

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

DEPART TO SERVE

JULY 3, 2016

SUMMER CHOIR 2016 The Summer Choir will make its appearance this summer in 11 o'clock worship on Sundays, July 10 and July 17. There is no audition for this choir, and no need to sign up in advance. If you want to sing, just come to the Choir Room at 10 a.m. on those Sundays. We will learn a quick, easier anthem, and be ready to add our voices to worship. We will be singing from the Gallery and we will not vest. This is a great chance to sing if you love to sing but don't have time for the regular commitment during the year. We look forward to seeing you there!

- **THURSDAY, JULY 7 – Choir Summer Course** from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

- **SUNDAY, JULY 10 – NAMI CLASSES BEGIN** – The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) of Franklin County is offering classes for families to cope with mental illness, for five weeks beginning on July 10 in Room C of the Education Wing from 1-5:30 p.m.

- **SUNDAY, JULY 24 – Faith Days with the Clippers** – First Church attending Columbus Clippers Game, which starts at 4:05 p.m.

- **TUESDAY, JULY 26 – Laundry Love** at Wash Land Laundromat, 1469 West Broad Street, West Franklinton. **Laundry Love needs liquid detergent and financial assistance to purchase quarters.**



MEMBER BIRTHDAYS 1-Penny Casey, Larry Walquist, Olivia Rodriguez, Ashton Smith; 3-Liam Collins; 4-Cori Rowley, 5- Bronya Boykin, Nancy Evans; 6-Sandy Mathias, Janet Newcity; 7-Kathy Brownfield; 8-Joyce Campbell, Mike Rippel, Arstell Washington; 9-Joan Lebold

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES 1-Sharon and Larry Walquist, Robyn and Mike Petras; 7-Trish and Tom Bishop, Lauren and Scott Hamman, Kerry and Rob O'Leary; 8-Denise and Nate Vogt; 11-Shelly and Tom Gies, Murley and Alan Miller

JOYS AND CONCERNS

BLESSINGS TO NEWLY MARRIED COUPLES We extend our blessings and congratulate April Zimmerman and Neal Schafer, who were married here Saturday.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JEFF AND EMILY CORZINE on the arrival of Jeff's second grandson, Thomas Jeffrey Hardin on June 10.

MEMBERS Grace Glaros; Rick Henderson; Janice White; Abby Salak and Melissa Prendergast and their daughter, Ruth Eloise; Bernie Martin; Ray Pendell; and families and friends who continue to mourn the loss of loved ones, including: Janice Taft, on the death of her mother, Doris Davison; Judy Smith, on the death of her sister Carol Smith; and Cindy Deliman, on the death of her aunt, Alta Smith.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY Jason Wood, grandson of Melva Fisher; Jackie Miller, grandmother of Melissa Kulwicki; Pam Fisher, niece of Lynn Wallich; Billy Crawford, friend of Amy Wagner; Stephen Lemieux; Akiko Maeba, relative of Leidheiser family; Bill Taylor; Bev Goldie; Lois Beery; Bill Gutlieb; Joe and Marjorie Kufel, parents 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 Pam and Natalie Hyatt, on the death of husband and father Lee, cousin of Jeff Corzine.

THROUGHOUT THE WORLD We pray for the victims and survivors of the bombings at Istanbul's Ataturk Airport. We pray for the victims of the recent flooding in West Virginia. We pray for the people and leaders of the United Kingdom and European Union. We pray for the leaders of this country. We pray for survivors of war and oppression. We pray for the thousands affected by gun violence.

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 Bolivia, Chile, and Peru.

MISSIONARIES: This week, we pray for Beth Guy, serving in Guadeloupe.

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: ecorzine@first-church.org or 614-228-1741, ext. 21, or tabrens@first-church.org or 614-228-1741, ext. 13.

**TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME
Sunday, July 24, 2016 at 4:05 p.m.**

Huntington Park
330 Huntington Park Lane,
Columbus, Ohio 43215

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 adults, youths and seniors!** Please complete this form and place it in the offering plate with your payment or sign up in the office.

Payment for tickets is due in full by Sunday, 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).



Name(s) of Attendee(s):

Number of Tickets Requested: _____

Payment Attached: Yes _____ No: _____

Email address:

Best Telephone # to reach me is:

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, July 3

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, July 4–Fourth of July Holiday

Building and Office Closed

Tuesday, July 5

2 p.m. – Worship Planning – Parish Family Room

Wednesday, July 6

11 a.m. – Book Study – Parlor

Thursday, July 7

7 p.m. – Voice for Life Class – Choir Room

Saturday, July 9

10 a.m. – First Church Quilters –Ralph Fanning Room

Sunday, July 10

9 a.m. – Worship: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion
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JULY FELLOWSHIP HOUR SCHEDULE

July 3 Samuel
 July 10 Zechariah
 July 17 Acts
 July 24 Amos
 July 31 Colossians

JULY ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

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| July 3 | Alex Palmer | Alyssia Palmer |
| July 10 | Matty Provenzano | Mia Provenzano |
| July 17 | Chutney Anderson | Erin Murray |
| July 24 | Cassidy Hopcraft | Finnegan Miller |
| July 31 | Alex Palmer | Alyssia Palmer |

JULY MISSION OFFERING SCHEDULE

July 3 Camp Scholarships
 July 10 CUE-UCC Seminaries
 July 17 Church World Services – Disaster Relief
 July 24 CRIS
 July 31 Children’s Defense Fund

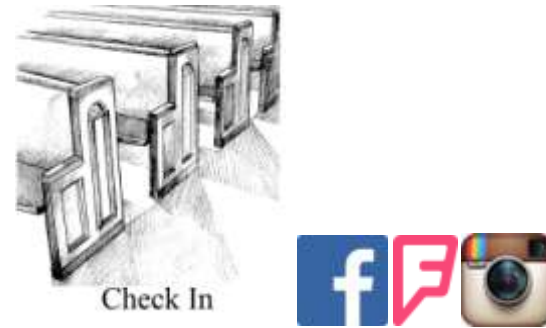
ABOUT YOUR OFFERING TODAY All our offerings support the Ministry of First Church through its programs, outreach, and related groups as, together, we witness to God’s love. Thank you for your gifts.

- **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

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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>Interim Building and Grounds Superintendent</i> | Milt Allen |
| <i>Custodians</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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