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 20, 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, fccwp.org. 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 www.fccwp.org. 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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Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost October 20, 2024

10:00 a.m.

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

INTROIT

Rev. Shawn Garvey

Music Board Moment

Diana Sisley

"O God Beyond All Praising"

Chancel Choir

Gustav Holst Please refrain from applauding

* RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Garvey

People: "Bless the Holy One, O my soul. O Creator, my God, you are very great"

⊗OPENING HYMN

"We Worship You, God"

No. 26

*** OPENING PRAYER**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

All children please come forward for Young Church.

⊗SERVICE OF BAPTISM

Kerry Weisner

Minister:

Jesus Christ calls us to make disciples of all nations and offer them the gift of grace in baptism. Do you, who witness and celebrate this sacrament of baptism, promise your love, support, and care to Winston Michalak and Natalie Michalak as they live and grow in Christ?

We promise our love, support, and care. People:

YOUNG CHURCH

"The Lord's Prayer or Prayer of Our Savior"

PreK-Kindergarten will meet for Sunday school in the LIBRARY at the back of Fellowship Hall. Grades 1-12 may leave for Flock Sunday and continue the Sunday lesson, with the older youth helping to mentor the younger children. Children and youth (infants through 5th grade) should be picked up immediately following the worship service. Childcare for infants through 3 years old is available in the PARLOR located at the back of Fellowship Hall. Please check your child out with the teacher. Children are only released to the parent.

**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 1-7, 34-41 Rev. Garvey

Minister: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM "More Love to Thee" Chancel Choir

Timothy Shaw
Please refrain from applauding

GOSPEL Mark 10:35-45 Rev. Garvey

Minister: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God

MESSAGE "Renouncing Greatness" R

Rev. Shawn Garvey

At the conclusion of this passage, Jesus says words about the meaning of his death as it relates to servant leadership. The New Interpreter's Commentary offers us this insight: "This passage insists upon the death of Jesus as a pattern in which his followers participate. Since the first meaning of participating in the death of Jesus is the renunciation of ordinary greatness to be a servant in the service of others, all Christians have an obligation to service (except the weakest and oppressed who have nothing to give up.). This image does not legitimate inaction in the face of the suffering of those who are victims of the powerful." How do you find this statement to be true in your own faith journey?

Responding to God's Word

CALL TO PRAYER/JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Garvey

SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYERS

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERING DEDICATION

Offertory "Canzona"

Girolamo Frescobaldi Please refrain from applauding

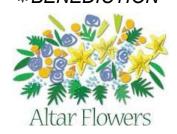
***Doxology (Old Hundredth)**

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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION Rev, Garvey

★ CLOSING HYMN "O Grant Us Light" No. 469

***BENEDICTION**



In Celebration

The flowers on the altar today are given by Kim Michalak in honor of the baptisms of her children, Winston and Natalie today.



Basket Brigade 2024

As Thanksgiving approaches, it's time for Basket Brigade 2024! We invite you to join us on Saturday morning, November 16th, to support the Ward Chapel Food Pantry. Many in our community continue to face financial challenges, and the rising cost of living has made it even harder for food pantries to meet local needs. This makes this year's Basket Brigade more important than ever!

For those unfamiliar with Basket Brigade, the idea is simple: purchase a laundry basket, wicker basket or box and fill it with a Thanksgiving meal. Get creative by adding a variety of food items that a family would enjoy and appreciate during Thanksgiving week. It's a fun way to give back, and it will bring joy not only to you but also to the families who receive the baskets.

We will be delivering the baskets to Ward Chapel (160 S. Pennsylvania Ave., Winter Park, FL) at 9:30 AM on Saturday, November 16th. There's a circle-drive parking lot at Ward, making drop-off easy. Just pull in, pop your trunk, and their volunteers will unload your basket(s) and carry them into the Fellowship Hall. It's quick and straightforward! The dedicated team at Ward Chapel will then deliver the baskets during the following week.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Bill Sheldon at 210-383-5025 or email BJSheldonREM@aol.com. Bill has been in touch with the wonderful women who coordinate the food pantry at Ward Chapel, and they serve an astounding number of households each week. They truly need our FCCWP Church Family's support!

Below, you'll find a list of suggested items for your basket, as well as a map for the drop-off at Ward Chapel.

The need is great, and together, we can make a significant impact!





Basket Shopping Suggestions Thanksgiving Dinner for a Family of 5:

- Laundry Basket, Wicker Basket or Box
- Decorations for your container (if you wish)
- Thanksgiving Greeting Card
- \$10-\$25 Grocery Gift Card (for a turkey, pumpkin pie, rolls—tape this inside the basket for safekeeping or place it in the Thanksgiving card)
- · Baking/Roasting Pan
- 1 or 2 Boxes of Stuffing
- 1 or 2 Bags of Mashed Potatoes
- 1 Can of Cranberries
- 2 Cans of Green Beans
- 1 Can of Cream of Mushroom Soup
- 1 Can of French's Crispy Fried Onions (for Green Bean Casserole)
- 2 Cans of Corn
- 1 Jar or Box of Gravy
- 1 Can of Sweet Potatoes/Yams

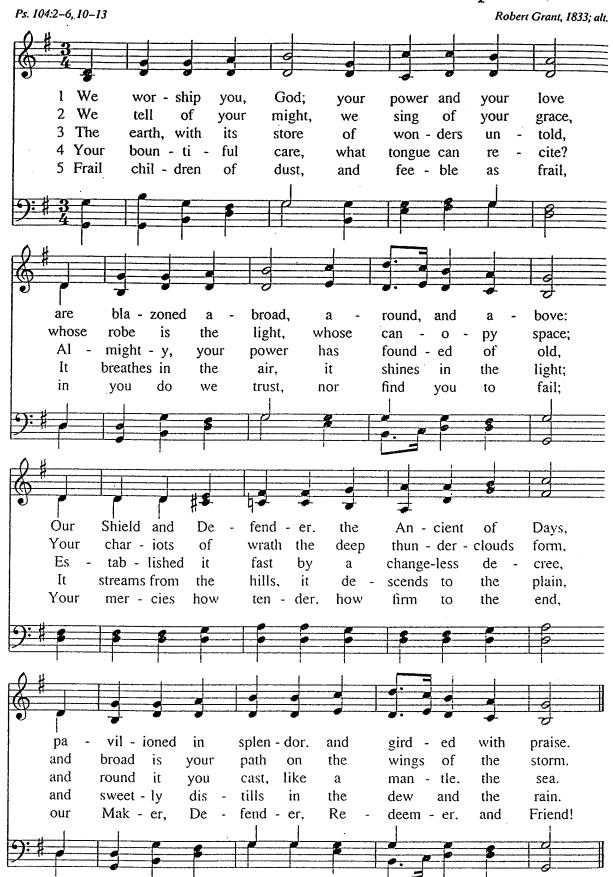
Optional Items:

- Canned Soups
- Canned Pasta (e.g., Ravioli, SpaghettiOs)
- Scalloped or Au-Gratin Potatoes
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Ramen Noodles
- Granola Bars
- Instant Oatmeal
- Easy-Mac Mac & Cheese
- Applesauce
- Fruit Cups

Feel free to include anything else that personalizes your basket and makes it special for the family receiving it!

Bring the Spirit of Thanksgiving to Local Families!

We Worship You, God



Born in Bengal, India, Robert Grant became a lawyer in England, a member of Parliament, and for the last four years of his life was governor of Bombay. This text was inspired by William Kethe's paraphrase of Psalm 104. Tune: LYONS 10.10.11.11.
Attrib. to J. Michael Haydn (1737-1806)
Alternate tune: HANOVER

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O Grant Us Light



Ordained a priest of the Church of England, Lawrence Tuttiett served a parish at Warwickshire. His last two appointments were in Scotland. Henry W. Baker, an important English hymnal editor, wrote this tune while an undergraduate at Oxford.

Tune: HESPERUS L.M. (QUEBEC) Henry W. Baker, 1854

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&LOOKING AHEAD&

TODAY! Sunday October 20
Prayer Shawl Ministry's Knitting and Crocheting Class
After Worship in Fellowship Hall

<u>AND</u>

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

AND

Lunch Bunch hosted by the Board of Membership at Cocina 214

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

Sunday October 27
PumpkinFest and Trunk or Treat after worship

Sunday November 3 Founders Day

Saturday November 16
Basket Brigade Drop-Off

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