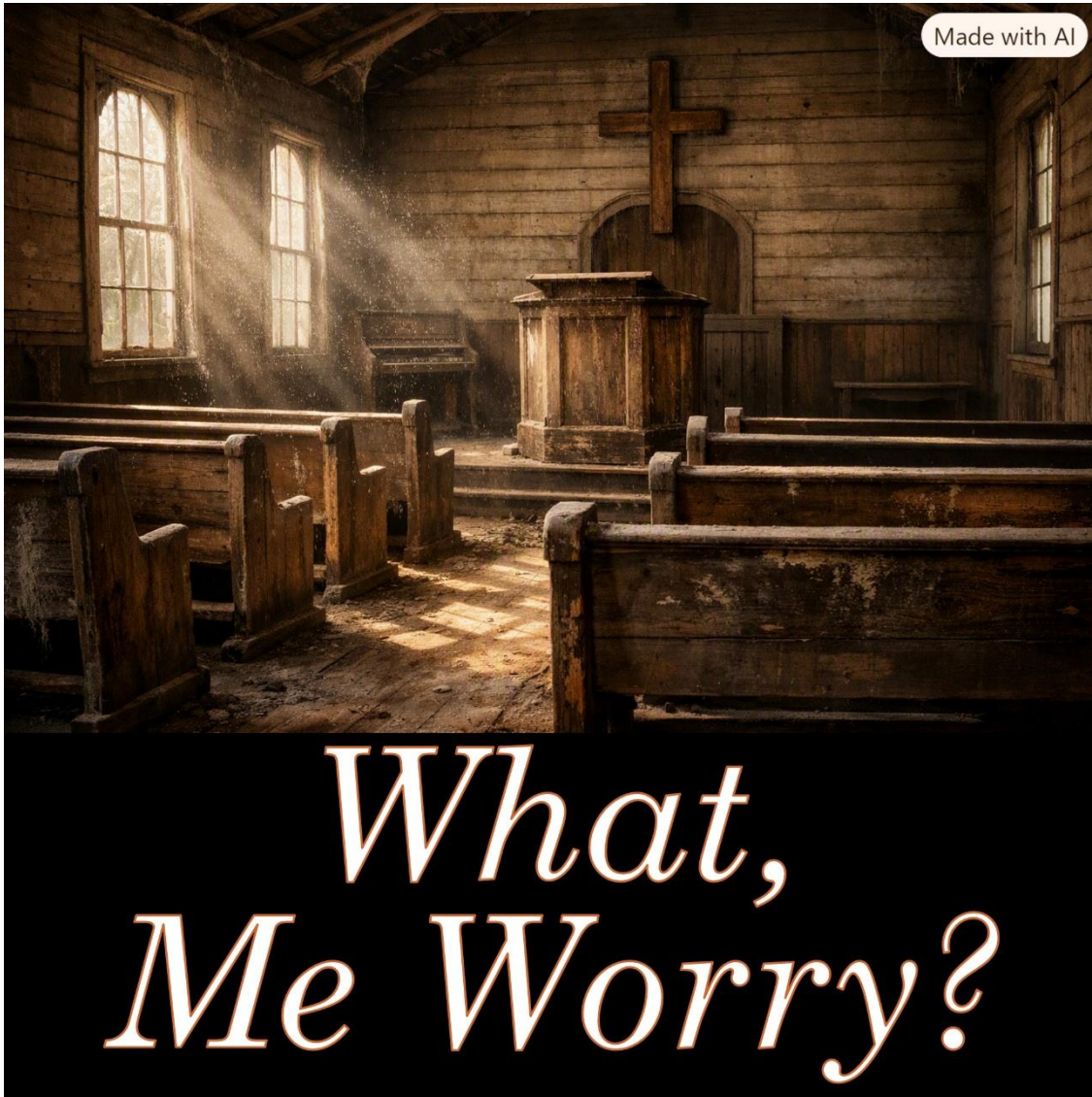
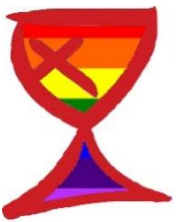




What, Me Worry?



First Christian Church (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 – (Georgia Nelson)

- Welcome to everyone here in the sanctuary, on Facebook and Zoom
- Today –Fellowship in Koinonia Hall following our worship service
- Tuesday – 9:30 a.m. Koinonia Krafters in Fireside; 7 p.m. Church Board Hybrid meeting in the Chapel and on Zoom
- Wednesday – 11:30 a.m. Chico Area Interfaith Council meeting in Fireside
- Thursday – Deadline to submit articles to our monthly newsletter, *The Caller*; 8:30 a.m. Worship Team Breakfast at Cozy Diner; 10 a.m. Music Practice in Room 4; 6:30 p.m. New Bible Study begins, called *Living Toward Hope*, in Room 6 and on Zoom;
- Saturday – 10 a.m. PEO NS Bunco, Koinonia Hall
- **Next Sunday –Corning Sunday! Corning FCC's service begins at 11 am and they are located at 1421 Marin St.**
- Recommendations to the Nominating Task Force are next to the bulletins, and may be put in the collection plate, dropped by the office, or mailed to the church. **Our congregational meeting where we will vote for next year's leaders will be Sunday, November 15th.**
- Your Bazaar Donations Are Welcome NOW! You can bring donations on Sunday mornings and place them on the rolling cart in the entrance of the Sanctuary, or on the stage in Koinonia Hall, or bring donations to the church during regular office hours. The final day for donations is Tuesday, November 3.

- Please see the back of your bulletins for the calendar
- Offerings may be put on the offering plate near the bulletins near the sanctuary's entrance

IV. Greeting One Another

V. Opening Hymn –CH #2 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” (Nancy Thompson)

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,
Op'ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
Drive our fear and doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in Thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living,
Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother,
All who live in love are Thine;
Teach us how to love each other,
Lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the happy chorus,
Stars of morning take your part;
Love divine is reigning o'er us,
Binding those of tender heart
Ever singing, move we onward,
Victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us Sunward
In the triumph song of life.

VI. Responsive Call to Worship – (Georgia Nelson)

Rejoice in God always!

People: Again we say: Rejoice!

When worry fills our hearts,

People: We will bring our prayers to God.

When the world feels uncertain,

People: We will seek the peace that passes understanding.

Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just,

People: Whatever is pure, pleasing, and worthy of praise—

Let us set our hearts and minds on these things.

People: And may the God of peace be with us.

Come, let us worship God!

VII. Children are Dismissed for Sunday School

VIII. First Scripture Reading Psalm 23 (Laughing Bird) (Georgia Nelson)

You, LORD, are my guide in the wilderness;
there is nothing more I could need.

You set up camp in places of beauty and shelter;
you lead the way on secluded tracks
beside creeks of cool clean water.
I feel my spirit breathing freely again;
your reputation puts me at ease;
I leave the navigating to you, and follow.

Even if we hike through a perilous valley,
where crows keep a menacing watch,
fear will still not get the better of me.
As long as I stick with you
I know I'll make the distance;

with a knife and a bit of rope
you seem able to tackle any challenge.

You cook up a feast for me,
as those who wanted to feed on me watch, frustrated.
You pamper me like an honoured guest
and constantly top up my glass.

My life feels charmed, each and every day.
Love, mercy and all good things
keep falling into my lap.

I'm with you for life, LORD,
where you go, I'll go;
where you live, I'll live.

IX. Second Scripture Reading Philippians 4:1–9 (NRSVUE) (Georgia Nelson)

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my coworkers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

X. Sermon -- “What, Me Worry?” (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

XI. Song of Invitation –CH #575 “Come and Find the Quiet Center” (Nancy Thompson)

Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead,
Find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:
Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see
All the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace,

God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches
base,
Making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun,
Raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith
begun.

In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain,
Let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain:
There's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to
care,
In the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare!

XII. Moments for Mission

XIII. Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Our father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and
The glory forever, Amen.

XIV. Response CH # 306 “Hear Our Prayer, O Lord” (Nancy Thompson)

Hear our prayer, O Lord,
Hear our prayer, O Lord,
Incline Thine ear to us,
And grant us thy peace.
Amen.

XV. Communion Song –CH #420 “I Come With Joy” (Nancy Thompson)

I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me,
in love laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ’s communion bread,
in Christ’s communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,
each proud division ends.

The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends,
And strangers now are friends.

The Spirit of the risen Christ
Unseen, but ever near,
Is in such friendship better known,
Alive among us here,
Alive among us here.

Together met, together bound
By all that God has done,
We'll go with joy, to give the world
The love that makes us one,
The love that makes us one.

XVI. Institution of Communion (Georgeanne Bennett, elder)

XVII. Partaking Communion Together

XVIII. Blessing/Benediction (Rev. Jesse Kearns)

XIX. Postlude (Nancy Thompson)

- **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 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.
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- **Deadlines:** Sunday Bulletin-Wednesdays, 10 am; Callerito weekly email-Thursday 10 am; Caller, monthly newsletter-15th at noon.

**Attendance: October 4, 2026
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Calendar for the Upcoming Week

Sunday October 11

- 8:30 a.m. Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Room 6 & on Zoom
- 10 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary & Streamed Live on Zoom & Facebook
- Fellowship, Koinonia Hall
- 1 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary
- 2 p.m. Journeys of the Heart Bereavement Group, Spiritual Care Center

Tuesday October 13

- **9:30 am Koinonia Krafters, Fireside**
- **7:30 pm Church Board Hybrid Meeting, Chapel and Zoom**

Wednesday October 14

- 10 a.m. Uplift Boutique (Free Family Resource), Room 10
- 11:30 am Chico Area Interfaith Council meeting, Fireside
- 6 p.m. Scouting America Troop 2, Fireside, Koinonia Hall

Thursday October 15—Deadline to submit articles to *The Caller*

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Team Breakfast, Cozy Diner
- 10 a.m. Music Practice, Room 4
- 5:30 p.m. Scouting America Pack 2, Fireside, Koinonia Hall
- **6:30 p.m. Bible Study, *Living Toward Hope*, Room 6 and Zoom**

Saturday October 17

- 10 a.m. Uplift Boutique (Free Family Resource), Room 10

Sunday October 18—Corning Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Room 6 & on Zoom
- 10 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary & Worship Streamed Live on Zoom & Facebook
- Fellowship, Koinonia Hall
- **11 a.m. FCC Corning Service begins, 1421 Marin St, Corning**
- 1 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary
- **2 p.m. Journeys of the Heart Bereavement Group, Spiritual Care Center**