

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!

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SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 26

10:30 a.m. - Worship

11:30 a.m. - Fellowship

6:00 p.m. - Book Study

Monday, October 27

9:00 a.m. - Church Council

Tuesday, October 28

9:30 a.m. - Book Group

Wednesday, October 29

5:30 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers

6:45 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 30

11:00 a.m. - Memorial Garden

5:15 p.m. - Alleluia Ringers

Sunday, November 2

10:30 a.m. - Worship

11:30 a.m. - Service Project

3:00 p.m. - MM Presents

Tuesday, November 4

6:00 p.m. - Missions Board

**For full listing, check Events
or Newsletter on website.**



**First Congregational
Church**

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, October 26, 2025

10:30 a.m.

"Stewardship Month"

**"Wherever you are on the journey of life or faith,
you are welcome here"**

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome / Announcements ***indicates invitation to stand if able*
Stewardship Moment / Sharing the Peace [screen]
 You are invited to listen for God's Spirit as we prepare for worship.
Prelude "The Solid Rock of Ages" arr. Linda Lamb
 Jubilate Ringers
**Call to Worship [screen] Bob Ehrenberg, Liturgist

Hymn [screen] #22 "Let All Things Now Living"

Children's Message *PreK—5th grade may come forward. Grades 1-5 invited to Sunday School in chapel. Nursery care available for younger children.*

Ministry of Music "I Will Bless the Lord" Ken Medema
 Chancel Choir; Marcelo Martins, accompanist

Prayer for Discovery [screen]
Scripture [screen] Psalm 84:1-4, 10-12; Luke 18:9-14, NRSV

Message "Asking a Different Question" Rev. Jeffrey Hubers
 Students 6-12th grade may depart for Youth Group in the Lounge
**Hymn [screen] #436 "Grace Alone"

Morning Prayer Lord's Prayer [screen]

Offertory "I Will Arise and Go to Jesus" arr. Cathy Moglebust
 Alleluia Ringers
**Doxology [screen]

Benediction Parting Blessing [screen]
 You are invited to be seated for the postlude as a final musical reflection.
Postlude "Bound for the Promised Land" arr. Derek Hakes
 Alleluia Ringers

Ushers: Bruce & Kathy Zerler-Anderson, Diana Seaman, Barb Durflinger,
 Bruce Molineaux

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 via the **Remind app**,
go to <https://www.remind.com/join/fccstj>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar flowers are in loving memory of Barb Callendar from Gary.

October is Stewardship Month—help build the coming year's budget by filling out a Planned Giving card or contact the church office for more info.

The Brunch Bunch is going to Bistro On The Blvd today. Meet in the narthex after worship. Call Cindy 269.208.3212 for more info!

Pastor Jeffrey's book study on *Dominion* resumes tonight at 6 in the library. Contact him for more info on the class.

Book group will meet on Tuesday, October 28 at 9:30 a.m. to discuss *The Bookshop* by Evan Friss. Contact Faith at fesstiv@comcast.com for info.

Missions Board is collecting supplies for Thanksgiving boxes for area veterans and school families in need. See full donation list in entryway. Boxes will be compiled following worship on November 2.

On Sunday, November 2, we will hold a special service remembering our beloved departed from the last year and beyond during morning worship.

Women's Bible Study will meet Wednesday, November 5 at 1 p.m. in the library. Contact Kathy (zerlerkathy@gmail.com) for meeting info.

Grief Ministry will meet Saturday, November 8 at 10 a.m. at church. Email cwcaruso@alumni.ucdavis.edu or zerlerkathy@gmail.com for info.

Mary Preston Guild will meet on Wednesday, November 12 at 1 p.m. Email Mary (maryjgoff@gmail.com) to RSVP for the meeting.

Want to help with Rake-a-Difference on Thursday, November 13? Contact Ryan (ryanwilliamcheevers@gmail.com) to join our team or for more info!

We're looking for folks willing to help with Sunday School this fall. Contact Carly at carly@fccstjoseph.org for more info or [sign up here](#) (digital link).

Our kids (and their families) would also love to see you helping out in the nursery. You can see the [volunteer options here](#) (digital link).

Want to help usher on a Sunday morning? Please use the Sign Up Genius link to find a date that works for you ([click here](#)).

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