

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

First Sunday in Lent
Nancy Parsons, Lay Reader

Sunday, March 6, 2022

Worship 10:30 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Meditation on Adoro te Devote* arr. Alfred Fedak

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Son of Mary,

People: Have mercy on us.

Leader: Carpenter of Nazareth,

People: Have mercy on us.

Leader: Healer of the sick,

People: Have mercy on us.

Leader: Bringer of good news,

People: Have mercy on us.

Leader: Savior of the poor,

People: Have mercy on us.

Leader: Disturber of the mighty,

People: Have mercy on us.

Leader: Contradictor of the smooth,

People: Have mercy on us.

Leader: Destroyer of false religion,

People: Have mercy on us.

Leader: You, who moves towards Jerusalem, trailing hope and hell behind you,

People: Have mercy on us.

Leader: You, who calls us sister, mother, brother, friend and who asks us to come with you

People: Have mercy on us.

*HYMN # 2 *O Worship the King*

*INVOCATION

You have blessed us, O God, with the gift of friendship, the bonding of persons in a circle of love. We thank you for such a blessing: for friends who love us, who share our sorrows, who laugh with us in celebration, who bear our pain, who need us as we need them, who weep as we weep, who hold us when words fail, and who give us the freedom to be ourselves. Bless our friends with health, wholeness, life and love; in Christ's name we pray. 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 *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* arr. Gilbert Martin

HEBREW BIBLE LESSON *Exodus 33: 7-11a*

*HYMN # 300 *In the Garden*

MORNING PRAYER

GOSPEL LESSON *John 15: 10-17*

COMMUNION MEDITATION *Jesus: My Friend* Rev. Dawn Garrett-Larsen

OFFERTORY *What Wondrous Love Is This* arr. Wilbur Held

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

From the abundance entrusted to us, we offer up the best we can give. Guide our use of this precious trust, that it may be spent in ways you choose, in places where you would send us, for the sake of people among whom you wish to dwell. May we bear witness to your abiding love, not only with money but with dedicated lives. Allow us to be instruments of reassurances and compassion in our homes and wherever our journeys lead. 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 # 473 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *How Firm a Foundation* David M. Cherwien

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

Call to Worship reprinted from Stages on the Way by Wild Goose Worship Group; Invocation reprinted from Prayers of our Hearts in Word and Action by Vienna Cobb Anderson; Unison Prayer of Dedication reprinted from Gathered By Love by Lavon Bayler

Greeters This Morning: Laurie Stoutz, Jackie Lowe, Jean Landes
Ushers This Morning: Barb Iglewski, Guy Burns, Peggy Hollister, Bill Blaker
Live Stream This Morning: Matt Berry

Happy Birthday

March 6 Mark Schroeter ~ Jennifer Brownell
March 7 Preston Smith ~ Bradley Smith
March 9 Kyle Meath
March 10 Jon Schwab
March 11 Glenn DeHond

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); **Jim and Carolyn** (Amy Ogden's friends); **John** (Lin's nephew); **Sue Kotalik; Michelle List** (JoAnn Reed's friend); **Loren** (Jack Radley's friend); **Eileen McCarthy** (Carla DeMeco & Betsy Dresser's friend); **Liz Nelson** (Kathy Ward's friend); **Carmie S, Steve F & Reagan O** (friends of Karen Noonan); **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 Mar 7	4:00-6:00	Light Hill Flower pick up
Tue Mar 8	7:00	Trustees/Zoom
Wed Mar 9	12:00	P.E.O. Meeting/Social Room
	5:30	DAR Meeting/Social Room
Thu Mar 10	10:00	Adult Education
	6:30-7:30	Soup Supper/Zoom
Sun Mar 13	9:00	Choir
	10:30	Worship In Person & Live stream, Sunday School

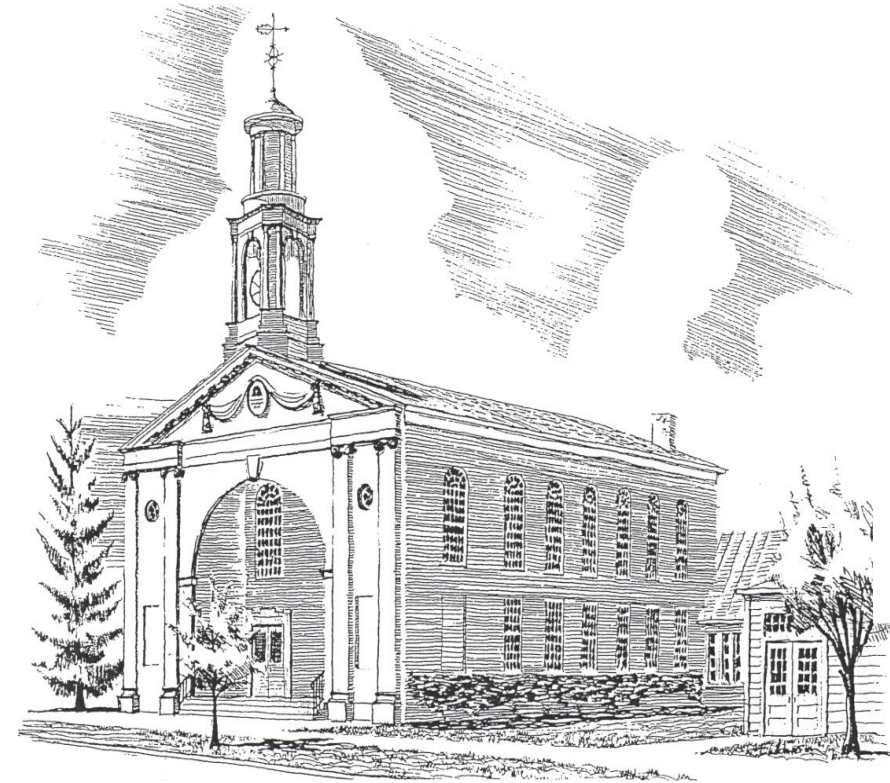
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- ❖ We value and respect diversity in the ways we express our faith.
- ❖ We enjoy thoughtful dialogue about faith issues.
- ❖ We encourage each other to work for justice and to care for people in need in our community and in our world.