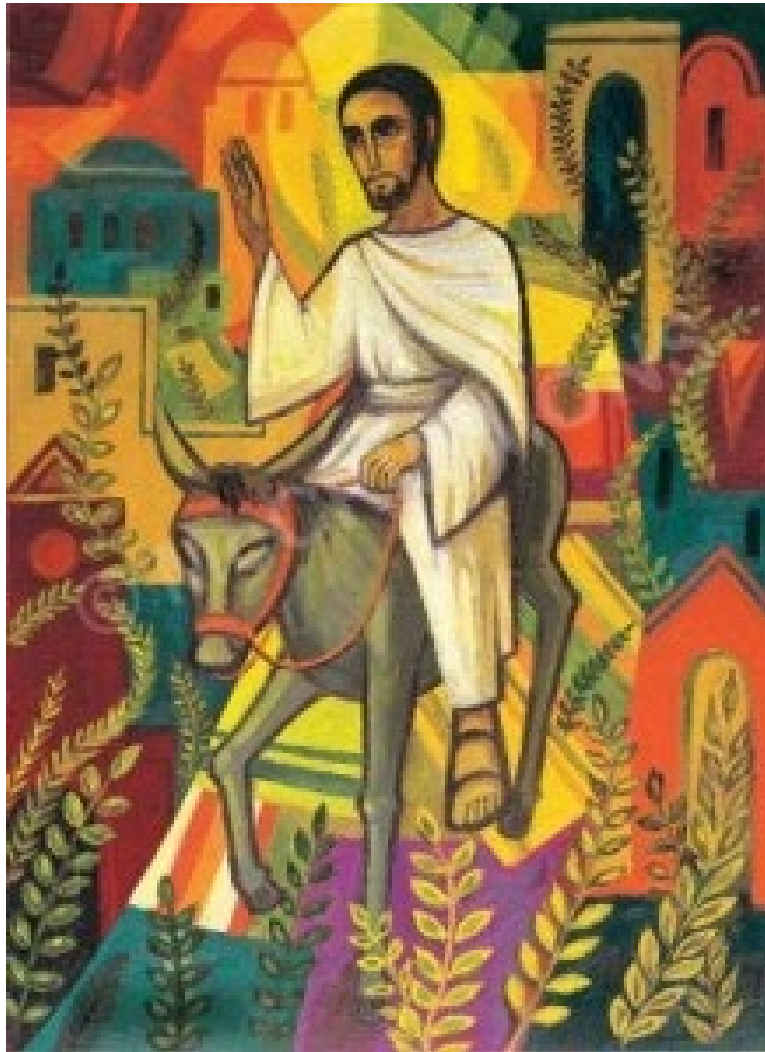


FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
WINTER PARK



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

Palm Sunday

MARCH 24, 2024

Masking is welcomed, but not required.

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

"Hosanna"

Chancel Choir

Leinbach

Please refrain from applauding

* RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Garvey

People: "We shall not be afraid, O God."

* OPENING HYMN



"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"
PALM PROCESSIONAL



No. 213

* OPENING PRAYER

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

All children please come forward for young church.

YOUNG CHURCH

Mrs. Kerry Weisner

"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

*Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang
Through pillared court and temple, the lovely anthem rang;
To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.*

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Mrs. Amy Wareing, Board of Membership

Minister: Let us, members of the First Congregational Church of Winter Park, express our welcome and affirm our mutual ministry in Christ.

People: **We welcome you with joy in the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of this church. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we grow together in faith and be witnesses to the love of God and the peace of Christ.**

HEBREW Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 Rev. Garvey
Minister: This is the Word of God.
People: **Thanks be to God**

ANTHEM "Hosanna"
Chancel Choir
Gregor
Please refrain from applauding

GOSPEL Mark 11:1-11 Rev. Garvey
Minister: This is the Word of God.
People: **Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE "Beware Expectations" Rev. Shawn Garvey
On this Palm Sunday, we get a powerful picture of the expectations the crowds have for and about Jesus. They are expectation salvation. In less than a week, those joyful expectations will leave Jesus betrayed, abandoned, and dead upon a cross. What can the arc of the Holy Week story inform us about our sacred expectations?

Responding to God's Word

CALL TO PRAYER/JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT AND PASTORAL PRAYERS

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERING DEDICATION

Offertory "Hail to Thee, Blessed Jesus"
J.S. Bach
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

***CLOSING HYMN** "Ride On! Ride On in Majesty" No. 215

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Garvey

CHORAL BENEDICTION "The Lord Bless You and Keep You"
Chancel Choir
Lutkin

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.



Do Not Forget!

**Bring in your flowers for the
Easter Cross on Easter Sunday.**

The cross will be located by the front steps of the Sanctuary on Interlachen.



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

A circular illustration of a diverse group of people of various ages and ethnicities standing together in a circle, smiling.



Palm Sunday Eggstravaganza

March 24th, 2024

Palm Sunday Processional



All Ages! At 9:45am meet Ms. Kerry outside the front of the sanctuary.



Easter Basket Silent Auction

This youth fundraiser will have many themed baskets for all ages to bid. Highest bidder wins! Winners announced before the egg hunt.

Eggstravaganza Brunch

11am after church - Purchase your brunch tickets today for the whole family.

\$5.00 children - 5th grade - \$15.00 youth/adult
*bagels & cream cheese, egg casseroles, bacon/sausage, pastries, potatoes, and fruit.



Egg Hunt

Toddlers - 5th grade will hunt for the eggs hidden just for them. Hunt will begin after brunch and silent auction. See below for more details to enter.



[Scan Here for Reservations](#)



Don't miss out on the Easter Egg Hunt!

The Hunt will be announced after brunch for Children, **toddlers - 5th grade**, gather outside.

To be part of the egg hunt you will need to provide the following:

- 12 plastic eggs filled with age-appropriate goodies. *PER CHILD*
- **All candy MUST be individually wrapped inside of egg.**
- Each bag of 12 should be marked with the age of the child hunting for the egg. *Example: Mary, age 4 - 12 eggs*
- Leave your marked bag of 12 eggs in the church office or the marked benches on the morning of the event. Located outside the education building.
- Deadline for eggs are **before church** the morning of the event.

If your child has a peanut allergy, mark your bag with the information if you have a sibling who will hunt in the same area they too must have allergy free eggs.

HAND THE BAG TO KERRY WEISNER!

Questions contact Kerry Weisner - Sunshineday365@aol.com

Welcome New Members!



Morgan Poulin

Lorianne Woldehanna



3/24/2024

2024

Easter Flower Dedications

The Flower Guild will be decorating our church with beautiful spring flowers and plants for Easter. *A special flower fund has been set up and you may donate (any amount) to the fund in memory or in honor of a loved one, a family member, or friend.*

Flower dedications received in the church office by **Wednesday, March 27, 2024**, will be listed in the Easter bulletin.

Checks should be made payable to First Congregational Church and marked "Easter Flower Fund" in the memo line.

Flower dedication given by: *(please print legibly)*

Your Name: _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____





Palm Sunday

3/24/2024

10:00 A.M. • Sanctuary • FCCWP

Join us for the Eggstravaganza Lunch and activities immediately after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Please reserve for lunch. \$15 for Adults, \$5 for children 4yrs-5th grade.
(Those reserved will be seated first.)

Maundy Thursday

3/28/2024

7:00 P.M. • Sanctuary • FCCWP
Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday

3/31/2024

SUNRISE SERVICE • 7:00 A.M. • ROLLINS CAMPUS
By the lake by the Cornell Museum

Join us immediately following the sunrise service in our Fellowship Hall for an Easter Brunch provided by our Board of Membership.
Brunch will be served from 8:00 – 9:30 a.m.

BRING YOUR FLOWERS FOR THE FCCWP EASTER CROSS

The cross will be located outside by the Sanctuary main entrance.



10:00 A.M. • Sanctuary • FCCWP
Doors open at 9:00 a.m.

Special Activities for Children during the 10:00 am service.
This will include playground time.



All Glory, Laud, and Honor

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Theodulph of Orléans, 9th century
 Transl. John Mason Neale, 1854; alt.

Matt. 21:8-9

1 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, O Christ, we sing,
 2 O Prom-ised One of Is - rael, of Da - vid's roy - al line,
 3 As you re-ceived their prais - es, re - ceive our prayers to - day,

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!
 the one called "God's be - lov - ed," of flesh and yet di - vine,
 whose jus - tice and whose mer - cy and sov - ereign - ty hold sway.

The peo - ple of the He - brews with palms a - dorned your way;
 To you, be - fore your pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;
 All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or to you, O Christ, we sing,

our praise and prayer and an - thems we of - fer you this day.
 to you, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.
 to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho - san - nas ring!

Brought to France by Charlemagne, Theodulph became bishop of Orléans but was later imprisoned by Charlemagne's successor. According to legend, he was released when the king, Louis the Pious, heard him sing this hymn from prison.

Tune: ST. THEODULPH 7.6.7.6.D.
 (VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN)
 Melchior Teschner, 1615
 For another setting, see 217

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

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*Jennette Threlfall, 1873; alt.**Mark 11:8-10; Matt. 21:15*

1 "Ho - san - na, loud ho - san - na," the lit - tle chil - dren sang;
 2 From Ol - i - vet they fol - lowed a - mid a cheer - ing crowd,
 3 "Ho - san - na in the high - est!" That an - cient song is ours.

through pil - lared court and tem - ple the love - ly an - them rang;
 the vic - tor palm branch wav - ing, and chant - ing clear and loud.
 We hail our great Re - deem - er and sing with all our powers:

To Je - sus, who had blessed them close fold - ed to his breast,
 The one whom an - gels wor - ship rode on in low - ly state,
 "Ho - san - na, Christ, we praise you with heart and life and voice.

the chil - dren sang their prais - es, the sim - plest and the best.
 and glad to see the chil - dren, slowed down the don - key's gait.
 Ho - san - na! In your pres - ence for - ev - er we'll re - joice!"

Jennette Threlfall of England, who was disabled by two accidents, wrote hymns that inspired hope and courage in others. This text was published in her collection Sunshine and Shadow.

Tune: ELLACOMBE C.M.D.
 Gesangbuch der herzoglichen Württembergischen
 katholischen Hofkapelle, 1784

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🎪LOOKING AHEAD🎪

March 24

PALM SUNDAY & Eggstravaganza

Join in on the fun immediately following worship

March 28

Maundy Thursday Service – 7:00 p.m.

March 31

EASTER SUNDAY

7:00 a.m. – Sunrise – Rollins College Campus

8:00 a.m. – Light Brunch – Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. – Worship – FCCWP

Bring your flowers for the Easter Cross

(located on the front steps of the Sanctuary)

April 7

Guest Choir: Glen Oak Chorale

May 5

Bring a Friend to Church

Legacy Society Luncheon and Presentation

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