

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rev. Dawn Garrett-Larsen, Pastor**

Fifth Sunday in Lent
Dave Sauter, Lay Reader

April 3, 2022

Worship 10:30 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* arr. Don Hustad

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: From Bethlehem to Nazareth, from Jordan to Jericho, from Bethany to Jerusalem,
from then to now,

People: Come, Lord Jesus

Leader: To heal the sick, to mend the broken-hearted, to comfort the disturbed, to disturb
the comfortable, to cleanse the temple, to liberate faith from convention,

People: Come, Lord Jesus

Leader: To carry the cross, to lead the way, to shoulder the sin of the world and take it
away,

People: Come, Lord Jesus

Leader: Today, to this place, to us,

People: Come, Lord Jesus

*HYMN # 446 *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*

*INVOCATION

Jesus, as we start once again to follow you on the way of the cross, we are apprehensive, for we are not sure of ourselves. On our journey we have often been afraid, often sought the safe options. We, who dare to say we are following you, know how faltering are our footsteps, how delicate our discipleships, how feeble our faith. So give us the courage and the commitment we need: help us to look out for one another on the road; show us how we may share the duty and the joy of discipleship, knowing that, in the end, it is you who have blazed the trail, you who accompany us all the way, you who will meet us on the road, and say our name. Amen.

*LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

*GLORIA PATRI # 734

ANTHEM *Softly and Tenderly* Soloist Steve Kane

HEBREW BIBLE LESSON *Psalms 86: 8-12* Pg. 523

*HYMN # 255 *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

MORNING PRAYER

GOSPEL LESSON *John 14: 1-7* Pg. 101

COMMUNION MEDITATION *Jesus: The Way* Rev. Dawn Garrett-Larsen

OFFERTORY *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* arr. Michael Burkhardt

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Beneficent God, we are glad for all the good things you have done for us. We count everything as loss before the surpassing value of knowing Jesus Christ. Receive our costly offerings and our best efforts, here dedicated for your use. May Christ be proclaimed, and the poor be saved from the errors of suffering and neglect. Fill the hearts of all your children with laughter and joy. To that end, bless our offerings. Amen.

*COMMUNION HYMN # 699 *Let Us Break Bread Together*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table, Consecration, and Sharing of the Bread and Cup, Thanksgiving
(*The communion bread is gluten and nut free so that all may partake together*)

*HYMN # 430 *Be Not Afraid*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* by J. S. Bach

***Please stand if you are able.**

Call to Worship reprinted from Stages on the Way by Wild Goose Worship Group; Invocation adapted and reprinted from Eggs and Ashes by Ruth Burgess & Chris Polhill; Unison Prayer of Dedication reprinted from Gathered By Love by Lavon Bayler

*Ushers This Morning: Guy Burns, Peggy Hollister,
Jean Landes, Bill Blaker
Live Stream This Morning: Mike Ryan*

Happy Birthday

April 3 Ron Krahl
April 4 Jeanne Hollenbeck
April 8 Edie Rice
April 9 Roger Morse

Prayer List

Ancy & Kira (Fred Henry's friend); **Keith Blaker; Brad Bliss; Marjorie Case; Cheryl** (Jennifer Maxfield's sister-in-law); **Judy Clark** (Jessica & Dan Casellas' and Elaine Hilton's friend); **Cathy Coots; Corrine** (Denise & Scott's sister); **Bob DeSantis** (Dorice & Don Raw, Sr.'s friend); **Marilyn DeSmith; Brian Fuscald** (Mara Huberlie's nephew); **Max Grossman** (George Herren's friend); **Carin Herren; Mara Huberlie; Barb Iglewski; Peter Ingalls** (Jean Ingall's son); **John** (Lin's nephew); **Sue Kotalik; Michelle List** (JoAnn Reed's friend); **Loren** (Jack Radley's friend); **Liz Nelson** (Kathy Ward's friend); **Norman** (Jennifer Maxfield's uncle); **Chris Pritchard** (Rick, Cindy Mullen & George Herren's friend); **Jack Radley; Don Raw, Sr.; Don Raw, Jr.; Sara** (Jack Radley's granddaughter); **Smith/Dworetsky Family** (Okke & Kathy Postma's friends); **Pat Smith; Dr. Steven Smith & Family** (Jessica & Dan Casellas' friends); **Gordon Wenner** (George & Carin Herren's friend); **Josh Yeo** (Barb Stahl's friend); **Jason and Linda Zeller** (Kathy Ward's son and daughter); **Jim Ziegler**

Calendar

Mon Apr 4	7:00	Pastor Parish/In Person
Tue Apr 5	8:00	Men's Group
	10:00	Rug Hookers
Thu Apr 7	10:00	Adult Education
	12:00	Bridge Group
	6:00	Soup Supper/In-person
Sun Apr 10		PALM SUNDAY
	9:00	Choir
	10:30	Worship In Person & Live stream, Sunday School
	11:45	Social Action/In Person

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- ❖ We value and respect diversity in the ways we express our faith.
- ❖ We enjoy thoughtful dialogue about faith issues.
- ❖ We encourage each other to work for justice and to care for people in need in our community and in our world.