

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

A United Church of Christ Congregation

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

* Congregation may stand

Wherever you are on your journey ... you are welcome here.

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

B. M. Neel

One: We gather this day to celebrate life —

All: **The life we have been given by God,**

One: The life we share with one another in community,

All: **The life that Jesus gives in abundance.**

One: Let us be grateful for the joy of life,

All: **And let us worship God.**

* Hymn 6

Bring Many Names

WESTCHASE

Prayer of Confession *(unison)*

adapted from T. Shuman

Loving God, you provide for us in many different ways, and we confess that we do not always recognize you at work in the world around us. We get impatient, wanting you to work on our schedule. We wish for something more or different than what you have offered. We want someone else to solve problems we have had a hand in creating. Forgive our thoughtless words, our arrogant ignorance. Turn us once again to you, and focus our hearts on your way. Hear our prayers ...

(moments for silent reflection)

Words of Assurance

Anthem

Arthur Sullivan

And God Shall Wipe Away All Tears

from *The Light of the World*

Children's Message and Lord's Prayer

Caitlyn Menolasino

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for thine is the

kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

* Hymn 224

MORECAMBE

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

Oh, Gambler

John Jacob Niles

* Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Lesson

2 Corinthians 4:5-12, pg 159 NT

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Jeanette Brodersen

* Hymn 70

STUTTGART

O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer

* Benediction

* Passing of the Peace

Postlude

David Curtiss - baritone

*First Congregational Church
Welcomes Our Guests*

*We are thankful you are sharing
in worship with us this morning.*

*Every Sunday, our 10:30 and 11:59 services
are also lived streamed on our website.*

First-time visitors, please take a
Welcome Bag from outside of the sanctuary.

Large print bulletins and **hearing assist devices**
are available from ushers.

Following worship, clergy will greet worshippers
in the narthex or you may also exit the sanctuary
through the door to the left of the chancel.

Parents With Young Children

During the **10:30 and 11:59 worship services**,
the Alcove is available for parents with young children
who would like to **view the worship
service on live stream television**. Please feel free
at any time to leave the sanctuary and make your way to
the Alcove, located near the 2nd floor elevator.
Check with an usher if you need assistance.

An activity basket is available at the back of the
sanctuary for the enjoyment of young children.

Please join us in Fellowship Hall
for coffee and fellowship after worship.

Church Staff

The Rev. Dr. Peter Wiley Senior Pastor
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*The Rev. Jonathan Dodson, Chaplain, Laurel Lake Retirement Community
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Sunday, June 17, 2018
9:00 and 10:30 am
(or join us at 11:59)