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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 – (Joshua Hegg)

## II. Welcome and Announcements – (Mary Kearns)

- Tuesday - Check-in at 1:00 p.m. on Zoom
- Tuesday – 7:00 p.m. Board Meeting
- Wednesday - Boy Scouts in K-Hall at 6:00 p.m.
- Wednesday - Ecumenical Lenten Services at Faith Lutheran and Faith Lutheran's website at 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday - Music practice at 10:00 a.m. in Room 4
- Thursday – “Here’s the Church, Here’s the Steeple” at 7:00 p.m. in Room 6 and on Zoom
- Friday—Church Office Closed
- Saturday – Bon Voyage Gathering for Brandon and Rachael Nelson in Koinonia Hall
- Sunday - Sacred Grounds at 9:00 a.m. on Zoom and Room 6
- Sunday – Palm Sunday Worship at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary, Zoom, and Facebook Live
- Sunday Fellowship after worship in Fireside hosted by the Nelsons

## IV. Opening Hymn – CH #581 “Near to the Heart of God” (Joshua Hegg)

There is a place of quiet rest,  
Near to the heart of God  
A place where sin cannot molest  
Near to the heart of God

O Jesus blest Redeemer  
Sent from the heart of God  
Hold us who wait before you  
Near to the heart of God

There is a place of comfort sweet  
Near to the heart of God  
A place where we our Savior meet  
Near to the heart of God

O Jesus blest Redeemer  
Sent from the heart of God  
Hold us who wait before you  
Near to the heart of God

There is a place of full release  
Near to the heart of God  
A place where all is joy and peace  
Near to the heart of God

O Jesus blest Redeemer  
Sent from the heart of God  
Hold us who wait before you  
Near to the heart of God

## V. Call to Worship – (Mary Kearns)

When all we have hoped for and trusted in has let us  
down;

**There is Christ who reaches out to us.**

When the world seems dark and despairs threatens to  
close in upon us;

**There is Christ, reaching out for us.**

Come and let us worship the Lord who is always ready  
to reach out to us.

**We humbly come before the Lord in hope and  
faith. AMEN.**

## VI. Children Dismissed for Story Time (Peggy Davidson)

### VII. John 12:1-8 NRSV (Mary Kearns)

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to

the poor?’ (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, ‘Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.’

### **VIII. Sermon - “You’re In My Bubble” (Pastor Jesse)**

### **IX. Song of Invitation – CH #577 “Nearer, My God to Thee” (Joshua Hegg)**

Nearer my God to thee, nearer to thee  
E’en though it be a cross that raiseth me  
Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God to thee.  
Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee

When like the wanderer the sun gone down  
Darkness be over me, my rest a stone  
Then in my dreams I’d be nearer my Gd to thee  
Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee.

There let the way appear steps unto heaven  
All that thou sendest me, in mercy given  
Angeles to beckon me, nearer my God to thee  
Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee.

Then, with my waking thoughts bright with thy praise  
Out of my stony griefs Bethel I’ll raise  
So by my woes to be nearer, my God, to thee  
Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee.

On if, on joyful wing cleaving the sky  
Sun, moon, and stars forgot upward I fly  
Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to thee  
Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee.

### **X. Moment for Mission – (General Church Message)**

### **XI. Prayers of the People (Mary Kearns)**

### **XII. Communion Song CH #588 “Have Thine Own Way, Lord!” (Joshua Hegg)**

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way!  
Thou art the potter, I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me after thy will  
While I am waiting, yielded and still

Have thine own way, Lord. Have thine own way.  
Search me and try me, Savior today  
Wash me just now, Lord, wash me just now,  
Touch me and heal me, Savior divine

Have thine own way, Lord. Have thine own way  
Hold o'er my being absolute sway  
Fill with thy Spirit till all shall see  
Christ only always living in me.

### **XIII. Institution of Communion (Elders Bill Peterson and Barbara Poetker)**

### **XIV. Partaking Communion Together**

### **XV. Blessing/Benediction (Pastor Jesse)**

### **XVI. Postlude - (Joshua Hegg)**



Easter Flowers

**Easter Flowers** Envelopes are in the pew racks in the Sanctuary. You can place your envelope and check in the offering plate. **The last date to order flowers will be Palm Sunday, April 10th**—that's NEXT Sunday!

The price remains \$10.00. After the flowers have been displayed in the Sanctuary, you may either take your flowers home after the Easter Service, or they may be delivered to those who are homebound.

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**Apr. 3rd-10th, 2022**

## CALENDAR

### **This Sunday**

- 9:00 a.m. Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Room 6 and on [Zoom](#)
- 10:00 a.m. Indoor Worship in Sanctuary and Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) and [Facebook](#)
- Fellowship following Worship, Fireside, hosted by WICS

### **Tuesday**

- 1:00 p.m. Check-in on [Zoom](#)
- 7:00 p.m. Church Board Meeting on [Zoom](#)

### **Wednesday**

- 6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 2 Koinonia Hall, Fireside
- 7:00 p.m. Ecumenical Lenten Worship Service, Bethel AME leading worship, Faith Lutheran and [www.chicofaithlutheran.org/live](http://www.chicofaithlutheran.org/live)

### **Thursday**

- **10:00 a.m.** Music Jam for all fully vaccinated musicians, Room 4
- 7:00 p.m. Lenten Series Class, “Here’s the Church, Here’s the Steeple”, Room 6 & over [Zoom](#) LAST DAY

**Friday—Church Office Closed (Admin. Assistant Briony on vacation this day)**

### **Saturday**

- Bon Voyage Gathering for Brandon and Rachael Nelson, Koinonia Hall

### **Next Sunday—Palm Sunday**

- 9:00 a.m. Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Room 6 and on [Zoom](#)
- 10:00 a.m. Indoor Worship in Sanctuary and Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) and [Facebook](#)
- Fellowship following Worship, Fireside, hosted by Nelson Family

## 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](http://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.