

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

DEPART TO SERVE

JUNE 11, 2017

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP HOUR Please help to extend an extravagant First Church Welcome to new members today by joining together in Parish Hall following this morning's 11 a.m. service! Cake and light refreshments will be served, and more importantly, we will be able to speak one-on-one with each other and delight in each other's presence! We look forward to seeing you downstairs. The Parish Hall is located downstairs directly under the Sanctuary. Please take the stairs near either the Broad Street or Ninth Street entrances, or utilize the elevator located in the hallway between the Education Wing and Ninth Street doors. Any church member will be glad to direct you.



2017 ARTS FESTIVAL BEVERAGE BOOTH

If you are going to the 2017 Columbus Arts Festival today and you're thirsty, please come to the First Church Choir's Beverage Booth between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. The

Choir will be selling at this booth all day and will receive 10% of all sales from that booth toward the 2018 Norwich/Lincoln Pilgrimage. Look for our red shirts on Saturday at our booth located at Washington Boulevard near COSI. You know you'll be thirsty, and it's for a good cause. Come say hello and grab a tasty beverage while you're there!

COLUMBIA GAS WORK After running into several challenges, Columbia Gas is close to completing the new main gas line feeding the church. There will continue to be trenches, some blocked sidewalk areas and pavement removed in the courtyard. Access to the building and the elevator will be maintained throughout the project. Additional work that is part of the 20/20 Project will be required in the courtyard area after Columbia Gas has completed their project. **Please observe all barricades and off-limits areas for your safety.**

SAVE THE DATE! WOMEN'S RETREAT on June 24, 2017, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Details to follow.

OLDIES BUT GOODIES CONCERT: FUN, MUSIC, AND MEMORIES If you like the early rock songs of 1957-63 and the memories they spark, mark your calendar for Friday, June 30, at 7:30 p.m. for a fun "oldies but goodies" concert. Bill Cohen will be performing hit songs made famous by the likes of Chubby Checker, Ricky Nelson, the Everly Brothers, Sam Cooke, Paul Anka, Bobby Vee, Fabian, the Shirelles, and others. A brief salute to the "bad boys" of early bluesy rock will also be featured – Jerry Lee Lewis, Little Richard, and Chuck Berry. Beautiful doo-wop background vocals will be added by the Harmonettes: Jackie LaMuth, Renilda Marshall, and Teresa Schleifer. And, they will be backed by instrumental wizards Brian Szuch on electric lead guitar and Renilda Marshall on bass.

The concert will be held in the Social Hall at Overbrook Presbyterian Church 4131 N. High Street, Columbus, 43214 (free parking in the church lot off Crowell Rd. and on the street). A suggested donation of \$10 per person will be taken at the door, with proceeds going to the Clintonville Community Resource Center for its programs that help senior citizens.

June Acolyte Schedule

June 11	Mia Provenzano	Matty Provenzano
June 18	Ethan Murray	Ruby Holt
June 25	Mae Hubbard	AnnaSofia Severson

June Mission Offering Schedule

June 11	Good Samaritan
June 18	Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS)
June 25	CUE-UCC Seminaries

JOYS AND CONCERNS

We pray for the participants of the Youth Mission Trip in Washington D.C. this week.

MEMBERS Don Erickson; Lindy Miller; Carol Bensing; Ron Cook; Jane Weddle; Bernie Martin; Ray Pendell; and families and friends who continue to mourn the loss of loved ones.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY Dan Campbell, friend of Greg Halbe; Marian Blum; David Wyatt; Kathie Daniels, daughter of Gleva Stephens; Abbas H. Al-Qaraghuli; and Jill Ford, friend of Mark Williams; and families and friends who continue to mourn the loss of loved ones, including the family of Bob Link, cousin of Amy Wagner.

THROUGHOUT THE WORLD We pray for the victims of the bomb attack in Kabul, Afghanistan. We pray for the lives lost and those who were injured in the Manchester bombing. We pray for those affected by famine in Yemen, South Sudan and Somalia. We pray for an end to the violence against the LGBTQ community in Chechnya. We pray for churches of Egypt and the Middle East. We pray for individuals and families who face immigration and deportation challenges.

IN GOD'S HANDS: THE ECUMENICAL PRAYER CYCLE This week we pray with and for the people and churches of Botswana and Zimbabwe.

MISSIONARIES This week we pray for Maryjane Westra, serving in Honduras.

NEED PRAYER? If you have any prayer requests or joys to share, please contact Amy Wagner, Office Manager at awagner@first-church.org or 614-228-1741, ext. 10 or one of the ministers: ecorzine@first-church.org or 614-228-1741, ext. 21, or tahrens@first-church.org or 614-228-1741, ext. 13.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, June 11: Trinity Sunday

9 a.m. – Worship: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion – Parish Hall
11 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary
12:15 p.m. – Fellowship Hour – Parish Hall
12:15 p.m. – Planned Giving Meeting – Ralph Fanning Room

Monday, June 12

9 a.m. – Good Samaritan Day – Sanctuary, Ralph Fanning Room, and Parlor
7 p.m. – Trustees – Ralph Fanning Room

Tuesday, June 13

11:30 a.m. – Worship Planning – Parish Family Room
7 p.m. – Executive Committee – Ralph Fanning Room

Wednesday, June 14

9:30 a.m. – Staff Meeting – Ralph Fanning Room

Sunday, June 18

9 a.m. – Worship: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion – Sanctuary
11 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary



MEMBER BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK Today – Lauren Hamman, Colin Thompson, Jan Wade; 12-Camryn Corzine, Bill Nirote ; 13-Madeline Aeschbury, Alexandria Cole, JJ Cole; 15-Sam Klintworth; 17-Julie Delong, Missy Zimmerman

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK Today - Jennifer Mrozek and Gregory Buzzell; 12-Melody and Paul Leidheiser; 14-Gayle and Mike Henderson, Shannon and Christopher Washington; 16-Debra and Fred Hadley; 17-Luke and Kirsten Ahrens, Penny and Terry Casey, Celeste Feather and Peter Murray

ABOUT YOUR OFFERING TODAY All our offerings support the Ministry of First Church through its programs, outreach, and related groups as, together, we witness to God's love. Thank you for your gifts.

- **Offertory envelopes** are provided in the pews for members or visitors.
- **Submitting a pledge?** Please use those envelopes, marking the "Pledge" box.
- **Church Support:** Checking this box directs your gift to general ministry support.
- **Mission:** Please specify today's mission so your gift is distributed correctly.
- **Online Giving:** Go to our web site www.first-church.org click on **Give** or <http://www.first-church.org/give.aspx> and then click or copy the link into your browser to set up an account and pay with your credit card or through your checking or savings account.

easyTithe

<http://www.easytithe.com/dl/?uid=Firs444421>

PayPal

<https://www.paypal.com/signup/accountCreate>



- **Other Gifts:** Please designate your intention: *Memorials, flowers, fund raising projects, music, education, etc.*

OFFERING TOTAL FOR LAST WEEK'S MISSION
June 4 – \$739.54 – Strengthen the Church



CHURCH STAFF

Senior Minister	Timothy C. Ahrens, D. Min.
Associate Minister	Emily Krause Corzine, M. Div.
Minister of Music	Kevin Jones, M. M.
Director of Christian Education	Mark S. Williams, M. Ed.
Commissioned Minister for Social Justice	Tom Brownfield
Commissioned Minister for Spiritual Formation and Direction	Jacquelyn Dean
Organist/Choirmaster Emeritus	G. Dene Barnard
Treble Choir Director	Sandra Mathias, Ph.D.
Business Manager	Sharon Leidheiser
Program Manager	Martha Worth
Office Manager	Amy Wagner
Building & Grounds Superintendent	Mark Dahnke
Custodians	William Lee, Jimmy Sibrian
Wedding Coordinators	Janet Axt, Margaret Cipriani, Diana Chandler, Amy Wagner, Katie Wagner
Nursery Staff	Evin Wimberly, Simone Ellerson, Natalie Barker, Taylre Arnold

DIACONATE

Senior Deacon	Alec Deitz
Deacons	Kris Brant, Anthony Brown, Valerie Conlin-Losinski, Bert Cook, Martha Fullemann, Dean Hafey, Todd Jacobson, Karen Mazingo, David Nassau, Janet Newcity, Jorge Polo, Alejandro Rodriguez, Hugh Schultz

CHURCH COUNCIL

Moderator	Kent Shimeall
Moderator-Elect	Joe Baszynski
Treasurer	David Holt
Assistant Treasurer	Joe Hoffman
Secretary	Pat Patterson
Assistant Secretary	Nancy Loy

COMMISSIONERS

Administration	Sue Cook, Elect - Chris Glaros
Church Growth/Vitality	Kent Rambo and Mary Anne Jacobson, co-chairs; Elect - Tom Kiesel and Mary Anne Jacobson
Education	Helen Ninos, Elect - Chris Gelpi
House & Grounds	Eric Klintworth, Elect - Gary Leidheiser
Justice & Mercy	Al Glover, Elect - Dawn George
Music, Arts, & Heritage	Sharon Ferguson, Elect - Joel Mathias
Nominating Chair	Brian Cave
Member-at-large	Neal Brower
Youth-at-large	Joe Spofforth
Deacon Council Representative	Janet Newcity

TRUSTEES

Chairperson	Lisa Morris
Treasurer	Bill Johannes
Trustees	Chris Farquhar, Francille Firebaugh, Tom Hadley, Bill Heer, Lisa Morris, Sheldon Taft, Keith White, Gerry Worth

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