# FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

# UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST WINTER PARK



God is still speaking,

"a traditional and nurturing church celebrating God's grace through reason, education, diversity, inclusion, and social justice"

We are an Open and Affirming Church

OCTOBER 6, 2024

Masking is welcomed, but not required.

# WELCOME

## This is the day that the Lord has made! Let us rejoice because we are glad to be here!



Sign the red attendance pad that is located in the pew seat near the center aisle and pass it to the next person.

We want to know that you were here!



Visitors may complete a "Let's Get Acquainted" card, located in the pew racks, and place the card in the offering plate.

We are here to answer your questions!



SILENCE your technology but still "check-in" and use social media and share our website and portions of our worship that inspire you!



Continue to help us reduce our carbon footprint. If you are not receiving the bulletin via email, and would like to, please contact the church office – 407-647-2416.

The bulletin can also be found on our website, <a href="fccwp.org">fccwp.org</a>. Go to the tab labeled "Bulletin" and locate the appropriate pdf file.



Continue to open up your 'What's Happening' newsletter emails to keep up-to-date on all of the weekly and monthly events. Or visit our website at <a href="www.fccwp.org">www.fccwp.org</a>. There is a lot happening in the life of this church and you do not want to miss a thing!



If you have a **prayer need or a joy to share**, please fill out the white prayer request card located in the pew pockets and drop it in the collection plate. We will place your prayer need on our confidential prayer chain. If you wish to have a joy or a need announced in church, permission must be given by calling the church office.

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Kindly silence all cell phones during worship

\* All who are able to do so comfortably, please stand

# Preparing to Hear God's Word

PRELUDE

WELCOME Rev. Shawn Garvey

PRIDE MISSION MOMENT

The Board of Outreach and Social Justice

ANTHEM "All People That on Earth do Dwell"

Chancel Choir

Benjamin Harlan

Please refrain from applauding

\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Garvey

10:00 a.m.

People: "Prove us, and try us; Holy One, test our hearts and minds."

**<b> \* OPENING HYMN** 

God of Abraham and Sarah (vs. 1, 2 & 4)

No. 20

**\*OPENING PRAYER** 

Rev. Garvey

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

All children please come forward and gather for young church.

YOUNG CHURCH

All children/youth will remain in church today for Communion Sunday.

Childcare is available for infants through 3 yrs. old in the Parlor located at the back of Fellowship Hall.

All children must be picked up by a parent.

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SONG OF SUPPORT

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, All things wise and wonderful, our dear God made them all. Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, God made their glowing colors and made their tiny wings.

HEBREW Job 1:1, 2:1-10 Rev. Garvey

Minister: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM "He Shall Feed His Flock" Chancel Choir

John Ness Beck
Please refrain from applauding

GOSPEL Mark 10:2-16 Rev. Garvey

Minister: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God

Though these two examples of marriage and children may not seem related, they are when the reader considers that Jesus is trying to give us an idea of what the Realm of God is really like. Marriage, in Jesus' day, was more akin to a contract and viewed as such. Jesus makes marriage something grounded in God's love, which removes it from the realm of law. Bringing children to him, those considered "non-persons", is another example of how being grounded in God's love means that those on the margins are brought in and embraced. Both examples break accepted cultural norms and form new foundations rooted in God's love and compassion. Now, of course, the call is to change the world and do it.

### Responding to God's Word

CALL TO PRAYER/JOYS AND CONCERNS
SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYERS

A Service for the Spiritual Feast

WORDS OF INVITATION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

SERVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Unison)

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Jesus Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Savior who taught us to pray:

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.

CALL TO OFFERING
OFFERING DEDICATION
Offertory

Rev. Garvey

"Trumpet Voluntary"

John Travers

Please refrain from applauding

**\* Doxology (Old Hundredth)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God for all that love has done, Creator, Christ, and Spirit One. Amen.

**ℜ Prayer of Dedication**

Rev. Garvey

**\*CLOSING HYMN** 

"Lead on Eternal Sovereign"

No. 573

\*BENEDICTION

Rev. Garvey



#### In Celebration!

The flowers on the altar today are in honor of today's Legacy Society Gathering and our 2025 Stewardship Campaign. Our church's legacy is based on years and years of Beautiful Possibilities! Thank you for being a part of FCCWP! Sincerely, Lisa and David Rotenberger

#### You Are Invited!

The next meeting of the FCCWP Legacy Society will take place after worship **TODAY** in the Fellowship Hall. Light Lunch and refreshments will be served. Child Care is available! ALL are invited to attend this free event featuring Dr. John Sinclair as our honored Guest Speaker!





#### Stewardship 2025: Beautiful Possibilities!

Please consider making a pledge gift to the church this year. You can pledge by using the pledge cards in our sanctuary, or by following the links on our website http://www.fccwp.org and onrealm.org





#### God of Abraham and Sarah

James Gertmenian, 1986; alt.



# Lead On Eternal Sovereign

Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1887; alt.



At Andover Semmary, fellow students asked Ernest W. Shurtleff to write a hymn for their graduation. This is the result. Shurtleff became a Congregational minister and in his last years established churches in Europe and did relief work during World War I. Tune: LANCASHIRE 7.6.7.6.D. Henry T. Smart, 1836

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# CHURCH GUEST WIFI PASSWORD: LetMeInPlease!



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#### &LOOKING AHEAD&

TODAY Sunday October 6
Legacy Society Meeting/Light lunch
After Worship in Fellowship Hall

Saturday October 12 and Sunday October 13
Winter Park Art Festival Car Park Fundraiser

#### Sunday October 20

Prayer Shawl Ministry's Knitting and Crocheting Class
After Worship in Fellowship Hall

#### **AND**

Blood Drive hosted by the Board of Membership Starts at 8:00AM

#### AND

Lunch Bunch hosted by the Board of Membership at Cocina

Saturday October 26
Come Alive! Pumkin Party 3PM in Fellowship Hall

Sunday October 27
PumpkinFest and Trunk or Treat after worship

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