



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

## Depart to Serve

JUNE 17, 2018

**SAFE AND HEALTHY OHIO CAMPAIGN** To learn more about this ballot initiative to reduce the incarceration rate in Ohio, stop by the Mission Table in Parish Hall, located directly beneath the Sanctuary, during Fellowship Hour.

### CRIS WELCOME TEAM MEETING

**TODAY AT 10 A.M.** Welcome Teams are needed to assist Refugees as they integrate into new lives in



Columbus. Men and women of First Church are invited to meet in the Fanning Room. A staff member from Community Refugee and Immigration Services (CRIS) will explain how a Welcome Team works. The goal of the meeting is to form a Welcome Team.

### COMING UP: NEW MEMBER CLASS, MONDAY, JUNE 18, 7-9 P.M.

Interested in learning more about First Church and being part of this vibrant community of faith? Come and learn more. New members will join at the 11 a.m. service on Sunday, June 24. For more information, please contact the Rev. Emily Corzine at [ecorzine@first-church.org](mailto:ecorzine@first-church.org) or at 614-221-1741 x21.

### FOOD BOX DELIVERY ASSISTANCE NEEDED

Adults are asked to deliver food boxes to homebound seniors in Franklinton on Fridays. Gladden Food Pantry staff will load the boxes into cars. Deliveries are at 9:30 a.m. or Noon and take 1 to 1 ½ hours. Please contact Lindsay Blackburn, Volunteer Coordinator, Gladden Community House, at 614-227-1619 or [lindsayblackburn.gch@gmail.com](mailto:lindsayblackburn.gch@gmail.com) for details and to volunteer for a shift.



### DESPERATELY SEEKING A FEW GOOD PERSONS!

Attention all friendly people! Church growth and vitality is looking for a few good parishioners who would be willing to host fellowship hour during the month of July. These are the lazy hazy days of summer, so no big spread is required. We are looking for 2-3 people to make a pot of coffee, put out some water pitchers and generally welcome visitors and members alike after the service. Church Growth and Vitality will supply the cookies. It will be informal and relaxed. If the weather is good, we can even take it outside. Please contact Mary Anne Jacobson at 612-718-9834 or [marytoddj@gmail.com](mailto:marytoddj@gmail.com) if you and a couple buddies are willing to put your friendly foot forward!

### BON VOYAGE CHORAL EVENSING: SUNDAY, JULY 8 AT 4 P.M.

Please plan to attend the Choir's Bon Voyage Choral Evensong. The Tour Choir will sing music by Kenneth Leighton and the "Merton College" canticles by Ēriks Ešņvalds. They will also sing the joyful "Antiphon" by William Walton, all in preparation for their departure to England on July 12. We will also be commissioning the travelers for this mission trip during the liturgy. The Rev. Dr. Nancy Livingston will officiate, with Tyler Robertson as organist.

### YOU ARE INVITED! TRIP TO ISRAEL/PALESTINE AND "THE PASSION PLAY"

in Oberammergau, Germany in June 2020. That is right – 24 months from now. The Passion Play is performed in a small village in Germany once every ten years. It is an all-day event. We would take 9 days to see the Holy Lands. On Day 10, we would fly to Munich and see the city and Dachau Concentration Camp. Day 11 would be the Passion Play, and Day 12 would feature a trip to Ettal Abbey Linderhof Castle. We return to the USA on Day 13. We really need to have a preliminary count by June 20, 2018. Are you interested in going? Please contact the Rev. Dr. Tim Ahrens at [tahrens@first-church.org](mailto:tahrens@first-church.org), or call with questions, 614-228-1741, ext. 13.

**Please note: the Ninth Street door will ONLY be open on Sunday mornings. Please use the North Education Wing Entrance to enter the building at all other times!**

### JOYS AND CONCERNS

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Sherri Martin and Adam Howard who were married here yesterday.

**MEMBERS** Martha Loy; Jane Weddle; Grace Glaros; Mary Kay Beall Carter; Ben Wiant; Marcy Essig; Wayne Redenbarger; Andrew MacGregor; Wally Giffen; Lindy Miller; and Carl Miller; and those who mourn the loss of loved ones, including Peter Murray and Celeste Feather and family, on the death of Peter's father, Charles Murray; and the family of Nell Cole.

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY** Mildred Livingston, mother of Nancy Livingston; Tim Acton; Joyce Marcum, sister of Betty Conn; and Brooke Chute, cousin of Amy Wagner.

We offer a special prayer for Mark Williams, Director of Christian Education, who is on sabbatical through August 21.

**THROUGHOUT THE WORLD** We pray for continued peace along the Korean peninsula. We pray for all those killed and injured by Guatemala's Fuego volcano eruption and Kilauea Volcano's eruption in Hawaii. We pray for all affected by the crisis in Israel and Palestine. We pray for those around the world who suffer from brain diseases and we pray for their caregivers.

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

**MISSIONARIES** This week we pray for Fritz-Gerald Joseph serving in Morocco.

**Need Prayer?** If you have any prayer requests or joys to share, please contact Amy Wagner, Office Manager, at [awagner@first-church.org](mailto:awagner@first-church.org) or 614-228-1741, ext. 10 or the ministers: [ecorzine@first-church.org](mailto:ecorzine@first-church.org) or 614-228-1741, ext. 21, or [tahrens@first-church.org](mailto:tahrens@first-church.org) or 614-228-1741, ext. 13.

## THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

### Sunday, June 17

9 a.m. – Worship: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion – Parish Hall

10 a.m. – Community Refugee and Immigration Services (CRIS)

Welcome Team Committee – Ralph Fanning Room

11 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary

Noon – Fellowship Hour – Parish Hall

### Monday, June 18

6 p.m. – Budget and Finance – Ralph Fanning Room

7 p.m. – Personnel – Parish Family Room

7 p.m. – New Members Class – Parlor

### Tuesday, June 19

2 p.m. – Worship Planning – Children’s Library

### Wednesday, June 20

#### Deadline for Newsletter

11 a.m. – Book Study – Education Wing Room A

4 p.m. – Building and Office Close

### Friday, June 22

10:30 a.m. – Memorial Service and Reception for Nell Cole –

Sanctuary and Parish Hall

### Sunday, June 24

9 a.m. – Worship: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion – Parish Hall

11 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary

Noon – Fellowship Hour – Parish Hall

Noon – Lincoln Information Meeting for Travelers – Choir Room

1 p.m. – Lincoln Choir Rehearsal

**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 an envelope found in the pew, 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](http://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.

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- **Other Gifts:** Please designate your intention: *Memorials, flowers, fund raising projects, music, education, Building Endowment, House and Grounds Special Projects, etc.*

### OFFERING TOTAL FOR LAST WEEK’S MISSION

June 3 – \$608 – Laundry Love

### NEXT WEEK’S MISSION OFFERING – Faith Mission Meals

**MEMBER BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK** Today – Lukas Irons; 19 – Shawn Dingus, Carl Jacobson, David Nassau; 20 – Richard Mason; 21 – Rick Henderson, Ken Salak; 22 – Cindy Deliman; 23 – Evan Whaling

**MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK** Today – Val and Phil Stichter; 19 – Deb and Tom Thompson; 20 – Sarah Amy and David Kruk; 21 – Sue and Frank Cook; Janet Newcity and Chris Gelpi; 22 – Wendy and Robert Reber; 23 – Kosby and Kevin Carrico

### 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. (on sabbatical June 21-August 21)
Sabbatical Replacement Director of Christian Education	Karen Mozingo, Ph.D.
Commissioned Minister for Social Justice	Tom Brownfield
Commissioned Minister for Spiritual Formation and Direction	Jacquelyn Dean
Organist/Choirmaster Emeritus	G. Dene Barnard
Jubilate and Exultate 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	Simone Ellerson, Natalie Barker, Taylre Arnold, Miranda Brooks

### DIACONATE

Senior Deacon	Janet Newcity
Deacons	Anthony Brown, Valerie Conlin-Losinski, Bert Cook, Martha Fulleman, Shelly Gies, Todd Jacobson, Dayna McCrary, Karen Mozingo, David Nassau, Cori Page, Allison Lowery Palmer, Jorge Polo, Alex Rodriguez, James Velo

### CHURCH COUNCIL

Moderator	Joe Baszynski
Moderator-Elect	Lynn Wallich
Treasurer	Joe Hoffman
Assistant Treasurer	Matt Myers
Secretary	Nancy Loy
Assistant Secretary	Jim Griffin

### COMMISSIONERS

Administration	Chris Glaros, Elect - Greg Kellison
Church Growth/Vitality	Tom Kiesel and Mary Anne Jacobson, co-chairs; Elect - Maria Brown and Lisa Fravel-Dean
Education	Chris Gelpi, Elect - Jennifer Provenzano
House & Grounds	Gary Leidheiser, Elect - Mark Brown
Justice & Mercy	Dawn George, Elect - Nicole Moss
Music, Arts, & Heritage	Joel Mathias, Elect - Drew Wade
Nominating Chair	Kent Shimeall
Member-at-large	Pavan Peter
Youth-at-large	Miriam Myers
Deacon Council Representative	Todd Jacobson

### TRUSTEES

Chairperson	Chris Farquhar
Treasurer	Cindy Conn
Trustees	Brian Cave, Tom Hadley, John Martin, Sheldon Taft, Elaine Warren, Keith White, Gerry Worth

