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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 - (Mary Kearns)

- Today – Fellowship hosted by Marie Grandeen
- Tuesday – Koinonia Krafters 9:30 in Fireside Room and Zoom check-in at 1:00 PM
- Wednesday – 6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 2 in Koinonia Hall and Fireside.
- Thursday – 10:00 a.m. Music Jam in Room 4 and Bible Study 7:00 p.m. in Room 6 and Zoom
- Next 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.

III. Opening Hymn – CH #70 “God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale” (Nancy Thompson)

God of the sparrow, God of the whale
God of the swirling stars
How does the creature say Awe
How does the creature say Praise

God of the earthquake, God of the storm
God of the trumpet blast
How does the creature cry Woe
How does the creature cry Save

God of the rainbow, God of the cross
God of the empty grave
How does the creature say Grace
How does the creature say Thanks

God of the hungry, God of the sick
God of the prodigal
How does the creature say Care
How does the creature say Life

God of the neighbor, God of the foe
God of the pruning hook
How does the creature say Love
How does the creature say Peace

God of the ages, God near at hand
God of the loving heart
How do your children say Joy
How do your children say Home

IV. Call to Worship – (Mary Kearns)

We have great joy in Christ our Lord who calls and
heals us.

For a while we bemoaned our sufferings,

Yet we are reminded that suffering produces
endurance.

Endurance produces character.

Character produces hope.

And Hope does not disappoint us. AMEN.

V. Children Dismissed for Sunday School – (Peggy Davidson)

VI. Romans 5:1-8 NRSV – (Mary Kearns)

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have
peace with God through our Lord Jesus
Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this
grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of
sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but
we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that
suffering produces endurance, and endurance
produces character, and character produces hope, and
hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has
been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit
that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ
died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die
for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good
person someone might actually dare to die. But God
proves his love for us in that while we still were
sinners Christ died for us.

VII. Sermon - “Hope Does Not Disappoint” (Jesse Kearns)

VIII. Song of Invitation – CH #67 “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” (Nancy Thompson)

O God our help in ages past
Our hope for years to come
Our shelter from the stormy blast
And our eternal home

Under the shadow of thy throne
Still may we dwell secure
Sufficient is thine arm alone
And our defense is sure

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received its frame
From everlasting thou art God
To endless years the same

A thousand ages, in thy sight,
Are like an evening gone
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun

Time like an ever-rolling stream
Soon bears us all away
We fly forgotten as a dream
Dies at the opening day

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come
Be thou our guide while life shall last
And our eternal home

IX. Moments for Mission – Surprise!

X. Prayers of the People – (Mary Kearns)

XI. Communion Song CH #419 “All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly” (Nancy Thompson)

All who hunger gather gladly
Holy manna is our bread
Come from wilderness and wand’ring
Here in truth we will be fed
You that yearn for days of fullness
All around us is our food
Taste and see the grace eternal
Taste and see that God is good

All who hunger never strangers
Seeker be a welcome guest
Come from restlessness and roaming
Here in joy, we keep the feast
We that once were lost and scattered
In communion’s love have stood
Taste and see the grace eternal
Taste and see that God is good

All who hunger sing together
Jesus Christ is living bread
Come from loneliness and longing
Here in peace we have been led
Blest are those who from this table
Live their days in gratitude
Taste and see the grace eternal
Taste and see that God is good.

**XII. Institution of Communion (Elders Max
Erwin and Georgeanne Bennett)**

XIII. Partaking Communion Together

XIV. Blessing/Benediction (Jesse Kearns)

XV. Postlude – (Nancy Thompson)

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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, Koinonia Hall, hosted by Marie Grandeen

Tuesday

- 9:30 a.m. Koinonia Krafters, Fireside
- 1:00 p.m. Check-in on [Zoom](#)

Wednesday

- 6:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 2 Koinonia Hall, Fireside

Thursday

- 10:00 a.m. Music Jam, Room 4
- 7:00 p.m. Bible Study, Room 6 and on [Zoom](#)

Next Sunday—Father's Day

- 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, Koinonia Hall, hosted by the Kearns

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
- **Masks:** Masks are recommended but not required. Adult and child size masks are available in the Sanctuary as well as hand sanitizer.