



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST · BOULDER



View of Oyster Bay - Louis Comfort Tiffany

Vine and Branches

August 25, 2024 | 10:00 AM

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Allegro from SONATINE No.V Op.96
Christine Boys, Rachele Crowell, flute

H.Kohler

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Christina Braudaway-Bauman

*PASSING THE PEACE

*HYMN 569

Touch the Earth Lightly

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Rev. Linda Kowatch

Holy God, Your love is faithful, it endures forever!
You spread it out like a meadow!
You send it down like rain!
It is the water that blesses, bringing health in the garden,
growth for the seedling, good food for the feast, and hope for the children.
Your love is our joy, never ending.
Praise to you and thanks from all the creatures you love,
this day and always, world without end! Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Rylan Rose Lindeman
Child of Heidi Lindeman
Godparents: Sally and Sam Williams

THE COVENANT PROMISES OF THE CONGREGATION

Will you who witness and celebrate this sacrament promise your love, support, and care to this child who is about to be baptized?

We will, with the help of God. Through this act we welcome this child into the fellowship of Christ's church and invite her to share with us the cost and joy of discipleship. We promise to receive her as a fellow pilgrim on the Christian way, to guide her by our precepts and example, that all of us may grow in the knowledge and love of God, according to the measure of the fullness of Christ. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE BAPTIZED

God of our fathers and mothers, and our God, we thank you for this, your child, and for the grace acknowledged here today in water and the spirit. Grant us grace to receive, nurture and befriend this new member of the body of Christ. Give to the newly baptized strength for life's journey, courage in time of suffering, the joy of faith, the freedom to love, and the hope of new life, through Jesus Christ, who makes us one. Amen.

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**The asterisk is an invitation to rise in body or spirit.*

MUSICAL PROMISE**You Are Mine**

Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by
 name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you
 home; I love you and you are mine.

MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

Lianna Campos

SCRIPTURE

John 15:1-8

REFLECTION**HYMN****Abide With Me***(please remain seated)*

1 A - bide with me; fast falls the e - ven - tide;
 3 I need your pres - ence ev - ery pass - ing hour;
 The shad - ows deep - en, Lord, with me a - bide;
 I need your grace to foil the tempt - er's power.
 When oth - er help - ers fail, and com - forts flee,
 Give me your love my guide and stay to be.
 Help of the help - less, O a - bide with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, O a - bide with me.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Linda Kowatch

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNITY LIFE

MISSION MOMENT

Rise Against Suicide

Jenna Clinchard, Executive
Executive Director of RISE Against Suicide

OFFERTORY

Adagio from SONATINE No. 5 Op.96
Christine Boys, Rachelle Crowell, flute

H. Kohler

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN

God, You Spin the Whirling Planets



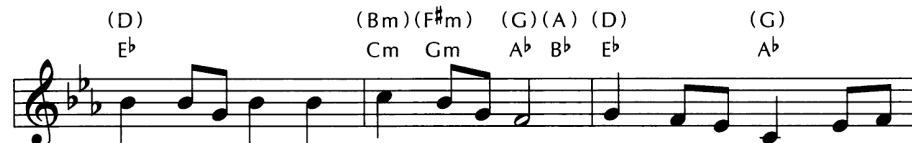
1 God, you spin the whirl-ing plan - ets, fill the seas and
2 You have called us to be faith - ful in our life and
3 God, your word is still cre - at - ing, call - ing us to



spread the plain, mold the moun - tains, fash - ion blos - soms, call forth
min - is - try. We re - spond in grate - ful wor - ship joined in
life made new. Now re - veal to us fresh vis - tas where there's



sun - shine, wind, and rain. We, cre - at - ed in your im - age,
one com - mu - ni - ty. When we blur your gra - cious im - age,
work to dare and do. Keep us clear of all dis - tor - tion.



would a true re - flec - tion be of your jus - tice,
fo - cus us and make us whole. Healed and strength - ened
Pol - ish us with lov - ing care. Thus, new crea - tures



grace, and mer - cy and the truth that makes us free.
as your peo - ple, we move on - ward toward your goal.
in your im - age, we'll pro - claim Christ ev - ery - where.

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*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Sonata No.2 first movement.
Christine Boys, Rachelle Crowell, flute

G. P. Telemann

CHILDCARE is available with Laura in the nursery. **CHILDREN** will start in the Sanctuary and leave for Vacation Bible School (K-5) with Lianna. **YOUTH** (grades 6+) will remain in worship.

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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HAPPENING TODAY

FCC Get Out the Vote 2024 Campaign - Sunday, 8/25, Immediately After Worship - The Link

Join the FCC Social Justice Ministries on Sunday, August 25, in the Link after Worship to continue our Get Out the Vote (GOTV) campaign. This week we continue writing non-partisan letters and postcards in swing states to engage voters who historically have not voted. You will be trained on the spot. Participate in GOTV to lessen your anxiety and have an impact on democracy. Contact Caitlin Smith (csmitty12@gmail.com)

All Ages Vacation Bible School - Today, Immediately After Worship - Standish Room

At VBS this week, adults, youth, and children are invited to join an intergenerational craft after 10 AM worship. We will learn about the Haudenosaunee Thanksgiving Address and do a family craft. All ages will have lunch together, which is provided. For more info or to reserve your spot contact lianna@firstcong.net.

August Youth Group Fun - Middle & High School, Today, from 5 - 7:30 PM

It's the final session of the youth Dungeons and Dragons adventure group, the conclusion of our summer campaign. Even if you have missed the other sessions, we'd be delighted to have you join the group. We'll catch you up and help you create your own character, so that you can participate in our imaginative and cooperative story-telling. A pizza dinner will be provided. Contact sbauman@baumanhome.com.

Community Partner - RISE Against Suicide 8/1- 8/31 - "Christmas in August" Fundraiser

Our community partner, RISE Against Suicide, helps youth at risk of suicide by removing the financial and social barriers to treatment, enabling them to find hope and healing. The LGBTQ+ & Allies Ministry, the Mental Health Ministry, and the Board of Missions and Christian Social Action are sponsoring our annual "Christmas in August" fundraiser to provide financial support for services as students return to school at a stressful time. Please consider donating using the QR code, to help support our students in the community.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Surrounding the Burbank Family with Love and Support

With broken hearts, we pray for Burke and Vivian Burbank and their whole family as they mourn the tragic death of their 29 year old son Daniel last week. The church has established an account to collect funds to send support to them in this time of grief. You may give here (<https://tinyurl.com/524285b4>). (Please note that this contribution is not tax deductible). If you would like to reach out directly to offer your condolences, you may contact the Burbank family at P.O. Bos 654, Keams Canyon, AZ 86034.

Frasier Meadows Event: Water Quality in the West: The Good, The Bad, and The Ridiculous. Wednesday, 8/28 at 7 PM

Our very own Dr. Kirk Nordstrom, a hydro-geochemist (emeritus) with the US Geological Survey whose works covers acid mine drainage, geothermal water chemistry, radioactive waste research, groundwater geochemistry, analytical chemistry, redox species, geochemical modeling, thermodynamic data evaluation, and geomicrobiology, will present a workshop on Water Quality in the West: The Good, The Bad, and The Ridiculous. All are invited.

Joyful Littles Music Class - Wednesdays, at 10:30 AM - Starting 9/4 - Nursery

Join Anne Martinez for a lively, relaxed music class for children ages 0-5 and a caregiver. Sing, dance, and play instruments to seasonal songs, fostering a love for music. Leave with new songs and musical ideas, while connecting with other families. This free 30-minute class runs Wednesdays at 10:30 am starting September 4, followed by open play until noon. Drinks and light snacks provided. Email anne@firstcong.net to reserve your spot or for more information.

Fall Schedule Resumes Sunday, September 8

8:30 AM Worship in the Chapel

Contemplative Prayer with poetry and Scripture readings, Taizé chant, extended moments of silence, and the sacrament of holy communion.

10:30 AM Worship in the Sanctuary and Online

A festive All Ages Worship Service of joy with communion, choir anthems, and an encore performance from the Arts Camp summer theme song!

A New Church Website Coming! We Need Your Help! - Sunday, 9/8 - All Morning

Theory One, our website designer, will be on site with us with photographers to capture the images we need to make our new website a fresh and inviting reflection of the vibrancy of our life together and a beautiful expression of our story and the good news of our faith and witness. Please plan to be present. Please wear solid colors or quiet prints on September 8 and help us spread the joy!

Racial Justice Ministry FORUM: Sand Creek Massacre, Presented by Right Relationship Boulder Sunday, 9/8 at 9:15 AM - Plymouth Hall

Three representatives from Right Relationship Boulder will provide information about the relationship between Fort Chambers in Boulder and the Sand Creek Massacre. The massacre occurred just months after the founding of our church on the tribal campgrounds near Valmont Butte in 1864. This forum will help us prepare for the Pilgrimage to Southeast Colorado which includes the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site. All are invited.

A Native American Feast Church Picnic - Sunday, 9/8 at 11:45 AM - Foothills Community Park

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 will be available. We'll meet in the shelter at Foothills Community Park, 800 Cherry Avenue next to the playground. Face painting, balloon animals, good food, and great company!