

Sermon Notes:

The First Congregational Church

United Church of Christ



Tear Here

Welcome Guest, We are so happy that you are here today. If you would like more information about the First Congregational Church, please fill out the note below and place it in the offering plate.

Your Name(s) _____

Phone number or email _____

Comments/Prayer Request _____

Would you like someone to contact you? ___ Yes ___ No

When
you give a feast,
invite the poor, the crippled,
the lame, the blind,
and you will be blessed.

Luke 14:13-14, ESV

Pentecost Sunday

June 9, 2019

10:00 a.m.

* those who are able, please stand

As you enter the sanctuary, please be mindful of those already seated who want a quiet place to pray.

The Order of Worship

Prelude **Sylvia Lee**

Call to Worship

Welcome

Opening Prayer

***Opening Hymn** **Blue Hymnal #153**
“Worthy of Worship”

Invitation to Prayer

Prayer of Confession

***Choral Response** **Chancel Choir**
“Only by the Blood”

Story Bell **Mat Emerick.**

Hymn of Preparation **Blue Hymnal #189**
“Alleluia”
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Scripture Reading **77 N.T.**
Luke 14

Message **Pastor Ray Dekker**
“Guess Whose Coming to Dinner”

***Hymn** **Blue Hymnal #92**
“O How I Love Jesus”

Prayers of the People and Silent Prayers

The 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

Offertory **Chancel Choir**
“Oh, My, My with I’ll Fly Away”

***Doxology**
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing** **Chancel Choir**
“We Say Amen”

***Benediction**

***Pastor:** The Peace of Christ be with you. **Congregation:** And also with you.

***Postlude** **Sylvia Lee**



Welcome to Pentecost Day worship! As we celebrate how the Holy Spirit called Christ's church into being, let us keep eyes and hearts open to how the Spirit is working today.

*Visitors ~ Welcome! There is a Welcome Packet in the pew rack for you. Please fill out the Guest Information insert, place it in the offering plate and take the packet home for review of the other information. We are thankful you are here and hope that your time here is a special blessing to you and your family. Please let us know how we can best serve you.

*Large print Bibles, bulletins, and Children's bulletins are available from the ushers. Quiet bags for children to use while they are in the worship service are available on the table in the narthex.

*Children are an important segment of the living body of Christ, so we welcome them in our worship services and grant to them the blessing of worshiping along side their parents, siblings and family in Christ. Families with young nursery age children are also welcome to use the "Family Room" in the balcony located on the 2nd floor.

*Our sanctuary is equipped with a T-Coil Hearing Loop. Please turn your hearing aid to the T-Coil position to access this feature. Other hearing devices are available at the sound booth upon request.

*The Deacons invite you to join us for a few moments of prayer in the library at 9:40 a.m. each Sunday morning. We want to ask God to prepare our hearts for worship, to guide those leading worship in word and song and invite the Holy Spirit to minister to our church family and visitors. Please come and pray!

Following the worship service you are invited to join us in Fellowship Hall. Come meet new friends and have some refreshments. We look forward to meeting you.

Serving Us:

Altar Rep:	Linda Oosterhouse
Altar Flowers:	(today) Jack & Mary Butterick(next week)
Greeters:	Ted Caris(today) Jon Clapp(next week)
Ushers:	Pat Krehn(today) Ted & Barb Clark(next week)
Compassion:	Judy Clapp
Keyboard:	Sylvia Lee
Sound System:	Rick St. Peter
Coffee Hosts:	Dean & Jean Morehouse(today) Deb & Mat Emerick(next week)

Celebrating this week:

Happy Birthday to ~

Samuel Sweet (10), Frank Blain (12)

Happy Anniversary to ~

Prayer Requests ~

(The person or family requesting prayer must call the church office or Pastor Ray in order to have the request printed)

Our shut-ins: Frank Blain, Bob Erber, Barb Lindner, Jean Morse, Marge Peets, Siria Pinnick, Don Potter, Norma Purvis, Karen Zick
Health Concerns - Jerry Miller & Frank Blain

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, June 9

9:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary
9:40 a.m. Prayer Time - Library
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
SCRIP is available for purchase

Monday, June 10

6:30 p.m. Technology Board - Library

Tuesday, June 11 - Church Office Closed

3:00 p.m. Violin Lessons - Fellowship Hall
7:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall Reserved - Jack Butterick

Wednesday, June 12

6:15 p.m. Praise Group Rehearsal

Thursday, June 13 - Church Office Closed

9:00 a.m. Woodshop Open
10:00 a.m. Christmas Crafters - Fellowship Hall

Friday, June 14

Saturday, June 15

9:00 a.m. Woodshop Open
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall Reserved - Bernie D.

Sunday, June 16

9:00 a.m. Praise Group Rehearsal - Sanctuary
9:40 a.m. Prayer Time - Library
10:00 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
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Our Church News

Today is the last time choir will sing for the season. They will take a summer break and be back in the fall. Thank you choir for your dedication to adding wonder choir music to our worship service.

Looks like June will be cool yet so plans are for worship to be held in Fellowship Hall for the months of July, August and possibly September. Hopefully the weather will warm up a bit and we will be grateful to worship in the comfort of an air conditioned space.

Thank You for the cards, letters, note, phone calls, and your thoughts and prayers. They were appreciated to very much. Sally DeShetler

Creative Ministries Needs Help!- If you can make a financial contribution to help us continue to provide Congo Enjoy-Meant Events it would be greatly appreciated! Please contact Mat at 231-414-7501. Thanks!

Lorene will be out of the office on Friday, June 14. If you need to reach me please call 231-282-0515. The bulletin will be done early this week.



Announcing “ConGo Enjoy-Meant” Events

We are “ConGo” (Christians on the Go) and **meant to go and enjoy** good food and fun activities together!

“Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.” Neh. 8:10

“Go and enjoy”:

Coming in June (Date TBA) Outing to The Old Rugged Cross Historical Museum- The Story Behind “The Old Rugged Cross”- As a Methodist evangelist, George Bernard wrote this beloved hymn in Michigan, in 1912 as a response to ridicule that he had received at a revival meeting. "The Old Rugged Cross" has been a gospel favorite ever since it became the title song of Ernest Tubb's 1952 gospel album; it has been performed by some of the twentieth century's most important recording artists.

