

## WHO WE ARE

### Our Vision

As believers in Jesus Christ, we will be a church of vibrant Christians.

### Our Mission

We welcome people to faith in Jesus Christ to: *Discover God*

*Equip one another for life*

*Reach inward/outward to serve*

### Our Welcome

Because we believe each person is made in God's Image, we welcome all persons into the life and worship of this congregation. Regardless of age, ability, gender identity or sexual orientation, racial or ethnic background – you are welcome here!

## CONTACT

**Hours:** Mon-Thurs, 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.

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## STAFF

Rev. Jeffrey Hubers, Minister

Brenton Offenback, Music

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Jan Trapani, Parish Nurse

Stephen Zork, Choir

Judy Hoffman, Church Office

Nanci Fenrick, Bookkeeper

Jim Dansfield, Maintenance

Julie Ruple, Housekeeping

## SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 10

10:30 a.m. - Worship

11:30 a.m. - BP Clinic

11:30 a.m. - Diaconate Board

6:00 p.m. - Bible Study

Monday, November 11

6:00 p.m. - Trustees Board

Tuesday, November 12

6:00 p.m. - Missions Board

Wednesday, November 13

1:00 p.m. - Mary Preston Guild

5:30 p.m. - Jubilate Bells

6:45 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday, November 14

9:00 a.m. - Rake-a-Difference

5:15 p.m. - Alleluia Bells

**For full listing, check Events or Newsletter on website.**



## First Congregational Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Sunday, November 10, 2024**

**10:30 a.m.**

**"Wherever you are on the journey of life or faith, you are welcome here"**

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome / Announcements      *\*\*indicates invitation to stand if able*  
Sharing the Peace [screen]  
*You are invited to listen for God's Spirit as we prepare for worship.*  
Prelude      "Voluntary V" John Stanley  
  
\*\*Call to Worship [screen]      Susan Dietrich-Reed, Liturgist  
  
Hymn [screen]      #9 "Come, Let Us Praise the Lord"  
  
Children's Message      *PreK—5th grade may come forward. Grades 1-5 invited to Sunday School in chapel. Pre-K have "Kids Club" in Nursery. Pickup at 11:40.*  
  
Ministry of Music      "Come, Heavenly Dove" arr. Stan Pethel  
   *Chancel Choir; Will Muller, violin*  
Prayer for Discovery [screen]  
Scripture [screen]      Ruth 1:1-18, MSG  
  
Message      "Clinging to Community" Rev. Jeffrey Hubers  
  
*Students 6-12th grade may depart for Youth Group in the Lounge.*  
\*\*Hymn [screen]      #397 "The Gift of Love"  
  
Morning Prayer      Lord's Prayer [screen]  
  
Offertory      "Trumpet Tune and Trio" Jeremiah Clark  
  
\*\*Doxology [screen]  
  
Benediction      Parting Blessing [screen]  
  
Postlude      "Trumpet Tune in D Major" David Johnson  
  
*You are invited to be seated for the postlude as a final musical reflection;  
otherwise, please depart quietly. Peace be with you!*

**Ushers:** Patty Nordberg, Andi Clark, Mary Wilder, Chris Norland,  
Wes Lentz

*Thank you for joining us for worship! If you are a guest or visitor and would like to know more about FCC, please enter your contact info in the fellowship pads located in the pews and a staff member will reach out!*

To receive text updates, send a text to **81010** with the message **@fccstj**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nurse Jan is available after worship for Blood Pressure Clinic.

Sign up to participate in "Pop-up Dinners" via the link: <http://bit.ly/48eJ0Oo>  
Call Kim Henkel (313.300.3918) for info on this new fellowship opportunity.

Review the Bylaws Revisions Proposals video links: [Q&A Session Video \(10/16\)](#) & [Proposals Run-Thru Video](#). Contact Pastor Jeffrey for more info.

Mary Preston Guild meets Wednesday, November 13 at 1 p.m. at Forever Clean Soap Works (416 State St). Contact Sue (daisyladysue@gmail.com)

Join us in serving at Rake-a-Difference on Thursday, November 14.  
Contact Ryan (ryanwilliamcheevers@gmail.com) for project details.

We're having an all-church luncheon on Sunday, November 17 (Thanksgiving-themed). You must purchase a ticket for the lunch (\$8) - please RSVP with the church office by Thursday, November 15.

The MLK statues will be unveiled on Tuesday, November 19 in SJ and BH. There are a number of events celebrating these symbols of unity. Go to [unifiedmonuments.org](http://unifiedmonuments.org) for more info.

Women's Bible Study will meet Wednesday, November 20 at 1 p.m.  
Contact Kathy (zerlerkathy@gmail.com) for meeting info.

Men's Ministry will meet on Saturday, November 23 at 8 a.m. Breakfast first, then discussion. Contact John Bock for details (269.313.1093).

We need help with Advent decorations—after worship on November 24!

Women's Book Group will discuss *Reminders of Him* by Collen Hoover on Tuesday, November 26 at 9:30 a.m. Contact fesstiv@comcast.net for info.

The church office will be closed November 27-28 for the holiday.

We'd really love more help in the nursery and Sunday School! Please contact Alison (alison@fccstjoseph.org) to support our young ones!

Join for prayer and help load the weekend food packs for local elementary schools at 3 p.m. Thursday's in the Youth Room downstairs.

Can you help serve at Soup Kitchen on the third Tuesday of every month? Contact Lori Hellenga (269.921.7919) to volunteer or to learn more!

Could you usher on a Sunday morning? Sign-up through [Sign-Up Genius](#) (digital link) or contact Wes Lentz (cwbrazel@gmail.com) for assistance.