

## Upcoming Events ([www.fccstjoseph.org/events/](http://www.fccstjoseph.org/events/))

<i>Sunday, January 22</i>	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Break
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	11:30 a.m.	Pastoral Relations Committee
<i>Monday, January 23</i>	9:00 a.m.	Church Council
	7:00 p.m.	CE Board
<i>Wednesday, January 24</i>	5:30 p.m.	Jubilate Ringers
	6:30 p.m.	Youth Group
	6:45 p.m.	Chancel Choir
<i>Thursday, January 25</i>	5:15 p.m.	Alleluia Ringers
<i>Saturday, January 28</i>	8:00 a.m.	Men's Ministry
<i>Sunday, January 29</i>	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	11:30 a.m.	Annual Meeting

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

### First Congregational Church

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Senior Minister	Jeffrey Hubers
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Youth Ministry Director	Carly Hubers
Director of Chancel Choir	Stephen Zork
Parish Nurse	Jan Trapani
Office Manager	Judy Hoffman
Bookkeeper	Nanci Fenrick
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# First Congregational Church United Church of Christ

January 22, 2023 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

"Blessed Assurance" arr. Cindy Berry

*All stand if able*

Call to Worship [screen]

Bob Ehrenberg, liturgist

Gathering Hymn [screen]

"10,000 Reasons"

## Discovering

Children's Message

*Children PreK-5th grade may come forward. The nursery is open during worship. Following the message, students can go to the chapel for Sunday School. Pick-up is at 11:40 a.m.*

Ministry of Music

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light" Kathleen Thomerson  
Chancel Choir

Prayer for Discovery [screen]

Scripture Matthew 4:12-23, MSG

Message "Call of the Kingdom"

Rev. Jeffrey Hubers

*All stand if able*

Message Hymn [screen]

#345 "Jesus Calls Us o'er the Tumult"

## Thanking

Morning Prayer  
Lord's Prayer [screen]

Offertory "Before the Throne of God Above" arr. Molly Ijames

## Serving

Doxology [screen] *All stand if able*

Benediction  
Parting Blessing [screen]

Postlude "O God Our Help in Ages Past" arr. Edwin Childs  
*You are invited to be seated for the postlude as a final musical reflection; otherwise, please depart quietly.  
Peace be with you!*

If you missed coffee with us this morning, join us after for fellowship!

**Ushers:** Fran Chickering, Cindi Collum, Steve Balk, Mike and Marlene Johnson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are **new and would like more info** on FCC, please contact the office! **Sign the fellowship pads** in the pews with updated contact info or comments.

To receive text updates, send a text to **81010** with the message **@fccstj**

The **Annual Meeting** for the congregation will be held on **Sunday, January 29 after worship**. Watch for absentee voting via email this week. Reports are available from the church office.

The **Missions Board** is **collecting socks, hats, and gloves for Soup Kitchen**. Donation bin located in the entryway through January until February 12!

**Men's Ministry** will meet on **Saturday, 28 at 8:00 a.m.** Contact Bill Bock for questions 269.313.0724

On **Sunday, January 29 at 7 p.m.**, there will be a **benefit concert** in the sanctuary, with special music and presentation by our own Chloe Murningham.

**Youth Group** (grades 6-12) meets **Wednesday's at 6:30 p.m.** For details, contact Carly (carly@fccstjoseph.org)

Join **Chancel Choir** (Wednesday's 6:45 p.m.) or one of the **Bell Groups** (Jubilate [Wednesday's 5:30 p.m.] or Alleluia [Thursday's 5:15 p.m.]) - contact **brenton@fccstjoseph.org**

Thank you for supporting the Bear Pack weekend food ministry for St Joseph Elementary schools—for more info, contact Beth Kenagy.

The next book club meeting will be **Tuesday, January 31 9:30 a.m.** discussing Parker J. Palmer's book, *On the Brink of Everything*. Questions: fesstiv@comcast.net

For those who are submitting devotionals for the Lenten Devotional project, please turn in your assignments to Pastor Jeffrey by February 5.

On **Wednesday, February 1 at 6:30 p.m.**, Carly will be leading a "**Prayer Night.**" This is for all ages—she'll guide both students and adults through various stations in the chapel for an experience of worship. For more info, contact Carly.

If you need a pastoral visit or would like an appointment, please don't hesitate to reach out to Pastor Jeffrey (605.6809434).

Help **Soup Kitchen** at our **monthly spot (third Tuesday)**, contact Lori Hellenga - 269.921.7919.

**Sign-up for Sunday ushers** on the main bulletin board. Anyone can do it!

