



WORSHIP AT ELEVEN  
**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
 UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

April 22, 2018

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

**WELCOME TO FIRST CHURCH!**

If you are visiting today and looking for a church home, welcome! *For more than 165 years our Covenant has been: We covenant with the Lord Jesus Christ and one another, and bind ourselves in the presence of God to live together in all God's ways as revealed to us by the Holy Spirit and holy scripture. The church acknowledges that all members have the right of individual interpretation of the principles of the Christian faith and respects them in their honest convictions. In accordance with the teaching of our Lord, the church recognizes two sacraments: Baptism and Holy Communion.*

Please silence all electronic devices.

Assistive listening devices and large-print bulletins with hymns of the day are available at the Sanctuary doors. Deacons wearing white roses can assist you.

Cards requesting prayer are in the pew racks and placed in the offering plate.

(\*) Indicates the congregation should stand as they are able.

*Enter to Worship – Depart to Serve. Please use this time for quiet preparation for worship.  
 'We have waited in silence on your loving-kindness, O God, in the midst of your temple.'  
 (Psalm 48:8)*

PRELUDE Sarabande for Easter Herbert Howells

ENTER TO WORSHIP Greg Kellison

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*\* Then all stand.*

L: The God of all shepherds has called us here.

**P: We come today, celebrating God's love for us.**

L: The Good Shepherd has given his life for us.

**P: We come today, thanking Jesus for his witness and his teaching.**

L: The Shepherding Spirit moves through us, bringing us new hope.

**P: We come today ready to celebrate and to praise God. Amen.**

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 457 I greet Thee, who my sure redeemer art  
*Toulon*

\* INVOCATION Mark S. Williams

L: God be with you.

**P. And also with you.**

L: Let us pray.

**P: O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people;  
 Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us  
 each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy  
 Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

\* SONG OF PRAISE Good Christians all, rejoice and sing *Gelobet sei Gott*



\* WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE The Rev. Emily Krause Corzine

L: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**P: And also with you.**

L: Let us greet one another with the sign of Christ's peace.

*Please find the attendance pad at the end of the pew, sign it and pass it on to your neighbor.*

CHILDREN'S TIME Mr. Williams

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES Acts 4:5–12 (N.T., p. 121) Mr. Kellison

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM Come, my way, my truth, my life Harold W. Friedell

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life!

Such a Way as gives us breath,

Such a Truth as ends all strife,

Such a Life that killeth Death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength!

Such a Light as shows a feast,

Such a Feast as mends in length,

Such a Strength as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart!

Such a Joy as none can move,

Such a Love as none can part,

Such a Heart as joys in love.

—George Herbert (1593–1633)

THE EPISTLE 1 John 3:16–24 (N.T., p. 240) Mr. Kellison

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

\* GOSPEL HYMN 172 My Shepherd will supply my need *Resignation*

*During the hymn, children, Kindergarten through second grade, are invited to the Worship Connections in the Children's Library on the second floor of the Education Wing. They will return after the sermon. A fully staffed childcare ministry is provided during each Sunday Morning Worship Service and Education Hour for infants through age four. This ministry is located in the nursery and toddler rooms on the first floor of the Education Wing.*

THE GOSPEL John 10:11–18 (N.T., p. 103) Rev. Corzine

L: The Word of God for the people of God.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON "I Shall Not Want" Rev. Corzine

*A time of reflection follows.*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Corzine

OUR 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.**

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,**

**for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.**

**Amen.**

THE OFFERTORY

*Want to give online? Please see the Depart to Serve leaflet for more information and a QR link.*

MISSION INVITATION Catherine Cunningham

Cash and designated checks go to **Sacred Earth** raising funds to purchase a tree to beautify the church property. Please help us to complete this drive. Thank you for your generosity.

ANTHEM The Lord is my shepherd Howard Goodall

The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want,

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures,

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil,

For you are with me,

You will comfort me.

Surely goodness and mercy,

shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

—Psalm 23

\* PRESENTATION HYMN Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow**

**Praise Christ, all creatures here below**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Praise Holy Spirit evermore;**

**Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Alleluia, alleluia,**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION Rev. Corzine

COMMUNITY NOTICES - DEPART TO SERVE Mark S. Williams

L: Let us depart with a heart to serve.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

\* CLOSING HYMN All my hope on God is founded *Michael*



1. All my hope on God is found - ed;  
 2. Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry,  
 3. God's great good - ness e'er en - dur - eth,  
 4. Dai - ly doth th'al - might - y Giv - er  
 5. Still from earth to God e - ter - nal



he doth still my trust re - new,  
 sword and crown be - tray our trust;  
 deep his wis - dom pass - ing thought:  
 boun - teous gifts on us be - stow;  
 sac - ri - fice of praise be done,



me through change and chance he guid - eth, on - ly good and on - ly true.  
 though with care and toil we build them, tower and tem - ple fall to dust.  
 splen - dor, light, and life at - tend him, beau - ty spring - eth out of nought.  
 his de - sire our soul de - light - eth, pleas - ure leads us where we go.  
 high a - bove all prais - es prais - ing for the gift of Christ, his son.



God un - known, he a - lone calls my heart to be his own.  
 But God's power, hour by hour, is my tem - ple and my tower.  
 Ev - er - more from his store new - born worlds rise and a - dore.  
 Love doth stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his com - mand.  
 Christ doth call one and all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

\* BENEDICTION *Rev. Corzine*

POSTLUDE Toccata in F *Johann Pachelbel*

*Please be seated for the postlude*

*Thank you for attending worship this morning. We hope that you have found peace and grace here and invite you to return often. If you would like more information or have any questions about First Church, please ask anyone wearing a name tag. We'd be delighted to assist you. Please join us in the Parish Hall for Fellowship Hour.*

ACOLYTES: Ethan Murray and Sebby Kulwicki

CRUCIFER: Erin Murray

MUSIC: The First Church Choir, Kevin Jones, *director and organist*

THE FLOWERS THIS MORNING are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Wally Giffen's birthday by Sarah Giffen.

GREETING AT THE EXITS TODAY

Rev. Corzine – Broad Street

Marty Worth – Ninth Street

Mr. Williams – Christian Education wing



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FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

First Church is a faith community:

- Called together by God, the Creator and Sustainer of life, to worship, pray and serve;
- Led by Jesus Christ, our Teacher and Savior, to learn the faith and welcome all God's children;
- Empowered by the Holy Spirit to witness to God's love and justice between ourselves, and throughout the world.

Our Open and Affirming Statement

We, the members of First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, Columbus, Ohio, believe the following represents our commitment and desire to reach out and welcome all those in need of and searching for God's love: We believe that we are all created in God's image, female and male, and we are called to love our neighbors as Jesus loves us. We believe we are many members, but one body in Christ, and called to unite all people in God's love. We welcome and affirm all people. We invite those who are seeking God's presence in their lives to join us on our common journey. Our faith community seeks to unite persons of all ages, races, nationalities, ethnicities, sexual orientations, mental and physical abilities, socioeconomic levels and political and theological backgrounds. Together in our diversity, and being empowered and directed by the Holy Spirit, we will "do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with our God." (Micah 6:8)

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