Upcoming Events (www.fccstjoseph.org/events/)

Sunday, September 26	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	11:30 a.m.	Pastoral Relations Committee
Monday, September 27	9:00 a.m.	Church Council
	9:00 a.m.	Set-up for Rummage Sale (see full schedule)
	7:00 p.m.	CE Board
Tuesday, September 28	9:30 a.m.	Monthly Book Group
Wednesday, Sept. 29	5:40 p.m.	Jubilate Ringers
	6:30 p.m.	Kids Connect, Pastor Jeffrey's Class, Youth Group
	6:45 p.m.	Chancel Choir
Thursday, September 30	5:15 p.m.	Alleluia Ringers
Saturday, October 2	2:00 p.m.	PastTime Concert on church lawn
Sunday, October 3	10:30 a.m.	Worship (Communion Sunday)

"We welcome people to faith in Jesus Christ to Discover God, Equip One Another for Life, and Reach Inward and Outward to Serve"

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September 26, 2021 10:30 a.m.

Gathering

Welcome/Announcements

Sharing the Peace [screen]

You are invited to listen for God's Spirit as we prepare our hearts for worship.

Prelude "O Worship the King/Holy, Holy, Holy" arr. Kevin McChesney

Jubilate Ringers

All stand if able

Call to Worship [screen]

Bob Cultice, liturgist

Gathering Hymn [screen] #424 "How Can I Keep from Singing?"

Discovering

Children's Message - Children PreK-5th grade are invited to come forward.

Ministry of Music

"All For Jesus" Thomas Bell Chancel Choir

Prayer for Discovery [screen]

Scripture Numbers 11:4-6, 10-17, 24-30, NRSV [screen]

Message "Sharing the Load"

Rev. Jeffrey Hubers

All stand if able

Message Hymn [screen] #598 "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

Thanking

Morning Prayer Lord's Prayer [screen]

Offertory

"You Raise Me Up" arr. Joel Raney Alleluia Ringers

Serving

Doxology [screen] All stand if able

Benediction

Parting Blessing [screen]

Postlude

"Celebration" Fred Gramann

Alleluia Ringers

You are invited to remain seated for the postlude as a final musical reflection; otherwise, please depart quietly.

Peace be with you!

Ushers: Judy Bertsch, Cynthia Schlipp, Debbie Wood, Nancy Fette, Cindi Collum

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks to everyone who helped pack a school supply kit for Church World Service— 144 kits were packed in ten minutes! Thank you!

Monthly book group meets **Tuesday**, **September 28** at **9:30 a.m.** to discuss September's book, *This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger.

For those interested in **helping with Sunday School**, contact Alison (224.805.2385 or Alison@fccstjoseph.org) for more information. It's easy and fun! All you have to do is show up and being a willing set of hands!

Donations for the fall harvesters are being collected—see the donation bin in the entryway next to the church office.

We're in need of a **new volunteer coordinator** for our monthly spot at **Soup Kitchen** (third Tuesday). A team of volunteers is already in place, they just need a leader! For more info, contact Beth Kenagy (269.985.8782) or Cathie Schalk (269.930.5942)

To assist with the "Bear Packs" (weekend food pack ministry) for Lincoln and Brown Elementary schools, contact Beth Kenagy (bak73wm@aol.com)

Nurse Jan's band, PastTime, is putting on a free concert on Saturday, Oct. 2 from 2-4 p.m. on the church lawn. Bring a blanket or chair and enjoy some good tunes!

Fall Rummage Sale: October 7, 8, 9. Due to COVID concerns, no clothes, books, or shoes will be collected so that the items stored in rooms of the CE hallway can be moved to fellowship hall or the outdoor tents. The CE hallway will not be used. Contact a member of the Leadership Team (Gordy Schreiber, Roger Bertsch, Patty Nordberg, Nancy Bunker) for more information.

Rummage Sale set-up schedule located outside Pastor Jeffrey's office.

October is **Stewardship Month** so be on the lookout for letters concerning Planned Giving Cards for 2022 to help build the coming year's budget.

If you are new or a guest and would like more info on FCC, please contact the church office - 269.983.5519 or office@fccstjoseph.org - we'd love to get to know you!

