

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Minneapolis
A Welcoming Community of Faith in the Heart of the Twin Cities:
Come to a place where you can explore, be curious, and ask questions.
Sunday, April 14, 2024

Gathering

Gathering Music: Tim O'Grady – *No Greater Love* – Irénée Bergé (arr. John A. Behnke)

Welcome, Announcements: Karen Kandik
Prelude: Tim O'Grady – *Easter Hymn* – (arr. Sharon Elery Rogers)

Threshold Moment

Readings: Karen Kandik – *Litany of the Spirit*, CH #246

Theme Song: *Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song*, CH #245 – Tim O'Grady; v.1, Soloist Caroline Povolny; v. 2 & 3: Everyone

Opening Hymn: *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*, CH #265

Proclaiming

Children's Moment: Elaine Tucker
Song: *Thy Word* CH #326 (one verse, sung twice, before and after)

Prayers of the People

Joys and Concerns: Martha Harris
Song: *Let My Prayer Rise Up*
The Prayer of Jesus

Special Music: Choir – *Where Your Treasures Are* – Pepper Choplin

Scripture: Karen Kandik – Matthew 6: 19-21 (RSV)

Hymn: *Holy Wisdom*, CH #258, v. 1-2

Sermon: Stewardship Committee* – *Our Hearts and Our Treasure*

Hymn: *Holy Wisdom*, CH #258, v. 3

Responding

Celebration of Gifts, Tithes and Offerings

Offering Invitation: Margaret Hutchens, Elder

Special Music: Caroline Povolny – *You Are My Treasure* – Matt Hammitt & Jason Ingram

Offertory Prayer

The Lord's Supper

Communion Invitation: David Cobb, Elder
Sharing the Peace of Christ

Hymn of Communion: *A Hymn of Joy We Sing*, CH #404, v. 1-2

Communion Prayer

Words of Institution

Partaking of Communion

Music for Meditation: Tim O'Grady – *Hidden Treasures* – Lindy Kerby

Sending Beyond

Closing Hymn: *Of All the Spirit's Gifts to Me*, CH 270, v. 1 & 5

Closing Words and Benediction: Rev. Jay Hillestad

Postlude: Tim O'Grady – *Amen* – (arr. Jack Schrader)

As always, our thanks to technicians Melinda Nickerson, Mike Cackoski and Mark Carlson. Thank you to our pianist, Tim O'Grady; Soloist Caroline Povolny; the Choir; Worship Leader Karen Kandik; Elders Margaret Hutchens and David Cobb; Section Leaders Dr. Caroline Povolny, Jonathan Sill and Tyler Frankhouse; to Elaine Tucker; and Deacons Elaine Tucker and Ben Tucker.

***Special thanks** to the Stewardship Committee members who planned and presented this service: Arlene Jorgenson-Hillestad, Tammy Rottschaefter, Jen Krengel & Pat Dunlop.

Thank you all for sharing your gifts!

Announcements & Calendar

Please let us know you are worshipping with us by filling out the online worship attendance form (link is in the Livestream chat, and on the front page of our website, www.fccmpls.org)

Communion is offered to everyone. No matter where you are on life's journey, ALL are welcome. If you are worshipping with us online, please use whatever you have available to partake of communion from wherever you are watching. Take a picture and send it to Pastor Dan ;-). If you are with us in person, please come forward to receive communion when invited by the Deacons. If you are unable to come forward, please stay seated and the Deacons will come to you. We use gluten free wafers and grape juice.

Children: coloring pages and other activities are available on the home page of our website fccmpls.org. If you have joined us on-site, join us at the Kid's Table.

Coffee with the Pastors: Join the pastors, members and friends for a Zoom gathering at 9 am Wednesday and Saturday of this coming week. **Zoom Happy Hour** this week is Thursday at 5 pm. The Zoom links for these gatherings are sent out in an e-blast on Sundays and mid-week. They are also available on our Facebook page and website.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, April 14

9 am – 12:30 pm – SpringHouse Youth Room Open Hours @ [SHMC Youth Room](#)

10 -10:40 am – SpringHouse Youth Group activities @ [SHMC Youth Room](#)

10:30 am – Worship (In-person & livestream on YouTube)

Children's Table activities can be found on the home page of our website: www.fccmpls.org

After service Coffee Hour @ Gathering Space

Monday, April 15

7 pm – FCC and Friends Book Group @ Online

Tuesday, April 16

7 pm – FCC Board @ Online

Wednesday, April 17

9 am – Coffee Hour with the Pastors @ [FCC Zoom channel](#)

Thursday, April 18

5 pm – Happy Hour with the Pastors @ [FCC Zoom channel](#)

Saturday, April 20

9 am – Coffee Hour with the Pastors @ [FCC Zoom channel](#)

10 am – Grief Support Group @ Westminster Presbyterian Church

Sunday Coffee Hour is an important time for us to connect, support and enjoy each other's company. If you haven't contributed to coffee hour lately, we could use your help. We're needing volunteers to sign-up for [volunteering in February](#). Please sign-up on the sign-up sheet which is on the kitchen refrigerator or see Steve Rusinak or you can contact him at srusinak@comcast.com. If you can help this week or another week, this is much appreciated. Thank you!