

Enter to Worship
Depart to Serve

This Week at First Church

6/7	
9 a.m.	Worship
9:45 a.m.	Virtual Coffee Hour
11 a.m.	Worship
12 Noon	Virtual Coffee Hour
6:30 p.m.	First Church Youth Gathering
6/8	
9 a.m.	Good Samaritan Program
Noon	Grief Group
7 p.m.	Trustees Mtg
6/9	
7 p.m.	Executive Committee Mtg
6/10	
5:45 p.m.	Personnel Committee Mtg
6/11	
7 p.m.	Security Team Mtg
6/12	
10 a.m.	Food Drive Setup
6/13	
10 a.m.	Food Drive Collection

First Church to be Part of The Big Give



For more information on First Church's participation in The Big Give visit:

<https://files.constantcontact.com/5728e215501/d1e-aff61-f5dc-41d5-98f9-200fa5ad1166.png>

Food Drive

The Youth of First Congregational Church will conduct a "Drive By Food Drive" on June 13 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on the West Lot. The food drive will benefit the Gladden Community Food Pantry and the Broad Street Presbyterian Food Pantry. They are collecting non-perishable food items and monetary donations. This is a great opportunity for scouting groups, community organizations, neighborhood organizations and companies to join forces to help those in need.

Virtual Coffee Hour



Sundays on Zoom
Immediately Following the Service Livestream

Join the Virtual Coffee Hour,
immediately following each
Worship Livestream.

Join Zoom Meeting

9:00 a.m.

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zlUNDlnZkZ4ZURldz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86527907526?pwd=L014R1dIdmE4U-zlUNDlnZkZ4ZURldz09)

Meeting ID: 865 2790 7526
Password: 601438

11:00 a.m.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/
j/87492075026?pwd=a2VESWEvR-
FRidllZV2JoV0cvaWJHdz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87492075026?pwd=a2VESWEvR-FRidllZV2JoV0cvaWJHdz09)

Meeting ID: 874 9207 5026
Password: 599583

Keep in Prayer

We remember George Miller, father to Johnathan and grandfather to Finn, who died last week from Covid19.

All medical professionals in our congregation who are on the front lines, and all those affected by illness including Susie Loik's daughter, Kristen Glover; Alex Ramsey, grandson of Nancy Livingston; and Rocio Sibrian, sister of Jimy Sibrian.

We pray for those in our own faith community: Fran Panek; Lindy Miller; Paul Flocken; Rev. Earl Fritz and Pauline Fritz; Arlene Reynolds; and Jean and Lee and for Matt and Rhonda and their children, Chelsea and Kevin.

We pray for our family and friends: Rebecca, mother of Darrell Cross; Paul Zimmerman, father of Doug Zimmerman; Tito Sanchez, friend of Dayna McCrary; Amy Smith, sister of Sarah Lange; Ilene Beasley, friend of Steven Ferris; Calvin Roth, father of Julie Roth; and Michael Fitzmaurice and his brother, Stephan Mano.

And we pray for those who mourn the loss of loved ones, including: Shawn Dingus on the death of his grandmother, Opal Stanley; Helen and John Cantrell on the death of his son, John; Ella Koscher on the death of her 10 year old "sister" Maria, and Maria's family and friends in Madagascar; Mark Williams, on the death of his friend, Kelly Harris; and Sam Lebold and family on the death of his mother, Joan Lebold.

Call to Action:

1. SPEAK OUT against racism and make a public witness to denounce white supremacy.

2. SHOW UP at events to lament and stand in solidarity with our BIPOC (Black Indigenous People of Color), and follow their leadership

3. CALL Mayor Ginther: 614-645-7671 demanding he implement the recommendations of the Columbus Community Advisory Commission.

Justice and Mercy Commission Call to Action

The Justice and Mercy Commission met this past week, and have provided a Call to Action to show solidarity and support for the fight to end systemic racism in this country.

Yard Signs: Rev Corzine has purchased 20 Black Lives Matter Yard Signs. Contact her if you would like one. ecorzine@first-church.org

Join us in a Church-Wide Program

Everyone is invited to participate in the 21-Day Racial Equity Challenge. It is sponsored by the Christian Education and Justice and Mercy Commissions.

The 21-Day Racial Equity Habit Building Challenge is where you do one action to further your understanding of power, privilege, supremacy, oppression, and equity. The Plan includes suggestions for readings, podcasts, videos, observations, and ways to form and deepen community connections. The suggested categories are: Read, Listen, Watch, Notice, Connect, Engage, Act, Reflect and Stay inspired.

We will host a Zoom meeting each Monday for us to discuss what we have learned during this challenge in a safe place.

You will find the link below – so get started now and help make a change in our lives and country.

<https://www.eddiemoorej.com/21daychallenge?fbclid=IwAR14DWYP7qKFg7j5aokIXhfBe-Qhy21pV-kbvF>

21-Day Racial Equity Habit Building Challenge ©

“I am and always will be a catalyst for change.”

-Shirley Chisholm

Give

At First Church, our financial resources enable us to “Enter to worship, depart to serve.” You can support the mission and ministry of First Church now by scanning the QR Code, using either EasyTithe or PayPal, by visiting www.first-church.org/give.aspx, or by sending your offering directly to First Congregational Church, 444 E Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. For more information, please contact Pam Mantor at pmantor@first-church.org or Rev. Emily Corzine at ecorzine@first-church.org.

Cash and designated checks go to the Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW). CIW is a worker-based human rights organization internationally recognized for its achievements in fighting human trafficking and gender-based violence at work. CIW is also recognized for pioneering the design and development of the Worker-driven Social Responsibility paradigm, a worker-led, market enforced approach to the protection of human rights in corporate supply chains. Thank you for your generosity.



Upcoming Mission Offerings:

June 14: Knight Perry Fund

Emergency Pastoral Care Line

If you need to be in touch with Rev. Ahrens or Rev. Corzine, for emergency pastoral care or name a prayer request, please call this number 614-733-4547 and leave a message. Someone will return your call as needed.

Church Leadership

Senior Minister Rev. Dr. Timothy C. Ahrens, M.Div., D. Min.

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Building and Grounds Assistant Darrell Cross

Custodian Jimmy Sibrian

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Nursery Staff Miranda Brooks, Norma Secor, Blessing Weekly, Miranda Gumbita

Senior Deacon James Velo

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Church Council Leadership

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