

September 8-15, 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.

Worshiping Sundays 10:30 AM at 10th & G Streets, NW | www.firstuccdc.org



Connected by Hymns of Faith: A Homecoming Hymn Sing This Saturday, September 7

Potluck Dinner at 6:00 PM followed by Hymn Sing at 7:30 PM

Have you ever said to yourself on Sunday morning, "Why don't we sing more of the hymns that I REALLY love?" Well... we will be doing just that this Saturday following a delicious potluck dinner in the Community Hall. The hymns on the program are the hymns you chose as your favorites through worship folder balloting this summer. After dinner we will make our way into the sanctuary and fill it with the strains of hymns. It's going to be a night of wonderful fellowship and music. Come home for HOMECOMING with a warm "welcome back" and a song in your heart!

September 8 Homecoming Sunday: Rev. Jean Alexander preaching

We look forward to reconvening after summer on September 8 at 10:30 for Homecoming Sunday. Please think about reaching out to people and encouraging them to come and celebrate with us.

Ice Cream Social and Opportunity Fair on Homecoming Sunday



Homecoming Sunday on September 8 is when we wind down our summertime fun and amp up for the new church wide program year. What better way to ease the transition then with an old-fashioned ice cream social during fellowship hour? Ice cream and healthy snacks will be provided. We are calling on you to bring your favorite ice cream topping or accompaniment. There will also be an **Opportunity Fair** for you to learn more about the myriad of volunteer options available at First Church.

Second Sunday Offering: Downtown Drop-in Center for Homeless Youth

Thank you, First Church, for your support of the Downtown Drop-In Center! This strategic partnership between the Sasha Bruce Youthwork and First Church offers respite, food, mental health and employment services to youth in the First Church Narthex and Living Room on Monday nights.

Your pledges and regular giving to First Church support the Drop-In Center's operational costs for utilities, cleaning and staff. Also, our guests look forward to the delicious food you graciously cook and donate each November for our traditional Thanksgiving Dinner.

Please also consider donating to the DIC through the September Second Sunday offering. This year we'd also like to give away warm clothing, hygiene items, and snacks, and ensure that we have enough food to feed each guest, and send a plate home with them.

Rev. Sam McFerran, Associate Minister

Rev. Karen Byrne, Minister

John Horman, Director of Music

Byron Adams, Building Manager

Cindy Dobbs, Administrative Assistant

Lynaya Morris, Dwight Davis, Members in Discernment

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Special Congregational Meeting After Church Sunday September 15, 2019

Agenda:

- 1) Approve slate for the Designated Minister Selection Committee
 - 2) Proposal for additional ministerial support
- Be there! We need a quorum of members.

Theology Reading Group: September 24 at 6:30 PM

The theology Book Group will meet on Tuesday, September 24, at 6:30 to discuss Dorothy Day's autobiography, *The Long Loneliness*. Day helped found the Catholic worker Movement in the 1930's, which continues today in faithful solidarity with the poor.

Coffee Hour Hosts

Kim Darling	James Moore		
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Sound

Tom Sowers		
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Ushers

Tory Christensen	Andy Raver
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Prayer List

Welcome to Beatrice Mae Heming,
daughter of Anisa and Jared Heming

Rev. Mike Durst

Rosa Gutierrez

Pat Ashbrook • Ruth Shinn

Don Bassler

Calendar

Sunday, September 8 – Homecoming Sunday

- 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*
Rev. Jean Alexander preaching
- 11:30 am Ice Cream Social, *Comm. Hall*
Opportunity Fair, *Comm. Hall*
- 12:00 pm Care of Parish Comm., *Living Room*

Monday, September 9

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

Tuesday, September 10

- 6:30 pm Church Council, *Comm. Hall*

Wednesday, September 11

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

Thursday, September 12

- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*

Sunday, September 15

- 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*
Rev. Karen Byrne preaching
- 11:30 am Congregational Meeting, *Sanctuary*