

Third Friday
Jazz
VESPERS



— listen —

The Keller-Tuberg Trio
Featuring guest vocalist
Rachel Caswell



FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(Disciples of Christ)

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6:30 pm

WELCOME TO THIRD FRIDAY JAZZ VESPERS

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Welcome to *Third Friday Jazz Vespers* at First Christian Church. For centuries, people have asked God for guidance and care as day turns to night. This night, we ask God to refresh, inspire, and call us into a deeper relationship with the Divine Spark that is in this world. Enter into God's presence through songs, silence, and poetry as you feel so moved: breathe deeply, be still, and know that you are beloved. May God bless you in this time of reflection and meditation.

The Pattern of Vespers

Gathering: God beckons us to gather, to reflect on life where we live it, and to be engaged as fully as possible in the world around us. We light candles and sing a song of thanksgiving for God's bringing light into the darkness of our lives.

Word: God continues to communicate through words of wisdom, encouragement, hope, and challenge spoken throughout the ages by God's beloved children.

Psalms: Psalms are the Bible's language of prayer and praise. They provide us language to speak about all of life, including our joys, disappointments, confusion and anger, sadness, and concern for ourselves, others, and this world.

Meditation: When we listen and pray while gathered in community, we are reminded that we are not alone. We also affirm that life is not about "just me," but about participating in a larger movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.

Prayers: Prayer is honest, holy conversation with God and those who gather. God invites our honesty, joys, sorrows, confusion, anger, and wonder. Prayer practices can open us up to deeper understanding and meaningful spiritual connections with God, others, and ourselves.

Going Out: As we leave the vesper service, we are reminded of Christ's peace, presence and purpose in all of life.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Gathering

Gathering Music

Welcome

Lighting of Candles

Leader:

The coming night is dark.
Let our fears of the darkness of the world
and of our own lives be dispelled in this hour.

The night is quiet.
Let the quietness of your peace enfold us,
all who are dear to us, and all who have no peace.

The night heralds the dawn.
Let us look expectantly to a new day,
new joys, new possibilities.

Evening Prayer

Leader:

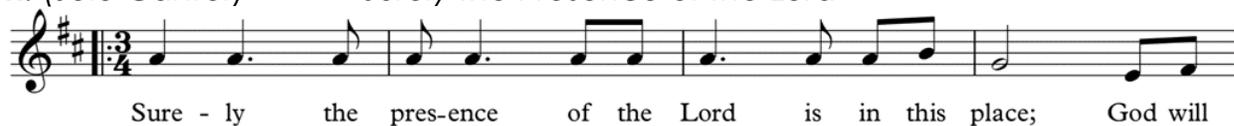
Let us pray.

Creator God,
because of your abundant love
you chose to bring light and order into the formless void,
to create a world of unsurpassed beauty
and you saw that it was good.

Antiphon: *(Solo Cantor)*

Surely the Presence of the Lord

WOLFE



Leader:

We ask that you continue to recreate the world
with that same attentive love,
to bring light into today's ever-increasing chaos and darkness.

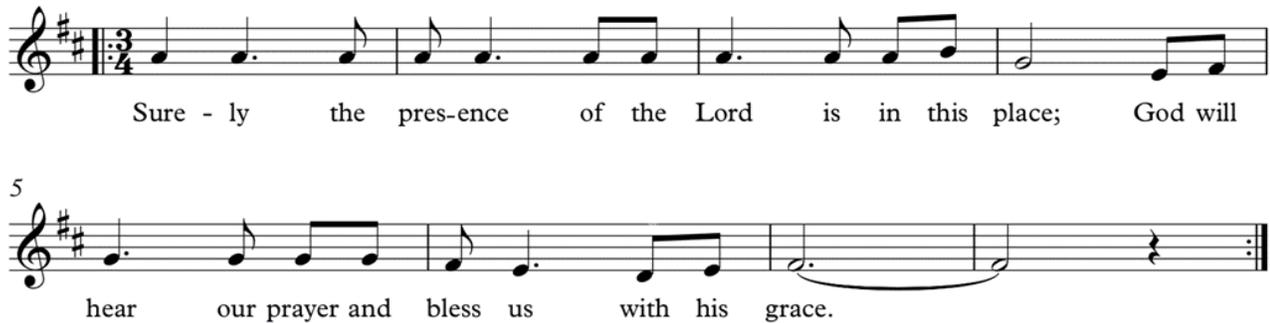
Antiphon: *(Sung by all.)*



Leader:

Where we have failed to listen to each other for Your guidance,
Help us to hear so that we may be in harmony with our human family
and better prepared to serve You.
We ask in the name of the Risen Christ

Antiphon: (*Sung by all.*)



Sure - ly the pres - ence of the Lord is in this place; God will
hear our prayer and bless us with his grace.

Introduction to Theme

Listen

Henry Nouwen (1932-1996)

*Song

Now the Silence

Now



Now the si - lence, now the peace; Now the em - pty hands up lif - ted;
Now the knee - ling, now the plea; Now the Fa - ther's arms in wel - come;
Now the hea - ring, now the power; Now the ves - sel brimmed for pour - ing;
Now the bo - dy, now the blood; now the joy - ful cel - e - bra - tion;
Now the wed - ding, now the songs; Now the heart for - giv - en leap - ing;
Now the Spir - it's vis - i - ta - tion; Now the Son's e - piph - a - ny;
Now the Fa - ther's bless - ing; Now, now, now.

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Jazz Interpretation: Rachel Caswell

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*Please stand as you are able

I have sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also.
They too will listen to my voice and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.

Reading

from *The Wisdom of Winnie the Pooh*

A.A. Milne (1882-1956)

Bess Lee: Christopher Robin

Joe Lee: Winnie the Pooh

Psalm Psalm 121

Refrain: Sung by Cantor


My help—— comes from God, I lis - ten for His voice;—— My

I lift up my eyes to the hills—
from where will my help come?
²My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.

³He will not let your foot be moved;
he who keeps you will not slumber.

⁴He who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.

Refrain: (*Sung by all.*)


My help—— comes from God, I lis - ten for His voice;—— My

⁵The Lord is your keeper;
the Lord is your shade at your right hand.

⁶The sun shall not strike you by day
nor the moon by night.

⁷The Lord will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.

⁸The Lord will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time on and forevermore.

Refrain: (*Sung by all.*)


My help—— comes from God, I lis - ten for His voice;—— My

Glory be to our Maker, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Amen

Community Meditation

During this time of quiet meditation, we are reminded that we are not alone. Let this time be for you an invitation to approach God as you are in this very moment.

Silence: Let's take two minutes in complete silence. Write down any sounds that you hear during that time.

Reflection: Listen to the meditation music and write a prayer or draw a design that the music inspires.

Candle Table: Light a candle in honor of or in memory of a person who has listened to you so that you could release the worry and concerns or joy and excitement that you were carrying.

Communion Table: No matter where you are on life's journey, you are invited to the Table to partake of the bread and the cup, reminders of Christ's compassion for all—no exceptions. Come as you are.

Cantor Solo

Isaiah 55:3

Give ear and come to me; listen, that you may live.
I will make an everlasting covenant with you.

Reading

Labyrinth

Leslie Takahashi

*Song

Softly and Tenderly

THOMPSON



Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for you and for me; _____
Why should we lin - ger when Je - sus is plea - ding, plea - ding for you and for me? _____
O for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for you and for me; _____



pa - tient and lov - ing he's wait - ing and watch - ing, watch - ing for you and for me. _____ come
Why should we wait, then, and heed not his mer - cies, mer - cies for you and for me? _____ come
tho' we have sinned he has mer - cy and par - don, par - don for you and for me. _____ come



home, come home, come home, come home, ye who are wea - ry come home; _____
home, come home, come home, come home, ye who are wea - ry come home; _____
home, come home, come home, come home, ye who are wea - ry come home; _____



ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly, Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing "O lost one, come home!"
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Words and Music: Will L. Thompson, 1880

Jazz Interpretation: Rachel Caswell

Prayers

Prayer

Leader: Gracious God,

We thank you for listening to our prayers both silent and spoken.
You offer us unwavering support and guidance
if we can but calm the clamor in our minds and hearts
that keep us from hearing you.

Please help us to be true listeners to those around us –
attuned to both silent and spoken needs
so that together, we accept each other
and can become partners in listening to You.

We ask in the name of Jesus who taught us to pray saying:

The Lord's Prayer (*sung first by Cantor, then by all*):



Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name; thy
king - dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day our dai - ly bread, and for - give us our
debts, as we for - give our deb - tors, And lead us not in - to
temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom,
and the pow - er and the glo - ry for - ev - er. A - men.

Going Out

Benediction

Leader: Go now in peace, confident in God's unfailing presence with us.
May we listen for God's guidance as we go forward forever loved by God.

Amen.

Closing Music



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The Brendan Keller-Tuberg Trio

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Jackson Forester, drums
with
Rachel Caswell, vocals

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Join us for our next Third Friday Jazz Vespers
service on Dec. 16 at 6:30pm
Our theme in December is **Anticipation**

Join Us at 10:00 am for Sunday Worship at FCC

November 20

Reign of Christ Sunday

November 27

First Sunday of Advent

Welcome to First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)! Whoever you are and wherever you are on your faith journey, you are welcome here! We are a church that values unity, but we understand that doesn't mean we all need to be or think the same. We are not a church built on doctrine or dogma, but trust that the love of Christ is enough to bring us together. We live this out every Sunday as we share the Lord's Supper where ALL are invited to the table. You do not need to be a member of our church or have your faith figured out to come and be a part of this meal at which we celebrate Christ's love!

Sunday worship *at FCC* is traditional in style and music while progressive in theology. You are invited to join us at 10:00 am each Sunday in our beautiful sanctuary. We also offer our service via livestream on our website.

I'd love to share that blessing with you this Sunday or any Sunday! If you'd like to know more about our church or would just like to chat about how God is showing up in your life right now, give me a call! I'd love hear from you! You can also find out more about our church on our website or Facebook page.

Shalom,

Pastor Kymen

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Coming up at FCC...

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH BLOOMINGTON



THE REIGN OF CHRIST

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20, 2022

Join us for Worship at 10:00 am on Nov. 20 as we celebrate the Jesus' authority as the Christ that comes through sacrificial love, and we prepare for the season of Advent.

Hanging of the Greens November 20

Help us prepare FCC for Advent! Join us for the Hanging of the Greens following worship November 20!



Join us in the Great Hall after worship on December 11 as we wrap gifts for MCUM families and eat pizza together! It's an FCC Family tradition!

Wrapping Gifts
for MCUM
and eating pizza after!



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Welcome!

Welcome to FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)

An Invitation to Community

As God has welcomed us, we welcome you.

With all our differences--
in age, ability and physical condition,
in race, cultural background and economic status,
in sexual orientation, gender identity & family structure--
God has received each one
with loving kindness, patience and joy.

All that we are together
and all that we hope to be
is made more perfect
as the richness of varied lives
meets the mystery of God's unifying Spirit
and we become the Body of Christ.



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