

February 17-24, 2019 at

First Congregational United Church of Christ

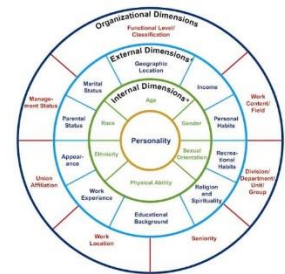
No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.
Worshipping Sundays 10:30 AM at 10th & G Streets, NW | www.firstuccdc.org



This Sunday: We welcome Pojen Lee to the pulpit. Pojen is a retired UCC pastor who served 17 years at Jackson Community Church, UCC, at Jackson, NH. He joined First Church in December of 2017 and is very interested in spiritual enrichment at First Church. Pojen will preach on the parable of the Sower (Mark 4:1).

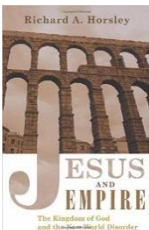
Sharing Our Identity and Building Community: Two Valuable Conversations on February 24 and March 10

Please join us for these important nurtures where we will explore how sharing our own stories can help us become a stronger community. We will employ useful tools, like the Identity Wheel and a hidden bias worksheet that encourage both personal reflection and story sharing.



We are so fortunate that Lynaya Morris will help lead this nurture with Sam McFerran. In addition to being a member of our church community, a Masters in Divinity candidate at Wesley Seminary, she is an expert at helping others learn more about their identities, as well as explore their talents and their strengths. She currently serves as a Career Exploration Coach at The George Washington University. She is certified in using a number of assessments to help students learn more about themselves – including Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) and the Strong Interest Inventory – and she is a Strengthquest Facilitator. Lynaya also has a Master's in Education & Human Development from George Washington University.

The first conversation will be focused on reflection of our identity, while the second will focus on hidden bias. Together, we hope to grow and learn so we can become a stronger community. If you have any questions, please feel reach out to Lynaya at lynaya.morris@gmail.com or Sam at mcferran.sam@gmail.com



Theology Reading Group: March 5 at 6:30 PM

The Theology Reading Group next meets on Tuesday, March 5 at 6:30 PM to discuss Richard Horsley, *Jesus and Empire*, a study of Jesus's ministry in the context of the power politics of Rome and the Near East.

Church Directory Update

If your contact information (name, address, phone number, email) has changed recently, please send your updated information to the church office at churchoffice@firstuccdc.org. If you're new to the congregation (member or friend), please send us your contact information and a picture so we may include you in the directory. The directory is not published on the website or shared with anyone.

Ushers

February 17	Katie Koza	Susan Saudek
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Sound

February 17	Tom Sowers
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Coffee Hour

February 17	Anisa Heming	Courtney McCaffrey	Tom McCaffrey	
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Calendar

Sunday, February 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*
Pojen Lee preaching
- 11:30 am Coffee & Fellowship, *Narthex*

Tuesday, February 19

Church Office Closed
(President's Day observed)

Wednesday, February 20

- 12:15 pm Break Away Meditation, *Chapel*

Thursday, February 21

- 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*

Sunday, February 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*
Sam McFerran preaching
- 11:30 am Coffee & Fellowship, *Narthex*

Deadline for March Gabriel's Horn: Friday, February 22

Prayer List

Susan Goodman on the death of her brother.
Bruce Hanson
Rosa Gutierrez
Marlene Ross
Alexis Joy Hayes • Pat Ashbrook • Ruth Shinn
First Church Staff