

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

DEPART TO SERVE

JUNE 12, 2016

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE YOUTH MISSION TRIP

Thank you to all individuals and committees for their support of the Youth Mission Trip in West Franklinton, through your donations of supplies and meals throughout the week!

WE THANK GRACE GELPI for providing summer music at the 11 a.m. service this morning. Grace Gelpi is the daughter of Chris Gelpi and Janet Newcity, recently completing her freshman year at Michigan State University. This summer, Grace will be in residence at the Interlochen Center for the Arts.

COLUMBUS PRIDE PARADE STEPS OFF AT 10:30 A.M. ON SATURDAY,

JUNE 18 The Central Southeast Association of the UCC is hosting a booth and a float for the day.

Important items of note include:

1. **Pre-Parade Breakfast at St. John's UCC at 59 E. Mound Street.**
2. **Volunteer:** Help is needed at the Booth on Saturday and decorating the float (Times TBA). Please sign up in the church office.



FLOWER DEDICATIONS If any of the following available dates has special meaning to you, please contact Marty Worth mworth@first-church.org to sign up for dedicating the flowers or sign up on the flower chart on the bulletin board outside the office. Thank you!

Available dates:

- July 10
- August 28
- October 23

2016 ARTS FESTIVAL BEVERAGE BOOTH If you are going to the 2016 Columbus Arts Festival today, 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 toward the 2018 Norwich/Lincoln Pilgrimage. Look for our red shirts on Saturday at our booths located at the intersection of Washington and Rich, west of the Main Street Bridge. Come say hello and grab a refreshing beverage.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME

Join First Church on Sunday, July 24 at 4:05 p.m. as the Columbus Clippers take on the Pawtucket Red Sox, as part of the Faith Days with the Clippers series. First Church will order tickets for reserved seating; tickets are only **\$7 for adult, youths and seniors!** Please sign up in the office. Payment for tickets is due in full by July 10. Please make checks out to First Congregational Church, and indicate "Clippers Baseball Outing" in the memo line. Tickets will be available for pick up Sunday July 24 after worship (or possibly earlier).



VOLUNTEERS FOR OUTSIDE GARDENING We are looking for volunteers who like to work outside in garden beds with weeding and trimming. Call or email Sharon Leidheiser at 614-228-1741, ext. 11 or sleidheiser@first-church.org. Surprise for those who volunteer!

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS 13-Madeline Aeschbury, Alexandria Cole, JJ Cole; 15-Sam Klintworth; Missy Zimmerman; 18-Sadie Clark, Lukas Irons; 19-Shawn Dingus, Carl Jacobson, Jack Knueve, David Nassau

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES 14-Gayle and Mike Henderson, Shannon and Christopher Washington; 15-Julia and Matt Myers, 16-Debra and Fred Hadley; 17-Luke and Kirsten Ahrens, Penny and Terry Casey, Celeste Feather and Peter Murray, Tanya and Jonathan Miller; 18-Val and Phil Stichter; 19-Ann and John Aecshbury, Deb and Tom Thompson

- **SATURDAY, JUNE 18** – Columbus PRIDE Parade begins at 10:30 a.m.
- **THURSDAY, JULY 7** – Choir Summer Course from 6 to 7:30 p.m.
- **SUNDAY, JULY 24** – Faith Days with the Clippers – First Church attending Columbus Clippers Game, which starts at 4:05 p.m.



JOYS AND CONCERNS

BLESSINGS TO NEWLY MARRIED COUPLES We extend our blessings and congratulate Stanford Lange and Shannon Rapovy, who were married here yesterday. Congratulations to Rachael and Judy Purdy, who were married on June 4.

PRAYERS FOR OUR YOUTH AT CAMP THIS WEEK: Ethan and Erin Murray

MEMBERS Arlene Reynolds; Abby Salak and Melissa Prendergast and their daughter, Ruth Eloise; Sandy Bennett; Margene Whittenberg; Bernie Martin; Ray Pendell; and families and friends who continue to mourn the loss of loved ones, including Margaret Cipriani, on the death of her cousin Mary Margaret.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY John and Elaine Poppe, father and step mother of Barb Poppe; Alta Smith, aunt of Cindy Deliman; Richie Baldi, cousin of Joe Bellissimo, who died last Monday; Bill Taylor; Bev Goldie; Lois Beery; Bill Gutlieb; Monica Depinet, sister of Tom Gies; Joe, Marjorie, and David Kufel, father, mother and brother of Sharon Leidheiser; Craig Smith, friend of Becky Magaw; Judy Presser; Ruby and Wendell Smith, parents of Sarah Lange; Frankie Williams, mother of Mark Williams; Jill Ford, friend of Mark Williams; and families and friends who continue to mourn the loss of loved ones, including Judy Smith, on the death of her sister Carol Smith, and Janet Stoneking, on the death of her mother Norma.

THROUGHOUT THE WORLD We continue to pray for those who battle mental illness daily; we pray for all migrants and refugees across Europe and throughout the world; we pray for all those facing health challenges.

IN GOD'S HANDS: THE ECUMENICAL PRAYER CYCLE This week in the Ecumenical Prayer Cycle, we pray with and for the people and churches of Angola and Mozambique.

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

If you have any prayer requests or joys to share, please contact the church office (avagner@first-church.org or 614-228-1741, ext. 10) or one of the ministers: ecorazine@first-church.org or 614-228-1741, ext. 21, or tabrens@first-church.org or 614-228-1741, ext. 13.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, June 12

9 a.m. – Worship: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
 11 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary
 Noon – Fellowship Hour – Parish Hall
 6 p.m. – First Church Softball Game – AB Field 8

Monday, June 13

9 a.m. – Good Samaritan Day – Sanctuary and Parlor
 6:30 p.m. – Christian Education Meeting – Mark Williams' home

Tuesday, June 14

2 p.m. – Worship Planning – Parish Family Room
 7 p.m. – Executive Committee – Ralph Fanning Room

Wednesday, June 15

11 a.m. – Book Study: *How My Mind Has Changed* – Parlor

Saturday, June 18

8:30 a.m. – House and Grounds – Parish Family Room

Sunday, June 19

9 a.m. – Worship: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
 11 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary
 Noon – Fellowship Hour – Parish Hall
 5 p.m. – First Church Softball Game – AB Field 8

June Fellowship Hour Schedule

June 12 Psalms
 June 19 Romans
 June 26 Ruth

May Acolyte Schedule

June 12	Miriam Myers	Samantha Myers
June 19	Finnegan Miller	Ethan Murray
June 26	Mae Hubbard	Alaina Thompson

June Mission Offering Schedule

June 12 Good Samaritan
 June 19 UCC – LGBT
 June 26 Community Shelter Board

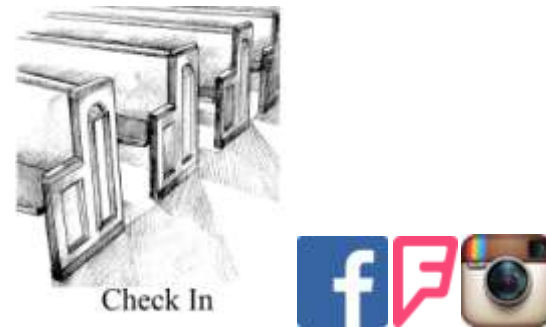
ABOUT YOUR OFFERING TODAY All our offerings support the Ministry of First Church through its programs, outreach, and related groups as, together, we witness to God's love. Thank you for your gifts.

- **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** and then click on **Online Giving**. Set up an account and pay with your credit card or through your checking or savings account. You may use the QR link or:



<https://www.faithstreet.com/church/first-congregational-church-of-columbus-columbus-oh/giving>

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



If you have a Facebook, Foursquare, or Instagram profile, please **CHECK-IN** and let friends know you are worshipping with us today. If you are on Twitter, please hashtag your tweets with #firstchurchcbus."

Please don't forget to silence your device before worship begins.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

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<i>Senior Minister</i>	Timothy C. Ahrens, D. Min.
<i>Associate Minister</i>	Emily Krause Corzine, M. Div.
<i>Minister of Music</i>	Kevin Jones, M.M.
<i>Director of Christian Education</i>	Mark S. Williams, M. Ed.
<i>Commissioned Minister for Social Justice</i>	Tom Brownfield
<i>Commissioned Minister for Spiritual Formation and Direction</i>	Jacquelyn Dean
<i>Organist/Choirmaster Emeritus</i>	G. Dene Barnard, S.M.M.
<i>Treble Choir Director</i>	Sandra Mathias, Ph.D.

DIACONATE

<i>Senior Deacon</i>	Lynn Wallich
<i>Deacons</i>	Sandy Bennett, Kris Brant, Valerie Conlin-Losinski, Sue Cook, Alec Deitz, Dean Hafey, Anne Hudson, Paul Leidheiser, Mary Lightbody, Dayna McCrary, Janet Newcity, Jorge Polo, Alex Rodriguez, Hugh Schultz

TRUSTEES

<i>Chairperson</i>	Francille Firebaugh
<i>Trustees</i>	Bill Heer, Lisa Morris, Sheldon Taft, Charlie Weaver, Keith White, Carrie Wise, Gerry Worth
<i>Moderator</i>	Brian Cave
<i>Treasurer</i>	Bill Johannes

CHURCH STAFF

<i>Business Manager</i>	Sharon Leidheiser
<i>Program Manager</i>	Martha Worth
<i>Office Manager</i>	Amy Wagner
<i>Custodian</i>	William Lee, Jimmy Sibrian
<i>Wedding Coordinators</i>	Janet Axt, Margaret Cipriani
<i>Nursery Staff</i>	Evin Wimberly, Simone Ellerson, Natalie Barker, Taylre Arnold

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