



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

APRIL 14, 2024

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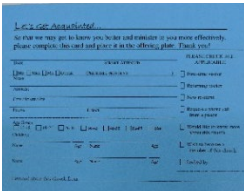
WELCOME

*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

INTROIT

“With a Voice of Singing”

Chancel Choir

Composer: Shaw

Please refrain from applauding

* RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Garvey

People: “May peace be with us as our minds are opened.”

* OPENING HYMN

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

No. 304

* OPENING PRAYER

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

All children please come forward for Young Church.

YOUNG CHURCH

“The Lord’s Prayer or Prayer of Our Savior”

4 yrs. through kindergarten will leave for Sunday school in the Education Building. 1st - 12th grade will leave for Sunday school on the 2nd floor of the Fellowship Hall. Children through 5th grade may be picked up on the playground, by a parent, immediately following worship. Childcare for infants through 3 years old is available in the nursery located on the main floor of the Ed. Bldg.

Please check your child out with the teacher. Children are only released to the parent.

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SONG OF SUPPORT

*Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need your tender care;
In your pleasant pastures feed us, for our use your folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have sought us, we are found;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have sought us, we are found.*

HEBREW

Psalm 4

Rev. Garvey

Minister: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM

“Bless Each One”

Chancel Choir

Composer: Burkhart

Please refrain from applauding

GOSPEL

Luke 24:36-48

Rev. Garvey

Minister: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God

MESSAGE

“Disbelieving Witnesses”

Rev. Shawn Garvey

Luke describes the disciples as being in a state of joy, disbelief, and wonder at Jesus’ appearance to them. In that same state, he opens their minds to the scriptures and tells them that they are witnesses to what he opens them to. Are we surprised, or does it give us some semblance of comfort, that minds can be opened to Truth even when in a state of disbelief and wonder?

Responding to God’s Word

CALL TO PRAYER/JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYERS

CALL TO OFFERING

Rev. Garvey

OFFERING DEDICATION

Offertory

“Tambourine”

*Composer: Jean-Philippe Rameau arr. E. Power Biggs
Please refrain from applauding*

*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

“Lead On Eternal Sovereign”

No. 573

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Garvey

CHORAL BENEDICTION

**“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”
Lutkin**

Chancel Choir

IN CELEBRATION

The flowers on the altar are in celebration of Joe Luppert’s 80th birthday on April 17. They are given with love and thanksgiving by his wife, Pam, his children and their spouses, Cari and Brian Rotenberger and Steven Luppert and Marianne Janosco, and his five grandchildren, Caroline Rotenberger, and Addy, Aubree, Joseph, and Brynn Luppert.



THE BIG RED BUS IS HERE TODAY, APRIL 14! Stop by the bus and give blood. Giving blood saves lives! This is sponsored by the Board of Membership.

Membership Conversation If you are interested in learning more about the United Church of Christ, knowing more about this congregation, or exploring how to unite with this family of faith in membership, please attend our Membership Conversation on Sunday, April 21, immediately following worship in the Parlor. We look forward to exploring the journey of faith with you.



Central Florida Earth Day 2024

Volunteers are needed for our church's booth at Central Florida Earth Day Celebration on April 20th. Ask a friend to join you in helping to work a shift at this beautiful downtown festival on behalf of FCCWP! Work a shift and then walk around to see all of the amazing displays and booths.

Click here to sign up for a shift:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E4BADA623A13-fccwp>

BALDWIN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS need to be in the church office by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 30, 2024. (This is a firm deadline.) Contact the church office if you need an application emailed to you.



This is for anyone pursuing avenues of higher education from High School graduates on up.

!!Join us on May 5 for two big events!!

Join Us For
Bring a Friend to Church Day

Sunday, May 5

The Membership Board invites you to bring a friend to church. The Liturgical theme of the week is "Friends Together" from John 15:9-17. We will have special treats during Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall following service and invite you to bring your friend.

FCCWP

Legacy Society

MAY 5, 2024

Luncheon immediately following worship.

Omelet bar and Mimosas!

Lunch is at no charge, however donations accepted for lunch.

- Speakers
- Learn about our history and how you can create a lasting legacy in your name.

PLEASE RSVP – WE WANT TO HAVE ENOUGH OMELETS/MIMOSAS FOR EVERYONE!
PIZZA FOR THE KIDS.



DONATE BLOOD

**First Congregational Church
of Winter Park**
Sunday, April 14th
8:00am-1:00pm

All donors receive*:

- **\$20 eGift Card**
- **Insulated Tote Bag**
- **Wellness Checkup** including blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count, and cholesterol screening.

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Receive



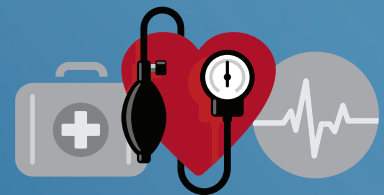
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Appointments are encouraged, please visit https://donor.oneblood.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/1479280



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*One offer per donor, per donation. No cash value. Not-transferable. Gifts may vary. For more information



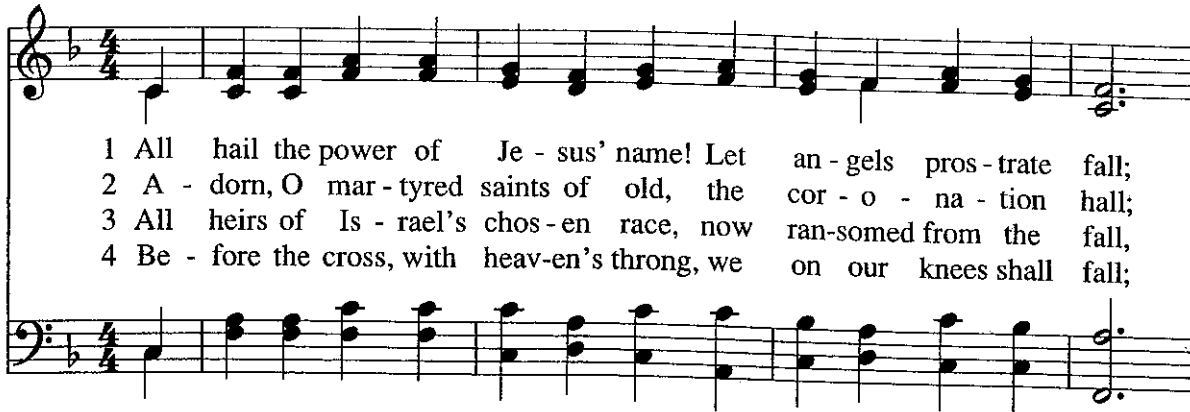
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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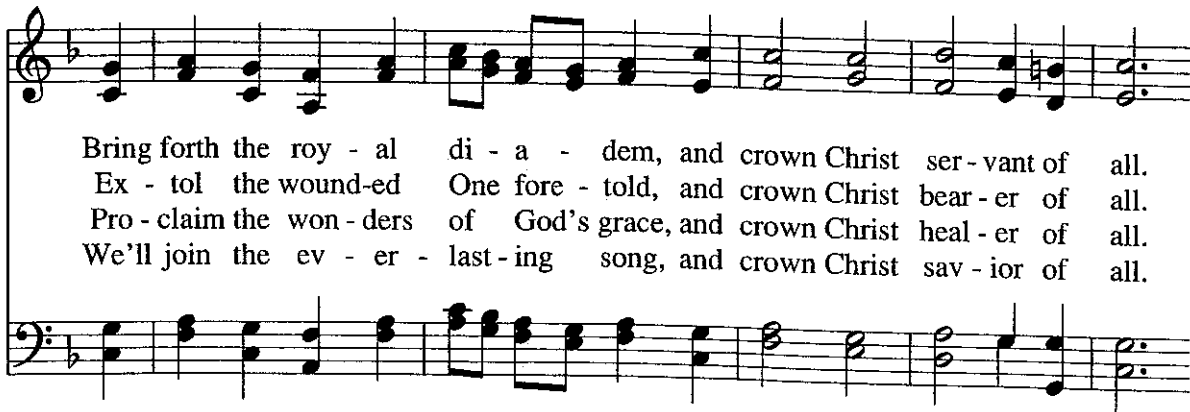
St. 1-3, Edward Perronet, 1779, 1780; alt.

St. 4, John Rippon, 1787; alt.

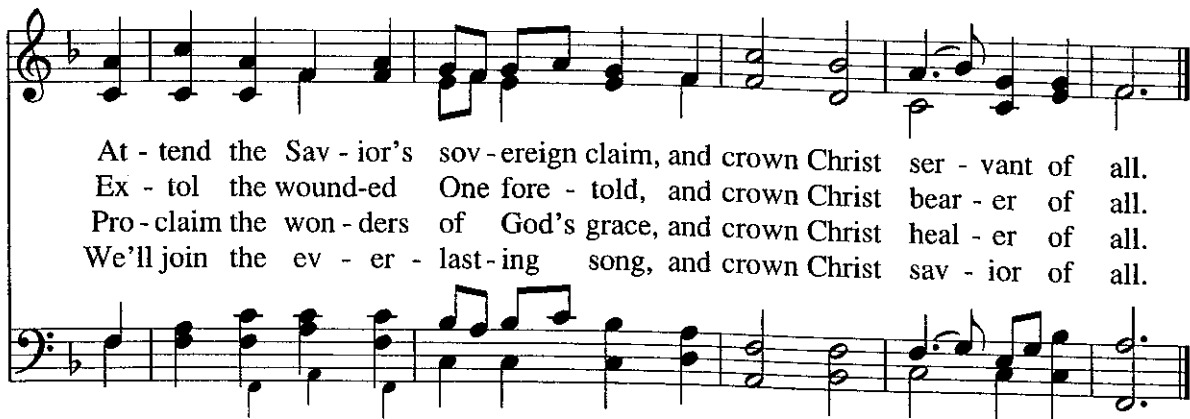
Rev. 19: 5:9; Phil. 2:9-11



1 All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
 2 A - dorn, O mar - tyred saints of old, the cor - o - na - tion hall;
 3 All heirs of Is - rael's chos - en race, now ran - somed from the fall,
 4 Be - fore the cross, with heav - en's throng, we on our knees shall fall;



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown Christ ser - vant of all.
 Ex - tol the wound - ed One fore - told, and crown Christ bear - er of all.
 Pro - claim the won - ders of God's grace, and crown Christ heal - er of all.
 We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and crown Christ sav - ior of all.



At - tend the Sav - ior's sov - ereign claim, and crown Christ ser - vant of all.
 Ex - tol the wound - ed One fore - told, and crown Christ bear - er of all.
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Edward Perronet, long a worker for English Methodism, later became a Congregational minister near Canterbury. John Rippon, an English Baptist minister, wrote more than 1,000 hymns. The tune is by Oliver Holden, an early American carpenter, legislator, musician, and hymnal editor.

Tune: CORONATION C.M.
 Oliver Holden, 1793

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Lead On Eternal Sovereign

Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1887; alt.

1 Lead on e - ter - nal Sov - ereign, we fol - low in your way;
 2 Lead on e - ter - nal Sov - ereign, we fol - low not with fear,
 3 Lead on e - ter - nal Sov - ereign, till sin's fierce war shall cease,

loud rings your cry for jus - tice, your call for peace this day:
 for in each hu - man con - flict your words of strength we hear:
 and all your saints to - geth - er will sing a hymn of peace;

Through prayer-ful prep - a - ra - tion, your grace will make us strong,
 That when we serve with glad - ness, you will not let us fall,
 Then all in your do - min - ion will live with hearts set free,

to car - ry on the strug - gle to tri - umph o - ver wrong.
 our trust is in your prom - ise that love will con - quer all.
 to love and serve each oth - er for all e - ter - ni - ty.

At Andover Seminary, fellow students asked Ernest W. Shurtleff to write a hymn for their graduation. This is the result. Shurtleff became a Congregational minister and in his last years established churches in Europe and did relief work during World War I.

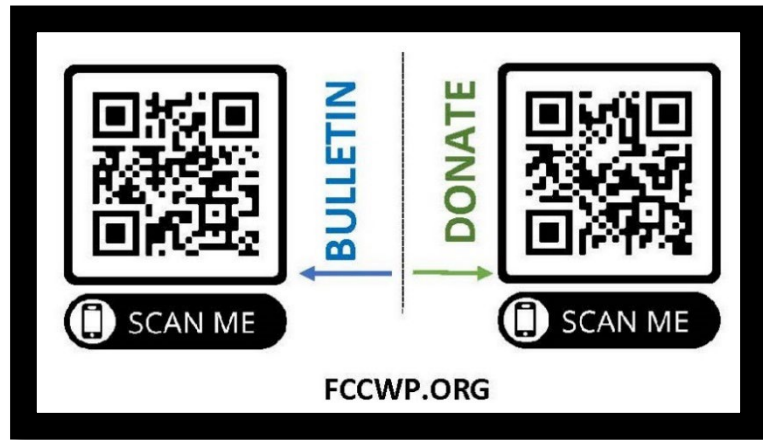
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 Henry T. Smart, 1836

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Help us reduce our carbon footprint and use your smart technology!

☞LOOKING AHEAD☞

April 14

The Big Red Bus

April 21

Earth Day Expo – Immediately following worship

April 28

Graduate and Youth Sunday

May 5

Bring a Friend to Church

Legacy Society Luncheon and Presentation

May 12

Mother's Day

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