

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

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
Kelly Meath, Lay Reader

August 7, 2022

Worship 9:30 AM

**We welcome Rev. Kay Michelinie as our Guest Preacher.
A recent participant here at First Congregational, Kay is also a graduate of
Princeton Theological Seminary and a happily retired Presbyterian pastor.**

PRELUDE *Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners* arr. Chris Rice

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS and RESTORATION PROJECT UPDATE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God of the morning, wake us up.

People: Wake us up to wonder.

Leader: Wake us up to beauty.

People: Wake us up to justice.

Leader: Wake us up to love.

People: God of the morning.

Leader: Wake us up.

People: Wake us up to good.

*HYMN # 30 *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

*INVOCATION

We give thanks for the joy of creation: for all that is made and given; for all that we shape and create; for the springing forth of new vision. We give thanks for the rhythm of the seasons: for all that grows, blossoms and fades; for the seeds that are buried and spring again; for the constant renewal of life from the earth. We celebrate the flowering of hope and the promises of a future filled with goodness.

*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

SPECIAL MUSIC

How Can I Keep from Singing

Robert Lowry
Soloist Amy Ogden

O TASTE AND SEE - FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

People: O taste and see that the Lord is good! God's steadfast love endures forever!

HEBREW BIBLE LESSON

Psalm 34: 1-8

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*HYMN # 581

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

MORNING PRAYER

EPISTLE LESSON

1 Thessalonians 5:12-22

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COMMUNION MEDITATION

Fruit of the Spirit: Goodness

Rev. Kay Michelinie

OFFERTORY

Deck Thyself, My Soul

arr. Charles Callahan

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Thank you, God, for welcoming us into your caring realm, where we claim the needs of others as our concern. We find a home in your service and we are grateful. Above all, may our offerings be an outpouring of thanksgiving for your love and care which does not forget us. Your promises are sure and your faithfulness is to all generations. 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 # 347

Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

All Things Bright and Beautiful

John Rutter

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

*Call to Worship and Invocation adapted and reprinted from Bare Feet and Buttercups, Ruth Burgess;
Prayer of Dedication adapted and reprinted from Gathered By Love by Lavon Bayler*

*Ushers This Morning: Bill & Sue Blaker, Guy Burns, Barbara Iglewski
Live Stream This Morning: John Maguire*

Happy Birthday

Aug 2 Cecelia Harris-Maxwell
Aug 3 Jim Malone ~ Matt Bond
Aug 4 Marlies Raw ~ Linda Whalen ~ Alyssa Maxfield
Aug 6 Pat Curchin

Prayer List

Ancy & Kira (Fred Henry's friend); **Curt Bailey's Mother**; **Keith Blaker**; **Marjorie Case**; **Cheryl** (Jennifer Maxfield's sister-in-law); **Judy Clark** (Jessica & Dan Casellas' and Elaine Hilton's friend); **Cathy Coots**; **Bob DeSantis** (Dorice & Don Raw, Sr.'s friend); **Marilyn DeSmith**; **Brian Fuscaldo** (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**; **Ron Krahl**; **Linda** (Karen Noonan's friend); **Michelle List** (JoAnn Reed's friend); **Frank McAlpin** (Patrick McAlpin's father); **Rich Morgan**; **Liz Nelson** (Kathy Ward's friend); Dennis Maxfield's brother **Paul**; **Bernard** (Karen Maxfield's uncle); **Marlin Potter**; **Chris Pritchard** (Rick, Cindy Mullen & George Herren's friend); **Don Raw, Sr.**; **Don Raw, Jr.**; **Adam Robb** (Barb & Milan Kutner's nephew); **Smith/Dworetzky Family** (Okke & Kathy Postma's friends); **Pat Smith**; **Dr. Steven Smith & Family** (Jessica & Dan Casellas' friends); **Gordon Wenner** (George & Carin Herren's friend); **Robin Wisniewski** (Alicia Francis' mom); **Josh Yeo** (Barb Stahl's friend); **Jason and Linda Zeller** (Kathy Ward's children); **Jim Ziegler**

Calendar

Tue Aug 9	8:00	Men's Group
	10:00	Rug Hookers
	7:00	Trustees/In Person
Sun Aug 14	9:30	Worship In-Person & Live Stream
Tue Aug 16	8:00	Men's Group
	10:00	Rug Hookers
	7:00	Council/Zoom
Thu Aug 18	3:00	Resource Committee/Hayes Room
Sun Aug 21	9:30	Worship In-Person & Live Stream
Mon Aug 22	4:00	Pastor Parish

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We're a Different Kind of Church

- ❖ 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.

If you are visiting with us, welcome! Please fill out a green card and place it in the offering plate. If you would like to use our hearing assistance system please see an usher.