

February 24-March 3, 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 10<sup>th</sup> & G Streets, NW | [www.firstuccdc.org](http://www.firstuccdc.org)



**This Sunday:** Rev. Sam McFerran will preach on the parable of the Publican and the Pharisee (Luke 18:9-14). Be sure to join us!



**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](mailto:lynaya.morris@gmail.com) or Sam at [mcferran.sam@gmail.com](mailto:mcferran.sam@gmail.com)

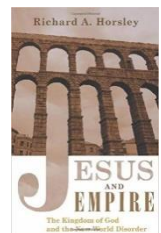


**Mardi Gras Potluck: March 3 following Worship**

It is a tradition at First Church to have a community potluck about once per month. The opportunity in March will be on March 3rd. Since this will be the last Sunday before Lent begins on March 6th, it seems appropriate for us to celebrate Mardi Gras! Bring your festive foods to this community gathering and we will try to make sure everyone has a grand time!

**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.



## Ushers

February 24	Fredda Sparks	Anne Mascolino
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## Sound

February 24	Raine Anderson
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## Coffee Hour

February 24	Joey Meyer	Mike Zawada	Andrew Hamilton	
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## Calendar

### 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*
- 12:00 pm Adult Nurture, *Comm. Hall*

### Monday, February 25

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

### Wednesday, February 27

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

### Thursday, February 28

- 6:00 pm Worship Commission, *Living Room*
- 6:30 pm Outreach & Membership, *Chapel*
- 7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*

### Sunday, March 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*  
Karen Tramontano, Katherine Antos  
preaching
- 11:30 am Potluck Luncheon, *Comm. Hall*
- 12:00 pm Finance Commission, *Chapel*

## Prayer List

The family and friends of Marlene Ross, who passed away on February 18.

Susan Goodman on the death of her brother.

Bruce Hanson

Rosa Gutierrez

Alexis Joy Hayes • Pat Ashbrook • Ruth Shinn

First Church Staff