

Swing Low

Chorus: Swing low, sweet chariot, comin for to carry me home

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I looked over Jordan and what did I see,
comin for to carry me home

A band of angels comin after me, comin for to carry me home

Chorus

I'm sometimes up and I'm sometimes down,
comin for to carry me home

But still my soul is homeward bound,
comin for to carry me home *Chorus*

I'll Fly Away

Some glad morning when this life is over, I'll fly away
to a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away

Chorus: I'll fly away oh Lord, I'll fly away

When I die hallelujah by and by, I'll fly away

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost buy now am found;

Was blind, but now I see.

***Benediction**

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***Postlude**

Sylvia Lee

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.

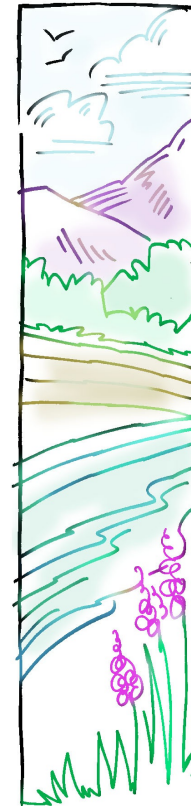
Your Name(s) _____

Phone number or email _____

Comments/Prayer Request _____

Would you like someone to contact you? Yes No

The First Congregational Church



*We know
that all
things work
together
for good for
those who
love God....*

Romans 8:28

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 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

Preacher & the Bear

Welcome

Opening Prayer

***Opening Hymn**

“This Is the Day”

Blue Hymnal #209

Invitation to Prayer

How Much is That Doggie In the Window

Prayer of Confession

***Response**

Allelujah - revised by Donald Benson

Hymn of Preparation

You are My Sunshine

Scripture Reading

Romans 8:28-31

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Message

Mat Emerick

“People Can and Will Let Us Down, Jesus Never!”

***Hymn**

“Jesus Is All the World to Me”

Blue Hymnal #512

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

Bumble Bee

***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**

“Gospel Medley”

I Saw the Light

I wondered so aimless my life filled with sin
I wouldn’t let my dear Savior in
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night
Praise the Lord, I saw the light I saw the light, I saw the light
No more darkness, No more night, Now I’m so happy
No sorrow in side, Praise the Lord, I saw the light

Do Lord

Chorus: Do Lord, O Do Lord, O Do remember me

Do Lord, O Do Lord, O Do remember me

Do Lord, O Do Lord, O Do remember me Way beyond the blue.

I took Jesus as my Savior You take Him too
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way beyond the blue *Chorus*

I’ve got a home in glory land that outshines the sun
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I’ve got a home in glory land that outshines the sun
Way beyond the blue. *Chorus*

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Welcome to worship!

*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:	Barb Clark
Altar Flowers:	(today) Bible/Communion(next week)
Greeters:	(today) Barb Veldman(next week)
Ushers:	Guy & Raene' Redinger(today) (next week)
Compassion:	All Deacons
Keyboard:	Sylvia Lee
Sound System:	Rick St. Peter
Coffee Hosts:	Barbara Blass/Frisbey(today) Georgia Paxton & Pat Krehn(next week)

Celebrating this week:

Happy Birthday to ~

Jennifer Tuuk (31), Roger Tuuk, Michael Sweet (1)

Happy Anniversary to ~

Mike & Michelle Sweet (28), Luke & Karla Pfeiffer (2)

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, Siria Pinnick, Don Potter, Norma Purvis, Karen Zick

Health Concerns - Jerry & Helen Miller, Shelli Waldo

The family of Harlow Redding

The family of Marge Peets

Kelly Parks - recovering from surgery

Ted Clark - recovering from back surgery

Jeff Stewart - Lyme Disease

Jan Stone who had surgery Friday to biopsy a tumor to see if it is malignant, results later this week. She requests that friends do not post this to various social media. Her E-mail address is: stone.jan@comcast.net

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, July 28

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, July 29

6:30 p.m. Executive Council - Library

Tuesday, July 30 - Church Office Closed

3:00 p.m. Violin Lessons - Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, July 31

Thursday, August 1- Church Office Closed

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

Friday, August 2

Saturday, August 3

9:00 a.m. Woodshop Open

Sunday, August 4

9:40 a.m. Prayer Time - Library
10:00 a.m. Worship with communion
11:15 a.m. Fellowship Time - Fellowship Hall
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Our Church News

Great thanks to Don Benson for providing us with some of his uplifting music along with granddaughters Cyanne and Cora Schuitema and Iris Replege. Cyanne will be playing and singing with Don, Cora and Iris will be providing some acting. Also thanks to Ava Dewey for again reprising her role as The Bear and to Lion Heart Productions for again providing the costumes.

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.

Pastor Ray will be on vacation beginning July 15 thru the end of the month. Mat will be leading the worship on July 21 and 28. If you need pastoral care during this time please call the church office.

Congratulations to Kayla and Mike Robeck on the birth of a their 2nd daughter. Sophia Jane was born Thursday, July 11 weighing 7lbs. 3 oz.

If your email is a yahoo or aol account you probably have not been receiving the church emails. They are being returned to me undeliverable. I have no control over this so hopefully your account will be accepting our emails soon.

The visitation and service for Harlow Redding will be held Tuesday, July 30, 2019 from 4-6pm at Crandell Funeral Home with Celebration of Life Service at 6pm at the Crandell Funeral Home. In Lieu of Flowers friends may consider the Grand Rapids Home for Veterans or Spectrum Health Hospice.

Lorene will be out of the office on Friday, August 2. You can reach her at 231-282-0515 if needed.

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”:

Friday, August 30, 7:00pm Vaudeville In The Park- Veteran's Memorial Park Stage. This year's show will benefit Empowerment Network. Free will offering taken along with baked goodies sale. Baked goodies needed!

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