

**First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)**

15th Sunday after Pentecost

September 10, 2023

The Community Gathers Before God

Greeting & Announcements

Rev. Caryn Yoast

Prelude

Blessed Jesus, We Are Here
by J. S. Bach

Dr. Zahari Metchkov

Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship

Don Metz

Beloved of God, come along with me as a sojourner in faith.
Bring along a sense of expectancy, a vision of hopes, a glimpse of future
possibility, a vivid imagination.
For God's creation is not done.

WE ARE CALLED TO PIONEER A FUTURE YET UNNAMED.

**AS WE VENTURE FORWARD, WE LEAVE BEHIND OUR DESIRES FOR A NO-RISK LIFE,
WORLDLY ACCUMULATIONS, CERTAINTY.**

Let us travel light in the spirit of faith and expectation, toward the God of our
hopes and dreams.

MAY WE BE WITNESSES TO GOD'S FUTURE BREAKING IN.

Come along with me as sojourners in faith

WE ARE SECURE IN THE KNOWLEDGE THAT WE NEVER TRAVEL ALONE.

*Opening Hymn

A Mighty Fortress is Our God

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*Prayer of Invocation

Don Metz

*Passing of the Peace

Children's Moment

Noisy Offering/Tennyson Center

Rev. Caryn Yoast

Prayers of the People

Rev. Caryn Yoast

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer (using "debts")

The Community Hears and Proclaims God's Word

Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:13-25

p. 2 NT

Anthem

Halleluia from "Mount of Olives"
Ludwig van Beethoven

Chancel Choir
Dir. Jolyne Antista

A Reading from the Psalms
Sermon

Psalms 46

p. 517 OT
Rev. Caryn Yoast

The Community Shares in Christ's Life

Communion Hymn

These I Lay Down

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Invitation to Communion

Rev. Caryn Yoast

Words of Institution

Elder Prayer of Thanksgiving

Nancy Lingbloom

Communion Music

Prelude No.4, Op. 11
by Alexander Scriabin

Dr. Zahari Metchkov

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

*The table of the Lord is open to any and all who would come. The Lord is host; he invites and
welcomes everyone to share in his supper. Please partake of the bread and cup as you
receive it.*

Invitation to Offering

Don Metz

Offertory Music

Recit de Cornet
by Francois Couperin

Dr. Zahari Metchkov

*Doxology

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*Prayer of Dedication

Rev. Caryn Yoast

The Community Departs for Ministry

*Silent Prayer for the World

*Closing Hymn

Lead On, O Cloud of Presence

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*Carrying the Light to the World

*Benediction

Rev. Caryn Yoast

Postlude

Scerzo from Sonata Op. 2, No.3
by Ludwig van Beethoven

Dr. Zahari Metchkov

*Those who are able, please stand.

Life of Our Church

- TODAY – Noisy Offering Sunday for Tennyson Center
– **Potluck and Town Hall Meeting after worship service.**
focus: Current and Future for FCC
 - Sept. 11 – WidowSpeak, 10am
 - Sept 12 – Elder mtg, 5pm
– Conversations That Matter, every Tuesday at 10am, come on by!
 - Sept 14 – choir rehearsal, 7pm
 - Sept 23 – Jael and Arrows wedding, 5pm (you're invited!!)
 - Sept 25 – Ministry Board Mtg, 6pm
 - Oct 4 – Missions and Outreach Meeting, 5pm
 - Oct 15 – Next Potluck and Town Hall Meeting, mark your calendars
 - Oct 22 – FCC Concert Series presents Little London Winds
- * **NO Children's Sunday school on September 10 and 24th. We WILL have Children's Sunday school on September 17th**
- * **Garden Club – 9am, Wednesdays. Please contact Carol Wilson for details.**
- * **Conversations That Matter – Each Tuesday at 10am, please come join us.**
- ❖ Our **Nursery** is open for children through the age of 4.
 - ❖ **Children's Sunday School** is open from 5 through grade 3.
Nursery VOLUNTEERS needed. Please see signup sheet on info desk.

Budget Report for August 2023

General Funds	9/1/23 - 9/7/23
Income	\$8,443.54
Expenses	\$5,912.31
Net Income (Loss)	\$2,531.23
YTD	-\$151,977.83

Reports will be given by a specific time/date, not cumulative

*Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you,
O LORD, my rock and my redeemer. Psalm 19:14*

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#openandaffirming

To learn more, go to
<http://disciplesallianceq.org/open-affirming-ministries/>

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To learn more, go to
<https://www.discipleshomemissions.org/missions-advocacy/green-chalice/>

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**Dr. Rev. Caryn Yoast, interim pastor
Jolyne Antista, music director
Dr. Zahari Metchkov, organ**