

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

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STAFF

Rev. Jeffrey Hubers, Minister

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Julie Ruple, Housekeeping

SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 5

10:30 a.m. - Worship

11:30 a.m. - Fellowship

3:00 p.m. - Interfaith Event

Monday, October 6

7:00 p.m. - MM Presents

Tuesday, October 7

6:00 p.m. - Missions Board

Wednesday, October 8

1:00 p.m. - Mary Preston

5:30 p.m. - Jubilate Ringers

6:45 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 9

5:00 p.m. - Taproom Hours

5:15 p.m. - Alleluia Ringers

Friday, October 10

4:30 p.m. - Rummage Dinner

Saturday, October 11

10:00 a.m. - Grief Ministry

Sunday, October 12

10:30 a.m. - Worship

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



**First Congregational
Church**

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, October 5, 2025

10:30 a.m.

"Stewardship Month"

(Communion)

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

**2001 Niles Ave
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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 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" arr. Albert Travis

****Call to Worship** [screen] Jennifer Holmes, Liturgist

Hymn [screen] #545 "How Lovely, Lord, How Lovely"

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 Need Thee Every Hour" Stan Pethel
 Chancel Choir; Marcelo Martins, accompanist

Prayer for Discovery [screen]
Scripture [screen] Psalm 37:1-9; Luke 17:1-10, MSG

Message "The Economy of Grace" Rev. Jeffrey Hubers

****Hymn** [screen] #443 "Trust and Obey"

The Lord's Supper [screen]

Morning Prayer Lord's Prayer [screen]

Offertory "I Need Thee Every Hour" arr. Dale Wood
****Doxology** [screen]

Benediction Parting Blessing [screen]
 You are invited to be seated for the postlude as a final musical reflection.
Postlude Toccata on "Come, Thou Fount" arr. Albert Travis

Ushers: Kristen Robinson, Chris Paine, Jane Oelke, Linda Becker

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/fccsti>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks for all the help with Rummage Sale! Thanks be to God!

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.

Thank you for the donations for Interfaith Action's migrant support. Please join today for the Celebration of the Harvest & Harvesters at 3 p.m. at Tabor Hill Vineyards.

Monday Musical Presents will hold their first program of the year on October 6 at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Mary Preston Guild will meet on Wednesday, October 8 at 1 p.m. in the Gathering Room. Please RSVP with bcdurflinger@gmail.com.

October Taproom Hours will be held at Watermark Brewery on Thursday, October 9 from 5-7 p.m. Contact Pastor Jeffrey for event info.

Grief Ministry will meet on Saturday, October 11 at 10 a.m.
Email cwcaruso@alumni.ucdavis.edu or zerlerkathy@gmail.com for info.

Pastor Jeffrey's book study on *Dominion* continues October 12 at 6 in the library. Contact him for more info on the class.

Women's Bible Study will meet on Wednesday, October 15 at 1 p.m.
Contact Kathy (zerlerkathy@gmail.com) for meeting info.

Interested in joining FCC? Contact Pastor Jeffrey for more info.

Missions is putting together a team for Rake-a-Difference in November.
Contact Ryan (ryanwilliamcheevers@gmail.com) to join 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!

If you want to help cook for an outreach dinner with First Presbyterian Church, contact Ann Palenske (ap1054@yahoo.com) - next slot is 10/23.