



Read All About It

January 21st, 2024
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First Christian Church Chico

(Disciples of Christ)



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Welcome Visitors! We are excited that you have chosen to worship with us today; all are welcome and beloved—all races, gender identities, sexual orientations, socio-economic statuses, *everyone*.

I. Prelude – (Nancy Thompson)

II. Ringing of the Bell

III. Welcome and Announcements (Tom Shifflet)

- Today – Fellowship following service.
- Tuesday — 1:00 p.m. String Ensemble, Chapel
- Wednesday — 6:00 p.m. Scouts BSA, Koinonia Hall, Fireside.
- Thursday – 8:30 a.m. Worship Breakfast, Cozy Diner; 2:30 p.m. Music Practice, Room 4; 6:30 p.m. Living the Questions Bible Study, Room 6 and Zoom.
- Saturday— 1:00 p.m. Game Day, Bethany; 2:00 p.m. Journeys of the Heart Bereavement Group, Spiritual Care Center
- Sunday –Scout Sunday! 8:30 a.m. Sacred Grounds Room 6 and Zoom; 10:00 a.m. Worship in sanctuary, Zoom, and FaceBook Live; Fellowship in K-Hall following the service.
- Offerings may be put in the offering plate which is near the bulletins near the entrance of the sanctuary

IV. Opening Hymn – CH #463 “Renew Your Church” (Nancy Thompson)

Renew your church, our ministries restore: both to
serve and adore
Make us again as salt throughout the land, and as light
from a stand.
‘Mid somber shadows of the night, where greed and
hatred spread their blight,
O send us forth with power endued. Help us God, be
renewed.

Teach us your word, reveal its truth divine, on our
path let it shine.
Tell of your works, your mighty acts of grace, from
each page show your face.
As you have sent your Christ to save, in love to
triumph o’er the grave,
O let our hearts with love be stirred, help us God,
know your word.

Teach us to pray, for you are ever near, your still voice
let us hear.
Our souls are restless ‘til they rest in you: Love’s
design ever new.
Before your presence keep us still that we may find
for us your will
And seek your guidance every day. Teach us, God,
how to pray.

Teach us to love, with strength of heart and mind,
each and all – humankind!
Break down old walls of prejudice and hate, leave us
not to our fate.
As you have loved and giv’n your life to end hostility
and strife,
O share your grace from heav’n above, teach us, God,
how to love.

V. Call to Worship CH 451 “Litany of Ministry” (Tom Shifflet)

O God, who sent Jesus into the world
Not to be ministered unto, but to minister,
And to give his life to set others free,
Shape us for your ministry.

**Claim us, O God, for your service, and direct us
toward your will.**

You have graced all members of Christ’s body, one by
one,
With gifts of the Spirit to fulfill their vocation:
To lead lives worthy of your calling,
To be workers who have no reason to be ashamed,
To shine as lights to your glory.

You have granted each of us the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

You give grace according to the measure of Christ's gift,
And some are called to be apostles,
Some prophets,
Some evangelists,
Some pastors and teachers,
To equip the saints for the work of ministry,
For building up the body of Christ.

Grant that together we may all come to the unity of faith and of the knowledge of your Son, to the full stature of Christ.

Through your grace, O God, may we lead a life
Worthy of the vocation to which you call us.

Claim us, O God, for your service, and direct us toward your will.

VI. Children Fourth Grade and Under Dismissed for Sunday School

VII. Laughing Bird Psalm 111 (Tom Shifflet)

Wow! More power to you, LORD!
We can't thank you enough.

With all who stand for justice
our hearts burst with gratitude.

The things you do are fantastic, LORD,
and those who see and understand
never tire of exploring them.

Your works are magnificent, majestic,
and their integrity will never be eroded.

You have a reputation for doing amazing things,
and all of them generous and merciful.

You nourish those who honour you
and you are always true to your word.

You have left your people in no doubt
about your power;
you have given them the whole world on a plate.

Everything you put your hands to
is faithful, fair and trustworthy,
as is everything you say.

What you say goes, now and forever,
and no one can afford to ignore it.

You rescue your people and bring them home safe,
for you have committed yourself to them
for all time.

The mere mention of your holy name
makes us go weak all over!

Wisdom is born when your awesome presence
knocks us to our knees
and those who never lose sight of that
have got their heads on straight.

Awestruck, we give you honour and respect for ever.

VIII. Mark 1:21-28 (NRSV) (Tom Shifflet)

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

IX. Sermon – “Read All About It” (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

X. Song of Reflection and Invitation – CH #452 “Here I Am, Lord” (Nancy Thompson)

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people
cry.

All who dwell in deepest sin, my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their
darkness bright

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you
calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people
in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my
people's pain.

I have wept for love of them, they turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for
love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you
calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people
in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor
and lame

I will set a feast for them, my hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you
calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people
in my heart.

XI. Moments for Mission

XII. Prayers of the People

XIII. Communion Song CH #403 “In Remembrance of Me” (Nancy Thompson)

In remembrance of Me eat this bread
In remembrance of Me drink this wine
In remembrance of Me pray for the time
When God’s own will is done

In remembrance of me heal the sick
In remembrance of me feed the poor
In remembrance of me open the door
And let your neighbor in, let them in

Take eat and be comforted
Drink and remember too

That this is my body and precious blood
Shed for you, shed for you

In remembrance of me search for truth
In remembrance of me always love
In remembrance of me don’t look above
But in your heart look for God
Do this in remembrance of Me

XIV. Institution of Communion (Gary Cantwell, and Joe Rogers, elders)

XV. Partaking Communion Together

XVI. Blessing/Benediction (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

XVII. Postlude – (Nancy Thompson)

- **Game Day Coming Soon!** The first Game Day will be Saturday, February 3rd, from 1-5 p.m. in the Bethany Room. This is a snack potluck, so bring a snack to share! Everyone is welcome. Please see Amber McGill for more information.

Attendance

Attendance for January 21st, 2024:

Sanctuary: 33 Online: 21 Total: 54

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Jan. 28th-February 4th, 2024

CALENDAR

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- 10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary and Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) and [Facebook](#)
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- 1:00 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary

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Some FAQs for Visitors

- **What is Communion?** Communion is a part of each Sunday morning where we remember the last meal that Jesus ate with the disciples by eating bread and drinking grape juice.
- **May I receive Communion?** Yes! Everyone is invited to receive -- we have no barrier to participating in communion.
- **What's a "Doxology"?** Some Sundays we will sing a "doxology" (literally "saying of glory") after we receive the offering. It is a prayer written in 1674 and is popular in Protestant Churches -- plus, we love the words.
- **Do we say the Lord's Prayer together?** We do pray the Lord's Prayer together occasionally on Sunday mornings during the prayer time.
- **What else should I know?** We'd love to share more of our loving and inclusive community with you. At FCC, you'll find all generations worshipping together and participating in church activities. We have activities for kids and youth, and we love to share in community together.
- **Visit our website to donate online, subscribe to our mailing lists, and learn more about us!**
www.fccchico.com
- **Masks:** Masks are recommended but not required. Adult and child size masks are available in the Sanctuary as well as hand sanitizer.