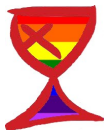


# DANCING WITH PURPOSE



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

**July 11th, 2021**

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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. Welcome and Announcements - (Pastor Jesse)**

Zoom Check-In on Tuesday at 1:00

Music Jam Thursday at 11:00

Thursday Bible study on Zoom at 7:00

Sacred Grounds, 9:00 next Sunday

Worship, 10:00 in the sanctuary, Zoom and FaceBook Live

## **III. Opening Hymn – CH #4 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord, God Almighty” (Nancy Thompson)**

Holy, holy, holy!

Lord God Almighty

Early in the morning

Our song shall rise to Thee

Holy, holy, holy!

Merciful and mighty

God in three persons

Blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy!

All the saints adore thee

Casting down their golden crowns

Around the glassy sea

Cherubim and seraphim

Falling down before thee

God ever living

Through eternity.

Holy, holy, holy!

Though the darkness hide thee

Though the sinful human eye

Thy glory may not see

Only Thou art holy  
There is none beside Thee  
Perfect in power, in love and purity

Holy, holy, holy!  
Lord God Almighty  
All thy works shall praise Thy name  
In earth and sky and sea  
Holy, holy, holy!  
Merciful and mighty  
God in three persons  
Blessed Trinity  
Oh God in three persons  
Blessed Trinity!

#### **IV. Call to Worship – (Mary Kearns)**

Come, give to the Lord your praises of thanksgiving.  
**We come this day, grateful for God's wondrous gifts to us!**

Sing with great enthusiasm of God's mighty power and love.  
**We celebrate that love that frames our lives.**

It is a wonderful thing to praise God!  
**May God's praise always be in our hearts and in our lives. AMEN.**

#### **V. Children's Moment**

#### **VI. 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12-19 NRSV – (Mary Kearns)**

David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

It was told King David, "The Lord has blessed the household of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God." So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet. As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart. They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

## **VII. Sermon - “Dancing With Purpose” (Pastor Jesse)**

## **VIII. Song of Invitation – CH #280 “God Is Here” (Nancy Thompson)**

God is here God is here! As we your people  
Meet to offer praise and prayer,  
May we find in fuller measure  
What it is in Christ we share.  
Here, as in the world around us,  
All our varied skills and arts  
Wait the coming of the Spirit  
Into open minds and hearts.

Here are symbols to remind us  
Of our lifelong need of grace;  
Here are table, font and pulpit;  
Here the cross has central place.  
Here in honesty of preaching,  
Here in silence, as in speech,  
here, in newness and renewal,  
God the Spirit comes to each.

Here our children find a welcome  
In the Shepherd's flock and fold;  
Here as bread and wine are taken,  
Christ sustains us as of old.  
Here the servants of the Servant  
Seek in worship to explore  
What it means in daily living  
To believe and to adore.

Lord of all, of church and kingdom,  
In an age of change and doubt,

Keep us faithful to the Gospel;  
help us work your purpose out.  
Here, in this day's dedication,  
All we have to give, receive;  
We, who cannot live without you,  
We adore you! We believe!

## **IX. Moment for Mission – (Surprise)**

## **X. Prayers of the People – (Mary Kearns)**

## **XI. Communion Song CH #339 “Just As I Am Without One Plea” (Nancy Thompson)**

Just as I am, without one plea  
But that Thy blood was shed for me  
And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee  
O Lamb of God, I come! I come

Just as I am, though tossed about  
With many a conflict, many a doubt  
Fighting and fears within without  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve  
Because Thy promise I believe  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come

Just as I am, Thy love unknown  
Hast broken ev'ry barrier down  
Now, to be thine, Yea, I alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

XII. Institution of Communion (Barbara Poetker and Margaret Maxwell)

XIII. Partaking Communion Together

XIV. Blessing/Benediction (Pastor Jesse)

XV. Postlude - (Nancy Thompson)

### Looking Ahead

- August 7th, Saturday, Disciples Virtual Gathering  
To learn more about the event and to register please go to: <https://disciples.org/2021-virtual-gathering>
- Planning Memorial Service Guidelines are available in Sanctuary, and online here: <https://www.fccchico.com/resources.html>

# CALENDAR

July 11th-18th, 2021

## This 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

## Tuesday

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

## Wednesday

11:45 a.m.—Chico Area Interfaith Council

## Thursday

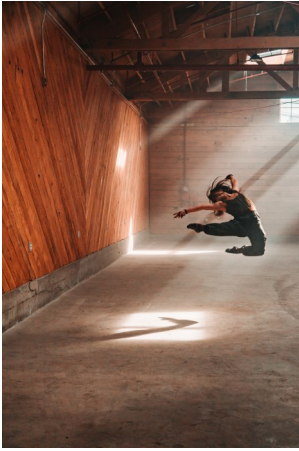
11:00 a.m.-Music Jam practice, all fully vaccinated musicians welcome! Room 4 or Sanctuary  
7:00 p.m.-Bible Study on [Zoom](#)

## Next 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](#)

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

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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’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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## Changes to In Person Worship

### New Mask Guidelines for California

The following is pasted from the website: <https://covid19.ca.gov/masks-and-ppe/>

California has now changed its mask requirements to match the CDC's.

- **Vaccinated people do not need to wear masks in most circumstances**
- Unvaccinated people should wear masks in indoor, public settings
- **Everyone should wear masks in:** Public transit, Hospitals, Long-term care facilities, Homeless shelters, Indoors in K-12 schools, childcare, and other youth settings

### What FCC Chico is doing:

- **Please continue to bring a mask because we will be trying congregational singing with masks on (because we have vulnerable people who are unable to get vaccinated at this time).**
- **We will be asking unvaccinated people to wear masks.**

Our top priority is the safety of our church family and visitors.

1. **We are continuing to have live-streaming options via Zoom, and FaceBook Live.** Jesse will only be able to interact with Zoom and FaceBook live people during Prayers of the People.

2. We will take temperatures upon entry and names and contact information will be collected to aid in any contact tracing (separate jars of clean sanitized and used pens).
3. Communion will be single-serve, pre-packaged sealed cups of juice with wafers sealed on top. Think Lunchables. The wafers are NOT gluten free. You may bring your own communion if you prefer.
4. Songs will be on the monitors and the bulletin will be emailed out on Fridays and again on Sunday mornings. We encourage you to either print your own copy to use during the service, or download it before coming. There will be no public wifi available as we need ALL the bandwidth to livestream.
5. Offering plates will not be passed. You may place your offerings in the plate as directed at the beginning or end of the service.
6. **Please do NOT attend the in person services if you are unwell, or think you may have been exposed to COVID-19.**
  - After every service, the sanctuary will be disinfected.
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