



A Little Frost on the Ground



**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH CHICO
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)**

December 13th, 2020

Rev. Jesse Kearns, Pastor

AGREE TO DIFFER • RESOLVE TO LOVE • UNITE TO SERVE

Ph. 530-343-3727 • chicodisciples@gmail.com • fccchico.com

[f fccchico](https://www.facebook.com/fccchico) [ig fccchico](https://www.instagram.com/fccchico) [ChicoFCC](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCChicoFCC) [YouTube FCCChico](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCChicoFCC)

*Hymns Used by Permission CCLI Copyright License # 37151
Credits at end of bulletin*

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 (Pastor Jesse)

Zoom Check-In on Tuesday at 1:00
Chico Area Interfaith Council at 11:30
Bible Study Thursday at 7:00
Sacred Grounds, 9:00 next Sunday
Worship, 10:00 next Sunday

III. Opening Hymn – CP #91 “Create in Me a Clean Heart”

Create in me a clean heart, O God
And renew a right spirit within me
Create in me a clean heart, O God
And renew a right spirit within me

Cast me not away from thy presence O Lord
And take not thy Holy Spirit from me
Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation
And renew a right spirit within me.

IV. Call to Worship – (Joe Rogers)

Lost . . . wandering without purpose, meaning, value, acceptance, or place.

We wander lost. But the Spirit of God descends like a dove upon us. We hear the ancient words that name and claim us as children of God. We are cleansed, refreshed, and made new in the love of those words.

AMEN!

V. Psalm 51:1-12 (Joe Rogers)

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.
- 2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you, you alone, have I sinned,
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgement.
- 5 Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.
- 6 You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
- 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- 8 Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.
- 9 Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.
- 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
- 11 Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.

12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.

VI. 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 NRSV – (Mary Kearns)

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

VII. Sermon - "A Little Frost on the Ground" (Pastor Jesse)

VIII. Song of Reflection CP #86 “Change My Heart O God” (x2)

Change my heart, O God
Make it ever true
Change my heart, O God.
May I be like you.

You are the potter, I am the clay.
Mold me and make me;
This is what I pray

Change my heart, O God
Make it ever true
Change my heart, O God.
May I be like you.

IX. Moment for Mission – (Terri Hord Owens message)

X. Prayers of the People – (Mary Kearns)

XI. Communion Song CP #166 “You Are the Bread” (x2)

You are the bread and you are the wine
Broken and crushed for us
You are the spirit filling our hearts
Just as we fill this cup

So pour us out into the world
As you poured out your blood.
We will be your broken bread
Feeding the world you love.

XII. Institution of Communion (Elders Max Erwin and Glenn Story)

XIII. Blessing/Benediction

XIV. Postlude - (Joshua Hegg)

XV. Fellowship Time in breakout rooms.

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

CALENDAR

January 10th-17th, 2021

This Sunday

9:00 a.m.-Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation
Christian Education, on [Zoom](#)
10:00 a.m.-Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) and
[Facebook](#)

Monday-National Human Trafficking Awareness Day

Tuesday

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

Thursday

1:00 p.m.-Bible Study, [Zoom](#)

Next Sunday

9:00 a.m.-Sacred Grounds Adult Faith Formation
Christian Education, on [Zoom](#)
10:00 a.m.-Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) and
[Facebook](#)

Looking Ahead:

Monday, January 18th— Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Observed)—Church Office Closed; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins

Credits



Bulletin Graphic:

Photo by [Jonas Verstuyft](#) on [Unsplash](#)

- “Create in Me a Clean Heart” Words: Psalm 51:10-12, Music: Stephen Reinhardt. Arrangement: © 2003 Stephen Reinhardt
- “Change My Heart, O God” Words and Music: Eddie Espinosa. © 1982 Mercy/Vineyard Publishing. Admin. In North America by Music Services o/b/o Vineyard Music Global Inc. (ASCAP). CCLI #1565
- “You Are the Bread” Words and Music: Marcia Jones; arr. David Wyatt. © 2000 Marcia Jones

CCLI Copyright License #37151

