



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 to your Spiritual Home!

We celebrate being a Just Peace making, Green for care of Creation, and WISE (Welcoming, Inclusive, Supportive and Engaged) for mental health church, with an Open and Affirming covenant supporting the LGBTQAAL+ community.

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.

We welcome all who worship with us today and include **all ages** in our hybrid worship service. We invite guests and members to fill out a Welcome/Prayer card found in the pew holder, and put it in the offering plate. Children are invited to play quietly in the “pryground” at the front of the church, or use a “Quiet Bag” found in the Narthex.

***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 please speak with our minister.

Pastoral Care: You may reach out to the Rev. Worth Hartman who can be reached at worthgrover@sbcglobal.net or 317-417-0806

In-Person Office Hours: Cassidy (church admin) in office 10:30 am-1:30 pm and Pastor Sarah is available by appointment.

Out of concern for community health, we request that you remain up to date with your vaccinations. Mask as needed. Please stay home if you feel unwell.

Masks can be found in the narthex.

We celebrate our worship leaders today:

Rev. Dr. Katrina Roseboro-Marsh, Preacher

Carol Sowle, Worship Leader

Sean Baker (he/him), Music Director

Scott Semester (he/him), Worship Song Leader

Mayflower Singers

Rev. Tana Roseboro-Marsh, Special Music

Ben James (he/him), Media Technician

Mechelle Monroe, Liturgist

We light a special candle in worship on the altar as a symbol of God's love and care for Pastor Sarah and her family during this family medical leave time.
The light represents God's healing power and love.

June 9, 2024

11:00 AM

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

WE GATHER

PRELUDE	Imago Dei (Image of God)	J. K. Warner
INTROIT	What a Wonderful World	Weiss, Thiele

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL to WORSHIP** (from our ONA Covenant)

God calls us to end ignorance, fear, hatred, prejudice and discrimination against all people.

Each one of us is loved and made in the image of God.

We are called to follow the life and teachings of Jesus who denied no one and welcomed all.

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We recommit ourselves to creating a safe place which is free from exploitation and abuse,

and that is inclusive for all people to worship God.

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*SONG OF CENTERING #118

Imago Dei

Sing! Prayer and Praise

SHARING THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

LIGHTING OF THE OPEN & AFFIRMING CANDLES

ANTHEM

Life

Emile, Ernest

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 9:16-19

Mechelle Monroe

SPECIAL MUSIC

Rev. Tana Roseboro-Marsh

MESSAGE

30 Years: A New Dedication and Spiritual Awakening

Rev. Dr. Katrina Roseboro-Marsh

*SONG OF REFLECTION #575

O for a World

New Century Hymnal

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MEDITATION

I Am Light

India Arie Simpson

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR (from UCC Book of Worship)

PRAYER RESPONSE

Mayflower Singers

OFFERING

INTERLUDE

If It's Magic

Stevie Wonder

*DOXOLOGY Song of Thanks

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.

*SONG OF SENDING #123

Draw the Circle Wide

Sing! Prayer and Praise

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Katrina Roseboro-Marsh

BLESSING SONG

True Colors

Steinberg, Kelly

POSTLUDE

We Are Family

Edwards, Rodgers

Opportunities for Giving, Sharing, Fellowship and Fun!

The Flower Calendar is on the bulletin board by the garden doors. Please sign up for any occasion. The flowers can come from your garden, store or florist. For more information see **Sally Coombs**.

Cards to Our Church Family – Please sign the cards on our “card stand”, for those celebrating birthdays, or in need of prayers.

Food Donations to Northside Pantry – Help those with hunger insecurity by bringing donations of canned or boxed food, and place in the baskets in the Narthex.

Sunday Mornings at 10:00 AM – Several options are available on Sundays before worship. Join our Adult Ed group for thoughtful study and discussion (upstairs at church). Or go to choir practice to rehearse for that morning’s singing; all skill levels welcome!

Thank You for Your Financial Gifts! Our current Covenant Outreach focus is related to our Open and Affirming Covenant that includes support for the following organizations: the UCC Open and Affirming Coalition, the Damion Center, and Indiana Youth Group.



Gifts of single dollars, or those designated to Covenant Outreach, are divided equally to these groups, unless otherwise specified. Also, your pledge or undesignated gifts are greatly appreciated to support the mission and ministries funded by First Congregational’s operating budget. You can place gifts in the offering plate, mail in a check to the church, or give online at www.fcindy.org

Mental Health Support:

The 988 Lifeline: 988 is now active across the United States. (call or text) **National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI.ORG):** information and referral services: 1-800-950-NAMI (6264) **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 www.theTrevorProject.org

THIS WEEK AT FC INDY:

Monday, June 10	10:30 AM – 1:00 PM	IKC ONA Educational Forum at Interchurch Center
Tuesday, June 11	3:00 PM	Staff Meeting
Tuesday, June 11	3:30 PM	Worship and Faith
Wednesday, June 12	7:00 PM	Trustees Meeting
Thursday, June 13	1:00 PM	Men's Lunch
Friday, June 14	6:30 PM	NAMI Support Group
Sunday, June 16	10:00 AM	Adult Education
Sunday, June 16	11:00 AM	Worship (In-Person, YouTube, FB): Hymn Sing with Pastor Carol!

More about today's guest preacher:

The Rev. Dr. Katrina Roseboro-Marsh (she/her): Rev. Dr. Katrina Roseboro-Marsh is ordained clergy and holds ministerial standing with The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ – DOC) in North Carolina. She has served as an Associate Pastor for over 12 years with a one church two location UCC church.

Today's Scripture

Matthew 9:16-19

“No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth onto an old cloak, because the patch will pull away from the cloak and the tear will get worse. Nor do people put new wine into old wineskins—if they do, the skins will burst, the wine will run out, and the skins will be ruined. No, they put new wine into new wineskins, and both are preserved.” As Jesus was speaking, a synagogue official came up, knelt down and said, “My daughter has just died. But if you come and lay hands on her, she will live.” Jesus got up and went with the official, and so did the disciples.

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