

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rev. Dawn Garrett-Larsen, Pastor
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
Jay Garrett-Larsen, Lay Reader**

July 3, 2022

Worship 9:30 AM

PRELUDE *This Is My Song, O God of All the Nations* arr. by Lloyd Larson

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord;

People: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Leader: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;

People: Let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

Leader: O come, let us worship and bow down,

People: Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker

Leader: For the Lord is our God,

People: And we are the people of God's pasture, and the sheep of God's hand.

*HYMN # 727 *America the Beautiful*

*INVOCATION

Gracious God, lover of souls, you have made us for community. We give thanks for this nation of ours, for its commitment to liberty, for the vision of its founders, for the bravery of its citizenry, for its defense of the weak, for its love of justice. Strengthen us in our resolve to act justly, to care for the weak, to defend the persecuted, and to foster freedom and peace. When we fail, make us quick to confess our faults, strong enough to amend our ways, and mindful of the inheritance entrusted to us. Defend us, we pray, against tyrannies that challenge us from without, ideologies that erode from within, and the carelessness that so easily invades our hearts. Let us give thanks as we celebrate the places where we do our work, as we delight in our families, as we care for our neighbors, and nurture our faith. We pray in Jesus' 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

SPECIAL MUSIC *This Land is Your Land* Guitar: Dawn Garrett-Larsen
**This land is your land and this land is my land
From California to the New York Island
From the redwood forest to the Gulf Stream waters
This land was made for you and me**

O TASTE AND SEE - FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

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

EPISTLE LESSON *Acts 3 1-10* Pg # 111

*HYMN # 113 *Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart*

MORNING PRAYER

GOSPEL LESSON *Luke 13: 10-17* Pg # 70

COMMUNION MEDITATION *Fruit of the Spirit: Joy* Rev. Dawn Garrett-Larsen

OFFERTORY *My Country, 'Tis of Thee* arr. by Lloyd Larson

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

With gratitude for your gracious favor, we dedicate these gifts. May they help others as we have been helped. May they reach out in a spirit of gentleness to restore to community those who are alienated. May they announce to the world that the realm of God is among us, waiting to be claimed. By these resources, may your name be praised here and in many other places. Amen.

*COMMUNION HYMN # 698 *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*

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 # 59 *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

Call to Worship reprinted from Immersed in the Splendor of God, F. Russell Mitman; Invocation adapted from a prayer by Frederick Schmidt; Unison Prayer of Dedication reprinted from Gathered By Love by Lavon Bayler

Ushers This Morning: George Herren, Carla DeMeco, Jim & Elaine Hilton
Live Stream This Morning: John Maguire

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.

Happy Birthday

Jul 3 Mackenzie Lupton
Jul 4 Adeline Rudolph ~ Addie Rudolph
Jul 5 Tom Harradine
Jul 6 Nancy Raley
Jul 8 Dawn Garrett-Larsen ~ Javery Hey

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**; **Michelle List** (JoAnn Reed's friend); **Loren** (Jack Radley's friend); **Frank McAlpin** (Patrick McAlpin's father); **Rich Morgan**; **Liz Nelson** (Kathy Ward's friend); **Karen Noonan**; **Norman** (Jennifer Maxfield's uncle); **Marlin Potter**; **Chris Pritchard** (Rick, Cindy Mullen & George Herren's friend); **Don Raw, Sr.**; **Don Raw, Jr.**; **Sara** (Jack Radley's granddaughter); **Adam Robb** (Barb & Milan Kutner's nephew); **Smith/Dworetsky Family** (Okke & Kathy Postma's friends); **Pat Smith**; **Dr. Steven Smith & Family** (Jessica & Dan Casellas' friends); **Nancy Ward**; **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

Mon Jul 4		<i>Independence Day</i>
Tue Jul 5	8:00	Men's Group
	10:00	Rug Hookers
Sun Jul 10	9:30	Worship In-Person & Live Stream,
	10:30	Congregational Life Committee
Tue Jul 12	8:00	Men's Group
	10:00	Rug Hookers
	7:00	Trustees
Mon Jul 11 –	9:00-3:00	Chosen Spotlight Players Theater Camp/Chapel
Fri Jul 22	Daily	

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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.