



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**.

Pastor Sarah's Office Hours

Shannon's Office Hours

Monday – Sabbath	Monday - vacation
Tuesday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Tuesday – vacation
Wednesday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Wednesday – vacation
Thursday – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Thursday - vacation
Friday – working out of the office	Friday – vacation

Pastoral Care:

Pastor Sarah may be reached at (386) 478-9012 or at pastorsarah@fcindy.org.

We celebrate the team of people called to serve on 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 the team of people elected to lead our church:

Rich Gibson, Moderator
Lianna Campos, Vice Moderator
Rev. Dr. Pat Larracey, Clerk
Jim Lootens, Treasurer
George Meier, Financial Secretary

We celebrate those leading us in worship today:

Lianna Campos, Worship Leader
Charles Manning, Guest Organist

JUNE 30, 2019

11 A.M.

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

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

WE GATHER

MUSIC FOR GATHERING	Prayer Meditation	Léon Böellmann
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WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER		Pastor Sarah Lund
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*CALL to WORSHIP		Lianna Campos
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Loving God, open our hearts

So that we may feel the breath and play of your Spirit

Unclench our hands

So that we may reach out to one another, and be healed

Open our lips

That we may drink in the delight and wonder of life

Open our ears

To hear the cries of those who suffer injustice

Open our eyes

So that we may see Christ in friend and stranger

Breathe your Spirit into us

And touch our lives with the life of Jesus Christ.

WE PROCLAIM

*OPENING SONG # 55	Rejoice, You Pure in Heart	<i>New Century Hymnal</i>
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THE PEACE

MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

SPECIAL MUSIC	Pavane	Gabriel Faure
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SCRIPTURE	Luke 9:51-62	Lianna Campos
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SERMON	Going to Jerusalem	Pastor Sarah Lund
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SONG # 403

My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

New Century Hymnal

WE RESPOND

SHARING of JOYS and CONCERNS

*We invite those who desire to share a joy or concern. Please share your name so that people might get better acquainted. In the power and presence of God **we share your joy/prayer.***

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father *or* Our Mother *or* Our Creator *or* Our Sacred Presence, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who have sinned against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

MEDITATION

Air in D Major

J. S. Bach

OFFERING of GIFTS and TITHES

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 volunteer opportunities. Place connect cards in offering plates.

*DOXOLOGY (778)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

WE GO

*CLOSING SONG # 506

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

New Century Hymnal

*BENEDICTION

Pastor Sarah Lund

POSTLUDE

Rigaudon

André Campra

Please remain seated for the postlude or leave the sanctuary quietly. Everyone is invited for coffee, refreshments, and conversation in the church parlor.

CALLS to SERVE

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

Adult Class – Sunday, July 7, 9:45 a.m. – We will continue to read and discuss “Anxious to Talk About it: Helping White Christians Talk Faithfully About Racism.”

TODAY!!! Buzz and Pitch-In, following worship - Reflect on the Playground. Come with your thoughts, questions and feedback about our experiment with a space in our sanctuary where all ages can gather to experience worship. We started the Playground the first Sunday of Advent and we want to hear from you.

Spiritual Explorers, Sunday, July 7, 12:15 PM (in the library) - FCC Spiritual Explorers will discuss which spiritual practices to focus on in coming months, such as silence, gratitude, poetry, journaling, music, and ways God is calling us. All are welcome!

Green Team Tip – This week's Tip is from Sandy Woods, with our deepest thanks: The Mailing Station at 71st and Binford will accept cardboard boxes and anyone needing boxes can go pick them up there whenever they are open. They will also take the Styrofoam popcorn and small blow-up plastic "pillows" used for packing. (If you want to share a green habit, please send it to hoot.gibson.tds@gmail.com.)

June Mission of the Month: Damien Center - Founded in 1987, the Damien Center is the oldest and largest organization in Indiana addressing the health needs of individuals with HIV. Currently the Damien Center serves over 4,000 individuals affected by HIV/AIDS through a comprehensive and innovative approach to HIV care and prevention. Even though we hear of the many achievements in medications used to treat HIV here are a couple statistics to keep in mind. In the general population, 1 out of every 6 persons infected with HIV does not know it. 51% of youth between the ages of 13 – 24 who are living with HIV, have never been tested. Let's help keep HIV testing and education accessible to Central Indiana through our support of the Damien Center.

Pantry Items of the Month - During June we are collecting the following items: pudding mix, jello, canned vegetables, soup and toothpaste.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL

Sunday, June 30	12:15 p.m.	Buzz w/ Pitch-in
Tuesday, July 2	1:00 p.m.	Care & Connections
Saturday, July 6	10:00 a.m.	Parlor Brainstorming Session
Saturday, July 6	10:30 a.m.	Bell Choir
Sunday, July 7	9:45 a.m.	Sunday Adult Class
Sunday, July 7	11:00 a.m.	Worship
Sunday, July 7	12:15 p.m.	Spiritual Explorers

To the parents of our young children:

God put the wiggle in children, please don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. You are invited toward the front using the Playground if you like. Keep children engaged by quietly explaining the parts of the service, actions of the pastor, worship leaders, and musicians. Sing, pray, and speak the responses; children learn worship behavior by copying you. The way we adults welcome children in church directly affects how they respond to the Church and to one another. Let all ages know that they are at home in this house of worship. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

To the members of our congregation:

The presence of children is a gift to our church and to our community. They remind us that we are to share and pass on our faith. It is a gift to have children among us. Please welcome our children and encourage their parents with a warm smile.

Thank you.

What's a pray-ground?

By Traci Smith

The name “prayground” comes from Rev. Catherine Renken, pastor of Kirkwood Presbyterian Church in Kennesaw, GA who brainstormed with others when the prayground at Grace in Apple Valley, MN was being built. The name has caught on!

Though different churches have put it in to practice in different ways, a prayground is a place in the front of the sanctuary where young children can experience worship through age-appropriate worship materials and tools that will help keep them engaged in worship.

LET *the*
LITTLE
CHILDREN
COME
LOVE
MATTHEW 19:14



Today's Scripture (NRSV Translation)

Luke 9:51-62

⁵¹ When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³ but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" ⁵⁵ But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷ As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." ⁵⁸ And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." ⁵⁹ To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." ⁶⁰ But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." ⁶¹ Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." ⁶² Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."



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