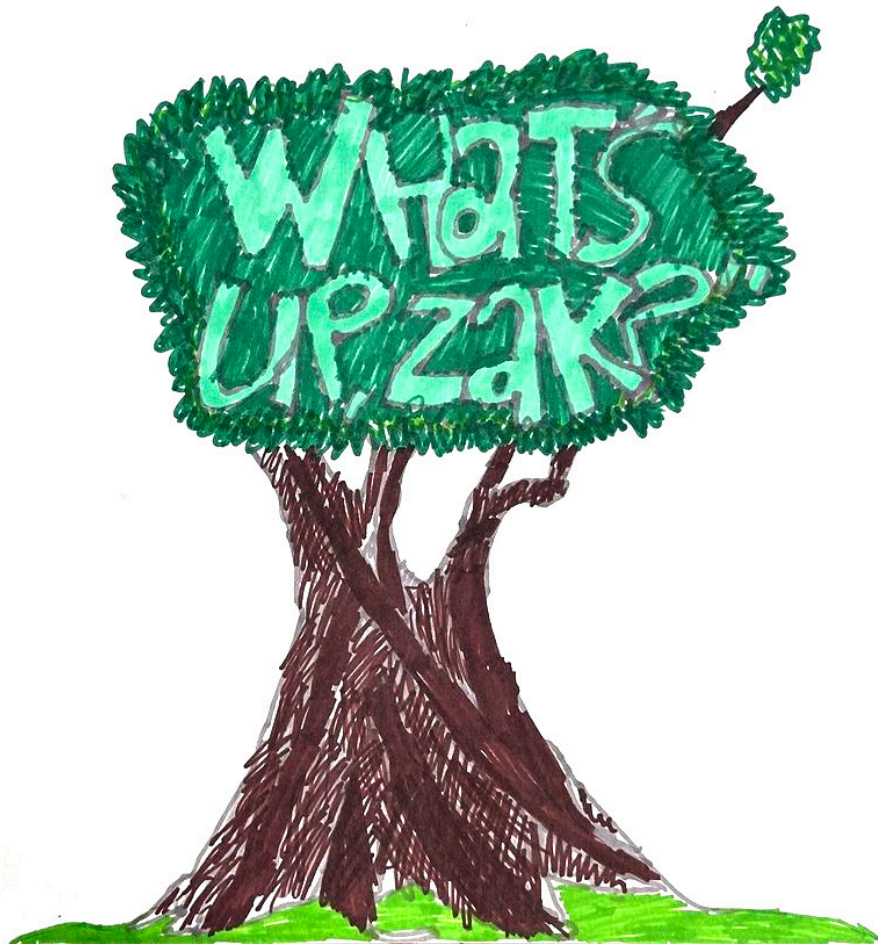




FIRST CONGREGATIONAL
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST · BOULDER



By Arts Camper Elias Quinn

Arts Camp Musical *What's Up Zak?*

June 9, 2024 | 10:00 AM

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Welcome to The First Congregational Church Boulder, a community of faith on a journey of faith. Founded in 1864, the first church built in Boulder, we have been gathering ever since as a community of kindred hearts to worship, to learn and grow in the light of God's grace, to extend ourselves in compassionate service, and to be instruments of God's transformation in the world.

As a member congregation of the United Church of Christ, we believe "God is still speaking." We listen and open our lives to the movement of God's Spirit stirring us up in the new thing God is always doing in our midst. We trust as our Pilgrim forbears prayed, "There is yet more light and truth to break forth from God's holy word."

Our commitment to the extravagant love of Jesus makes the words, "All are Welcome," as inclusive as they sound. We are glad you are here: believers and agnostics, conventional Christians and questioning skeptics, people brimming with hope and those who wander in despair, people of all races, cultures, and abilities, of all gender identities and sexual orientations. Whoever you are and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

Childcare for **INFANTS AND PRESCHOOLERS** is available with Ms. Laura downstairs. **CHILDREN** and **YOUTH** will remain through the worship service Sunday.

We have a **HEARING LOOP SYSTEM** in the Sanctuary which sends sound directly into a hearing aid/cochlear implant. Switch your hearing aid to T-coil. Or, in both the Sanctuary and Chapel, pocket-sized FM receivers are also available from the ushers. BYO earbuds or use the new ones provided. **WHEELCHAIRS** are also available, please ask an usher for assistance.

Through **YOUR GIVING** online or in-person, you can count on the nurturing ministry of FCC Boulder Church. Each one of us plays an important part, including through our financial support.

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ENVELOPE

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STAFF

Rev. Christina Braudaway-Bauman *Senior Minister* | Rev. Linda Kowatch *Associate Minister*

Dr. Kajsja Teitelbaum *Director of Music* | Lianna Campos *Minister of Faith Formation*

Sam Bauman *Director of Youth Ministry* | Julie Griffiths *Office & Facilities Manager*

Christopher Carter *Communication Specialist* | Renee Loewen *Accountant*

Anne Martinez *Director of Children and Youth Music* | Jessica Kressin, *Chancel Choir Accompanist*

Er-Hsuan Li *Children's Choirs Accompanist* | Laura Bowen *Child Care Coordinator*

Angie Dickinson *Mickle AV and Event Specialist*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Improvisation on Selections from What's Up Zak?
Kajsa Teitelbaum, piano

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Lianna Campos

*PASSING THE PEACE

*HYMN 286

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

RECOGNITION AND THANKSGIVING FOR GINGER JOHNSON

Carolyn Reed

INVITATION TO COMMUNITY LIFE

Rev. Christina Braudaway-Bauman

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Rev. Linda Kowatch

OFFERTORY

Improvisation on Selections from What's Up Zak?
Arts Camp Slide Show

A MUSICAL ENCOUNTER WITH JESUS

Arts Campers

What's Up Zak?

Script and music by Kim Ingram, Joe Milton, and Heather Olson

MUSICAL NUMBERS

"Not So Very Ordinary Day"

Solos: Violet Tatterson

"Party in Jericho"

"Zaky's the Man"

Solos: Magda Ingersoll

"Someone Like Me"

Solo: Amelia Steed

"Someone Like Me: Zak's Reprise"

Solo: Maeve Brown

"I Just Have to See"

"Restore Me"

Quartet: Matilda Austin, Mathias Knapp, Gracie Reed, Violet Tatterson

"He Changes Everything"

Solo: Maeve Brown

"Not So Very Ordinary Day Reprise"

BENEDICTION

CAST (in alphabetical order)

Matilda Austin	Yes Man
Agnes Bowen	Beggar, Mother
Maeve Brown	Zacchaeus
Mijanou Emelyan	Beggar
Ellie Forsythe	Townsperson, Air Guitarist, Stage Hand
Ayla Harding	Party Planner (Joy)
Mara Harding	Party Planner (Merry)
Owen Harding	Narrator, Jesus
Hillary Holmstrom	Narrator
Sarah Holmstrom	Set Design
Annika Ingersoll	Townsperson, Child
Lia Ingersoll	Beggar
Magda Ingersoll	Tax Person
Mathias Knapp	Yes Man
Kate McClung	Narrator
Nash Molpus	Beggar
Elias Quinn	Townsperson, Air Guitarist, Stage Hand
Elyse Reed	Beggar
Gracie Reed	Yes Man
Etta Smith	Farmer
Amelia Steed	Bartimaeus
Garrison Steed	Tax Person
Violet Tatterson	Mayor
Signe Teitelbaum	Beggar, Granny

INSTRUMENTALISTS

Maeve Brown, Trumpet and Flute
Owen Harding, Clarinet
Garrison Steed, Viola
Violet Tatterson, Flute

PRODUCTION STAFF

Camp Director: Lianna Campos, Minister of Faith Formation
Joint Directors and Music Directors: Anne Martinez, Director of Children's Music,
and Kajsa Teitelbaum, Director of Music
Accompanist/Director of Instrumental Music: Kajsa Teitelbaum
Percussion: Sam Bauman
Stage Manager: Nora Hess
Set Design: Anne Martinez and Kajsa Teitelbaum, Jeanne Quinn,
Laura McCutchen, Roy McCutchen, Rick Kron
Scenic Artists: Nora Hess, Courtney Dobbins, Susan Wilkinson, Maggie Wilkerson, and Campers
Costumes and Props: Anne Martinez and Kajsa Teitelbaum
Transportation Assistants: Roy McCutchen, The Martinez Family, Erik Wilkinson

ARTS CAMP COUNSELORS

Sam Bauman, Courtney Dobbins, Nora Hess, Susan Wilkinson, Maggie Wilkerson

THANK YOU TO

Carolyn Reed and Bob Brown for providing lunch to the campers on Saturday; Roy and Laura McCutchen for lending a hand wherever needed; and to our wonderful and amazing camp staff for helping our children and youth have a week they will never forget!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

National Gun Violence Awareness Day Is 6/7 - Wear Orange June 7-9!

June 7-9 is a weekend when we honor the lives of people in the United States affected by gun violence. Because orange symbolizes the value of each person's life, we wear it to call an end to gun violence. Please join us that weekend with a scarf, pin or other orange item. There will be virtual and in-person events across the nation. Boulder Moms Demand Action is holding an event on Sunday, June 9. Learn more here (<https://tinyurl.com/psmau9ef>).

Spiritual Support Groups - Today

These are open door groups. You are welcome to join if it is your first time or even if it's been a while.

Caregivers: from 11:30 to 1 PM **Grief:** from 2:30- 4 PM

and **Mental Health:** Monday 6/10 from 6:30 - 8 PM - Anne Weiher

Dementia Man: An Existential Journey - Monday 6/10 at 7 PM - Frasier Meadows

Ministry of Last Things (MLT) presents Dementia Man, An Existential Journey (dementiaman.com) the award-winning autobiographical story of a man who faces his diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease by actor & playwright Samuel A. Simon. After the show there will be a panel discussion and reception. This event is sponsored by BRC's Alzheimer/Dementia Initiative, and co-sponsored by Frasier Meadows and by the Alzheimer's Association Colorado Chapter. Seats are limited (<https://tinyurl.com/24wfnxvk0>).

Heartsaver First Aid CPR and AED Training - Wednesdays, 6/12 or 7/17, 6 to 8 PM - Standish Room

Join Kelly McDevitt from First Cong's Safety Team for this important emergency training, which includes three hours of online learning and two hours of hands on skills. This American Heart Association course trains participants to provide first aid, CPR, and use an automated external defibrillator (AED) in a safe, timely, and effective manner. There is a \$20 fee for the online learning component, but the rest is a gift to us from Kelly McDevitt. Sign up to participate on 6/12 (<https://tinyurl.com/5274dm3f>) or 7/17 (<https://tinyurl.com/mre5m3ys>).

"Crisis in Gaza" Series - Part 4

Challenges to Bearing Prophetic Witness and Taking Action

Wednesday, 6/12, at 7 PM

FCC Palestine-Israel Network (FCC-PIN) invites you to the final study session of the UCC resource "Crisis in Gaza" on Wed. June 12, at 7 PM on Zoom. Together we will watch Sections 4 and 5, Challenges To Bearing Prophetic Witness and Taking Action, and plan next steps in working for peace with justice in Israel/Palestine. For more info contact Jane Thomas jane.thomas@coloado.edu

All Church Picnic, 6/23 - Following 10:00 AM Worship Service

Foothills Community Park, 800 Cherry Ave Boulder

Following worship on Sunday, June 23, join First Cong folks at Foothills Community Park. Our Board of Community Life will provide pulled BBQ sandwiches, salads including vegan options, baked beans, dessert and beverages. All are welcome and warmly encouraged to join us for food, fellowship, games, and a playground for the kids. Hope to see you there under the picnic shelters!

Social Justice for Immigrants - What can WE do? ...I was a stranger and you welcomed me... Matt. 25:35

The laws on immigration in Denver and all of Colorado continually change. The needs of Newcomers (migrants) are immense and overwhelming. To advocate and provide hospitality to our siblings from other lands the Racial Justice Ministry of First Cong found some practical ways we can help. You will find a flyer in the Link or online (<https://tinyurl.com/mr34mvdd>) for more information. Contact: Kristen Aldretti (kaldretti@gmail.com)

PRIDE MONTH

Pride Sunday Worship Service - Sunday, 6/16, at 10 AM

Worship with us as we celebrate PRIDE in Boulder. We will sing songs of love, inclusion and affirmation of all of God's children and hear testimonies of LGBTQ+ persons living out their faith in church as God intended. Wear your rainbow bandanas!

LGBTQ+ & Allies Ministry 3rd Sunday of Each Month

On the 3rd Sunday of each month immediately following the worship service we gather for lunch, fellowship and plan our events. It's a BYO Lunch and you are invited! For more information email linda@firstcong.net

Love Is Love T-shirts & Sweatshirts Available

The LGBTQIA+ and Allies Group have designed a shirt with the phrase Love Is Love on the front and the First Cong logo on the back. Wear it on Open and Affirming (ONA) Sunday, PRIDE and other events to show that First Cong is a safe place to worship for ALL of God's children. We are not raising funds, just providing a way to give testimony to God's love. If you would like to order a shirt, visit... (<https://tinyurl.com/45uaxhsj>).

Boulder PRIDE Festival Sponsored by OutBoulder 6/30, from 11:30 AM - 5 PM - 1212 Canyon Boulevard

Visit the First Congregational Church Booth at the Boulder PRIDE Festival. We will have a lively booth with activities and fun.

Join Our Mission Partner, NAACP Boulder County, for Juneteenth Events: Freedom's Path: 2024 Growing our Next Generation

Launching the Festivals of Flags

Friday, June 14th
City of Boulder Penfield Tate Municipal Building
In celebration of Dr. Edward Dwight, first Black astronaut

Women's Wilderness Hike: Exploring the beauty of nature

Saturday, June 15th
1206 Euclid Ave
Opportunity for youth to explore nature.

Uplifting & Joyful Church Service

Sunday, June 16th
Second Baptist Church Boulder
5300 Baseline Road
Join in community for a soul filled service led by Pastor James Ray, M.Div.

Final Celebration

Monday, June 17th
Dairy Center for the Arts
Banned books panel discussion and dialogue with audience participation.
Featured Guest: Reiland Rabaka Ph.D., Founder & Director, Center for African & African American Studies (The CAAAS | The Cause)

Racial Justice Ministry (RJM) Pilgrimage:

Sand Creek Massacre and Amache Internment Camp SAVE THE DATE: 10/19 & 20

Join the Racial Justice Ministry (RJM) Pilgrimage for Understanding to Southeast Colorado to visit Bent's Fort, Koshare Indian Kiva & Museum, Amache Internment Camp, and site of the Sand Creek Massacre of the Cheyenne and Arapaho tribes. Costs TBD, but will include 1 night lodging, meals, admission fees and carpool fuel. All ages including families are invited to explore this significant history of our state and its relevance to our times. Contact karenwhoover@gmail.com

Racial Justice Ministry Pilgrimage Reading - SAVE THE DATE: October 19 & 20, 2024

For your summer reading and video viewing, scan this QR code to access a resource list with hotlinks prepared by the Racial Justice Ministry in preparation for our Pilgrimage for Racial Understanding to sites in Southeastern Colorado. Sign-up to participate in the pilgrimage by emailing Karen Hoover karenwhoover@gmail.com



Special Announcement: Welcoming Congressman Joe Neguse - Sunday 7/7 at 9:30 AM

Join us for worship on Sunday, July 7, as we welcome Congressman Joe Neguse as our preacher for the morning. Elected to his first term in November 2018, he became the first Black Member of Congress in Colorado history, representing Colorado's 2nd District in the U.S. House of Representatives. Music by our Easter Brass Quintet and Chancel Choir. Following worship, Former U.S. Representative and beloved church member David Skaggs will join Joe Neguse for a community conversation. Musical Prelude at 9:15 AM. Invite friends and neighbors.

Women's Retreat 2024

Friday to Sunday, 8/30 - 9/1 - Highlands Retreat Center, Allenspark

As we enter the fall, we'll take a weekend to reflect on friendship, its gifts, its necessity, how friends enfold us in times of deepest joy and keenest sorrow, and how we help each other grow and thrive. Join us for a time of sharing, connecting, and nurturing our faith and friendships together. Our time together begins with dinner on Friday and concludes mid-morning on Sunday. Can't attend for the whole weekend? A Saturday only option is available. Register by Tuesday, August 13.



FCC Get Out the Vote 2024 Campaign

Today, Immediately Following Worship - Plymouth Hall

Join the FCC Social Justice Ministries on Sunday, June 2, after worship during Coffee Hour in Plymouth Hall to continue our Get Out the Vote (GOTV) campaign. Throughout the summer, we will be working with non-partisan organizations to write letters and postcards to encourage low-propensity voters to vote in November. Come to Plymouth Hall to be trained and sit with others as we write letters together or give you packets to check out and write at home. Contact Caitlin Smith (csmitty12@gmail.com)

A Season of Braiding Sweetgrass

As summer approaches, and the warmer weather beckons us to spend more time outdoors – hiking and picnicking, First Congregational Church’s Social Justice Ministries have planned a variety of activities for our communal reflection, recreation, learning, and joy. The beautiful book, *Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants* by indigenous scientist, Robin Wall Kimmerer will serve as our touchstone. Copies of the book are available at the Boulder Bookstore, saved for you on a First Congregational Church book club shelf at the 11th street side of the store. An engaging recording of the book, read by the author, is also available for free on Audible.

Activities include...

A Natural History and Bird Walk

Saturday, June 29, 6:30 to 10:00 AM, Location TBD

Join Steve Frye, church member and Ringmaster of the Flying Circus Birders, to enjoy and explore the natural history of Boulder County. All ages are welcome. The walk is gentle, but it will cover two to three miles. Come dressed for the weather conditions. Bring optics if you have them. The location will be announced in the Friday Weekly email from the church on June 28. If you would prefer a notice delivered to your inbox, sign up here (<https://tinyurl.com/bpfen35x>) to receive an email a day or two before the hike.

Difficulty: Easy. Dogs are not allowed on the bird walk.

Contact: Chris Braudaway-Bauman chris@firstcong.net

Conversations on Braiding Sweetgrass

Wednesdays, July 10, July 24, August 14, 5:30 – 7:00 PM

Church Plaza with a Potluck Salad Supper

Join discussion facilitators Lianna Campos, Kevin Pettit, and Sarah Schulte for conversation on selected portions of Robin Wall Kimmerer’s book. Page numbers to read in preparation will be available two weeks before each session in the Friday Weekly email from the church or by contacting Lianna at lianna@firstcong.net

Wildlands Restoration Service Project

Friday, July 12, 9:00 AM

Wildlands Restoration Volunteers Headquarters

2100 Collyer Street, Longmont

Adults and children ages 5 and up are invited to plant and weed a native plant landscape “headquarters” of Wildlands Restoration. Spaces have been reserved for 10 volunteers. Sign up by June 21 to reserve your spot by contacting Allison Hamm allison_hamm@yahoo.com

Braiding Sweetgrass Vacation Bible School

Sundays, August 4, 11, 18, August 25, 10 AM – 2 PM

FAITH Center 3rd Floor and Standish Room

Children and youth will enjoy fun, exciting lessons and games focused on the major themes of the young adult version of the book. After the 10 AM worship service, adults are invited to join an intergenerational activity, craft, or service project. All ages will have lunch together.

All Ages Brunch Worship in Plymouth Hall - Sunday, August 11, 10 AM

Join us for a special worship service celebrating God’s gifts of creation and the generosity of the earth. Strawberry Shortcake is on the menu. (Gluten free and vegan options are available). Want to help set, bake, serve, or clean-up? Look for the sign-up link in the Weekly email as August draws near.

A Native American Feast - Sunday, September 8, 11:45 AM

Foothills Community Park, 800 Cherry Avenue

Join us after worship for a church picnic of traditional Osage recipes and ingredients, catered by Tocabe American Indian Eatery in Denver. The menu will include Indian fry bread, wild rice, corn and tomato salsas, black and pinto beans, and shredded bison. Vegan and gluten-free options are available.