

## THE CHURCH WINDOW



# DECEMBER

## 2020



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## FROM THE PASTOR'S KEYBOARD

Dear Ones,

I watch a lot of Christmas movies during the Advent season. They bring me joy and teach lessons that I always appreciate. One of my favorites is *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. As I'm sure you know, the Grinch tries to steal Christmas from the Whos in Whoville, attempting to destroy their traditions, take away their presents, and their food. But, in the end, Christmas comes anyway. It comes because it's not about presents, or decorations, or food, or even our traditions. Christmas is a celebration of Christ's birth, and the joy and thanksgiving that that celebration brings.

We can't gather in person this holiday season, and we can't hold our traditions as we normally do. Yet, we CAN still wait in anticipation for the great joy that is coming, and we can still celebrate Christmas. Our church community is going all-out to support our community in new and creative ways this Christmas and Advent and I am SO, SO grateful to you all for your willingness to embrace these new ideas. Here are a few of the activities we are supporting:

**GLEAP Christmas Baskets:** We are supporting 3 families facing food insecurity this season. To cut down on the possibility of Covid spread, GLEAP has asked us to mainly provide gift cards to the families. If you are interested in doing so, please send checks or gift cards to the church (checks made out to FCUCC) OR do a drive by drop-off at the church from **1-2 on Sunday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>**.

**Being a Blessing:** Part of the Advent season is remembering what Christ taught us when he came to us: We are to love God with all of our hearts, minds, and strength, and we are to love our neighbors as ourselves. This year has exposed terrible inequalities within our country, one of which is racial injustice. I am proud to say that our church is showing our love for God and neighbor by working hard to try to address these injustices in our community. Please join us for the second part of our racial justice discussion with Grand Ledge United. The originally scheduled date may need to change, so please keep an eye out for emails listing the new date. It's so very important that as many people as possible show up to this. Please let Charlene Avery [avery@provide.net](mailto:avery@provide.net) know if you're coming and send her questions that I can ask our panel.

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**FROM THE PASTOR'S KEYBOARD (continued)**

**Blessings Bags for Advent:** Kathy Burt, Freida Schneeberger, and Karen Ramthun created wonderful blessings bags for Advent. Please pick one up from the back of the church as soon as possible. They contain supplies to help you worship for Advent at home. Contact the office if you are unable to pick one up and we will bring them to you.

**Rest in the Rush:** Every Thursday in Advent from 7-7:30 p.m. on Facebook Live, we invite you to get away from the anxieties of the time, and the stress that the Christmas season can bring. We will pray and then quietly meditate as we listen to Christmas music together.

**Longest Night Service:** The Christmas season can be challenging for many of us, especially if we are struggling with loss, illness, addictions, or anger. In recognition of this pain, we have a Longest Night service on Facebook Live where that pain can be given space and where we might find some healing. The date of this service is TBD, so please look for an announcement in emails.

**Children's Pageant:** On Sunday, Dec 20<sup>th</sup>, we will air a recorded Children's Christmas Pageant during our worship service. If you, your children or grandchildren would be interested in performing in and recording a part of the play, please let me know. You do not have to be a child to participate, just young at heart!

**Christmas Eve Service:** This year, our Christmas Eve service will be held on Facebook Live at 8pm. We plan to pre-record it to help ensure that the music all runs smoothly. If you are interested in providing music for the service, please let me know as soon as you can.

The Grinch of Covid could not steal Easter, and it will not steal Advent or Christmas. Please don't hesitate to share any other creative ways you have for celebrating this Advent and Christmas. We are a strong, loving, creative, and resilient community and we can and will get through this together.

Many blessings,

Pastor Laura

**THANK YOU!!**

**A HUGE THANK YOU FROM EVERY SINGLE CHURCH FAMILY TO YOU, ANITA CALCAGNO,** for volunteering to be such a strong bridge between Jeannette Len, our wonderful retiring office administrator, and our new office administrator when she starts. You stepped up to a huge plate in an amazing way that kept our church's communications flowing. We can't thank you enough!

**CONGREGATORS**

Beloved Congregators,

As we go into the Advent season and Christmas, know that you are loved every day by all in our special Congregators group and each and every one of our church families! We never dreamed when we canceled our first Congregators gathering last Spring that we would close out the year by staying home and staying safe. Our prayer is: Whatever we are in this wilderness time, O God, may we know we are in the sanctuary of your steadfast love. Amen.

As always, please be sure to get in touch with one of us if we can help you in any way!

Jim (517-627-7968), Sandy (517-420-2121), or Charlene (517-281-5019)

## GRAND LEDGE UNITED

### LET'S HELP BUILD A MORE RACIALLY DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE GRAND LEDGE COMMUNITY!

***AS OUR DECEMBER NEWSLETTER IS GOING TO PRINT, WE ARE WAITING TO SET A NEW DATE FOR OUR ZOOM MEETING WITH GRAND LEDGE UNITED. WATCH FOR A NEW DATE IN THURSDAY PAUSE EMAILS AND OUR FCUCC FACEBOOK PAGE! IN THE MEANTIME, HERE IS THE INFORMATION FOR OUR MEETING-TO-BE!***

**YOU ARE INVITED! (DATE AND TIME TO BE DETERMINED)** - families from First Congregational United Church of Christ will participate in a live Zoom discussion about race and racism with Grand Ledge Police Chief Tom Osterholzer, Jon Horford, founders of GL United, and Rachel Kuntzsch, now co-chair along with Jon on their Steering Committee.

**GRAND LEDGE UNITED WAS FORMED SEVERAL MONTHS AGO** to build a more racially diverse, inclusive, and equitable Grand Ledge in order to strengthen our community and create a welcoming environment for all. You may have a Black Lives Are Worthy sign in your yard or have seen them around the Grand Ledge community. Several signs are in our church yard too! The sign was designed and made available by GL United, with some financial support from our church, to spread their message. GL United is also working with Grand Ledge Public Schools on curriculum development to more accurately portray Black history through the past hundreds of years.

**PASTOR LAURA WILL HOST THE MEETING** and ask questions that you submit ahead of time. Please feel free to ask any question. The leaders of GL United have said they don't take any questions personally and that having these conversations -- even difficult conversations -- is how we all learn, grow, and heal. We will do our best to make this a safe space for that kind of conversation, which is why we are limiting it to just our church right now. **Please email questions to Charlene Avery at [averyc@provide.net](mailto:averyc@provide.net) and/or to receive the Zoom link to participate in the meeting by (NEW DEADLINE DATE WILL BE SET).** You might find it useful to check out GL United's Facebook page as you formulate your questions for the meeting or to simply learn more about their current initiatives. Questions are not required to attend the Zoom meeting ... you are welcome to simply 'listen in.'

**OUR GOAL IS TO HAVE 20 PEOPLE from our church families participate in this time with Grand Ledge United leaders. Hope to see you on (NEW DATE TBD)!!**

**Please contact Charlene at 517.281.5019 if you have any questions about this important event!**



## SISTERS OF RUTH

Sisters of Ruth (SOR) is working on our community service project for S.I.R.E.N. Shelter for this year. We are asking for donations of the travel size containers of personal care products to put together our Personal Care Packets for the people that must leave their homes due to an abusive person in the home. We are asking for toothpaste, toothbrushes, combs, hair brushes, deodorants, shampoos, conditioners, lotions, soaps, razors, and feminine products. **We also need hand towels and washcloths.** We will use products for women, children, and men. We will continue **collecting these items until December 7** when we will put together the packets.

There is a box in the west entrance to the church that you may drop off your donations. They will be picked up on a regular basis.

Sister of Ruth has been doing this community service project for many years. This year it was delayed because of the COVID pandemic. When speaking with the S.I.R.E.N. Shelter, they indicated that they really need these items because of less donations and more clients.

If we need to change the date of assembling the care packets due to the Michigan Health Department's mandate, we will let everyone know in the Thursday Pause and announcements.

## GLEAP CHRISTMAS BASKETS

A special little team has formed to organize our annual Outreach event to purchase Christmas food for families whose names are provided to us by GLEAP. GLEAP, the Grand Ledge Emergency Assistance Program, provides a variety of short term assistance to community families in need. Last year we had five families, but this year we have been assigned just three – a family of one and two families with two adults and two children.

Remember the dozens and dozens of staple items you brought to fill the boxes at the church in Decembers past?!! Well, no surprise that things are changing this year. Because of Covid 19 concerns, we are not collecting staple items or doing major grocery shopping. We will simply take each family a small box of fruit, Christmas card from our church families, and Meijer gift cards so they can do their own food shopping. Of course, we will wear a mask and ask the family answering the door to wear one too. If you want to join us for this project, you are warmly invited to send Meijer gift cards or a check for us to purchase gift cards. **Checks should be made out to FCUCC and mailed to the church to be received by Friday, December 11.** Or more fun...on Sunday, December 13, Pastor Laura and the Christmas basket team will be at the church, wearing masks and socially distanced, from 1-2 pm if you would like to drive by to drop off your gift card or check and received a loving wave from us! We plan to do that snow J or shine!

Now that we know our family sizes, we have set a fundraising goal of about \$600 so that our families can purchase not only groceries for Christmas Day meals but add to the food security in their pantries. We know you want to be generous in your giving. We do plan to give the GLEAP organization the gift cards and cash above that amount to help with the many requests for short term emergency assistance they will receive this winter. ...Charlene, Sandy, Sarah, and Karen W.





# GRAND LEDGE FOOD BANK

Dear Friends,

I hope this note finds you all as well as possible. We continue to find ourselves in very altered times but, with patience and hope, we all will find our way to better days. The food bank continues to operate to support the needs of Grand Ledge. The community has been supportive during the long months of Covid and we thank you for your support. There is no need for food item donations at this time due to the altered function of the food bank but there are some updates to share.

Grand Ledge Meijer is once again offering their Simply Give Program. There are more than two months to participate this fall, from **October 25th, 2020 to January 2nd, 2021**. There are cards available near the check-out lanes to purchase for \$10.00. Each card purchased will be matched by Meijer and result in a \$20.00 donation to the food bank. There are two extra important dates to remember that are Double Match Days. Every \$10.00 card purchased on **Tuesday, December 1st and Saturday, December 12th** will result in a \$30.00 donation to the food bank. Thanks for your help spreading the word about this program. It truly is a way to stretch every dollar to help our neighbors.

The food bank is in need of a few **volunteers** to help in the food room. This involves **sorting food and packing food orders** which have been received by telephone. The recommended precautions are in place. Masks are required. There is minimum client contact. Clients ring the doorbell and the food order is brought to the door. Clients are allowed in the building by appointment only and are required to wear a mask. Please call Mary Holz, 517-627-4348, if interested.

We will once again be offering Christmas gifts to the food bank clients beginning early December. Donations of new practical gifts and toys would be appreciated.

**Ideas include:**

**Socks, all sizes**  
**Body Wash**  
**Lotion**  
**Tools**  
**Kitchen Utensils**  
**Towels**  
**Toys, games and puzzles**  
**Throw size blankets**  
**Gently used Christmas Decorations**

**Grand Ledge Food Bank**  
4980 Burt Ave. Grand Ledge, MI 48837  
517-627-4348

**Open for donations:**  
Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Thursdays 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

In addition to the gift ideas, we are in need of **gently used coats** in all sizes and baby/toddler clothes, especially baby boy clothes.

All donated items should be brought to the building directly behind the food bank accessed from the large parking lot during regular hours of operation which are **Tuesdays 10:00 am - 5:00 pm and Thursdays 10:00 am - 3:00 pm**. Please call 517-627-4348 with questions.

Many thanks for your support!

Peace,

Cheryl Mulder

**Senior lunch at City Hall**  
**Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:00 Noon**  
is postponed until further notice.

## THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Just as individual prayer time is very important to each of us, so is **prayer as a faith community**. We invite you to use the **prayer cards in the pews** or call the **church office at 627-2336** to notify the pastor of any prayer concerns you would like to share. If no one is available to speak with you, you may leave a voicemail.

**Health concerns:** Pray for family and friends with health concerns and especially those who have contracted the Coronavirus.

**Those who are struggling be it:** financially, mentally, spiritually, individually, or collectively.

**Those in a time of transition or turmoil.**

**Those who mourn:** Please keep the family and friends of Gail “Shoey” Shoemaker in your prayers.

**Those who serve:** soldiers, teachers, police officers, firefighters, counselors, public servants, our congregational leaders, politicians, and many more.

**Prayer request:** Please pray for those rallying for peace and justice, and all who have been directly affected by the Coronavirus, as well as; Pam and Jim P., (parents of Angela P.), Ben B., Dave G., Corey, Kaleb, Linda O., Brenda F., Beth P., Darrell B., Doris B., Lili B., Kathy H., Cindy G., Barbara N., Geri L., Robert E., Larry and Carol S., Jim H., Karen W., and Anna C.

**In being consistent with the HIPAA Law and people’s privacy, we will only list individuals with their explicit permission and not use last names. During worship, please do not use personal identifiable information for others when asking for prayers.**

## BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK

THE SCHEDULED PACKING FOR OUR CHURCH ON **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH** HAS BEEN **CANCELED** DUE TO THE MICHIGAN HEALTH DEPARTMENT’S NEW MANDATE.


## INCOME & EXPENSE BALANCE SHEET

	Actual October 2020	Actual Year-to-Date	Budget Year-to-Date	Annual Budget
Income	\$ 10,322.70	\$ 106,949.57	\$ 108,545.00	\$ 130,254.00
Expenses	<u>10,812.82</u>	<u>100,062.69</u>	<u>112,703.33</u>	<u>135,244.00</u>
Balance	\$ ( 490.12)	\$ 6,886.88	\$ ( 4,158.33)	\$ ( 4,990.00)

Our monthly balance is negative but we are still on the positive side. The heating bills have begun to increase and we will have snow removal, insurance, and pension bills during the months of November and December. Therefore, your continued support with your pledges and donations is still very important. With the hope of opening our church soon, we must continue to support our church financially and spiritually. If at any time during this crisis that it becomes difficult for you to continue giving, please contact the financial secretary, Lynn Hart.

Our hope for the future is to increase our giving and reduce our expenses so that we will be able to support a full-time pastor. With the positive outlook that this church is giving in 2020, we will soon be able to reach our goal.



BIRTHDAYS	CHRISTMAS & ADVENT
<div>Eli Tanasse Renee Pier Ron Erskine Philip Clark Herb Klingbiel Bill Tanasse Joan Perry Nicole Mai Kim Dible</div> <div></div> <div><div>If your birthday has been inadvertently missed, please contact the church office at 627-2336 or <a href="mailto:office@grandledgeucc.org">office@grandledgeucc.org</a></div></div>	<div><b>Rest in the Rush</b> Starting Thursday, December 3rd at 7 p.m. we will hold a short prayer and meditation service on Facebook Live. Come rest with us during this stressful time.</div> <div><b>Christmas and Advent Traditions</b> The worship team invites you to create 5 minutes videos where you describe or share one of your Christmas or Advent Traditions. We will air them during our Sunday worship services. This is a great way to connect with each other in this isolating time. Please email them to Chad c.s.frost@icloud.com</div>
<b>HEALTH CONCERNS</b>	

Please follow these links for accurate and up to date information regarding the Coronavirus.

[https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/0,9753,7-406-98178\\_99557---,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/0,9753,7-406-98178_99557---,00.html)

\*Resources found on this website are for individuals experiencing mental and emotional health challenges during this time. Many of these resources are free.

<https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/prevention.html>

<https://www.barryeatonhealth.org/covid-19-resources-and-update>

[https://www.ucc.org/news\\_ucc\\_churches\\_establish\\_protocols\\_preach\\_awareness\\_not\\_panic\\_as\\_covid\\_19\\_cases\\_grow\\_03102020](https://www.ucc.org/news_ucc_churches_establish_protocols_preach_awareness_not_panic_as_covid_19_cases_grow_03102020)



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I THINK YOUR LIGHTS MIGHT BE TOO BRIGHT THIS YEAR

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ETERNAL LIFE, MY FAVORITE ... THANKS JESUS!

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I'M SORRY GUY, I KNOW THAT YOU'VE GOT A GOOD HEALTH PLAN AND YOU GIVE OUT FREE GIFTS AND ALL, BUT JESUS REALLY DOES HAVE A MUCH BETTER PLAN

12-19-1997



## KIDS CORNER



"Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." Mark 13:33-37

***FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - HOPE CANDLE - PURPLE***  
***SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - LOVE CANDLE - PURPLE***  
***THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - JOY CANDLE - PINK***  
***FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - PEACE- PURPLE***  
***CHRISTMAS - CHRIST (JESUS) CANDLE - WHITE***



## EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES

September 22, 2020

### **Call to Order**

Vice-Moderator Anita Calcagno called the meeting to order at 6:41 PM.

This meeting was conducted electronically due to the Covid-19 virus distancing recommendations. Most members logged on to the website Zoom and some were connected by telephone.

Board Members present: Anita Calcagno, Chris Cypher, Lynn Hart, Chris Clark, Karen Holcomb-Merrill, Pastor Laura, Marsha Kent and Bil Turner. Lisa Reed was also present.

### **Spiritual Reflection**

Pastor Laura opened the meeting with a reading regarding the dove that Noah sent out. She offered a reflection on waiting, and how we are now waiting for many things.

### **Open Forum**

No one was present for this item.

### **Consent Agenda**

Consent Agenda was accepted. There was discussion about our involvement with World Vision. Godwin Muponda, the boy we have been helping, has aged out of the system, so we are no longer participating. The Outreach Board is considering other options.

### **Action and Discussion Items**

#### **Pastor's Report**

Pastor Laura reported that in addition to her work on Worship and Pastoral care, she spent time this past month with Grand Ledge United, which meets twice a month. Additionally she worked with the music team on a variety of items, with the Banks on how to include bells, and with Christian Education.

She spoke with the Board about illness in her family, and alerted the Board that she has changed her Sunday away from preaching to October 4<sup>th</sup>. Fay will preach on that day.

#### **Monthly Financial Update**

Lynn reported that we are in the black for month and for the year. However, receipts so far for September are well below what we have been receiving on a monthly basis.

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Office Manager Vacancy

Anita reported on the advertisement that the Personnel Committee has prepared and the Board offered comments. It was agreed to include that we are an ONA church, and state the salary in the ad. Beginning salary was discussed, but at this point in the meeting there was no longer a quorum present, so we will have an email vote on this item.


Worship Team Compensation

Pastor Laura discussed possible compensation for Chad. There was general agreement that he should be compensated. He has previously declined compensation, but online worship has been and will be ongoing for some time. A position description will be needed. His current hours are unknown. Pastor Laura will discuss this with him. Adding a web-master position was also briefly discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM

The next Executive Board Meeting will be Tuesday, October 27th at 6:30 PM. (Very likely a Zoom meeting)

Respectfully submitted,  
Bil Turner, Church Clerk



WHAT'S COOKING?

CHRISTMAS COOKIES AND FROSLING

2 cup sugar

1 cup buttermilk

1 1/2 tsp. baking soda

1 1/2 tsp. vanilla

1 cup lard (can use vegetable shortening, but will not be the same)

1/2 tsp. nutmeg (optional) substitute with lemon extract

2 eggs

2 tsp. baking powder

1/2 tsp. salt

5 - 6 cups flour

Mix, refrigerate until dough is firm to roll out. Bake 350° for about 7 minutes, don't let bottom brown if you want them to be really moist.

FROSTING

1 cup vegetable shortening


1 lb. powdered sugar

1 tsp. vanilla

boiling water

Mix shortening and powdered sugar with mixer. Add vanilla and enough boiling water to thin.

Mrs. Dorothy Nurenburg



\*submitted by Tim and Tamara Lipsey

(First Congregational United Church of Christ Cookbook 2009, pg. 96)

DECEMBER 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat.
NOVEMBER 29 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 10:30 am Worship Service on Facebook	30	DECEMBER 1	2	3 7-7:30 p.m. REST IN THE RUSH on Facebook Live with Pastor Laura	4 OFFICE CLOSED	5
Due to the Coronavirus the church office will be closed until further notice. Items on this calendar may change depending on the Coronavirus and our local Government. We will keep you updated.						
6 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 10:30 am Worship Service on Facebook Zoom Café' Fellowship 11:30 am	7	8	9	10 7-7:30 p.m. REST IN THE RUSH on Facebook Live with Pastor Laura	11 DUE DATE FOR CHRISTMAS BASKET GIFT CARDS /CHECKS OFFICE CLOSED	12
13 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 10:30 am Worship Service on Facebook Zoom Café' Fellowship 11:30 am 1-2 p.m. Christmas Basket Team at FCUCC for donations	14	15	16 6:00 pm AA 8:00 pm AA	17 7-7:30 p.m. REST IN THE RUSH on Facebook Live with Pastor Laura	18 OFFICE CLOSED  Newsletter Items Due	19
20 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 10:30 am Worship Service on Facebook Children's Christmas Pageant Zoom Café' Fellowship 11:30 am	21	22 6:30 pm Executive Board Mtg. (ZOOM Mtg.)	23 6:00 pm AA 800 pm AA	24 8:00 pm CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE ON FACE-BOOK LIVE OFFICE CLOSED	25 CHRISTMAS DAY OFFICE CLOSED	26
27 FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS 10:30 am Worship Service on Facebook Zoom Café' Fellowship 11:30 am  Newsletter Available	28	29	30 6:00 pm AA 8:00 pm AA	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE	JANUARY 1 NEW YEAR'S DAY OFFICE CLOSED	2



Sunday Schedule for DECEMBER 2020

Date	December 6th 2nd Sunday of Advent Violet	December 13th 3rd Sunday of Advent Violet	December 20th 4th Sunday of Advent Violet	December 24th Christmas Eve White	December 27th 1st Sunday after Christmas White
Text	Isa 40:1-11 Mark 1:1-8	Isa 61:1-4, 8-11 Luke 1:46-55	2 Sam 7:1-11, 16 Luke 1:26-38	Isa 9:2-7 Luke 2:1-14, 15-20	Isa 61:10-62:3 Luke 2:22-40
Head Usher	Chris Cypher	Gary Burt	Karen Ramthun	TBD	Kathy Burt
Greeters	John and Freida Schneeberger	Rich Brown and Tony Bray	Bil Turner and Ben Banks	TBD	Chris and Kelly Clark
Ushers	Anna Miller and Patty Curtis	Joe and Jane Gilson	Terry Bouck and Elva Maguire	TBD	Gla’ Spayde and Charlene Avery
Liturgist	Marcia Kent	MaryLou Prevost	Kelly Stuible-Clark	TBD	Anita Calcagno
Crucifer	Karen Walker				
Soundboard	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Coffee Hour	Sarah Robinson and Ellen Robinson	Anita Calcagno and Karen Ramthun	John and Freida Schneeberger		Gla’ Spayde and Fay Schroeder
Nursery Care	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney		Nicole Finney

Sunday Schedule for JANUARY 2021

Date	January 3rd 2nd Sunday after Christmas White	January 10th Baptism of the Lord White	January 17th 2nd Sunday after Epiphany Green	January 24th 3rd Sunday after Epiphany Green	January 31st 4th Sunday after Epiphany Green
Text	Jeremiah 31:7-14 John :1(1-9), 10-18	Genesis 1:1-15 Mark 1:4-11	1 Sam 3:1-10, (11-20) John 1:43-51	Jonah 3:1-5, 10 Mark 1:14-20	Deut 18:15-20 Mark 1:21-28
Head Usher	Leah Horn	Jane Gilson	Chris Cypher	Kathy Burt	Nate Oliver
Greeters	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Ushers	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Crucifer	TBD				
Liturgist	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Soundboard	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Coffee Hour	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Nursery Care	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney	Nicole Finney

DUE TO OUR CURRENT TIMES THESE SCHEDULES MAY CHANGE.



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*Following Jesus, our mission is to serve God  
by building an inclusive community  
where uplifting worship and relevant messages deepen spirituality  
and inspire acts of justice, service, and compassion.*

**Mission Statement for First Congregational UCC**

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Rev. Dr. Laura Miller-Purrenhage	Richard Brown, Moderator
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Judy Nielsen, Organist	Lynn Hart, Financial Secretary
Darlene Banks, Bell Choir Director	Marcia Kent, Christian Education
Sue Sackett, Custodian	Kathy Burt, Congregational Life
Nicole Finney, Nursery Care Provider	Chris Clark, Christian Outreach
Rev. John Baumgartner, Pastor Emeritus	Charlene Avery, Member-at-Large
	Kim Dible, Member-at-Large
	Karen Holcomb-Merrill, Member-at-Large

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