



# 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](mailto:worthgrover@sbcglobal.net) or 317-417-0806

**In-Person Office Hours:** Cassidy (church admin) in office 10:30 am-1:30 pm

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. Patrick Larracey (he/him), Preacher

Sean Baker (he/him), Music Director

Scott Semester (he/him), Worship Song Leader

Mayflower Singers

Ben James (he/him), Media Technician

Steve Larracey, 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.*

**July 21, 2024**

**11:00 AM**

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

**WE GATHER**

PRELUDE

INTROIT

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Pat Larracey

\*SONG OF GATHERING #284    Joys Are Flowing Like a River    *New Century  
Hymnal*

SHARING THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

## WE ENCOUNTER


SCRIPTURE

Mark 4: 35 - 41

Steve Larracey

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

Mayflower Singers



The\_ Scrip - ture is a ban - ner be - fore God's\_ host un - furled.

MESSAGE

Pushing the Boat Out

Rev. Dr. Pat Larracey

SONG OF REFLECTION #441

Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me

*New Century Hymnal*

## WE RESPOND

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MEDITATION

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

PRAYER RESPONSE

Mayflower Singers

OFFERING

## INTERLUDE

\*DOXOLOGY *Song of Thanks*

From all who dwell beneath the skies,  
let the Creator's praise arise!  
Let the Redeemer's name be sung  
through every land, by every tongue!

## WE GO FORTH AND PROCLAIM

\*SONG OF SENDING #453    When the Morning Stars Together    *New Century  
Hymnal*

BENEDICTION

BLESSING SONG

POSTLUDE

## Opportunities for Giving, Sharing, Fellowship and Fun!

**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.

**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.

**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 Damien Center, and Indiana Youth Group.



DAMIEN CENTER



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](http://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](http://www.theTrevorProject.org)

## THIS WEEK AT FC INDY:

Tuesday, July 23	3:00 PM	Staff Meeting (Zoom)
Thursday, July 24	11:45 AM	Women's Lunch
Thursday, July 24	1:00 PM	Men's Lunch
Saturday, July 27	9:30 AM	Caring Crafters
Sunday, July 28	10:00 AM	Adult Education
Sunday, July 28	11:00 AM	Worship (In-Person, YouTube, FB) Rev. Elizabeth Price Preaches!

## Today's Scripture

### Mark 4:35-41

With the coming of evening that same day, Jesus said to the disciples, "Let's cross over to the other shore." Leaving the crowd behind, they took Jesus in the boat in which he was sitting. There were other boats with them. Then a fierce gale arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat so much that it was almost swamped. But Jesus was in the stern through it all, sound asleep on a cushion. They woke him and said, "Teacher, doesn't it matter to you that we're going to drown?" Jesus awoke, rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be calm!" And the wind dropped and everything was perfectly calm. Jesus then said to the disciples, "Why were you so frightened? Have you no faith?" But they became filled with fear and said to one another, "Who is this, whom even the wind and sea obey?"

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