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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 - (Pastor Jesse)

- Zoom Check-In on Tuesday at 1:00
- Music Jam Thursday at 11:00
- Sacred Grounds, 9:00 next Sunday
- Worship, 10:00 in the sanctuary, Zoom and FaceBook Live

IV. Opening Hymn – CH #2 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” (Joshua Hegg)

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 of 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.

V. Call to Worship – (Mary Kearns)

God has given us this day for praise!
Praise be to God for this most generous gift!
God has given his Son to us that we might learn ways of
peace and mercy.

**Let the words of God's own Son, Jesus, enter our hearts
and transform our lives!**

Come, let us worship this great God of abundant mercy and
love!

**Let our songs, our words, and our thoughts reflect God's
healing and restoring love. AMEN.**

VI. Children's Moment

VII. Song of Solomon 2:8-13 NRSV - (Mary Kearns)

The voice of my beloved!
Look, he comes,

leaping upon the mountains,
bounding over the hills.
My beloved is like a gazelle
or a young stag.
Look, there he stands
behind our wall,
gazing in at the windows,
looking through the lattice.
My beloved speaks and says to me:
'Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away;
for now the winter is past,
the rain is over and gone.
The flowers appear on the earth;
the time of singing has come,
and the voice of the turtle-dove
is heard in our land.
The fig tree puts forth its figs,
and the vines are in blossom;
they give forth fragrance.
Arise, my love, my fair one,
and come away.

VIII. Sermon - "Uninhibited" (Pastor Jesse)

IX. Song of Invitation – CP #15 "Great Is the Lord" (Joshua Hegg)

Great is the Lord he is holy and just
By His power we trust in His love
Great is the Lord He is faithful and true
By His mercy He proves He is love

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory

Great is the Lord and worthy of praise
Great is the Lord now lift up your voice
Now lift up your voice great is the Lord
Great is the Lord

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just
By His power we trust in His love
Great is the Lord He is faithful, and true
By His mercy He proves He is love

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory
Great is the Lord and worthy of praise
Great is the Lord now lift up your voice
Now lift up your voice great is the Lord
Great are you Lord great are you Lord

X. Moment for Mission – (Surprise)

XI. Prayers of the People – (Mary Kearns)

XII. Communion Song CP #172 “Gather Your People” (Joshua Hegg)

Gather your people, O Lord
Gather your people, O Lord
One bread, one body one spirit of love,
Gather your people, O Lord

Draw us forth to the table of life;
Brothers and sisters,
each of us called to walk in your light

Gather your people, O Lord
Gather your people, O Lord
One bread, one body one spirit of love,
Gather your people, O Lord

We are parts of the body of Christ
Needing each other,
each of the gifts the Spirit provides

Gather your people, O Lord
Gather your people, O Lord
One bread, one body one spirit of love,
Gather your people, O Lord

No more harm on the mountain of God
Swords into plowshares
Free us, O Lord, from hardness of heart
Gather your people, O Lord
Gather your people, O Lord
One bread, one body one spirit of love,
Gather your people, O Lord

XIII. Institution of Communion (Elders Peggy Davidson and Bill Peterson)

XIV. Partaking Communion Together

XV. Blessing/Benediction (Pastor Jesse)

XVI. Postlude - (Joshua Hegg)

Credits



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NEW New Mask Guidelines for California (Effective July 28th, 2021)

Due to Delta variant, CDC and CDPH recommend everyone, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask. We are asking everyone to please wear a mask if you are able to.

Aug. 29th-Sept. 5th

CALENDAR

This Sunday—5th Sunday

9:00 a.m.-Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation Christian Education, Chapel and on [Zoom](#)

10:00 a.m.-Indoor Worship in Sanctuary (please bring masks) and Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) and [Facebook](#)

Monday

6:30 p.m.-Journeys of the Heart Bereavement, Spiritual Care Center (last day)

Tuesday

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

Thursday

11:00 a.m.-Music Jam practice, all fully vaccinated musicians welcome! Room 4

7:00 p.m.-Bible Study begins, on [Zoom](#)

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10:00 a.m.-Indoor Worship in Sanctuary (please bring masks) and Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) and [Facebook](#)

Church Office Administrative Assistant Briony works remotely from home on Fridays.

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.
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Stewardship Sunday is November 21st, 2021

Stewardship letters with pledge cards are being mailed out, and electronic copies of the letter and the pledge card are on our website here: <https://www.fccchico.com/stewardship.html>

Pledge cards and envelopes are also in the pew racks in the Sanctuary.

Please return the pledge card by mail, in the offering plates on Sunday mornings, or by dropping it through the church mail slot at any time before November 21st, 2021. Thank you!