

A MOMENT FOR CHILDREN

Children are invited to come to the steps during the final verse of the hymn.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

You are invited to share the peace of Christ by waving your hands. For those who are worshipping at home, reach out and share peace through emails, texts and phone calls in the days to come.

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

SCRIPTURE (Call and Response) Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

Joanne Weddle

Leader: Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock! You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh. Stir up your might, and come to save us!

People: Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Leader: O LORD God of hosts, how long will you be angry with your people's prayers? You have fed them with the bread of tears, and given them tears to drink in full measure. You make us the scorn of our neighbors; our enemies laugh among themselves.

People: Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Leader: But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand, the one whom you made strong for yourself. Then we will never turn back from you; give us life, and we will call on your name.

People: Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved.

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Hope

Sarah Lynne Gershon

ANTHEM

E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come

Paul Manz (1919-2009)

Peace be to you and grace from him Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood That we might saved be.
Sing holy, holy to our Lord, the Lord, Almighty God,
who was and is and is to come; Sing holy, holy Lord!
Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein; Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon! For Christ is coming soon!
E'en so Lord Jesus, quickly come, and night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun, for Christ will be their All!

-Ruth Manz (1919-2008)

adapted from Revelation 22

INVITATION TO GIVING

Joanne Weddle

As you leave the sanctuary at the conclusion of the worship service, please place your tithes and offerings in the trays located at each entrance to the sanctuary. You may also offer your gift online, by mail, through your bank, or by phone (see the insert). Please stand if you are able, as we praise God:

Doxology 46

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication for the Offering

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Joanne Weddle

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you!

Leader: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them up to God.

Leader: Let us give thanks to God most high!

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise!

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Consecration for the Bread and Cup

Communion Hymn 136

Christians All, Your Lord Is Coming

PLEADING SAVIOR

1 Christians all, your Lord is coming,
drawing near in holy birth.
Ring the bells and sound the trumpets,
let your music fill the earth.
Dance and move to show God's glory;
kneel and pause to hear God's word.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Rise and let your songs be heard.

2 Christians all, your Lord is coming,
calling you to serve in deed.
See the ones who hurt and suffer,
hear their cry and act with speed.
Set all selfish ways behind you.
Purge your hearts of sinful greed.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ in you will meet their need.

3 Christians all, your Lord is coming,
he will rise up from the dead.
Lift the cup, of sin forgiven;
bless the host and eat his bread.
Mend the ways where peace is broken,
give yourselves to true Shalom.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Dwell as one in church and home.

4 Christians all, your Lord is coming,
hope for peace is now at hand.
Let there be no hesitation,
walk in faith where life demands.
Bear the word that God has given;
share the birth that stirs your soul.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ will come and make you whole.

Text: Jim Miller, 1993

Tune: Joshua Levitt's *Christian Lyre*, 1830

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hanging of the Greens following worship TODAY! *Help us Decorate our Beautiful Church for Advent!*



Join us following worship TODAY for FCC's Hanging of the Greens. This is a great tradition for everyone! So, join us as we get into the spirit of the Advent season through decorating FCC. Peggy Stafford and Kathy Street will be leading this fun tradition as we decorate FCC for Advent.

Joe Lee Talks about His Book *Forgiveness* on December 5 at FCC!



Joe Lee will be sharing stories of forgiveness during worship on Sunday, **December 5**. Joe's new graphic novel *Forgiveness: The Story of Eva Kor* chronicles the life of young Eva Kor, who survived the Nazi death camps as well as torture by Nazi doctor Josef Mengele during WWII. In 2019, Joe traveled with Eva Kor back to the death camp that she survived in Poland. There, she shared details of her life in the concentration camp as well as her amazing personal journey of forgiving those who killed her family.

Everyone is welcome to come hear Joe Lee's message during the 10:00 am service on Dec. 5. After worship Joe will be available in the Chapel Gathering Space where you can ask questions, purchase a book and have it signed. Please come out, bring a friend, and let's celebrate this achievement from Joe Lee and the wisdom we gain from Eva Kor's story.

Holiday Shopping for MCUM



FCC families will be shopping TODAY for our annual Holiday Shopping trip for MCUM families. We will be wrapping the gifts on **December 5**. This tradition is supported through our Sunday School class offering, but since classes haven't been meeting in person much lately, we are also asking for financial support for this project. You can place your donation in the Sunday offering tray (marked "MCUM Shopping") or mail it to FCC or use the MCUM Shopping button on the homepage of our website. Thank you!!

Monroe County Health Dept. Hosts Virtual Town Hall on COVID-19 Pediatric Vaccinations

The Monroe County Health Department is hosting a Virtual Town Hall on COVID-19 Pediatric vaccinations that will include a panel of local pediatricians. The event will take place Wednesday, Dec. 1 at 6:00 pm online. The link and QR Code to reservation for this online event can be found on the flyer on our bulletin board outside of the Chapel Gathering Space.

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844-298-8978

Include the amount in your text message line.
You may receive a text reply with a link and
instructions to complete your contribution.

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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