



## 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**. **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.**

**Pastor Sarah's Office Hours**

**Monday:** Sabbath

**Tuesday:** 9am – 12pm

**Wednesday:** 9am – 12pm

**Thursday:** 9am – 12pm

**Friday:** working off site

**Shannon's Office Hours**

**Monday:** Sabbath

**Tuesday:** 9am – 12pm

**Wednesday:** 9am – 12pm

**Thursday:** 9am – 12pm

**Friday:** 9am – 12pm

**Pastoral Care:** Pastor Sarah may be reached at (386)478-9012 or [pastorsarah@fcindy.org](mailto:pastorsarah@fcindy.org).

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**We celebrate 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

Olivia Beeman, Nursery Attendant

Jess Tyler, Nursery Attendant

**We celebrate our church leadership:**

Alice Rutherford, Moderator

Larry Eckel, Vice Moderator

Rev. Dr. Pat Larracey, Clerk

Jim Lootens, Treasurer

Cheryl Dillenback, Financial Secretary

**We celebrate our worship leaders today:**

Wendy Baldwin, Worship Leader

Layke Jones, Soloist

The altar flowers are given by George Meier in memory of Gary Collins' birthday (Feb 6<sup>th</sup>).

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***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. Preschool age and younger may use the Nursery or children of all ages 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.***

**FEBRUARY 2, 2020**

**11 A.M.**

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

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

**WE GATHER**

PRELUDE	The Lord's Prayer	Mallotte
INTROIT	Metta Prayer	Trad., Severson
WORDS for BEGINNING		
WELCOME and PRAYER		Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund
*OPENING SONG #21	Your Word	<i>Sing! Prayer and Praise</i>
*THE PEACE		

**Reception of New Members**

Please join us in affirming the mission of this congregation:

**We believe that we are called by Jesus to be a transforming presence for God in the world. By this we mean that: Propelled by God's grace we strive to welcome and love everyone! Seeking to hear God's voice in today's world; we worship, learn, and grow in faith individually and as a community. Responding to God's call for compassion, justice and care of the earth, we equip and empower each other to make a difference in our lives and in the world!**

Please join with me in making a covenant with the church:

**I covenant with God and one another to serve God with faithfulness; treat one another with acceptance, love, and compassion; bear witness to the world with love; and live our faith humbly, yet boldly. Amen!**

**WE PROCLAIM**

MUSIC LESSON FOR ALL AGES	Julie Houston & Sean Baker
BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL AGES	Bob Cook, Sean Baker, Alice Rutherford

ANTHEM

Baba Yetu

Christopher Tin

*Baba yetu, yetu uliye mbinguni yetu, yetu amina!*

*Baba yetu, yetu uliye mjina lako elitukuzwe.*

*Utupe leo chakula chetu tunachohitaji utusamehe makosa yetu, hey!*

*Kama nasi tunavyowasamehe waliotukosea usitutie katika majaribu, Lakima utuokoe, na yule, muovu e milele!*

*Baba yetu, yetu uliye mbinguni yetu, yetu amina!*

*Baba yetu, yetu uliye mjina lako elitukuzwe.*

*Ufalmewako ufike utakalo lifanyike duniani kama mbinguni. Amina.*

*Baba yetu, yetu uliye mbinguni yetu, yetu amina!*

*Baba yetu, yetu uliye mjina lako elitukuzwe.*

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 6:9-13, Luke 11:2-4

Wendy Baldwin

OUR SAVIOR’S PRAYER REFLECTIONS and WORKSHOP

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

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SONG #319

Sing Them Over Again to Me (vs. 1,2)

*New Century Hymnal*

**WE RESPOND**

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE PRAYER OF JESUS

MESSAGE of the MISSION OF THE MONTH: Peace Learning Center

OFFERING and \*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.

## SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION and SHARING COMMUNION

*All are welcome to the table of God's grace, 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.*

## WE GO

\*CLOSING SONG #278

Creator God, Creating Still (vs. 1)

*New Century Hymnal*

\*BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Sarah Lund

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Metta Prayer

Trad., Severson

POSTLUDE

*Following worship, everyone is invited for coffee, refreshments, and conversation in the church parlor.*



## **CALLS to SERVE**

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

**TODAY! Nicaragua 2020 – after worship** – Today, there will be a meeting in the library to explore FCC's next mission trip to Nicaragua. If you are interested in going or want to hear more, join us in the church library after the service. See Rita Hummel if you have questions: 317-875-8388 or rithum1970@comcast.net.

**Board Retreat – Saturday, February 8, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (Mayflower Room)** - This will be an opportunity for some socializing, visioning, orientation, and organizing, with some fun thrown in for good measure. I hope to see all board members – new and old – present that morning, but anyone not currently serving on a board is invited to attend as well. Ministry teams are essential to the work of the church, so please see this as an opportunity for meeting with boards about plans and needs. And if you're not currently on either a board or a team, come for the breakfast and socializing! You just may hear something that inspires you to serve in a new way.

**Adult Class – Sunday, February 9, 9:45 a.m. -**

**Supply Drive for Family Promise** – This month, Family Promise is holding a supply drive to collect many items needed for use by families at the Day Center and while in the IHN shelter and After Care programs. Fliers listing needed items are in the narthex. Donations will be collected from **Feb. 7 - Feb. 23**. Please put items in the large white laundry hampers in the narthex or use the white trash bags that are in those hampers. Supplies will be delivered to Family Promise from Feb. 24 through Feb. 27. Your generosity will be appreciated by Family Promise and those they serve.

**Green Team Tip** - Water is becoming scarce, even though our area has plenty. West coast is in a drought. Save clean water by using dry detergent rather than liquid in your laundry.

### **February Mission of the Month: Peace Learning Center**

Now that our church has become a Just Peace Church we have an opportunity to witness to our commitment to peace and support the Peace Learning Center, an internationally recognized community educational institution promoting peace-building and conflict resolution with programs replicated in eight US cities and five countries. Since 1997, the PLC has reached more than 210,000 people locally and internationally. Peace Learning Center educates, inspires and, empowers people to live peacefully. Its vision is to build a community of peace where respect is primary and justice is real. The PLC works directly with schools, community nonprofits, businesses, juvenile correctional facilities, and faith groups to facilitate peace education. The Peace Learning Center believes

everyone can be a peacemaker. Programs teach safe and simple ways to manage anger, solve problems, and develop appreciation for differing perspectives. Consider a generous contribution to our February Mission of the Month, the Peace Learning Center. You can learn more about this inspiring organization at [www.peacelearningcenter.org](http://www.peacelearningcenter.org)

**Pantry Items of the Month** - During the month of February, we are collecting: jelly/jam, canned tuna/chicken, pasta, and bar soap.

### THIS WEEK AT FIRST CONGREGATIONAL

<b>Sunday, February 2</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Nicaragua Meeting</b>
<b>Thursday, February 6</b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Men's Lunch</b>
<b>Thursday, February 6</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Men's Lunch</b>
<b>Saturday, February 8</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>FC Board Retreat (all are welcome)</b>
<b>Sunday, February 9</b>	<b>9:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Sunday Adult Class</b>
<b>Sunday, February 9</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Sunday, February 9</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Student Pastor Support Team</b>

## Today's Scripture (NRSV)

### Matthew 6:9-13

<sup>9</sup> "Pray then in this way:

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.

<sup>10</sup> Your kingdom come.

Your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

<sup>11</sup> Give us this day our daily bread.

<sup>12</sup> And forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.

<sup>13</sup> And do not bring us to the time of trial,  
but rescue us from the evil one.

### Luke 11:2-4

<sup>2</sup> He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come.

<sup>3</sup> Give us each day our daily bread.

<sup>4</sup> And forgive us our sins,  
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.  
And do not bring us to the time of trial."