

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

DEPART TO SERVE

JUNE 19, 2016

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).



THANK YOU FOR SHARING THE LIGHT!

Thank you to all First Church Youth who faithfully serve as acolytes in our 11 a.m. services year-round. We appreciate your dedication and commitment to fulfilling this important role in worship. Thanks also

to their parents who support them in this effort, and to Cindy Deliman who serves as the coordinator for the Acolyte Ministry. Since Cindy establishes the acolyte schedule to cover several months at a time, occasionally the acolytes serving for a particular service do not match up with those listed in the bulletin due to last minute schedule changes. Acolytes include: Chutney Anderson, Alyssa Batchelor, Nick Boriin, Cassidy Hopcraft, Madeline Helmer, Trenton Helmer, Mae Hubbard, Torrie Lute, Finnegan Miller, Ethan Murray, Erin Murray, Miriam Myers, Samantha Myers, Alex Palmer, Allysia Palmer, Matty Provenzano, Mia Provenzano, Peter Spofforth, Alaina Thompson, and Nina Zimmerman

- **SATURDAY, JUNE 25** – NAMIWalks Event and Health & Wellness Fair – Wolfe Park, 105 Park Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43209
- **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.



NAMIWALKS: SUPPORT THOSE WHO STRUGGLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS ON JUNE 25, 2016

1 in 5 adults experience a mental illness every year. Mental illnesses affect not only the person suffering from them, but their family members, friends, and community as well. However, recovery is possible. The National Alliance on Mental Illnesses Franklin County is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing FREE classes and support groups for those suffering from mental illnesses, as well as their family members and caregivers. Join NAMIFC for our 2016 NAMIWalks event on Saturday, June 25! Participate in a non-competitive 1 to 3 mile walk in support of those impacted by mental illness, to increase awareness, and to ensure that every single member of our community can get the help that they need. The walk will be in Wolfe Park, 105 Park Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43209. Registration begins at 9 a.m., and the walk begins at 10 a.m., followed by our second annual Health & Wellness Fair. Register today:

<http://www.namiwalks.org/franklincounty>



NAMI HEALTH & WELLNESS FAIR EVENT ON JUNE 25, 2016

Interested in having a happy, healthy family? Want to learn more about all the community resources available to you? Join the National Alliance on Mental Illnesses Franklin County for our 2016 Health & Wellness Fair on Saturday, June 25 at Wolfe Park, 105 Park Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43209. For the first time ever, this year's fair will feature the Family Wellness Olympics with fun activities for both kids and adults. Get resources and information to help you and your family live a healthy and balanced life. The event will also include food trucks, music, face painting, line dancing, and more! The fair will follow our NAMIWalks event, a non-competitive 1 to 3-mile walk in support of those impacted by mental illnesses.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

BLESSINGS TO NEWLY MARRIED COUPLES We extend our blessings and congratulate Jessica Dixon and Amin Ansari, who were married here Friday, and Adie Liefeld and Hunter Young, married here Saturday.

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; Judy Smith, on the death of her sister Carol Smith; Cindy Deliman on the death of her aunt, Alta Smith; and Janet Stoneking, on the death of her mother Norma.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY John and Elaine Poppe, father and step mother of Barb Poppe; Richie Baldi, cousin of Joe Bellissimo, who died recently; 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,

THROUGHOUT THE WORLD We pray for those killed and injured in the shootings in Orlando, as well as their family and friends.

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 Susan Valiquette, serving in South Africa.

If you have any prayer requests or joys to share, please contact the church office (awagner@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 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

Monday, June 20

Noon – Newsletter Deadline
 6:30 p.m. – Personnel Committee – Parish Family Room

Tuesday, June 21

2 p.m. – Worship Planning – Parish Family Room
 7 p.m. – Church Council – Ralph Fanning Room

Wednesday, June 22

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

Saturday, June 25

9 a.m. – Faith Mission Meal Preparation – Kitchen

Sunday, June 26

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

June Fellowship Hour Schedule

June 19 Romans
 June 26 Ruth

May Acolyte Schedule

June 19 Erin Murray Ethan Murray
 June 26 Mae Hubbard Alaina Thompson

June Mission Offering Schedule

June 19 UCC – LGBT
 June 26 Community Shelter Board

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS 20-Dan Clark, Richard Mason; 21-Rick Henderson, Ken Salak; 22-Cindy Deliman, Linda Slocum; 23-Evan Whaling; 24-Trenton Helmer, Eric Klintworth, Sarah Trace; 25-Benton Ahrens, Heather Whaling; 26-Eric Boyd, Lauren Holt, Dan Logel, Jonathan Miller, Rhonda Poirier

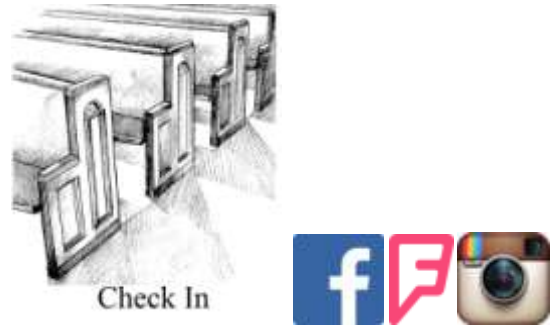
ABOUT YOUR OFFERING TODAY All our offerings support the Ministry of First Church through its programs, outreach, and related groups as, together, we witness to God’s love. Thank you for your gifts.

- **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.*



Check In

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.

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES 20-Sarah Amy and David Kruk, Julie and Eric Vore; 21-Sue and Frank Cook; 22-Gail and Bill Johannes, Wendy and Robert Reber; 23-Kosby and Kevin Carrico; 26-Virginia and James O’Neil

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

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| <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

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| <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

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| <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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