

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
WINTER PARK



God is still speaking,

*"a traditional and nurturing church celebrating God's grace
through reason, education,
diversity, inclusion, and social justice"*

We are an Open and Affirming Church

JANUARY 11, 2026

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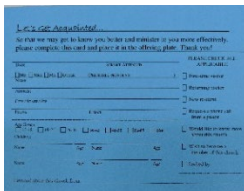
WELCOME

***This is the day that the Lord has made!
Let us rejoice because we are glad to be here!***



Sign the red attendance pad that is located in the pew seat near the center aisle and pass it to the next person.

We want to know that you were here!



Visitors may complete a “Let’s Get Acquainted” card, located in the pew racks, and place the card in the offering plate.

We are here to answer your questions!



SILENCE your technology but still “check-in” and use social media and share our website and portions of our worship that inspire you!



Continue to help us reduce our carbon footprint. If you are not receiving the bulletin via email, and would like to, please contact the church office – 407-647-2416. The bulletin can also be found on our website, fccwp.org. Go to the tab labeled “Bulletin” and locate the appropriate pdf file.



Continue to open up your ‘What’s Happening’ newsletter emails to keep up-to-date on all of the weekly and monthly events. Or visit our website at www.fccwp.org. There is a lot happening in the life of this church and you do not want to miss a thing!



If you have a **prayer need or a joy to share**, please fill out the white prayer request card located in the pew pockets and drop it in the collection plate. We will place your prayer need on our confidential prayer chain. If you wish to have a joy or a need announced in church, permission must be given by calling the church office.



Kindly silence all cell phones during worship

* All who are able to do so comfortably, please stand

Preparing to Hear God's Word

PRELUDE
WELCOME

Rev. Shawn Garvey

NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP MOMENT

Jane White

INTROIT "God is Our Refuge, God is Our Strength"

Chancel Choir

* RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Garvey

People: "We come, longing to be renewed."

* OPENING HYMN "Great is Your Faithfulness"

No. 423

* OPENING PRAYER

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

All children please come forward for Young Church

YOUNG CHURCH

Kerry Weisner

"The Lord's Prayer or Prayer of Our Savior"

Age four years through kindergarten may leave for Sunday school in the LIBRARY. Grades 1-5 and 6-12 may leave for Sunday school in the UPSTAIRS Fellowship Hall. Childcare for infants through 3 years old is available in the PARLOR located at the back of Fellowship Hall. Please check your child out with the teacher. Children are only released to the parent.

** SONG OF SUPPORT

*All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful, our dear God made them all.
Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors and made their tiny wings.*

HEBREW Isaiah 42:1-9

Rev. Garvey

Minister: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM "Prayer to Jesus"

Chancel Choir

GOSPEL Matthew 3:13-17

Rev. Garvey

Minister: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God

MESSAGE

“Two Things at Once”

Rev. Shawn Garvey

In Matthew's telling of Jesus' baptism, he makes it clear that Jesus is two things at once: the Son of God as well as the Suffering Servant; having the voice from heaven quoting the Song of the Suffering Servant from Isaiah. When you think of Jesus as both of these things...and that for Matthew they are profoundly intertwined....what does that mean to you? What does it tell you about the intended nature of your own discipleship and faith journey?

Responding to God's Word

CALL TO PRAYER/JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Garvey

SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYERS

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERING DEDICATION

Offertory

"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise"

Johann Pachelbel

✧ Doxology (Old Hundredth)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God for all that love has done,
Creator, Christ, and Spirit One. Amen.**

✧ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Rev, Garvey

✧ CLOSING HYMN

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

No. 436

✧ BENEDICTION

Rev. Garvey

NOTICE

TOWN HALL MEETING: January 18, 2025

Immediately following worship

Introduction to the proposed 2026 budget

This is an informational meeting only. *No voting.*

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: January 25, 2025

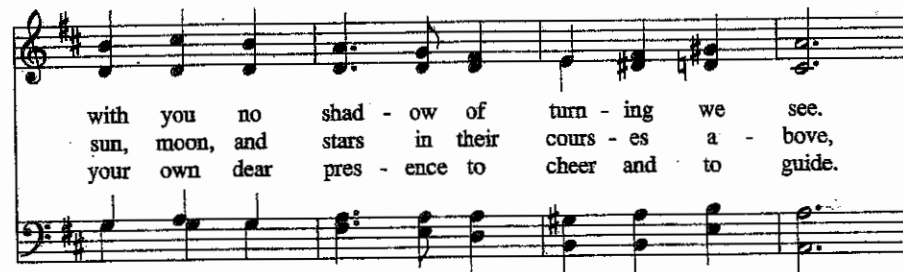
Immediately following worship

Presentation of the budgets, capital expenditures, board nominations, etc.

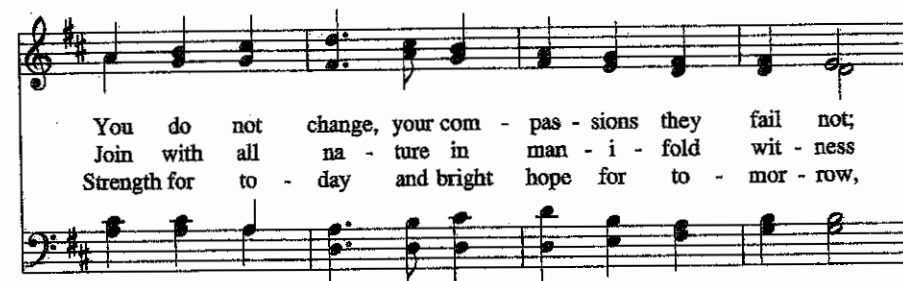
This is a voting meeting. **Members only.**



1 Great is your faith - ful - ness, O God, Cre - a - tor,*
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace so en - dur - ing,



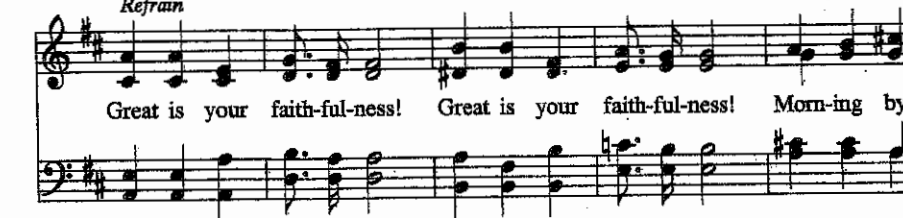
with you no shad - ow of turn - ing we see.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove,
 your own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide.



You do not change, your com - pas - sions they fail not;
 Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



all of your good - ness for - ev - er will be.
 to your great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine with ten thou - sand be - side.

Refrain


Great is your faith - ful - ness! Great is your faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by



morn - ing new mer - cies I see; All I have need - ed your



hand has pro - vid - ed, Great is your faith - ful - ness, God, un - to me!

God of Grace and God of Glory

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Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930; alt.

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on your peo - ple
 2 From the e - vils that sur - round us and as - sail the
 3 Cure your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Set our feet on loft - y plac - es; gird our lives that
 5 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour your power; crown your an - cient church - 's sto - ry;
 Sav - ior's ways, from the fears that long have bound us—
 your con - trol. Shame our reck - less, self - ish glad - ness,
 they may be ar - mored with all Christ - like grac - es,
 we de - plore; let the search for your sal - va - tion

bring its bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 free our hearts for faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 in the fight to set us free. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 make our bro - ken spir - its whole, make our bro - ken spir - its whole.
 in the quest for lib - er - ty, in the quest for lib - er - ty.
 serv - ing you whom we a - dore, serv - ing you whom we a - dore.

Harry Emerson Fosdick, a prophetic preacher and writer, taught at Union Theological Seminary from 1915 to 1946. This hymn was written for the opening service and dedication of Riverside

Tune: CWM RHONDDA 8.7.8.7.8.7.7.
John Hughes, c. 1907

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❧LOOKING AHEAD❧

Today: Sunday January 11
Christmas Decoration Take Down
After Worship

Sunday January 18
Town Hall Meeting
Sanctuary after Worship

Monday January 19
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Church Office is Closed

Saturday January 24
Dinner OFF The Ave ~ Presented by Neighborhood Groups

Sunday January 25
Annual Congregational Meeting
Sanctuary after Worship

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