

10:00 am Worship Sunday, May 19th, 2019

"The Kingdom of Heaven is like a great feast. That's the way of it. The Kingdom of Heaven is a love feast where nobody's a stranger. Like right here. There's strangers everywhere else you can think of. There's strangers was born out of the same womb. There's strangers was raised together in the same town and worked side by side all their life through. There's strangers got married and been climbing in and out of the same four-poster together for thirtyfive or forty years and they're strangers still. And Jesus, it's like most of the time he is a stranger too. Even when he's near as the end of your nose, people make like he's nowhere around. They won't talk to him. They won't listen to him. They keep their eye on the ground. But here in this place there's no strangers, and Jesus, he isn't a stranger either. The Kingdom of Heaven's like this."

Frederick Buechner, Godric

Welcome to Worship at

Please "CHECK IN" using your favorite Social Media prior to service

- Offcpeoria / #ffcpeoria
- Please silence your devices during service
- Please LIKE, FOLLOW and SHARE our Facebook and YouTube pages

Please pass the Pew Friendship Pads:

- VISITORS ~ please share your name & contact information, we'd love to stay in touch!
- MEMBERS ~ keep us up to date on contact information, sign up for and volunteer for special events, service projects and small group studies!

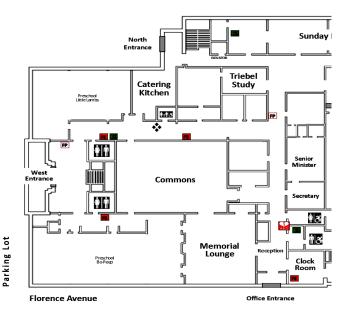
Worship Aids:

- Large print hymnals, individual listening devices and reading glasses are available in the Narthex for an improved worship experience.
- Worship also can be heard through the speakers in the Lounge and the Commons.
- Children's Worship bags containing quiet activities, are available in the front & back of the sanctuary by the ushers' stands. Children who are attending worship in the sanctuary are invited to borrow one of these bags.

Pastoral Care:

- Please contact the church office to pass along a prayer request or of births, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths.
- Call 685-5258 or e-mail: info@ffcpeoria.com.

A Handicap / Family
Bathroom
is located in the
hallway outside
the Commons
on the first floor.



First Federated Church!

Questions?

- Look for our HOSPITALITY TASK FORCE VOLUNTEERS!
- They'll be the ones looking for you with "ASK ME" buttons!

Sunday School is provided each week during 10 am worship.

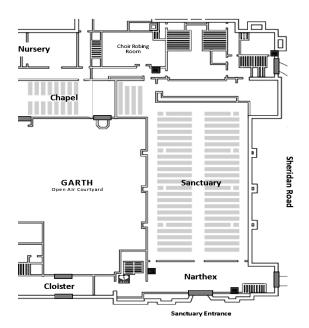
- Preschoolers 5th grade go to the chapel briefly for announcements and offering before being led to separate Sunday school rooms.
- 6th 8th grade have Junior High Sunday school classes and fellowship.
- Senior High students, 9th 12th grades, remain in worship and attend Sunday school and fellowship events on Sunday evenings at 5:30 pm.
- Classes during worship on Sunday mornings last until approximately 11:00 am.
- Schedule varies during summer months.

Childcare Nursery is available:

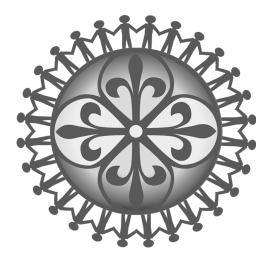
- Nursery facilities are available for your infant or small child during our 10 am worship each Sunday.
- The nursery is located next to the Chapel. See one of our greeters for directions.

We invite you to fellowship following service:

- Stop by the Commons for coffee and Fellowship after worship.
- Information pamphlets about church programs and volunteer opportunities are available.



Please silence your devices during our worship service.



PRELUDE

NEWS OF THE CHURCH

INTROIT

Live In Charity Chancel Choir

* DOXOLOGY

(Unison)

No. 46

Chalice Hymnal

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

(*Revelation* 21:1-4)

Leader:

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ... And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying:

Congregation:

See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; and they will be His people... God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.

Leader:

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new.

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

(Unison)

Lord God, form the minds of Your faithful people into a single will. Make us love what You love and desire what You promise. Amid all of the changes of this world, may our hearts be fixed where true holy joy is found. Amen.

* HYMN

All Creatures of Our God and King No. 22

Chalice Hymnal

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Moment of silent prayer) (Unison)

Patient God, sometimes we are just too busy for our own good. We commit ourselves to hectic schedules, demands on time, energy, and resources that erode all too quickly. We seem to be rushing through life. The cries of those in need often go unheeded in our blur of activities which sap our energy, our resources, and our spirits. We neglect the wisdom of Scripture inviting us to be still and know that you are God. Slow us down, Lord. Remind us again that

we are responsible for the care of this world, for reaching out and offering your healing love to the least, the last, the lost, the lonely, and the neglected. Remind us again of Jesus' words to his disciples when he told them that they should love one another as he loved them. May we take time to bear witness to that love in all that we do. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* GLORIA PATRI

(Unison)

No. 35

Chalice Hymnal

("Gloria Patri" literally means "Glory to the Father." This ancient response has been sung by the Church for nearly two thousand years.)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.



— TIME WITH THE GROWING CHURCH —

(Jesus once said that unless we receive the Kingdom as a child we cannot enter into it. This time spent with the youngest members of our worshipping congregation reminds us of the great truth that all of us are children of God and that all of us need to grow in wisdom and in faith.)

Children of all ages are invited to come forward for a children's message. Following the Lord's Prayer all children are invited to Sunday school.

Parents are welcome to accompany hesitant children.

Visitors are welcome!

All children, Preschool through 5th grade should be picked up by their parents or guardian in the following location following worship:

Preschool - 8th Grades - Junior High Room, 3rd floor Senior Highs (9th - 12th Grades) - Remain in worship

GATHERING HYMN Let Them Come

(Children please come forward during the "Gathering Hymn")

Let them come, let them come, let the children come to me. I have time, I have time, said the Savior tenderly. Let them come, let them come, please don't send them away. I have time, let them come, let them stay.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Jessica Sheley

LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

DEPARTING HYMN

Praise Him, Praise Him, All Ye Little Children (Please remain seated and sing this hymn for the children as they depart for Sunday school)

Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love: Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love. God is love.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 11:1-18

Pg. 120

New Testament, Pew Bible

SPECIAL MUSIC

Near The Cross

Douglass E Wagner

Chancel Bells

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

GOSPEL LESSON John 13:31-35

Pg. 100

New Testament, Pew Bible

HYMN

Spirit of the Living God

No. 259

Chalice Hymnal

SERMON

Do Good Fences Make Good Neighbors? Rev. Dr. Forrest Krummel, Jr.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Three Psalms for Bells

Arr. Hunnicutt

Bless the Lord, O My Soul (103:1)

Hear, O Lord, When I Cry With My Voice (27:7)

I Will Love Thee, O Lord, My Strength (18:1)
Chancel Bells

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* CLOSING HYMN

Spirit Song

No. 352

Chalice Hymnal

* BENEDICTION

* RESPONSE



* POSTLUDE

I am glad that you could join with us for worship today.

If you are exploring faith for the first time, seeking to reconnect with your faith, or searching for a church home and would like to learn more about First Federated Church, please introduce yourself after today's service. I would enjoy a conversation with you!

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Contact the church office at 309-685-5258 if you would like a visit from Rev. Steve Barch, our Pastoral Minister, or Rev. Frosty Krummel.

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