

WHO WE ARE

Our Vision

As believers in Jesus Christ, we will be a church of vibrant Christians.

Our Mission

We welcome people to faith in Jesus Christ to: *Discover God*

Equip one another for life

Reach inward/outward to serve

Our Welcome

Because we believe each person is made in God's Image, we welcome all persons into the life and worship of this congregation. Regardless of age, ability, gender identity or sexual orientation, racial or ethnic background – you are welcome here!

CONTACT

Hours: Mon-Thurs, 9 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Phone: (269) 983-5519

Website: www.fccstjoseph.org

Facebook: facebook.com/FCCStJoseph

Email: office@fccstjoseph.org

Address: 2001 Niles Avenue
St. Joseph, Michigan 49085



STAFF

Rev. Jeffrey Hubers, Minister

Brenton Offenback, Music

Carly Hubers, Youth

Alison Achramowicz, Children

Nicole Neugebauer, Choir

Jan Trapani, Parish Nurse

Judy Hoffman, Church Office

Nanci Fenrick, Bookkeeper

Jim Dansfield, Maintenance

Julie Ruple, Housekeeping

SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 28

10:30 a.m. - Worship

11:30 a.m. - Fellowship

6:00 p.m. - Book Study

Monday, April 29

9:00 a.m. - Rmg. Set-Up

Tuesday, April 30

7:00 a.m. - Walking Group

9:30 a.m. - Book Group

Wednesday, May 1

5:30 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers

6:45 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 2

7:00 a.m. - Walking Group

9:00 a.m. - Rummage Sale

5:15 p.m. - Alleluia Ringers

Friday, May 2

9:00 a.m. - Rummage Sale

For full listing, check Events or Newsletter on website.

You can also contact the church office for more info.



First Congregational Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, April 28, 2024

10:30 a.m.

“5th Sunday of Easter”

“Wherever you are on the journey of life or faith, you are welcome here”

2001 Niles Ave
St Joseph MI 49085

www.fccstjoseph.org



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome / Announcements ***indicates invitation to stand if able*
Sharing the Peace [screen]
You are invited to listen for God's Spirit as we prepare for worship.
Prelude "Allegro" Kevin McChesney
Jubilate Ringers
**Call to Worship [screen] Fran Chickering, Liturgist

Gathering Hymn [screen] #307 "Good Christians All, Rejoice"

Children's Message *PreK—5th grade may come forward. Students are then invited to the chapel for Sunday School. Nursery open during worship.*

Ministry of Music "My Jesus I Love Thee" arr. Dan Forrest
Chancel Choir
Prayer for Discovery [screen]
Scripture [screen] Isaiah 5:1-7; John 15:1-8, MSG

Message "Sustaining Resurrection" Rev. Jeffrey Hubers

Students grades 6-12 may depart for Youth Group in the Greeting Room.
Hymn [screen] #311 "Now the Green Blade Rises"

Morning Prayer Lord's Prayer [screen]

Offertory "Good Christians All, Rejoice" arr. Healey Willan
**Doxology [screen]

Benediction Parting Blessing [screen]

Postlude "Rejoice! He Is Risen!"
Alleluia Ringers
You are invited to be seated for the postlude as a final musical reflection; otherwise, please depart quietly. Peace be with you!

Ushers: David Hilbink, Kristin Malsch, Wes and Rick Lentz, Beth Kenagy

Thank you for joining us for worship! If you are a guest or visitor and would like to know more about FCC, please enter your contact info in the fellowship pads located in the pews and a staff member will reach out!

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jeffrey's new book study, *The Universal Christ*, meets tonight at 6.

Next Book Club discussion is *The Dictionary of Lost Words* by Pip Williams on Tuesday, April 30 at 9:30 a.m. Contact: Barb (bcdurflinger@gmail.com).

FCC South Haven is hosting Carrie Newcomer (carrienewcomer.com) for a concert on May 2 at 7 p.m. Ticket info: call 520.370.5912

Spring Rummage Sale will take place May 2-3. Volunteer and setup schedule available on bulletin board outside Pastor Jeffrey's office.

Southwest Association of the Michigan Conference UCC is hosting a "Spring Fling" at Tower Hill 12:30-4:30 p.m. See flyer for full details.

Missions is planning to complete the Rummage Sale with an assembly of hygiene kits for Carol's Hope after worship on Sunday, May 5. Come help!

Monday Musical Presents Jonathan Reed for a string bass performance on Monday, May 6 at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. Concert free and open to public.

Mary Preston Guild will meet for lunch at noon on May 8 at the St. Joe Yacht Club. RSVP to Barb Lovellette at barb@oldlakeshore.com

Get your tickets for "Pop-Up Giving" at Silver Harbor on Thursday, May 9 at 5 p.m. Sponsored by FCC, this event will showcase three outreaches in a fun competition with one winner. Info: ryanwilliamcheevers@gmail.com.

Women's Bible Study will meet on Wednesday, May 15 (no first Wed. due to Rummage) at 1 p.m. at church. Contact zerlerkathy@gmail.com for info.

There will be an all-church luncheon after May 19 to celebrate Pentecost and the end of Sunday School. Mark your calendars!

Walking group meets Tuesday and Thursday at 7 a.m. at Hutchinson corner across from church driveway. Text Patty (269.369.0629) to join.

Can you help serve at Soup Kitchen on the third Tuesday of every month? Contact Lori Hellenga (269.921.7919) to volunteer or to learn more!

If you want to help cook for an outreach dinner with First Presbyterian Church, contact Ann Palenske (ap1054@yahoo.com) - next slot is 5/23.

Could you usher on a Sunday morning? Sign-up through [Sign-Up Genius](#) (digital link) or contact Wes Lentz (cwbrazel@gmail.com) for assistance.