



I. Prelude – (Joshua Hegg)

II. Welcome and Announcements - (Pastor Jesse)

- Zoom Check-In on Tuesday at 1:00
- Board Meeting Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.
- Music Jam Thursday at 11:00
- Bible Study Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
- Sacred Grounds, 9:00 next Sunday
- Worship, 10:00 in the sanctuary, Zoom and FaceBook Live

IV. Opening Hymn – CH #453 “Called as Partners In Christ’s Service” (Joshua Hegg)

Called as partners in Christ’s service
Called to ministries of grace
We respond with deep commitment
Fresh new lines of faith to trace
May we learn the art of sharing
Side by side and friend with friend
Equal partners in our caring
To fulfil God’s chosen end

Christ’s example Christ’s inspiring
Christ’s clear call to work and worth
Let us follow never faltering
Reconciling folk on earth
Men and women richer poorer



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October 3rd, 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*.

All God's people young and old
Blending human skills together
Gracious gifts from God unfold

Thus new patterns for Christ's mission
In a small or global sense
Help us bear each other's burdens
Breaking down each wall or fence
Words of comfort words of vision
Words of challenge said with care
Bring new power and strength for action
Make us colleagues free and fair

So God grant us for tomorrow
Ways to order human life
That surround each person's sorrow
With a calm that conquers strife
Make us partners in our living
Our compassion to increase
Messengers of faith thus giving
Hope and confidence and peace

V. Call to Worship – (Kathy Moran)

People of God, look about and see the faces of those
we know and love—
Neighbors and friends, sisters and brothers—
A community of kindred hearts
People of God, look about and see the faces of those
we hardly know—

Strangers, sojourners, forgotten friends,
The ones who need an outstretched hand.
People of God, look about and see all the images of
God assembled here.
In me, in you, in each of us,
God's spirit shines for all to see.
People of God, come. Let us worship together.

VI. Children's Moment (Max Erwin)

VII. 2 Timothy 1:1-14 (Peggy Davidson)

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you.

For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me

in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

VIII. Sermon - “Called by Faith and Action” (Rev. Dr. LaTaunya Bynum)

IX. Song of Invitation – CP #99 “Make Me a Servant” (Joshua Hegg)

Make me a servant, humble and meek
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak
And may the prayer of my heart always be
Make me a servant, make me a servant
Make me a servant today.

Make me a servant, humble and meek
Lord, let me lift up those who are weak
And may the prayer of my heart always be
Make me a servant, make me a servant
Make me a servant today.

X. Appreciation and Celebration (Peggy Davidson and Edy Roberts)

XI. Prayers of the People – (Mary Kearns)

XII. Communion Song CH #233 “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus” (Joshua Hegg)

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus,
Risen now to reign in love
Alleluia! Praise the savior
With the multitudes above
There the songs of saints and martyrs
Thunder like a mighty flood
Jesus out of every nation
Has redeemed us by his blood

Alleluia! Not as orphans
We are left in sorrow now
Alleluia! Christ is near us,
Faith believers, nor questions how
Though the cloud from sight received him

When the forty days were o'er
Shall our hearts forget the promise
I am with you ever more.

Alleluia! Bread of heaven,
Be on earth our food and stay
Alleluia! Here the sinful
Flee to you from day to day
Intercessor, friend of sinners
Earth's redeemer, plead for me
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

**XIII. Institution of Communion (Bill Peterson
and Margaret Maxwell)**

XIV. Partaking Communion Together

**XV. Blessing/Benediction (Rev. Dr. LaTaunya
Bynum)**

XVI. Postlude - (Joshua Hegg)



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NEW New Mask Guidelines for California (Effective July 28th, 2021)

Due to Delta variant, CDC and CDPH recommend everyone, regardless of vaccination status, wear a mask. We are asking everyone to please wear a mask if you are able to.

October 3rd-10th

CALENDAR

This Sunday—World Communion Sunday and Jesse and Mary’s 25th ordination anniversary. Rev. Dr. LaTaunya Bynum preaching.

- 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](#)

Tuesday

- 1:00 p.m.-Check-in on [Zoom](#)
7:00 p.m.-Church Board Meeting on [Zoom](#)

Thursday

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

Saturday

- 9:00 a.m.– Ann Nelson teaching CPR, Fireside

Friday

- 10:00 a.m.– NAMI, room 6

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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.

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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Stewardship Sunday is November 21st, 2021

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Pledge cards and envelopes are also in the pew racks in the Sanctuary.

Please return the pledge card by mail, in the offering plates on Sunday mornings, or by dropping it through the church mail slot at any time before November 21st, 2021. Thank you!