Zoom)
Wednesday, March 9	7:00 PM	Trustees Meeting
Thursday, March 10	5:00 PM	Spiritual Support Group

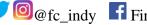
# **Today's Scripture**

## Luke 4:1-13

Jesus returned from the Jordan filled with the Holy Spirit, and she led him into the desert for forty days, where he was tempted by the devil. Jesus ate nothing during that time, at the end of which he was famished. The devil said to Jesus, "If you are God's own, command this stone to turn into bread." Jesus answered, "Scripture has it, 'we don't live on bread alone.'" Then the devil took Jesus up higher and showed him all the nations of the world in a single instant. The devil said, "I'll give you all the power and the glory of these nations; the power has been given to me and I can give it to whomever I wish. Prostrate yourself in homage before me, and it will all be yours." In reply, Jesus said, "Scripture has it: 'You will worship the most high God; God alone will you adore." Then the devil led Jesus to Jerusalem, set him up on the parapet of the temple and said, "If you are God's own, throw yourself down from here, for scripture has it, 'God will tell the angels to take care of you; with their hands they'll support you, that you may never stumble on a stone." Jesus said to the devil in reply, "It also says, 'Do not put God to the test.' " When the devil had finished all this tempting, Jesus was left alone. The devil awaited another opportunity.

> A Word of God that is still speaking, Thanks be to God.

Priests for Equality. The Inclusive Bible: The First Egalitarian Translation (pp. 675-676). Sheed & Ward, Kindle Edition.



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#### Our Lord, You Were Sent

Our Lord, you were sent to a place wild and vast To ponder your mission, to pray and to fast; Then hungry and weary, you faced night and day The subtle temptations to turn from God's way.

How could it be wrong to want bread on the shelf? To seek, in one's serving, to first serve one's self? But by God's own word you remained ever sure: It's only in God that our lives are secure.

How could it be wrong to step out and to dare, To prove with great drama the depths of God's care? But you knew God's word, true since all time began: It's wrong to expect God to work by our plan.

How could it be wrong to just once bow the knee, To shake hands with sin to achieve victory? Yet you made it clear that no matter the cost: Your path was obedience, your way was the cross.

Our Lord, in your struggle you chose to obey; God's word filled your heart and you trusted God's way. Now risen, you save us from sins that destroy; You give us your Spirit, your peace and your joy.

# GOOD ENOUGH LENT AT FC INDY

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR OF NO CURE FOR BEING HUMAN

Good JESSICA RICHIE

40ish DEVOTIONALS FOR A LIFE OF IMPERFECTION Join us for Adult Ed, Sundays at 10:00 AM (In-Person and Zoom)

# AND

Good Enough Tuesdays with Pastor Sarah 6:30-7:30 PM (Zoom) March 8-April 5