

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, UCC
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**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 27, 2020**

WELCOME AND NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

HYMN *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name*

GATHERING PRAYER

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

**O God ,our Creator and Loving Parent, you show the
greatness of your power, chiefly in your mercy and forgiveness.
Fill us with your grace, and bestow within us, the gifts of love
that in running to obtain what you have promised, we may
come to share in the joys of your eternal Realm.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21: 23-32

MESSAGE WHICH ONE DID THE FATHER'S WILL?

HYMN OF RESPONSE *For a World*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

....ending with the Lord's Prayer

OFFERTORY

Invitation

Offertory Music

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father (*Creator*), Son (*Christ*), and Holy Ghost.

***Prayer**

BLESSING AND SENDING

CLOSING HYMN *Fairest Lord Jesus*

POSTLUDE

Announcements

Our Prayers and Sympathy are with Jim Bidle and family on the passing of Joan (Jo) Bidle. She passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, September 20, 2020.

Congregational Meeting

Hi, With the Pandemic continuing, the Governing Board has approved our next Congregational Meeting for Sunday, September 27, 2020 at 11:30. This will again be for the approving of our spending for the church and departments. We will meet out of doors just like the last meeting. Rain date will be October 4th. Please bring your own chair and wear a mask.

CropWalk 2020 Due to the pandemic, the CROP "walk" will be virtual. Individuals can walk alone, form groups, or simply collect pledges. Since there are less than 3 weeks left before the walk, people are asked to make out their pledge to CWS/Crop and mail it to the church (do NOT make it out to FCC). OR go to <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/muskegonmi> and locate the registration for FCC. We also have a direct link on our website. Naturally our crosstown rival has already gotten underway, so let's get going!!

Youth Worship - Please join Miss Alyssa for a fun Youth Worship activity or craft project on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 AM!

Your Sunday School teachers will post a video that introduces a lesson for the week on our Youth Worship at First Congregational Church Facebook page on Sunday mornings. Check us out on Facebook at 10:00 am Sundays.

There are 3 age groups for these weekly lessons:
Preschool through 2nd graders – check out videos from Miss Stacy!
3rd through 5th graders – your online teacher is Miss Gillian!
6th grade on up through high school – your Confirmation Class leader is Miss Elisabeth. (Confirmation Class is designed as a 2-year spiritual journey adventure, to help prepare students for becoming full members of our congregation.)

We hope that you are able to worship with us virtually, on your own schedule! Please share this with others and keep in touch with us!

Here is a link to our Youth Worship Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/Youth-Worship-at-First-Congregational-Church-258853638149298/?ref=page_internal

A Memorial for Kimm Miller will be held on Monday, September 28, 2020 at 11:00 am at Clock Funeral Home in Muskegon. Visitation will take place at 10:00 am.

Weekly Calendar:

Sun Sep 27 10:00 am Virtual Youth Worship
10:30 am Virtual Worship Service
11:30 am Congregational Meeting on Lawn at FCC
Tue Sep 29 11:00 am Virtual Staff Meeting
2:00 pm FCC Food Pantry
Wed Sep 30 9:00 am Building Volunteers
10:00 am Virtual Youth Worship Activity
Thu Oct 01 6:30 pm Virtual Worship and Music Meeting on Zoom
Sun Oct 04 10:30 am Virtual Worship Service/ World Communion Sunday
CropWalk Sunday/Virtual

Weekly Scripture

SUN Sep 27 17th. Sunday After Pentecost (Proper 21/Ordinary Time 26)
Exodus 17:1-7, Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16, Philippians 2:1-13, Matthew 21:23-32

MON Sep 28 1 Corinthians 11:17-26,33; Psalm 40:6-9, 16,Luke 7:1-10

TUE Sep 29 1 Corinthians 12:12-14; Psalm 100; Luke 7:11-17

WED Sep 30 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Psalm 33:2-5, 12,22;
Luke 7:31-35

THU Oct 01 Job 19:21-27;Psalm 27:7-9, 13-14; Luke 10:1-12

FRI Oct 02 Job 38:1, 12-21, 40:3-5; Psalm 139: 1-3, 7-10, 13-14;
Luke 10:13-16

SAT Oct 03 Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-16; Psalm 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130,
135; Luke 10:17-24

SUN Oct 04 World Communion Sunday Exodus 20:1-4,7-9, 12-20;
Psalm 19; Philippians 3:10-15; Matthew 21:33-46