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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, more.

I. Prelude (Joshua Hegg)

II. Welcome (Pastor Jesse)

Zoom Check-In on Tuesday at 1:00

WICS Meeting, Tuesday at 2:00

Bible Study Thursday at 7:00.

Sacred Grounds, 9:00 next Sunday

Worship, 10:00 next Sunday

III. Opening Hymn – CH #280 “God is Here” (Josh)

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!

IV. Call to Worship – (Joe)

Even when it seems we have suffered for a long time;
God breaks through in mercy and love for us.
Things may not be easy but we can count on God to
be with us.
God walks the pathways of both light and darkness
with us.
God, come quickly into our lives. Erase our fears and
doubts.
God, come quickly into our hearts and teach us to truly
be your people. AMEN.

V. Poem – (Joe Rogers)

“He Hideth My Soul” by Guy Penrod

A wonderful saviour is Jesus my Lord
A wonderful Saviour to me
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock
Where rivers of pleasure I see
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock
That shadows a dry, thirsty land
He hideth my life in the depths of his love
And covers me there with his hand
And covers me there with his hand
A wonderful Saviour is Jesus my Lord
He taketh my burden away
He holdeth me up and I shall not be moved
He giveth me strength as my day
He hideth my soul in the cleft of the rock
That shadows a dry, thirsty land
He hideth my life in the depths of his love
And covers me there with his hand
And covers me there with his hand

VII. Exodus 33:12-23 NRSV – (Mary Kearns)

Moses said to the Lord, “See, you have said to me, ‘Bring up this people’; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, ‘I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.’ Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people.” He said, “My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.” And he said to him, “If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth.” The Lord said to Moses, “I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.” Moses said, “Show me your glory, I pray.” And he said, “I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, ‘The Lord’; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But,” he said, “you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live.” And the Lord continued, “See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen.”

VIII. Sermon - “The Big Reveal” (Pastor Jesse)

IX. Song of Reflection CH #595 “Be Thou My Vision”

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best Thought, by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light
Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one
Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart
High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art
High King of Heaven, my victory won
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'n's Sun
Heart of my own heart, whate'er befall
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all

X. Moment for Mission – (Surprise)

XI. Prayers of the People – (Mary Kearns)

XII. Communion Song CH #430 “Lo, I Am with You”

Lo, I am with you to the end of the world
Lo, I am with you to the end of the world,
Lo, I am with you, Lo I am with you
Lo, I am with you to the end of the world.

Lo, I am with you in the breaking of bread
Lo, I am with you in the breaking of bread
Lo, I am with you, Lo I am with you
Lo, I am with you in the breaking of bread

Lo, I am with you in the drinking of wine
Lo, I am with you in the drinking of wine
Lo, I am with you, Lo I am with you,
Lo, I am with you in the drinking of wine

XII. Institution of Communion (Elders Barbara Poetker, Jacky Smith)

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.
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CALENDAR

October 18th-25th, 2020

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](#)

Tuesday

1:00 p.m. Weekly Check-in, [Zoom](#)
2:00 p.m. Women In Christian Service (WICS),
[Zoom](#)

Thursday

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

Friday

Disciples Men's Retreat, [Register here](#)

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Christian Education, on [Zoom](#)
10:00 a.m. Worship Streamed Live on [Zoom](#) and
[Facebook](#)

Looking Ahead

**Administrative Assistant, Briony,
is on vacation October 26th-30th**



**Daylight Saving Time Ends
November 1st**

