The First Congregational Church of Essex Junction

United Church of Christ



A Welcoming Community, Accepting and Serving All in the Spirit of Christ

The First Congregational Church of Essex Junction, United Church of Christ, is an Open and Affirming congregation, embracing diversity and affirming the dignity and worth of every person, because we are all created by a loving God. We seek to live Christ's call for compassion, justice, healing and wholeness in life. Therefore, we welcome into our community persons of every race, gender, age, sexual orientation, faith background, nationality, ethnicity, marital status, mental and physical ability, economic and social position, gender identity and expression, level of education and family structure. We invite all to share in the life, leadership, ordained ministry, lay ministry, worship, sacraments, responsibilities, fellowship, blessings, and joys of our congregation as we seek to grow together in faith and love.

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Order of Worship

Prelude

An Extravagant Welcome

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome in this place.

Welcome Greeting and Announcements

Our Ministers will welcome everyone to church and then highlight some events in our shared life, then the Deacon on Duty will welcome everyone and invite people to raise significant celebrations to the congregation or introduce yourself or a friend as a guest. We encourage everyone to sign the Friendship Book.

A Musical Introit

Call to Worship

Leader: Welcome to worship this day!

People: We have come seeking God's blessings and love.

Leader: They shall be given to you.

People: We have come seeking forgiveness and healing.

Leader: These will be offered to you. Open your hearts to receive God's Good News.

People: We open our hearts to all of God's words and ways for us. Amen!

*Opening Hymn

Great Is Your Faithfulness

#423

Prayer of Invocation [composed and led by the Deacon on Duty]

The Sacrament of Baptism [2nd Service]......Jazlyn Marie Watt

Be sure to give a warm First Church welcome to Chelsea Watt and her precious daughter Jazlyn. Jazlyn's proud grandmother is Deb Watt; and Jazlyn's Godparents are Aliyah Watt and Jeff Watt.

Children's Message

Our Nursery is open for children under 3 years and the room has a speaker for you to listen to the service and it is streamed to Fellowship Hall. After the 2nd service's children's message, PreK-12th grade are welcome to follow Laurie for Faith Formation with music & peer group time. High School youth can assist as helpers in our peer groups. Adults are welcome to accompany children, get them settled, stay, or return to worship. Reminder to parents, all children in PreK-2nd need to be signed out an authorized person when peer groups end at 11:30am.

God has made us all a rainbow.
Colors dancing 'round and 'round.
In our hair and skin and eyes, big and little, every size,
God has made us all a rainbow dancing 'round.

Jesus loves the little children,
All God's children of the world.
Whether young or old or new, Jesus loves us through and through
Teaching us to love all creatures in the world.

Pastoral Prayer and Unison Lord's Prayer

A Time of Silence for Personal Prayer Sharing Our Prayers with God and Each Other

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, amen.

Congregational Response

*Hymn

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

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Scripture Reading: Colossians 3: 1 [page 156]

Musical Currier Bell Anthem

Offering Our Gifts to God Invitation, Offering, and Prayer of Dedication Anthem

*The Doxology #778

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.

*Hymn

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

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Benediction

Pastoral Benediction and Special Recognition

A benediction inspired by Colossians 3:17. From the Sojourn Community Church in Louisville, Kentucky.

When you work,

work as though you worked for the Lord.

When you rest,

rest in the sovereign grace of God.

And when you celebrate,

celebrate as a people with the greatest reason for love, joy, and celebration.

Go now in the grace and forgiveness of our Savior, and in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Peace be with you!

And also with you. AMEN!

*Sung Community Benediction

Go Now In Peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know God will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there, holding you in love.
God now in peace, in faith and in love.

^{*}Postlude

^{* =} Please stand if you are able.

NEW 2020 Flower Chart is posted on the *Mission: Possible* board in the hallway between the Narthex and Fellowship Hall Please, request your flowers by <u>Sunday</u>, <u>December</u> <u>15th</u>.

First Church's Prayer Ministry

Marion Schneider Richard Ansell Russ Dettenrieder
Bob Ursinv

John A Aidan W

Bill Adams (*not Betty's hus-

band*)

Jennifer Morse Carlene Lawrence

Tom Gibbs

Judy Blackman

Karla Rick Busciglio

Robert & Claire Deal

Please, let the office know if you would like a name added to our Prayer Ministry. You may write it on the Friendship Pad; call the office @ 878 5745; or email at welcome@fccej.org. Additionally, prayer requests will be edited regularly. If you find an unintended error or omission, then please, contact the Church office.

Happy Belated Wedding Anniversary
To Wayne & Nancy Hall (November 1st)!





The flowers on the altar are given by

June Silverman

In memory of her loved ones.

Today's Ushers & Greeters

(1st Service) Greeters: Carl Wermer

Ushers: Barbara Smith & Ann Gray

(2nd Service) Greeters: Marsha Duell

Ushers: Terri Livak



Interested in ushering/greeting? Register by visiting this link: shorturl.at/LSWZ5

Coats and Shawls

Coat Closet Full? Additional storage is available in the Narthex. Feeling Chilly? We have a large stock of warm, hand-made prayer shawls to keep you cozy this year, and they are free to keep! Ask our Ushers/Greeters for help.



FAITH FORMATION (PreK-8th Grade)

Interested in Volunteering to help our children & youth? Contact Laurie Chipman, CED: 878-5745 ext. 103; or lchipman@fccej.org.

Faith Formation Conversations

Today, November 17th during Peer Group time:

PreK – 2nd will hear & talk about the story of Abraham & Sarah based on Genesis 15-18:15

3rd – 8th will read 2 Thessalonians 3:6 -13 & talk about Paul's words in this letter of how we must work together to be the church.



Sunday Morning Calendar

November 24th: Hands-On Mission

December 1st: (on 1st Sundays of the month) - Intergenerational Worship for children & youth and can help usher/greet/read scripture PreK & K spend time with Spiritual

PreK & K spend time with Spiritual Friends and return for communion

December 8th: Peer Group Time

December 15th: Pageant Sunday

December 22nd & 29th: Intergenerational Worship

Save the Dates!

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

Sunday, December 8th @ 11:30am

Preschool – **4**th grade are encouraged to attend the first 20-30 minutes of pageant rehearsal to take a part and follow the youth and learn their part. Rehearsal continues for youth until 2pm.

Christmas Pageant Sunday *December 15th*

Enjoy the pageant during both our worship services.

Peer Group Leaders

<u>Preschool</u> ~ Paula Sargent, Makaylah Moos, Kaki & Caitlin McGeary, Marlene & Courtney Frank <u>Kindergarten</u> ~ Jenny Bourn & Laura Marthaler <u>First & Second Grade</u> ~ Sue Conti & Lisa Clark <u>Third & Fourth Grade</u> ~ Barb Smith & Allison VanSteensburg

Fifth ~ Eighth Grade ~ Pastor Josh & Laurie

High School youth are encouraged to help with a Peer group during Faith Formation time. Junior and Seniors can also opt to be a paid helper in the Nursery.

Sunday School Offering Spectrum Youth & Family Services

2019 Total — \$523.33 (as of 10/27)

Remember to bring your offering each week, \$1 a week can go a long way! Please use the envelopes in the pews so your \$ goes to the right place.



YOUTH MINISTRY (5th-12th Grade)

FCCEJ Confirmation Class

Thursdays @ 7:30-9pm @ Marvin Lounge

Confirmation is an intentional time in a person's life, usually a young person, to learn more about Christianity, the Bible, faith, etc. During this time, they start to intentionally form what they believe and how they want to engage society. The confirmands attend other faith tradition's worship services, participate in community service projects, and participate in some capacity at church whether if it's through helping with faith formation, reading in worship, etc. It ends with confirmation Sunday when confirmands who want to join the church publicly do so. Anyone in 8th grade or above is welcome to join the Confirmation class. It is a one-year program. Confirmation class will take place most Thursdays, 7:30-9pm, between now and May 31st on Confirmation Sunday.

Junior Youth Calendar

Mark your calendars & join the FUN! These events are tailored for 5th-8th graders. The focus is on our faith, missions, and friendly games to boost fellowship.

November 17th ~ JY time ~ 11:30am to 1:30pm

High School Youth Group

See Pageant Rehearsal Dates for more details.

Donations

Meal donations and snacks for youth times are appreciated! Visit this link to list your contribution:

shorturl.at/tBEPZ

National Youth Event

July 20-26, 2020

Calling all youth ages 12-20 by July. Travel with Pastor Josh & Laurie to Purdue University. Four (4) days of worship, music & service project. We need at least 5 youth to make trip happen.

<u>Signup</u> by December 1st <u>Cost</u> is \$250 per youth

Fundraising Event in early 2020. Stay tuned...



Rehearsal Schedule for JY & HS Youth

November $24_{th} \sim 5$ to 7pm December $1_{st} \sim 5$ to 7pm December $8_{th} \sim 11:30$ to 2pm December $14_{th} \sim \text{TBA}$ (between 1pm and 6pm) December $15_{th} \sim \text{Pageant Sunday}$ @ both services

Pageant Rehearsal Helpers

If you enjoy the pageant here at First our youth could use your help. Starting on November 24th from 5-7pm (see schedule in youth section) we need adult helpers to assist with learning lines, collecting prop, organizing costumes and maybe helping with scenery. Interested? Please speak with Pastor Josh or Laurie.

EVENTS@FIRST: TODAY



Adult Mission

Trip to Puerto Rico! Anyone 18 or older is welcome. PR needs our helps with repairing

cement roofs. We'd work five days, two days for travel, and one for Sunday worship at a local church. Looking to do this over the course of one week. Potential dates are April 18th-25th; or April 25th-May 2nd. Cost will be \$800-850 per person.

Talk to Josh for more information.

Reverend Erin Reardon Installed (a) Warren United Church

Let us all be a little proud that Tom and Suzanne's daughter Erin will be duly installed at the Warren United Church. under the auspices of the Vermont Conference of the United Church of Christ on Nov. 17th, 2019 at the Warren Church [339 Main Street, Warren VT 05674] at 2:00p.m., with reception to follow. Erin grew up in our church and in ironic but true congregational form, chose NOT to be confirmed here under the able guidance of Garvey. Yet in Rev Steve conscientious choice, there was a yearning for more spiritual knowledge and here we are.....! The service will be a great celebration and Rev. Mark will be participating and offering rides if anyone needs one.

BELLS ARE RINGING... AGAIN!

After a hiatus, our team of handbell ringers will begin practicing every Wednesday night @ 6:30pm in our Sanctuary and playing at services throughout the year. No experience or musical training is necessary and all are welcome! If you are interested, email Organist Carol Spradling (cspradling@fccej.org) for details.

Support JUMP!

Part of our church's mission to JUMP (Joint Urban Ministry Project) is to provide **deodorant**. Our Red Tent Project has been very successful, but we need your donations! Please, find the red tent in the church's Marvin Lounge or Fellowship Hall (depending on construction.)

Coat Drive

A Winter Coat Drive is currently underway to include winter coats, snow suits, snow pants, hats, mittens, scarves, and boots for children & adults. The winter gear will be distributed at the Heavenly Pantry Food Shelf on *Thursday, November 21st*. Thank you for helping our neighbors in need.

Hannaford Cards

Reload your Hannaford Cards (up to \$500!) OR purchase new ones in \$25, \$50, \$100, and \$200 increments.



EVENTS@FIRST: THIS WEEK

November Book Group Monday, November 18th at 11:30 am

The next book group will meet in the Marvin We will be reading a novel by Sinclair Lewis. It Can't Happen Here was written in 1935 while Lewis was in Vermont for the summer. It is a tale about the fragility of democracy and a look at how facism could take hold in America when it was largely oblivious Hitler's aggression to Europe. The novel is about the rise of a president who becomes a dictator to save the nation from welfare cheats, crime and a liberal press. In 1935 when it was written, it called message thinking was to Americans". It is a novel that remains as fresh and contemporary as today's news.

Sermon Talkback Tuesdays

Tuesdays, 8:30-10am

Gather with us in the Marvin Lounge for coffee, baked goods, and a lively discussion of the sermon delivered on Sunday, and much more! Join us for the conversation, the goodies, the camaraderie, or all of the above!

Coffee Clatter Fridays

Fridays @ 8-9am

This may seem like a foolish question, but if you like to talk and drink coffee, then come down to Martone's for open conversation. Rev. Mark and/or Josh are there every week and talk about everything from camping to politics; from deep theological questions to silly jokes; from village life to great vacation spots; from business deals to the best restaurants in town. We laugh, get serious and support each other. **Everyone is invited!**

Heavenly Cents Thrift Shop

37 Main Street in Essex Junction

Hours: Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 10am-3pm; Thursdays 4pm-8pm; 1st & 3rd Saturday of each month, 9am-1pm. Phone: 879-6552.

News: The shop will now be open every Saturday from 9 am to 1 pm. A Big Thanks to our volunteers for making this happen. Spread the word to your family, co-workers, friends and neighbors. The Shop has been receiving many requests for more men's clothes. Please think about the Thrift Shop when cleaning out your closets. and volunteers needed now for Thursday shifts at 4pm-6pm and 6pm-8pm. Please, contact Elaine Raymond @ 879-7350 or ebraymond@gmail.com.

Heavenly Food Pantry

Thursday, November 21st @ 5:30-7:30pm
The Pantry would appreciate these donations: spaghetti sauce, cereal, and chicken noodle soup, and one-dozen egg cartons. We now have plenty of egg cartons, so thank you! Also, we have several volunteering opportunities! See our church's newsletter for more details; or contact Val Gabert directly @ val.gabert@gmail.com.

Young Adult Gathering

Friday, November 22, 7-9pm Young Adult gathering at the parsonage.



EVENTS@FIRST: SAVE THE D@TE!

Advent Decorating Event NEXT Sunday, 11/24

Join us following 2nd service. Nativity set craft. Make the next one in the set. Sign up with Laurie. lchipman@fccej.org Decorating the Sanctuary for the Advent & Christmas season. Lunch time snacks provided. Many hands make light work.

Many hands make light work



Saturday Night Worship

First Saturday of Each Month Next Service: December 7th @ 4:30pm

Want to sleep in on a Sunday but hate to miss worship, then come worship on Saturday! where you will find a new style of worship that is informal, interactive and in Fellowship Hall. We hear scripture and discuss what it means. We come together for communion through friendship and sacrament. We lift our prayers up as a community and have a chair waiting for anyone who needs specific prayers. Come worship first and then go out for a lovely dinner with your partner: it's a great Saturday Night Tradition.

Bridge Club

Friday, December 20th @ 1:30pm

Casual potluck-style game of Bridge. Join Pastor Mendes in our Marvin Lounge for a rousing game and a chance to win some of his world-famous jam!

The Giving Tree, Setup Sunday, November 24th

The Giving Tree will be setup in the Narthex complete with tags. This year, for those folks who enjoy getting all the gifts for one child, there will be 15 sets of tags bundled together



with red ribbons. Please, as you take a tag or tags, remember to sign the sheet available by the tree to indicate which tag (s) you have taken. Thank you so much for all that you do to make Christmas a merry one for these kids

Essex Eats Out

Friday, December 6th @ 5:30-6:30pm

A free, community-wide dinner open to all (with a special invitation to the needy & lonely) every Friday night throughout the Essex area. FCCEJ hosts Essex Eats Out on the 1st Friday of each month. Donations (to help subsidize the cost of these meals) are solicited but not required. Visit essexeatsout.org for more details.

JOY (Just Older Youth)

Thursday, December 5th @ Noon

If you are 55+ please consider joining this active church group. JOY meets at noon on the first Thursday of the month. We strive to present programs that foster learning, fun, or service.

Capital Campaign Update By Kaki McGeary



Security Grant/Lighting News - we got the grant! We received a federal grant of \$47,809 for improving security and safety at our church. This grant award includes \$10,000 for new parking lot lights! Also included are funds to add locks to all of our classroom doors and a new "controlled access system" (keyless locks, video cameras at our two

main entrances). Now we are just waiting on paperwork. :) Once we have it, we will install the new lighting in the parking lot! The other projects will take a bit longer to implement, so stay tuned for details.

Window Update: We are eagerly awaiting the return of our historic windows/shutters in the sanctuary. We hope they will be back by the end of November.

AND.....COMING SOON: The Sanctuary Restoration Project!

The Sanctuary Restoration Project will begin January 1. As we shared before, the plaster ceiling must be totally removed and replaced. This work will require temporary scaffolding. The entire project should take about 2 months, assuming no major hiccups. The ceiling work will be done first and then it must cure for several weeks, during which time the walls will be patched. Once that is done, painting can begin!

Unfortunately, the Sanctuary will not be usable while the scaffolding is in place. Worship services will be held in Fellowship Hall starting on December 29. Our goal is to be back in the sanctuary BEFORE PALM SUNDAY, if not before. Our staff and several committees are working on plans to make this temporary move as seamless and comfortable as possible. We appreciate everyone's patience and flexibility as we get through those few months. We ask for prayers that we move through this time of transition and mess with patience, kindness, grace and humor, and that this experience might draw us closer together as one body of Christ.

As we continue to work on these projects, we are drawing down our cash balance. Your continued pledge payments are vital to our efforts! We have budgeted for

bridge loan financing, and while we have not needed it yet, we will likely need to secure a bridge loan for the Sanctuary Restoration. As always, early pledge payments are welcome to help minimize bridge loan interest.

Special Note: For your convenience, charts containing completion date projections for the Capital Campaign's various projects are posted on bulletin boards throughout the church.

CHURCH MINISTRY @ FIRST

Church Staff

Senior Pastor: *Rev. Mark Mendes* [mmendes@fccej.org] Associate Pastor: *Rev. Josh Simon* [jsimon@fccej.org] Music Director: *Carol Spradling* [cspradling@fccej.org]

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Church Administrator: *Doug Ovitt* [welcome@fccej.org]

Music Ministry

Cherub Music: Jenny Bourn [jennybourn4@gmail.com]

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Currier Bell Choir Director: Carolyn Harris [899-6759]

Finally @ First Director: Rick Dooley [rickdooley5@gmail.com]

Joyful Noise: Jessica Moos [jessicamoosvermont@gmail.com]

Men At First Director: *Bill Bickford, Jr.* [bill.bickford@aol.com] Sanctuary Choir/Heavenly Harmony Director: *Carol Spradling*

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Committee / Church Officer Contacts

President, Chair Human Resources Committee: Carl Wermer [879-7650]

Vice President, Chair Finance & Pastoral Relations: Maureen Evans [879-7517]

Treasurer & Historian: *Ann Gray* [878-4088] Asst. Treasurer: *Dan Petherbridge* [879-0261] Financial Secretary: *Pat Seaver* [879-4445]

Clerk: Alison Wermer [879-7650]

Christian Education: Jenny Bourn [802-309-7441]

Communications: Andrea Sharp [879-0580] or Judy McCullen [878-9794]

Deacons: Betsy Weischedel [922-2094], Peter Schmalz [202-297-3625]

Hospitality: Jim Glatz [503-5076]

Missions: Joanne Irwin [878-2528], Ed Steele [871-5897]

Music: *Denise Keating* [345-8900] Nominating: *Barb Smith* [878-6866] Stewardship: *Jessica Moos* [399-8068] Trustees: *Kevin Meilleur* [238-4041]

Ushering: Jessica Moos [399-8068]

Recognized Groups at First Church

Heavenly Cents Thrift Shop [879-6552] Sue Wood suewood@myfairpoint.net

Heavenly Food Pantry Contact: Valerie Gabert [879-0109]

Called To Care Contact: Beth Volker [238-2713]

Nepali Christian Community Contact: Dan Raut [310-4371]

Craft Fest Committee Contact: Linda Bogardus [lbogardus@myfairpoint.net]



November 17, 2019 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost Infinite Possibilities Isaiah 65:17-25

Listen for the still speaking voice God who declares through the prophet, "I am about to create new heavens and a new earth..."

Two families of German Lutheran immigrants heard the voice in the middle of the 1800's when they traveled to Galveston, Texas in a leaky boat that nearly sank in the Gulf of Mexico. The immigrants listened to God's voice declaring that a new creation was coming as they gathered with a few other Germans who had already settled in the area. Together, the families founded a Lutheran church which they named St. Peter's.

The church members kept listening for the still speaking God, when yellow fever decimated the community twice in the next twenty years. And then they listened again when their church building burnt down a few years after that. They heard God declare a new creation was already being imagined and it gave them hope in those difficult times.

In 1937, St. Peter's adapted again, changing its worship services from German speaking to English speaking. And then, in the 1950's, there was a new creation again when the church joined the newly formed United Church of Christ.

Recently, St. Peter's United Church of Christ changed again. The small, white, traditional congregation merged with Houston's Cathedral of Hope – a tiny satellite of the huge LGBTQ congregation Cathedral of Hope in Dallas. Cathedral of Hope-Houston's pastor is African American and openly gay. The small congregation had started off as a renter at St. Peter's, but then they approached the church asking how they could afford necessary physical plant updates. Instead, representatives of St. Peter's proposed a merger. That's the how the church became what it is today – God's new creation called St. Peter United. The congregation had once again listened to the still speaking God's declaration that a new creation was being brought to life.

In just a little under two hundred years God has made many changes at St. Peter's. They were not changes that the founders could have imagined because God's imagination is so far beyond anything our human minds can create.

Listen, God is still speaking! "I am about to create new heavens and a new earth." Pay attention to what God's creative imagination might have in store for you and your community.

Revised Music Director Position!

The Warren United Church, an Open and Affirming congregation of the United Church of Christ, is seeking a part time, paid Music Director/pianist to prepare and lead music during worship and special services and lead a small, but experienced choir. Bring your musical skills to this enthusiastic congregation in an acoustically rich sanctuary. Extensive music library available. Directing a choir on Sunday during rehearsals and worship a plus. Knowledge of diverse church music genres preferred. Hours and pay negotiable. Please respond to:



Dear Friends, Please Remember to Remit Your Pledge Cards! You may place them in the worship collection plate; drop them off at the Church offices; or mail them to the Church. (*1 Church Street, Essex Junction, VT 05452.*) Questions or concerns? Email Pat Seaver, FCCEJ Financial Secretary, at vtri2@aol.com.



November 18, 2019 -November 24, 2019

WEEKLY CHURCH CALENDAR

November 2019

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December 2019
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Monday, Nov	ember 18
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- 11:30am 1:30pm Noontime Book Group (Marvin Lounge)
- 12:00pm 1:30pm Brown Bag (Fellowship Hall)
- 1:00pm 1:30pm Piano Tuning (Sanctuary)
- 1:30pm 4:00pm Food Pantry Stocking (Fellowship Hall &
 - Gym) €
- 5:30pm 6:45pm Yoga @ First (2nd Floor Programming Room) <
- 5:30pm 6:30pm Group Victory (Marvin Lounge)
- 5:45pm 7:15pm Girl Scouts (3rd Floor (Coral & Blue))
- 6:30pm 9:30pm Joe's Big Band (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00pm 8:30pm BSA Troop 624 (Third Floor) Douglas Ovitt

Tuesday, November 19

- 8:30am 10:00am Sermon Talk Back (Marvin Lounge)
- 🔤 12:00pm 1:30pm Brown Bag (Fellowship Hall) 🕘
- 7:00pm 9:00pm Deacons (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00pm 9:00pm Missions Committee (Marvin Lounge) 🗍

Wednesday, November 20

- 8:00am 11:30am Food Shelf Delivery (Fellowship Hall)
- 12:00pm 1:30pm Brown Bag (Fellowship Hall)
- 1:00pm 2:30pm FCCEJ Staff Meeting (Marvin Lounge)
- 5:30pm 7:00pm Finally@First (Fellowship Hall)
- 6:30pm 8:15pm Handbell Choir (Sanctuary)
- 7:00pm 8:30pm Boy Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

Thursday, November 21

- 8:30am 6:30pm Food Pantry (Fellowship Hall)
- 12:00pm 1:30pm Brown Bag (Marvin Lounge)
- 3:00pm 4:00pm Easterseals (Third Floor)
- 5:30pm 6:30pm Communications Committee (Marvin Lounge)
- 6:00pm 9:00pm Music@First (Sanctuary) (
- 6:30pm 8:00pm Wolf Den (2nd Floor) €
- 6:30pm 7:45pm Tiger Den #9 (Third Floor)
- 7:00pm 9:00pm EEO Meeting (Marvin Lounge)
- 7:30pm 9:00pm Confirmation (Third Floor)
- 8:15pm 9:15pm Music @ First (Fellowship Hall)
- 8:30pm 9:30pm Men @ First (Fellowship Hall) 🗇

Friday, November 22

- 12:00pm 1:30pm Brown Bag (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:30pm 10:30pm Grange (Fellowship Hall) 🥂

Saturday, November 23

- 9:00am 11:00am Nepali Community Worship (Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall) €
- 1:00pm 2:00pm Brown Bag (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, November 24

- 8:30am 9:30am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:15am 11:30am Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 12:00pm 1:30pm Heavenly Harmony, Rehearsal
- 1:00pm 2:00pm Brown Bag (Fellowship Hall) €
- 1:30pm 5:30pm Stamp Club (Marvin Lounge)
- 5:00pm 7:00pm Pageant Rehearsal (Sanctuary; 3rd Floor;
- 6:00pm 8:00pm Venture Crew (Marvin Lounge)

SERMON NOTES