



# 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**

<b>Monday</b> – Sabbath	<b>Monday</b> – Sabbath
<b>Tuesday</b> – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Tuesday</b> – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday</b> – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Wednesday</b> – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
<b>Thursday</b> – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Thursday</b> – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
<b>Friday</b> – working off site	<b>Friday</b> – 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Pastoral Care:** Pastor Sarah may be reached at (386) 478-9012 or at [pastorsarah@fcindy.org](mailto:pastorsarah@fcindy.org).  
Pastor Sarah is serving the wider church this weekend for the UCC Mental Health Network.

**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  
Student Pastor, Cassidy Hall  
Just Peace Intern, Grace Langford

**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:**

Worth Hartman, Worship Leader and Guest Preacher  
Bob Cook, Bell Choir Director      Jesse Wittman, String Bass

*The altar flowers are a gift from The Eckel Family in memory of Bed Eckel.*

NOVEMBER 3, 2019

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

11 A.M.

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

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

### WE GATHER

PRELUDE

When the Saints Are Marching In

Purvis, Black

WELCOME and OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Worth Hartman

\*CALL to WORSHIP

Today is a happy day. Jesus said, "Come into God's house.

For when I was hungry you gave me food."

**We did? When Jesus?**

When I was thirsty you gave me drink.

**We did? When Jesus?**

When I was lonely, sick and in prison, you came to visit me.

**We did? When Jesus?**

What you did to the least of my brothers and sisters, you also did to me.

**What we did to the least of your brothers and sisters, you also did to you.**

God for all the times we've forgotten that people are hungry and thirsty...

**We are sorry.**

God for all the times we've forgotten people who are lonely, sick or in prison...

**We are sorry.**

God for all the times we've forgotten that you want us to love each other and live in peace.

**We are sorry**

Help us to live the way we were meant to live.

**Help us to be your saints. Amen.**

UNISON PRAYER

**Divine Light, Radiant Holy One, Light of all Lights, we call upon all the saints to be with us.**

**We remember how each one brought a touch of your light into our world.**

**We recall how each one reflected the radiance of your goodness.**

**We recount their loving deeds and rejoice in their faithfulness.**

\*OPENING SONG #295

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

*New Century Hymnal*

\*THE PEACE

## WE PROCLAIM

### MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

ANTHEM	A Gentle Chorale	Burroughs/Sibelius
SCRIPTURE	Philippians 1:1-11 Matthew 5:1-16	
SERMON	“Called to Be Saints”	Rev. Worth Hartman
SONG #383	Come Let Us Join with Faithful Souls	<i>New Century Hymnal</i>

## 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 God in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kin-dom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we also have forgiven those who sin against us. Do not let us enter into temptation, but rescue us from the evil one. For yours is the kin-dom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

INTERLUDE	Giving	Mancini, Bricusse
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### 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.*

*Guests, please fill out a **Connect Card** found in the pew holders so that we might learn more about you. The cards may also be used to for prayer requests that will be shared through our weekly prayer chain. Please place Connect Cards in the offering plate.*

\*DOXOLOGY (780) and OFFERING PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**O Creator, you have made us blessed and holy. On the day we were created you said, “This is good”. May you keep us holy as we continue to offer all we have to you. Let Christ rule in us. Let Christ have more say in our lives. Let Christ be more visible through us an in all these gifts we have to offer. Amen.**

**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

COMMUNION SONG #112            Come to the Table of Grace            *Sing! Prayer and Praise*

INVITATION and SHARING COMMUNION

*All are welcome to the table, no matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey.  
We celebrate with juice and two types of bread, including gluten free.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

**WE GO**

\*CLOSING SONG #299            For All the Saints            *New Century Hymnal*

\*BENEDICTION            Rev. Worth Hartman

BENEDICTION RESPONSE            Peace            Priory/Norbet

POSTLUDE            When the Saints Go Marching In            Traditional Spiritual  
*Please sing along with the postlude and leave the sanctuary with joy in remembering the saints.  
Everyone is invited for coffee, refreshments, and conversation in the church parlor.*



***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.***

**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.**

### THIS WEEK AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL

<b>Wednesday, November 6</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Witness &amp; Welcome</b>
<b>Wednesday, November 6</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Trustees</b>
<b>Thursday, November 7</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>In Harmony</b>
<b>Thursday, November 7</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b>
<b>Saturday, November 9</b>	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Game Night</b>
<b>Sunday, November 10</b>	<b>9:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Sunday Adult Class w/ Grace Langford</b>
<b>Sunday, November 10</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>

### CALLS to SERVE

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

**Adult Class, Sunday, November 10, 9:45 a.m.** – Our Just Peace Intern, Grace Langford, will be sharing an impactful video about drone warfare and taking time to discuss and react to the impact of drone warfare. We will also learn about ways to draw attention to this issue and be advocates for just peace.

**New Member Sunday, Next Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 a.m.** - Thinking about making First Congregational your church home? We would love to welcome you into membership. We are planning our next New Member Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, so let Pastor Sarah know if you are interested or have questions.

**Games, Pizza, and Fun** - Friends, guests, members and all others are invited to a game and pizza night in the parlor beginning at **5:30 on Saturday, Nov. 9**. Come any time and join the fun. We will order pizza and plan to eat around 6:45 pm. Please bring your own beverage. All ages are included. We will have games on hand or bring your favorite.

**BUZZ w/ Pitch-In: Faith in Indiana, NEXT Sunday, Nov. 10, 12:30 p.m.** - We will hear a presentation from Faith In Indiana which acts as a catalyst for marginalized people and faith organizations to address and take action regarding racial and economic equity. How can First Congregational support this statewide initiative? When considering what food to take to Nov 10<sup>th</sup> Buzz's pitch-in, you might want to take something other than a dessert. susanna-judith rae is providing lots of birthday cake—chocolate sheet cake, white sheet cake, and a layered carrot cake—to celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> birthday of her husband Earl Hoppert.

**Hoosier Village Alternative Gift Event: Sunday, November 17 from 1:30-4:00 p.m. in the Chapel** - This event is an alternative to the commercialization of Christmas. You and your family members will have the opportunity to make donations in a loved one's name to one or more not-for-profit agencies that provide a variety of needed services in Marion and Boone counties. If you are unable to attend, you may pick up order forms in our narthex for absentee participation. Questions? Contact Sue Chapman, chair of Outreach & Service Board.

**Choir Rehearsals** - Rehearsals are on Thursday nights from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. We welcome new members. If anyone is interested in joining the choir, please email Julie at [juliehouston@comcast.net](mailto:juliehouston@comcast.net). We would love to have you join us!

**Green Team Tip** – Before you vote, look at the climate change viewpoint of your candidates. (If you want to share a green habit, please send it to [hoot.gibson.tds@gmail.com](mailto:hoot.gibson.tds@gmail.com).)

**November Mission of the Month: Family Promise** - This month our Mission of the Month is Family Promise of Greater Indianapolis, the organization that serves families in crisis by providing short term housing while helping them to find permanent housing and providing skills that will help clients keep jobs and manage finances. FCC has been affiliated with Family Promise, formerly known as Interfaith Hospitality Network, for over 25 years. Please give generously to support the important service Family Promise provides to homeless families in our city.

**Pantry Items of the Month** - During November we are collecting the following items: fruit cocktail, spaghetti sauce, quick oats, and tooth paste.

## Today's Scriptures

### **Philippians 1:1-11 (Common English Bible):**

<sup>1</sup> From Paul and Timothy, who serve Christ Jesus. To all those in Philippi who are God's people in Christ Jesus, along with your supervisors and servants. <sup>2</sup> May the grace and peace from God and Jesus Christ be with you. <sup>3</sup> I thank my God every time I mention you in my prayers. <sup>4</sup> I'm thankful for all of you every time I pray, and it's always a prayer full of joy. <sup>5</sup> I'm glad because of the way you have been my partners in the ministry of the gospel from the time you first believed it until now. <sup>6</sup> I'm sure about this: the one who started a good work in you will stay with you to complete the job by the day of Christ Jesus. <sup>7</sup> I have good reason to think this way about all of you because I keep you in my heart. You are all my partners in God's grace, both during my time in prison and in the defense and support of the gospel. <sup>8</sup> God is my witness that I feel affection for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. <sup>9</sup> This is my prayer: that your love might become even more and more rich with knowledge and all kinds of insight. <sup>10</sup> I pray this so that you will be able to decide what really matters and so you will be sincere and blameless on the day of Christ. <sup>11</sup> I pray that you will then be filled with the fruit of righteousness, which comes from Jesus Christ, in order to give glory and praise to God.

### **Matthew 5:1-16 (Inclusive Bible):**

<sup>1</sup> When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on the mountainside, and after he sat down and the disciples had gathered around, <sup>2</sup> Jesus began to teach them: <sup>3</sup> "Blessed are those who are poor in spirit: the kingdom of heaven is theirs. <sup>4</sup> Blessed are those who are mourning: they will be consoled. <sup>5</sup> Blessed are those who are gentle: they will inherit the land. <sup>6</sup> Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for justice: they will have their fill. <sup>7</sup> Blessed are those who show mercy to others: they will be shown mercy. <sup>8</sup> Blessed are those whose hearts are clean: they will see God. <sup>9</sup> Blessed are those who work for peace: they will be called children of God. <sup>10</sup> Blessed are those who are persecuted because of their struggle for justice: the kingdom of heaven is theirs. <sup>11</sup> "You are fortunate when others insult you and persecute you, and utter every kind of slander against you because of me. <sup>12</sup> Be glad and rejoice, for your reward in heaven is great; they persecuted the prophets before you in the very same way. <sup>13</sup> "You are the salt of the earth. But what if salt were to lose its flavor? How could you restore it? It would be fit for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. <sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. You don't build a city on a hill, then try to hide it, do you? <sup>15</sup> You don't light a lamp, then put it under a bushel basket, do you? No, you set it on a stand where it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, your light must shine before others so that they may see your good acts and give praise to your God in heaven.



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