

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
WINTER PARK



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"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 25, 2026  
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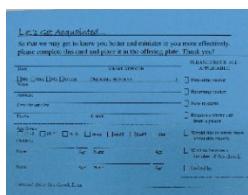
# WELCOME

***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!



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*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](http://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

**OUTREACH MOMENT**

Sally McArthur

**INTROIT***"Praise to the Lord, The Almighty"*  
Wilberg

Chancel Choir

**\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Garvey

**People:** "The dawn is breaking—and we rise with it."**\*OPENING HYMN** "Arise, Your Light is Come"

No. 164

**\*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 9:1-4

Rev. Garvey

**Minister:** This is the Word of God.**People:** **Thanks be to God****ANTHEM***"He Shall Feed His Flock"*

Beck

Chancel Choir

**GOSPEL**

Matthew 4:12-23

Rev. Garvey

**Minister:** This is the Word of God.**People:** **Thanks be to God**

## MESSAGE

"Immediately"

Rev. Shawn Garvey

As we hear the *calling of the first four disciples in Matthew's gospel*, Matthew uses the word "immediately" twice to describe how Peter, Andrew, James and John respond to Jesus' invitation to follow him. There is a sense of urgency and immediacy in their response. As you look around at the world around us now, and at your own local world that surrounds you and your loved ones each day, where do you sense an urgency and an immediacy to respond to the call Jesus has for you? How will you live it?

## *Responding to God's Word*

### CALL TO PRAYER/JOYS AND CONCERNS

Rev. Garvey

### SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYERS

### CALL TO OFFERING

### OFFERING DEDICATION

Offertory

"Lyric Interlude"

*Alexander Schreiner*

\*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

"O, For a World"

No. 575

### \*BENEDICTION

Rev. Garvey

### \*CHORAL BENEDICTION

"Choral Benediction"

*Besig*

Chancel Choir

## In Remembrance



Today's flowers are given with love by Martin and Amy Wareing in memory of Martin's father, Charles, who would have celebrated his 86th birthday on January 29th. Happy Birthday in Heaven, Dad — we imagine you smiling, probably reminding us not to forget the cake!

## NOTICE: TODAY!

### ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: January 25, 2025

Immediately following worship

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

This is a voting meeting. **Voting Members Only.**

Isa. 60:1; 61:1-2; Luke 4:14-21

Ruth Duck, 1973

1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;  
 2 A -rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;  
 3 A -rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,  
 4 A -rise, your light is come! The moun-tains burst in song!

Show forth the glo - ry of your God which shines on you to - day!  
 Pro - claim the cap-tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.  
 Bind up the bro - ken - heart-ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.  
 Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

*This hymn was first published by the Ecumenical Women's Center of Chicago in the 1974 collection of hymn adaptations, Because We Are One People. Ruth Duck later included it in her own collection, Dancing in the Universe.*

Tune: FESTAL SONG S.M.  
William Walter, 1872

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# O for a World

575

Miriam Therese Winter, 1987

Acts 4:32-35; I Cor. 1:26-31; I Pet. 3:8-12

1 O for a world where ev - ery-one re - respects each oth - er's ways,  
2 O for a world where goods are shared and mis - er - y re - lieved,  
3 We wel-come one world fam - i - ly and strug - gle with each choice  
4 The poor are rich, the weak are strong, the fool - ish ones are wise.  
5 O for a world pre - par - ing for God's glo - rious reign of peace,

Where love is lived and all is done with jus - tice and with praise.  
Where truth is spo - ken, chil-dren spared, e - qual - i - ty a - chieved.  
That o - pens us to u - ni - ty and gives our vi - sion voice.  
Tell all who mourn: out - casts be - long, who per - ish - es will rise.  
Where time and tears will be no more, and all but love will cease.

*Inspired by Charles Wesley's phrase "O for a thousand tongues" and the familiar tune Azmon, Miriam Therese Winter wrote this hymn envisioning a new world order for the Presbyterian Women's Triennial Conference in 1982. It was later rerafted and recorded by the Medical Mission Sisters.*

Tune: AZMON C.M.  
Carl G. Gläser, 1828  
Adapt. Lowell Mason in Modern Psalmody, 1839

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## ❖ LOOKING AHEAD ❖

**TODAY: Sunday January 25**  
Annual Congregational Meeting  
Sanctuary after Worship  
And  
W.I.N.G.S. Youth Night!  
Fellowship Hall 5:30PM

**Wednesday January 28**  
Fellowship Night- All are Welcome!  
Fellowship Hall 6:00PM

**Sunday February 1**  
W.I.N.G.S. Youth Night  
Fellowship Hall 5:30PM

**Wednesday February 18**  
Ash Wednesday Service  
Sanctuary 7:00PM

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