



First Congregational Church

"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

- Chancel Singers Rehearsal: Sunday 9:00 a.m.
- Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.
- Alter-Notes Rehearsal: Sunday 12:00 - 12:45 p.m.
- Prayer Chapel: Tuesday 11:00 a.m. Meeting Room 2
- Pastor's Bible Study: Thursdays 9:30 downstairs in the Chapel

FROM THE PASTOR

Today as I write this it is World Refugee Day. It is also the day that President Trump signed an order to end the separation of mothers and children at our southern border. As I mentioned Sunday, it is very clear in our Bible that God has a special concern for refugees and widows and orphans. One cannot read all the verses without sharing that concern. Here are a few:

When a foreigner resides among you in your land, do not mistreat them. The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt. (Leviticus 19:33-34)

When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest. Do not go over your vineyard a second time or pick up the grapes that have fallen. Leave them for the poor and the foreigner. (Leviticus 19:9-10)

God defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the foreigner residing among you, giving them food and clothing. And you are to love those who are foreigners, for you yourselves were foreigners in Egypt. (Deuteronomy 10:18-19)

4 Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; 35 for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36 I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' 37 Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? 38 And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? 39 And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' 40 And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family,^[9] you did it to me.' (Matthew 25)

27 Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world. (James 1:27)

This Sunday we welcome Song of the Pines as our musical guests - they will have 19 members of their chorus here! And our series on David continues with the story of David and Goliath, a children's favorite, but also a story with important adult lessons about the choice of living from a place of fear or courage.

God bless,

Jay



SERMON SERIES ON THE LIFE OF DAVID

It is time to take a vacation from the lectionary! I will be preaching through the life of King David using as a resource Eugene Peterson's book *Leap Over A Wall: Earthly Spirituality for Everyday Christians*. We will follow David through the ups and downs of his very human life and learn spiritual lessons we can apply to our lives.

1 Samuel 16	God Chooses the Ordinary
1 Samuel 17	Living Life Shaped by Fears or by God?
1 Samuel 18-20	The Power of Friendship
1 Samuel 21-22	Running to the Sanctuary
1 Samuel 23-24	Learning to Look to the Lord
1 Samuel 25	Abigail Saves David
1 Samuel 27-29	A Fit of Depression
1 Samuel 30	Receiving Grace and Mercy
2 Samuel 1	David: A Model of Dealing with Pain and Loss
2 Samuel 2-4	Dealing with Difficult People and Situations
2 Samuel 5	Discerning God's Direction and Timing
2 Samuel 6	Encountering the Holy
2 Samuel 7	When God Says No
2 Samuel 9	David and Mephibosheth
2 Samuel 11-12	A "Me Too Moment" - Abuse of Power
2 Samuel 14-15	Family Troubles
2 Samuel 16-18	When You Are at Your Lowest
2 Samuel 22	David: Fully Alive to God
2 Samuel 23	The Blessing of Communion
1 Chron. 28-29	Facing Death

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST--JUNE 30

ONE WEEK LEFT!

- **CHECK THE BOARD FOR YOUR NAME:** A list of volunteers are posted with the schedule posted in Perkins Hall.
- **DONATE:** We have collected \$565 of \$1,000 for overhead costs.
- **FRIDAY SET UP TIME CHANGED TO 7 AM TO AVOID THE HEAT!**

Thank you for volunteering and donating!



THANK YOU!

Dear Friends,
Thanks so much for all the little gifts - very useful!

I enjoy the visits and the mail that I receive. Pat Welch

SUNDAY DISCUSSION GROUPS June 22 and 24. Before worship from 9:15 - 10:15 and after worship from 11:45 - 12:45 downstairs in the Maggie Room. Topics from "Living the Questions" series include "Asking Questions" in a Faith Journey, "Taking the Bible Seriously", and "Thinking about God". Come for one or all of these sessions.

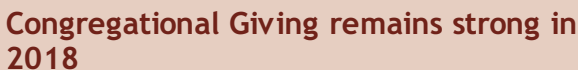
FCC PACKER TEAM, June 24-29, 2018

Mon 25: Angela Imberowicz, Bill Linson
Tues 26: Randy Cook , Stacy Graustein,
Wed 27: Christy Dinsman, Paul Standstrom
Thurs 28: Linda & Dave Foote
Fri: 29: Pete Norum, Jim Christopher

MISSIONS AND OUTREACH NEWS

Our mission emphasis for June is, "Strengthen The Church" (STC), a program of our national denomination. STC donations will support: (1) New church development (2) ministries working with refugees and immigrants (3) church programs targeting youth and young adults. Checks may be made payable to the church, with a memo, STC. Thank you for your support of our mission outreach endeavors. Gary Gard, chairperson ([928 910 2455](tel:9289102455)).

For those desiring to know more about the **DACA** (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals) program, please refer to the DACA information packets found on the mission display table in Perkins Hall. The packets contain facts which are not only informational, but also surprising. For example, did you know that since June 2012, DACA participants have paid approximately \$20 billion into Social Security, approximately \$4.6 billion in Medicare taxes, and approximately \$12 billion in state/local taxes. (Huffington Post.com “A Guide to read about DACA”)



Summer is typically a time when Sunday attendance drops. If you'll be away for the summer, we'll miss you! But don't forget to keep your pledge-giving up-to-date!

Linda and Henry Dahlberg
Carol Dosse
Suzy Lobaugh

Do you like to sing? Do you play an instrument? Would you like to be a part of bringing alternative styles of music to our worship service? Come join Alter-Notes! We rehearse at 12-12:45 p.m. on Sundays, after social time. Music styles vary -- calypso, spirituals, folk, Celtic, pop, rock and everything in between. **Show up and/or call Melissa Gates, 207-391-3276.**

You do not have to be able to read music or be a great singer to join us! The Chancel Singers are seeking people who love to sing. Anyone interested is invited to join us on Sunday mornings at 9:00 in the Chancel.

Bill Rouse has agreed to be one of our van drivers to pick up and take home those needing a ride to church. If you would like the church van to pick you up Sunday morning, please let Bill know by Saturday. His number is 602-769-5770. Our thanks to Bill for this ministry.

Offerings			Attendance Monthly Average		Outreach Gifts							
	June	YTD	January	93	January		July			Undesignated Missions		
Pledges	\$ 2,920	\$ 44,621	February	113	Prescott Comm. Cupb.	\$ 325					YTD	\$ 800
Non-Pledge	\$ 1,556	\$ 17,689	March	101	February		August			OCWM		
Facility Use	\$ 705	\$ 6,307	April	114	PASS	\$ 320					YTD	\$ 125
Foundation		\$ 53,463	May	104	March		September					
Memorials			June	94	HABITAT	\$ 275						
Total	\$ 5,181	\$122,080	July		April		October					
Expenses, Actual			August		OGHS	\$607						
	May	YTD	Sept		May		November- December					
Expenses	\$ 19,537	\$122,351	Oct		Rainbow Acres	\$ 355						
Annual Budget Needs			Nov		June		December					
	Annual		Dec		Pancake Breakfast	\$ 540						
Expenses	\$249,300				Strengthen The Church	\$ 259						

REGULARLY SCDEDUED

PASTOR’S BIBLE STUDY

An informal study group meets on Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in Hazeltine room. All adults are welcome.

EVERY WEEK COMMUNION

“Every Sunday Communion” takes place in the sanctuary after worship on Sundays. Communion is open to all.

ONCE A MONTH COMMUNION

Our regularly scheduled communion is held the first Sunday of each month. Communion is open to all.

PRAYER CHAPEL

Called to Care holds a weekly prayer time at 11:00 am on Tuesdays in the Chapel downstairs. Place your prayer requests in the prayer box in Perkins Hall.

PASS MEAL

Once a month we provide a meal for the Prescott Area Shelter Services the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 5:00 p.m. Sign-up sheet is in Perkins Hall.

CABINET MEETING

Meets the 4th Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm in the Office Conference Room.

VAN MINISTRY

If you need a ride to church on Sunday mornings, please let Bill Rouse know by the Saturday before. 602-769-5770



THE RINGING BELL CHOIR PRACTICE

If you would be interested in playing with us, we will train you! This is a fun and rewarding contribution to our worship. We meet for rehearsal at 11:00 a.m. on Thursdays.

CHANCEL SINGERS

If you like to sing, the Chancel Singers are eager to increase membership. We meet Sundays at 9:00 a.m. before worship services.

ALTER-NOTES

Alter-Notes is an alternative music group that meets at 12:00 for rehearsal in the Hazeltine Room each Sunday. If you like to sing or can play an instrument, we are looking for new members. We play folk, pop, Celtic, spirituals and anything else. Contact Melissa Gates phone:207-391-3276

SUNDAY SCHOOL OPTIONS

Parents may take children to Sunday school downstairs before the service begins, or wait until the children’s time with the pastor and then go to Sunday school. Children are also welcome to stay in the worship service at the discretion of the parent(s).

HELP US BUILD OUR SOCIAL MEDIA IMPACT WITH OUR COMMUNITY, LIKE US ON FACEBOOK!

CONTACT US

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ADMINISTRATION
Monday - Thursday 9:00 - 4:00
Friday 9:00 - 1:00
PASTOR JAY
Monday - Thursday 9:00 - 1:00
other times by appointment



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 10:30 a.m.

