

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
WINTER PARK



Communion Sunday

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

FEBRUARY 2, 2025

Masking is welcomed, but not required.

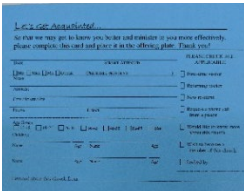
WELCOME

*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.



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
INTRIOT

Rev. Shawn Garvey
Chancel Choir

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"
Wilberg

* **RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Garvey

People: "In your righteousness deliver us and hear our cries for justice and peace."

* **OPENING HYMN**

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

No. 593

* **OPENING PRAYER**

Rev. Garvey

* **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

All children please come forward and participate in the baptism.

SERVICE OF BAPTISM

Rev. Garvey

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 Ann Marie Lynn Aviles as she lives and grows in Christ?

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

YOUNG CHURCH

Kerry Weisner

*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.*

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

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Rev. Garvey

Minister: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

"Be Thou My Vision"
Parker

Chancel Choir

Minister: This is the Word of God.

People: **Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE

“How We Deal with Rage”

Rev. Shawn Garvey

By the end of this story in Luke, Jesus' own neighbors are so filled with rage that they seek to kill him for things he has said. Perhaps we can understand that level of rage ourselves for things people have said or done. Yet, dealing with our anger when God works in ways we don't understand or expect is part of the journey of faith. Have you ever struggled with your rage in the face of God?

Responding to God's Word

CALL TO PRAYER/JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Shawn Garvey

SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYERS

Clinton Francis

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

Rev. Garvey

OFFERING DEDICATION

Offertory

“Voluntary in C Major”

Thomas Sanders Dupuis

**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*

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

No. 28

**BENEDICTION*

Rev. Garvey



IN REMEMBRANCE

The flowers on the altar today are given by Michele Vincent in memory of her mother, Connie who would have celebrated her 76th birthday this month

Movie Day! Remember to join us TODAY! Sunday, February 2nd, after worship in Fellowship Hall for a showing of "Just Mercy". A light lunch will be provided presented by your Board of Outreach and Social Justice.



Membership Conversation If you are interested in learning more about the United Church of Christ, knowing more about this congregation, or exploring how to unite with this family of faith in membership, please attend our Membership Conversation on Sunday, February 16 immediately following worship in the Parlor. We look forward to exploring the journey of faith with you.

FUNDRAISING: FCCWP CHURCH FAMILY MISSION TRIP
 Pine Ridge Reservation, South Dakota • June 7-14, 2025

Feb 9	March 9	March 21-23	April 13	May 18
Valentine's Fellowship Hour	Mardi Gras Luncheon & Lenten Series	Spring Art Festival Car Park	Eggstravaganza Luncheon & Egg Hunt	Summer Kick-Off Luncheon

We are very excited to announce our upcoming FUNdraisers!

Join us **February 9th** during coffee hour for Valentine treats for everyone & from the heart ways you can support the 2025 Mission Work Trip to South Dakota.



FCCWP will have 29 Adults, Youth & Children heading to SD June 2025 representing the caring hearts of all the members of our church.

Lift Every Voice and Sing

James Weldon Johnson, 1921; alt.

1 Lift ev-ery voice and sing, till earth and heav - en - ring, ring with the
 2 Ston-y the road we trod, bit-ter the chas-tening rod, felt in the
 3 God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent tears, God who has

har - mo - nies of lib - er - ty; Let our re - joic - ing
 days when hope un - born had died; Yet with a stead - y
 brought us thus far on the way; God, who by your

rise, high as the lis - tening skies, let it re - sound loud as the
 beat, have not our wea - ry feet, come to the place for which our
 might, led us in - to the light, keep us for - ev - er in the

roll - ing sea. Sing a song full of the
 peo - ple sighed? We have come o - ver - a
 path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the

Poet James Weldon Johnson was the first African-American to pass the bar examination in the state of Florida, and served as U.S. consul in Venezuela and Nicaragua. He collaborated with his composer brother, John Rosamond Johnson, to write Broadway operettas and edit song collections. John appeared in vaudeville, directed London musicals, and headed the Music School Settlement in New York.

Tune: LIFT EVERY VOICE. Arr.
 J. Rosamond Johnson, 1921

faith that the harsh past has taught us, Sing a song full of the
 way that with tears has been wa - tered, We have come, tread - ing our
 plac - es, our God, where we met you, Lest our hearts, drunk with the

hope that the pres - ent has brought us; Fac - ing the
 path through the blood of the slaugh - tered, Out from the
 wine of the world, for - get you; Shad - owed be -

ris - ing sun of our new day be - gun, let us march
 gloom - y past, till now we stand at last where the white
 neath your hand, may we for - ev - er stand, true to our

on till vic - to - ry is won.
 gleam of our bright star is cast.
 God, true to our na - tive land.

For the Beauty of the Earth

St. 1-3, Folliott S. Pierpoint, 1864; alt.

St. 4, Miriam Therese Winter, 1993

1 For the beau-ty of the earth, for the splen-dor of the skies,
 2 For the won-der of each hour of the day and of the night,
 3 For the joy of hu-man love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,
 4 For the good that love in-spires, for a world where none ex-clude,

For the love which from our birth o-ver and a-round us lies,
 Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light,
 Friends on earth, and friends a-bove, for all gen-tle thoughts and mild,
 For a faith that nev-er tires, and for ev-ery heart re-newed,

Refrain

God of all, to you we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.

Folliott S. Pierpoint, author of numerous hymns, penned these verses near his native city of Bath, England, on a late spring day when flowers were in full bloom and all the earth seemed to rejoice.

Tune: DIX 7.7.7.7. with refrain

Conrad Kocher, 1838

Adapt. William H. Monk, 1861

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🌀LOOKING AHEAD🌀

TODAY! Sunday February 2

Movie Day!

Presented by the Board of Outreach and Social Justice
Fellowship Hall After Worship

Sunday February 16

Membership Conversation

Parlor after Worship

AND

Bible Sunday Class

Conference Room after Worship

Sunday February 23

Congregational Meeting

Fellowship Hall after Worship

AND

W.I.N.G.S. All Ages Youth Night!

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