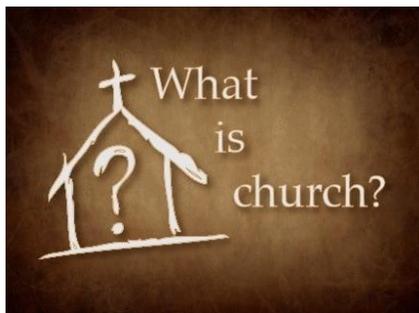


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First Congregational United Church of Christ

June 2018



What is Church?

By Susie Hayward

Greetings from the Worship Commission and staff! We write to offer information and extend an invitation as we prepare for worship that will occur during our church's upcoming period of transition between Rev. Audrey's departure on May 27 to Rev. Dave's first worship with us on August 19.

We (including Rev. Audrey, who offered valuable guidance even as she prepared to move on in her ministry) have thought prayerfully about the liturgical season, the life of the church, the state of our community, country, and world, and considered how our worship during this time can speak to this moment. We collectively settled on a theme to shape our worship services for this period:

What is Church?

We hope to foster reflection and discussion throughout the summer among church members about the many (and different) things (First) church means to us and why we commit to being part of a faith community in this city and world. We want to affirm what holds us among our community, why we each love it in our own way, while also recognizing the frustrations and pains we inevitably feel as a member of a faith family. In short, we want to affirm the individual members and the collective "we" that makes us who we are, even among the dynamism inherent to any community, and even as we prepare to welcome a new senior minister. Each week we will explore various sub-themes, such as church as community, church as restoration, church as home, church as family, etc. **Please send Susie Hayward a note if there is a particular sub-theme (church as ____) you'd like us to consider meditating on one Sunday!**

Throughout June, July, and the first half of August, we will welcome familiar and new voices into our pulpit, from within the church and beyond. We plan to experiment a little with the liturgy, music, and format of worship services during this period. We welcome your ideas as we continue to develop our plans!

But here's another way where you may contribute: **we would love to have broad participation from our membership in our worship services over the summer. Do you feel called to offer a reflection on our theme? To help write liturgy? To read scripture or lead prayer?** Church is, ultimately, all of us. And so, we would love the very design and implementation of our worship services to be shaped by all of us, in keeping with our theme.

So please, reach out to Susie Hayward if you are willing to join us this summer in contributing to worship. We hope to accommodate as many church members as possible, and we particularly want to lift up the voices of women, people of color, and our LGBT members. If you are nervous about writing liturgy or helping to lead worship, be assured that we will be there to support you. This is an excellent opportunity to grow and stretch in Christian formation! When you reach out to me, please indicate what you are willing or excited to do, and which Sundays you are available. We look forward to hearing from you!



Call to Spring Congregational Meeting Sunday, June 3, following worship

The Church Council invites all members and friends to attend our Spring Congregational Meeting. This gathering serves as an opportunity for those in leadership positions to provide updates on various initiatives we've been charged with advancing in partnership with the congregation, our staff, and outside partners; for members and friends of the congregation to share feedback and offer input; and for us to do the work of community.

Proposed Agenda for Spring Congregational Meeting:

1. Opening Prayer
2. Approval of Minutes from Annual Congregational Meeting
3. Approval of Minutes from Congregational Meeting to call Rev. David Grishaw-Jones
4. Moderator's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Pastors' Report
7. Reports from the Community
8. Closing

Care of Parish Commission



June 3 Potluck Luncheon

Our monthly potluck coincides with the Spring Congregational Meeting this June 3 so Care of Parish encourages all attendees to think in terms of an "augmented coffee hour." No need for bulky casseroles or crock pots. Celebrate summer by bringing light finger foods to satisfy hungry children or your own stomachs during the meeting. All are welcome!

June Coffee Hour Hosts:

June 3	Kenya Davis	Dwight Davis	Chris Byrne	
June 10	Dwan Reece	Meg Maguire	Dale Ostrander	Katie Koza
June 17	Lucille Dickinson	Ann Saudek	Tony Saudek	Daniel Thayer
June 24	Courtney McCaffrey	Tom McCaffrey	Alisa Tanaka-Dodge	Matt Dodge

Christian Education Commission

Missionary History into the 21st Century: Adult Nurture on June 17 following Worship

Anne Mascolino will report on her Missionary family and her trip to China last year to connect with her missionary roots. Amazingly, she went at the request of the Chinese Government! Anne will share her experiences and discuss her grandparents' mission there from 1892 to 1933.



Anne's grandfather and his Chinese sheep



Anne's grandmother on her wedding day in Kuliang, China



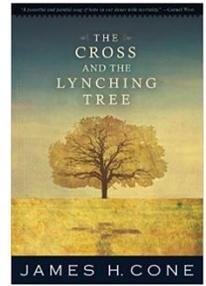
Missionary descendants in Kuliang, China



Photo album

Theology Reading Group Tuesday, June 19, 6:30 PM

The Theology Reading Group will meet on Tuesday, June 19, at 6:30 to discuss James Cone's powerful [The Cross and the Lynching Tree](#). The book was the subject of a nurture two years ago, but merits further study and discussion in light of the increasing engagement with racial justice in our community and Dr. Cone's recent death.



Celebrating A Season of Faith Formation for Our Youth and Children *Serving and Learning*



On June 10 we will celebrate another wonderful year of Faith Formation at First Church for our children and youth! As you know, faith formation is a life journey. It is a journey marked by a variety of experiences – moments when we feel close to God, moments that are joyful, as well as moments when we are grieving, feeling lost, or feeling distant from God's love. Our youth have done an amazing job this year wrestling with difficult questions and opening themselves up to the spirit of where God is calling them. I am proud of all of them!

At First Church, our Sunday School year corresponds with the school calendar. This year we had three vibrant classes of 3 to 5-year-olds, 6 to 10-year-olds, and 10 to 14-year-olds. We've also supported our youth with volunteer opportunities, a terrific mission trip to Baltimore, and we are currently preparing for another great mission experience in the Appalachians of eastern Kentucky.

This year, we've marked our nine-month journey by exploring:

- 1) The story of Samuel and saying, "Here I am, God!"
- 2) Learning about God's greatest commandment
- 3) Understanding Jesus's life and ministry as a lesson of love and grace
- 4) Putting on a Christmas Pageant with three Baby Jesuses!
- 5) Making connections between faith and our community
- 6) Learning how to be stewards of God's creation on Earth Day
- 7) Learning how to pray and love one another in this First Church community
- 8) Designing and offering a youth-led service telling about God's love through the story of Jesus at the well
- 9) Enjoying other youth-led services at Christmas Eve, Easter and Ash Wednesday
- 10) And much, much more!

It continues to be very rewarding to see the children and youth grow from year to year – not only as great readers, able drawers, and athletic and talented young people, but children and youth who understand the value of being part of a faith community, who express gratitude to God for the blessings in their lives, and who express compassion and courage to help heal the world from its brokenness.

Of course, we could not do any of this without such gifted and wonderful "faith formers" at First Church! In the nursery, we continue to be blessed by the reliable and loving baby whisperers of Luis, Grace, and Timur. For the three Sunday School classes, we have had three extraordinary cohorts of teachers who have taken time out of their year to each teach 10-14 times



between September and June. Each of them has brought both a love of teaching and a strong underlying commitment that what we do at First Church matters.

We want to especially thank:

Nursery – Luis Murillo, Timur Murillo, and Grace Stohr

Young Children – Susan Anderson, Katherine Antos, Chris Barr, Tory Christensen, Patrick Darling-LaGamma, Lauren McFerran, Hilary Oat Judge

Children – Troy Bent, Ann Bushmiller, Stephanie Chan, Marian Drake, Anisa Heming, Melissa Ho, Mark Jensen, Nan McConnell, Andy Raver, CJ Thayer

‘Tweens – Kim Darling, Dwight Davis, Courtney McCaffery, Meg Maguire, Karen Pence, Caitlin Smith

In a world that is growing secular and cynical, to have over 25 adults share their time and faith journeys with young people makes a very powerful statement. Through their teaching, the adults are not only sharing their gifts and compassion, but also demonstrating to the children and youth that faith and being a part of a faith community matters, and that faith can help us with our lives whether we are at home, in school, or at work. I cannot fully express my gratitude and love to these amazing people.

We hope you can be present on June 10! And we hope you continue to be a part of the extraordinary journey each of our youth are on! We are a richer, more blessed, and fuller community because of them.

Rev. Sam

Facilities Commission

How did we use our building in April & May?					
Use	April			May	
	Hours	% of Total		Hours	% of Total
Worship & Meditation (Sunday, Break Away, Maundy Thursday)	7.5	3%		7.5	3%
Christian Ed – children & teens (Sunday School, child care, movie night)	11.3	5%		11.3	5%
Christian Ed – adults (Nurture, Bible Workbench, white privilege discussion)	8.5	4%		5.0	2%
Music Program (rehearsals and practice time)	34.8	16%		23.75	10%
Meetings of Council, Commissions, Staff, Committees, etc.	23.5	11%		14.5	6%
Fellowship	9.0	4%		7.5	3%
Service to Others (Drop-In Center)	22.0	10%		16.5	10%
Contracted Users (C100, Pathways, Table Church, Encore)	66.5	31%		59.0	26%
Occasional Use (conference, seminars, lectures, concerts)	33.5	15%		85.5	37%
Total Hours of Building Use (not including office tenants)	216.5			171.5	

How Our Building Operates

The church office is open and generally staffed Tuesdays through Fridays, 8:30 am until 4:30 pm. Office Administrator Cindy Dobbs normally works Tuesday through Friday, 8:30 am until 2:30 pm. Building Manager Byron Adams normally works Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 am until 4:30 pm. Keep in mind that his duties frequently require him to be out and about in the building so you won't always catch him at his desk.

Neither Byron nor Cindy check their church email outside of their office hours. And if you leave a voice message on the church phone after the office has closed on Friday, it will not be retrieved until Tuesday morning. Byron and Cindy can be reached at 202.628.4317. Byron's email is badams@firstuccdc.org; Cindy's is churchoffice@firstuccdc.org.

Church Office

Every Commission (and church officer) has a mailbox in the church office. Please check them – and clean them out -- regularly.

If you stop by the office on Sunday for a quick meeting or to drop something off, please pick up after yourself. Push your chair in. Dispose of your coffee cups and food plates. Don't leave debris about, particularly on Cindy's desk. **Keep the main office door closed.**

Need Something for Sunday?

If you need something for Sunday, please let the church office know *by 10:00 am on Tuesday*. This includes special room setup instructions, an announcement to appear in the weekly newsletter or the worship folder, special flyers, handouts, offering envelopes, etc. Getting all of these requests in enables us to plan our work week and to discuss opportunities and conflicting priorities at our Tuesday morning staff meeting.

Scheduling Building Use

Are you having a meeting or an event in the building? Is it on the building calendar? The calendar can be found at <http://www.mychurchevents.com/calendar/calendar.aspx?ci=G1I3I3F0J4L6O9L6I3>. If your event is not listed, you need to check with Building Manager Byron Adams (badams@firstuccdc.org) first to see if space is available and to have him enter it on the calendar. The scheduling of heat and air conditioning is based on the calendar online. So is special building access. In order to operate our building in an environmentally sensitive way and keep our utility bills manageable, heat/air conditioning shuts down at 5:30 pm on weekdays, 1:00 pm on Sundays, and there is none scheduled on Saturdays unless there's an event on the calendar. This applies to the church office, chapel, bathrooms, Narthex and second floor corridor. Heat/air conditioning is scheduled for the Sanctuary, Community Hall, Education Suite and Living Room **ONLY** when there are activities scheduled for these rooms. If your commission or group has determined its regular meeting schedule (2nd Wednesday at 7 pm, etc.), this time can be entered into the calendar on a recurring schedule.

Room setups

Our building gets used a lot during the week; for church meetings and events, tenant meetings, contracted uses, occasional users. These uses take place in the sanctuary, narthex, living room, chapel, and community hall. A lot of them require different room setups. So if you're doing something here on Sunday and need something setup, you need to let the Building Manager know by 10:00 am on Tuesday so that your needs can be integrated with everything else that will take place on Sunday and our porter's limited time can be efficiently managed to get everything done as well as keep the building clean.

We make some assumptions:

- If you're having a commission or committee meeting, you've been assigned a room and it's assumed that a round table with chairs is sufficient. (Or the occasional furniture in the Living Room).
- Council usually meets in the Community Hall unless it is rented out in which case Council shifts to the Chapel.
- Adult Nurture is assumed to take place in the Community Hall with a circle of 25 chairs.
- Bible Workbench meets in the Chapel with a round table and chairs.
- Potluck Sunday includes a table opposite the elevator for coffee, three tables in the Hall for food, and a number of round tables and chairs.
- Coffee hour setup is two small rectangular tables for food. Four cafe tables with chairs for adults. Two child sized tables and chairs for the kids.

Are you organizing a church event that falls outside of the parameters of what's listed above? Then you need to complete this form: <http://www.firstuccdc.org/space-request-for-church-programming/>.

Prospective Building User?

Has a friend or colleague asked you if we rent out space for concerts, lectures, weddings, family reunions, etc.? Feel free to tell them to call Byron or to check out the event space portion of our website at <http://www.firstuccdc.org/rent-our-space/>.

Urgent Problems

If you're at the church and there's a problem with security, a leaking pipe, the elevator, sanctuary or community hall temperature out of whack look for the What to do in case of an emergency! instructions.

They're posted in the following locations:

- on the front of Cindy's desk,
- on the door between the Kitchen and the Community Hall,
- on the back of the Worship closet door at the front of the Sanctuary,
- on the back of the Narthex Coat Closet door, and
- on the column next to the sound board in the Balcony.

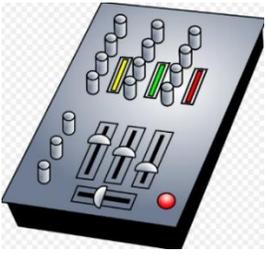
Maintenance Issues

Dead lightbulb? Sticky or squeaky door? Something fell down? It's a lot of space and things happen. Please fill out a Fix-It Note (located on the first floor bulletin board and next to the sound board) and leave it in Byron's mailbox in the office or send him an email and it will get taken care of during the week. Please don't search out FCC staff on Sunday (unless it's an emergency that threatens life, limb, or the building) for these mundane matters.

Questions?

Feel free to call or email Byron at the church office.





A Call for Assistance with Sound Tech Coverage

We need a few more people to help with the sound system occasionally (setting up microphones and adjusting the volume sliders) on Sunday mornings. The set-up is fairly simple, and anyone who can operate a cell phone or computer can learn how to do this in a brief training session with one of the other people already familiar with the system.

Helping with this important part of worship service involves showing up around 9:30 a.m. to prepare the microphones and distribute them to worship leaders, keeping an eye on the audio board during worship, and gathering up and storing the microphones after service, which takes about 5 minutes – so you can still catch up with everyone at coffee hour. Plus, you can participate in and experience the worship service from a whole new perspective, literally. Please let Facilities Commission Chair Mike Zawada (Michael.Zawada@gmail.com) or Facilities Commission Member Nick McConnell (nmcconnell@jackscamp.com) know if you would be willing to help with this.

Social Action and Awareness Commission

Save The Date for Capital Pride: June 9 & 10

June is all about Capital Pride in Washington, DC. You have two opportunities to support and represent Open and Affirming UCC churches, such as ours. On Saturday afternoon, June 9, the Capital Pride Parade processes thru the Dupont and Logan Circle neighborhoods. On Sunday, after worship is the Capital Pride Festival on Pennsylvania Ave, NW between 4th & 7th Streets. For both events we will be joined by our sibling churches and sponsored by the Potomac Association of the UCC. If you have questions please talk to Jamey Moore or check out the website: www.capitalpride.org



Second Sunday Offering on June 10

June's Second Sunday Offering supports Shaw Community Center in their work to enhance the lives and expand the opportunities of children, youth, and adults of the Shaw community in Washington, DC. The Center (formerly Shaw Community Ministry) seeks to empower the people of the Shaw community through varied educational programs.

The goal of Shaw Community Ministry is that each child or teen who participates in their programs will grow up and become a "citizen of the world." A citizen of the world has been exposed to many learning opportunities and develops into a confident, poised person who can meet life's challenges and overcome racial, socio-economic and gender barriers. Citizens of the world are well-educated and constantly seek to learn more about themselves and the world.

Two members of First Church (Dale Ostrander and Nancy Tokola) are on the Board. Several members volunteer at the Center, and Meg Maguire is assisting them with a strategic plan. Please consider giving generously to this valuable program in a nearby neighborhood that has seen drastic changes over the last 20 years but where significant needs remain for many.

WIN Meeting with DC Council Chair Primary Candidates

The Washington Interfaith Network (WIN), of which First Church is a member organization, is hosting a meeting with DC Council Chair Primary Candidates on Thursday, June 7 at 7:00 PM, in advance of the DC Primary Election less than two weeks thereafter. It should be an interesting conversation, covering affordable housing, jobs, immigrant rights, and other issues. It will take place at Holy Comforter St. Cyprian Roman Catholic Church (1357 E Capitol St SE). Please let Mike Zawada (Michael.Zawada@gmail.com) know if you might be able to join us. Our goal is 10 First Church members.



Join the Civil Rights Fight to Protect Immigrants and Refugees! Nurture Discussion on Immigration Issues Sunday, June 10 from 12 -1 PM

Amidst the daily clamor of scandals from the Trump administration, it's easy to forget about the plight of [innocent immigrants](#) who are being deported while thousands of refugees are being denied entry to the United States despite real threats they face in their home countries. By a unanimous vote in 2016, First Church [declared itself a sanctuary congregation](#) that would actively resist "unjust policies and actions that target marginalized people." It's time to honor our commitments and transform words into action. To help advance that cause, First Church's Sanctuary Working Group is hosting a nurture at noon on June 10 where two "Dreamers" will speak about the devastating impacts confronting the immigrant community. Resources also will be provided about how [you can make a difference](#).

Immigrant rights advocate Monica Camacho will share her life story. When she was 7 years old, her parents brought her to the United States from Mexico. Her father is an undocumented construction worker in Baltimore. Now 23 years old, Monica enrolled in 2012 in the [Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals](#) program (DACA), better known as the "Dreamers" initiative created by the Obama administration. But she has two older brothers who were ineligible to apply for DACA because of their age.

Monica, who grew up in Baltimore and is studying elementary education in college, may still face deportation since [federal court orders](#) have only temporarily blocked Trump's efforts to kill DACA. Despite the court orders, the Trump administration still isn't accepting any new applications from Dreamers, so thousands of young people who grew up in the United States no longer have a clear path toward citizenship. If nothing is done to help them, these young people may be forced to return to countries they do not know, sometimes without their families.

Jesus Perez is another young Dreamer who came to the United States with his brothers when he was 5 years old. He joined his parents in Baltimore, where his father died 10 years ago from diabetes. He worked as a research assistant at Johns Hopkins University studying health care access for young Latino and African American men in Baltimore. He plans to attend college in the fall and pursue a career in communications and film, which will never happen if he is deported.

People of faith cannot stand by without raising our voices to demand change. Christianity, Judaism, Islam, and other religions all state that [immigrants should be welcomed](#). In the Hebrew Bible, the Lord commanded Moses that "you shall love the alien as yourself, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt." Jesus Christ was a persecuted immigrant who fled from his homeland to avoid death, and he called on his

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disciples to welcome strangers. The Quran teaches believers to protect the vulnerable.

At the nurture, First Church member and attorney Peter Tracey also will describe the disturbing changes he has seen in federal immigration courts where he volunteers to represent immigrants. Some Republicans in Congress even want to [jail elected officials](#) in sanctuary cities who seek to protect immigrants from unwarranted federal raids.

First Church is a member of the [DMV Sanctuary Congregation Network](#), a group of local faith communities that have committed to protect the rights of immigrants and refugees. **We hope you'll join us on June 10 to hear more about how you can help in this important civil rights struggle.**



A Public Forum with Attorney General Karl Racine

DOING JUSTICE IN DC: How Communities of Faith Can Advocate with Marginalized Citizens

On Sunday, April 22, DC Attorney General Karl Racine spoke at FCUCC on the work of his office to protect affordable housing and how his office's role in this urgent crisis could be strengthened.

AG Racine noted that, while our common perception is that homeless people are adults, in fact, nationwide, the average age for homeless people is just 9 years old. The Restorative Justice Program he launched in 2016 seems to address the root problems of crime and offer juvenile prosecutors an alternative to traditional prosecution.

On affordable housing, the AG has taken steps to stem the loss of public housing and ensure that rent control is implemented. In response to several suits against local slumlords who let conditions become intolerable in their properties in order to remove residents and make way for their development projects, his office secured court orders appointing receivers to manage apartment complexes in Congress Heights and Columbia Heights. Further, the AG scored a victory this year when a federal court rejected a developer's challenge to the constitutionality of DC's Inclusionary Zoning law.

In answer to questions regarding large city subsidies for developers and his authority to act both as counsel to the city agencies and as defender of the people's rights, he suggested that his office be given the authority to ensure that developers deliver fully on their contract promises to the city, and that the AG have the option to represent the plaintiff in law suits against the city should it determine that this would be the public's best interest. His additional suggestions to more rapidly tackle the lack of affordable housing in the city included doubling the amount of money in the budget for affordable housing, especially for those below 30%; rehabilitating vacant and boarded up city-owned housing; and revising the Area Median Income (AMI), a measurement that establishes eligibility for certain programs, better to reflect the income disparities within DC.

The Forum was sponsored by the Homes-for-All Task Force of First Congregational and Cleveland Park Congregational UCCs.

Calendar

Friday, June 1

7:00 pm DC Reads Event,
Sanctuary & Comm. Hall

Sunday, June 3

9:15 am Bible Workbench
9:30 am Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*
10:15 am Child Care provided, *Ed. Suite*
10:30 am Sunday School, *Ed. Suite*
10:30 am Morning Worship, *Sanctuary*
Susie Hayward preaching
11:30 am Coffee & Fellowship, *Comm. Hall*
12:00 pm Spring Congregational Meeting,
Community Hall

Monday, June 4

6:00 pm Downtown Drop-In Center for
Homeless Youth
6:30 pm Sanctuary Task Force, *Comm. Hall*

Tuesday, June 5

6:30 pm Worship Commission, *Chapel*

Wednesday, June 6

12:15 pm Break Away Meditation, *Chapel*

Sunday, June 10

9:15 am Bible Workbench
9:30 am Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*
10:15 am Child Care provided, *Ed. Suite*
10:30 am Sunday School, *Ed. Suite*
10:30 am Morning Worship, *Sanctuary*
Faith Formation Sunday
11:30 am Coffee & Fellowship, *Narthex*
1:00 pm Barbara Hayes Memorial Service,
Sanctuary

Monday, June 11

6:00 pm Downtown Drop-In Center
for Homeless Youth

Tuesday, June 12

6:30 pm Church Council, *Living Room*

Wednesday, June 13

12:15 pm Break Away Meditation, *Chapel*

Sunday, June 17

9:15 am Bible Workbench
9:30 am Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*
10:15 am Child Care provided, *Ed. Suite*
10:30 am Sunday School, *Ed. Suite*
10:30 am Morning Worship, *Sanctuary*
11:30 am Coffee & Fellowship, *Narthex*
12:00 pm Adult Nurture: Anne Mascolino

Monday, June 18

6:00 pm Downtown Drop-In Center
for Homeless Youth

Tuesday, June 19

6:30 pm Home for All Task Force,
Living Room

Wednesday, June 20

12:15 pm Break Away Meditation, *Chapel*

Sunday, June 24

9:15 am Bible Workbench
9:30 am Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*
10:15 am Child Care provided, *Ed. Suite*
10:30 am Sunday School, *Ed. Suite*
10:30 am Morning Worship, *Sanctuary*
11:30 am Coffee & Fellowship, *Narthex*

Monday, June 25

6:00 pm Downtown Drop-In Center
for Homeless Youth

Wednesday, June 27

12:15 pm Break Away Meditation, *Chapel*

Thursday, June 28

6:30 pm Facilities Commission, *Chapel*



It's Time for Summer Singers!

The arrival of summer brings many seasonal changes to our area- but one significant change at First Church is the morphing of "regular" choir into "Summer Singers". Regular Thursday night choir rehearsals are suspended for the summer and Sunday service music is prepared on Sunday mornings prior to morning worship. This is a less strenuous

singing schedule which each year brings some new voices into the choir setting.... while others simultaneously migrate to summer homes and vacation locations.

If you have been curious about singing in the choir or just find yourself available on Sunday mornings, arise a little earlier than usual and "join the choir" for the summer months of June and July. It's fun and the assembled group produces some really beautiful worship music. The selections for summer are usually of a "lighter" nature and quite easily prepared in the 45 minutes before each week's worship service.

There is no audition for Summer Singers so don't worry about that – just show up and become part of the summer musical scene at First Church.

We sing during June and July only – the month of August is reserved for instrumental solos and impromptu music groups. I hope to see you at 9:30 for Summer Singers at some point this summer. Come join us!

"Acclaim with jubilation the singer and the song. Come out of isolation for to sing is to belong."

Ushers

June 3	Brendan Taylor	Andrew Hamilton
June 10	Dan Thayer	



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- Minister of Justice Formation – Rev. James D. Ross, II
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