



March 2nd, 2025

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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

II. Ringing of the Bell

III. Welcome and Announcements – (Dave Hoppe)

- Today –Fellowship, hosted by Tom Shifflet and Barbara Poetker for March Birthdays held following service in Fireside
- Tuesday – 11:30 a.m. Music Practice, Room 4; 7:00 p.m. Church Board meeting, Zoom
- Wednesday – Ash Wednesday Service at noon in the Sanctuary; 6:00 p.m. BSA Scouts Troop 2 in Koinonia Hall and Fireside
- Thursday – 8:30 a.m. Worship Breakfast at Cozy Diner; 5:30 p.m. BSA Cub Pack 2 in Koinonia Hall and Fireside; 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at **Chico First Baptist in their Fellowship room within their Social Hall and on their zoom.**
- Next Sunday – Daylight Saving Time Begins
- 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. Call to Worship – (Dave Hoppe)

We gather in God's presence to bring our worship and
praise

for God is merciful and slow to anger.

God loves justice and righteousness.

God is with us in this moment and in each moment,
so, may we take these moments to listen, to

**worship, to be present,
to be transformed by God's grace and the power
of God's spirit.**

Holy, yes holy is our God so let us worship together.

Holy God, You come amongst us.

You are present here and we worship You.

You are present in the beauty of the world in which
we live in all its intricacy and diversity.

**You are present in the relationships we have with
family, friends and neighbors,**

in the laughter and tears we share together.

You are present when justice prevails and mercy is
shown,

**when we dare to hope of a world which mirrors
Your *shalom*.**

Holy God, You come amongst us.

Your promise is that You will never leave us.

**We trust in Your promise and Your presence with
us as we worship,
and so, we bring our thanks and praise. Amen.**

V. Opening Hymn – CP #7 “Let Us Go to the House of the Lord” (Joshua Hegg)

I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

Called from ev’ry nation, called from ev’ry race,
gathered here for worship, in this holy place.
God is here among us; lift your hearts and sing;
make the walls and rafters ring.

I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”
I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

Here the poor are welcomed, here the lost are claimed.
Broken lives are mended; deepest fears are named.
Here the wise are children, and the weak are strong.
Here, in Christ, we all belong.

I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”
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“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

Words that must be spoken, grace that must be heard,
mercy and forgiveness from God's holy Word
Here will be repeated, peace to all proclaimed,
shouted out in Jesus' name.

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“Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

VI. Children in Fourth Grade and Under are Dismissed for Sunday School

VII. Exodus 34:29-35 (NRSV) (Dave Hoppe)

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face;

but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

VIII. Scripture Reading Luke 9:28-36 (NRSV) (Dave Hoppe)

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to

him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

**IX. Sermon – “Shiny Things” (Guest Preacher
Rev. Georgeanne Bennett)**

**X. Hymn of Invitation – CP #187 “May the Lord
Bless You and Keep You” (Joshua Hegg)**

May all your days be filled with grace and beauty,
and all your nights fly swiftly toward the dawn.
May God’s great love go with you on your journey,
and his spirit be in your song.

When troubles fall like rain upon your shoulders,
when sorrow comes and bends you like a bow,
remember this, we never will forget you;
our hearts go with you where’er you go.

And may the Lord bless you and keep you;
may he make his face to shine upon you
and give you peace, and give you peace
forever and evermore.
Now go with God, go in his care,
and until we meet again,
we leave you with this prayer:

May the Lord bless you and keep you;
may he make his face to shine upon you
and give you peace, and give you peace
forever and evermore.

**XI. Moments for Mission: The Forgotten
Initiative Resource Boutique, Carolyn Driscoll**

XII. Prayers of the People

**XIII. Communion Song – CP #168 “Table of
Love” (Joshua Hegg)**

Here we are, you and me;
I wonder if we’re s’pposed to be
here at this table.
Draw me in, as I am;
I hope that you will understand
As I come to this table of love.

I am tired, I am worn,
I am broken, I am torn.
So I come to this table.
I let your peace fill my soul,
Cleanse my heart, and make me whole
Here at this table of love.

I've come here to lay it all down.
You've come to lift me up,
And now we're forever bound
By this bread and by this cup
Here at this table of love.

I was lost, now I'm found,
Since we all have gathered 'round
Here at this table.
I was blind, now I see
All the ways you welcome me
Here at this table of love.

I've come to lay it all down.
You've come to lift me up,
And now we're forever bound
By this bread and by this cup
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XIV. Institution of Communion (Gary Cantwell, elder)

XV. Partaking Communion Together

XVI. Blessing/Benediction

XVII. Postlude (Joshua Hegg)

The Caller. The March edition of *The Caller* is available on the tables by the front of the sanctuary and on our website fccchico.com

Attendance

February 23rd, 2025

Online: 8 Sanctuary: 55 Total: 63

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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 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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CALENDAR

This Sunday

- 8:30 a.m. Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Room 6 and on [Zoom](#)
- 10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary and Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) and [Facebook](#)
- Fellowship, in **Fireside**
- 1:00 p.m. Iglesia de Cristo Agua Viva, Sanctuary
- 2:00 p.m. Journeys of the Heart, Spiritual Care Center

Tuesday

- 11:30 a.m. Music Practice, Room 4
- 3:00 p.m. String Ensemble, Chapel
- 7:00 p.m. Church Board meeting, Zoom

Wednesday—Ash Wednesday

- Noon Ash Wednesday Service, Sanctuary
- 3:00 p.m. String Ensemble, Chapel
- 6:00 p.m. BSA Troop 2, Koinonia Hall and Fireside

Thursday

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Team breakfast, Cozy Diner
- 5:30 p.m. BSA Pack 2, Koinonia Hall and Fireside
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study: A Lenten Journey with Jesus and the Prophets, **Chico First Baptist**, 850 Palmetto Ave in the Fellowship room within their Social Hall and on their zoom

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