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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 – (Barbara Poetker)

- Tuesday - Check-in at 1:00 on Zoom
- Wednesday – PEO in Fireside Room at 9:00
- Wednesday - Boy Scouts in K-Hall at 6:00
- Wednesday - Ecumenical Lenten Services at Faith Lutheran and [Faith Lutheran's website](#) at 7:00
- Thursday - Music practice at 10:00
- Thursday – “Here’s the Church, Here’s the Steeple” at 7:00 in Room 6 and on Zoom.
- Friday – Healing Circle in Chapel at 1:00
- Saturday – Chico Creek Dance Recital in Koinonia Hall, Bethany, Room 6 and 10
- Sunday - Sacred Grounds at 9:00 on Zoom and Room 6.
- Sunday – Worship at 10:00 in the sanctuary, Zoom and FaceBook Live.

IV. Opening Hymn – CP #264 “Where the Spirit of the Lord Is” (Joshua Hegg)

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is peace
Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is love
There is comfort in life’s darkest hour,
There is light and life

There is help and power
In the Spirit, the Spirit of the Lord
(x2)

V. Call to Worship – (Joe Rogers)

We have come this day to learn about what God
expects of us.

**Sometimes we really don't want to know what
God wants. We are afraid to make the
commitments God seeks.**

God is persistent. God will not let us off the hook so
easily.

**But we have failed so many times in the past.
How can we possibly serve now?**

Open your hearts to receive forgiveness and healing.
Listen to God. Be ready to work with God for
hope, peace, justice and love.

**Be with us, Lord. Help us to turn around, to see
you, to serve you, to witness to your Love.
AMEN.**

VI. Children Dismissed for Story Time (Peggy Davidson)

VII. Luke 4:1-13 NRSV (Joe Rogers)

At that very time there were some present who told
Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had
mingled with their sacrifices. He asked them, 'Do you
think that because these Galileans suffered in this way
they were worse sinners than all other Galileans? No, I
tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as
they did. Or those eighteen who were killed when the
tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they
were worse offenders than all the others living in
Jerusalem? No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you
will all perish just as they did.'

Then he told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted
in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and
found none. So he said to the gardener, "See here! For
three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig
tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be
wasting the soil?" He replied, "Sir, let it alone for one
more year, until I dig round it and put manure on it. If
it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you
can cut it down.'

VIII. Sermon - "Tragedy Happens" (Pastor Jesse)

IX. Song of Invitation – CH #501 “There is a Balm in Gilead” (Joshua Hegg)

There is a balm in Gilead
To make the wounded whole
There is a balm in Gilead
To heal the sin-sick soul

Sometimes I feel discouraged
And think my work's in vain
But then the Holy Spirit
Revives my soul again

There is a balm in Gilead
To make the wounded whole
There is a balm in Gilead
To heal the sin-sick soul

If you cannot preach like Peter
If you cannot pray like Paul
You can tell the love of Jesus and say
He died to save us all

There is a balm in Gilead
To make the wounded whole
There is a balm in Gilead
To heal the wounded soul

Don't ever feel discouraged
For Jesus is your friend
And if you lack for knowledge
He'll ne'er refuse to lend

There is a balm in Gilead
To make the wounded whole
There is a balm in Gilead
To heal the wounded soul

X. Moment for Mission – (Surprise!)

XI. Prayers of the People (Mary Kearns)

XII. Communion Song CH #385 “An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare” (Joshua Hegg)

An upper room did our Lord prepare
For those he loved until the end
And his disciples still gather there
To celebrate their risen friend

A lasting gift Jesus gave his own
To share his bread, his loving cup
Whatever burdens may bow us down
He by his cross shall lift us up

And after supper he washed their feet
For service too, in sacrament
In Christ our joy shall be made complete
Sent out to serve, as he was sent

No end there is! We depart in peace
He loves beyond the utter most
In every room in our Father's house
Christ will be there, as Lord and host

XIII. Institution of Communion (Elders Peggy Davidson and Max Erwin)

XIV. Partaking Communion Together

XV. Blessing/Benediction (Pastor Jesse)

XVI. Postlude - (Joshua Hegg)

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.**



Easter Flowers

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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March 20th-27th, 2022

CALENDAR

This Sunday—First Day of Spring

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 Carolyn Driscoll

Tuesday

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

Wednesday

9:00 a.m. PEO, Fireside

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

7:00 p.m. Ecumenical Lenten Worship Service, First Baptist leading worship, Faith Lutheran and www.chicofaithlutheran.org/live

Thursday

10:00 a.m. Music Jam for all fully vaccinated musicians, Room 4

7:00 p.m. Lenten Series Pastor's Class, "Here's the Church, Here's the Steeple", Room 6 & over [Zoom](#)

Friday

All Day Chico Creek Dance prep, Koinonia Hall, Bethany, 6, 10

1:00 p.m. Healing Circle, Chapel

Saturday

All Day Chico Creek Dance, Koinonia Hall, Bethany, 6, 10

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](#)

After Church All Women Meeting, Room 6

Fellowship following Worship, Fireside, hosted by Rich Campbell

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.