

The Congregator

First Congregational Church of River Edge, New Jersey

109 Continental Avenue, River Edge, NJ 07661

a congregation of the United Church of Christ

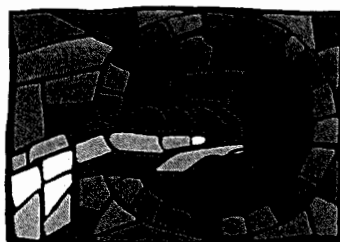
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Our Mission

Our mission is to worship God, care for one another, and witness to Jesus Christ in our community and the world.



World Communion Sunday

*Communion is served in the pews in October.
We will have cloths and breads that represent different cultures.
Please join us to share in a special communion.*

PUMPKIN PATCH

*Saturday, October 6 marks the first day of Pumpkin Patch!
Volunteers are needed, please see inside for more details.
We look forward to seeing you there!*

CONGREGATOR DEADLINE

The deadline for the November 2018 issue of the Congregator is Thursday, October 18, 2018.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mildred Alderdice
on the celebration of her 104th Birthday on September 30.



First Things

The Church Is . . .

It is more than a year ago now that, in this space, I quoted an Avery and Marsh song, which I especially like for its good theology:

*The church is not a building;
the church is not a steeple;
the church is not a resting place;
the church is a people.*

I am the church! You are the church!

We are the church together!

All who follow Jesus, all around the world!

Yes, we're the church together!

But, truth be told, it has been abundantly clear in the 33 months in which I have been a part of FCC's life and leadership that we've got a building on our mind. And for good reason; our facilities are increasingly hindering and placing a drag on our life, rather than being a resource for us to be "the church together."

When last I quoted the song, I prognosticated that we would be in renovation mode within months. Oops. By my understanding, FCC has been in a building renovation project for almost six years now. The (first phase of our) Capital Campaign was completed well before I arrived on the scene. We have seen multiple architect's renderings of what a renewed facility *might* look like. (Please remember that "*being good*" is far more important than "*looking good*."☺) We have heard evolving goals for the project, and we have frequently heard (often from me) that groundbreaking was imminent.

But the project in front of us has continued to prove more massive than our best stewardship and resources . . . even on the stretch of faith-filled risk. Over time, our Building Renovation Team has come to a clear understanding of a budgetary limit beyond which we cannot go. Meanwhile architect's fees have mounted and construction costs have escalated, making it necessary to trim the project again and again so that it can enable us, rather than overwhelm us.

So where are we right now? This is my take, from my pastoral and advisory perch: We are ever-so-close! I believe that construction will begin this month.

Borough permits are ready. The General Contractor is ready. But the Building Renovation Team has had to tweak the scope of our project one more time in order to stay on budget. What was a hoped-for start date of September 1 is now likely to begin mid-October, being careful to accommodate and not interfere with our October Pumpkin Patch (the highest visibility ministry we have in our community).

The realities in front of us have necessitated letting go of some of the more exciting and visually enticing parts of our dreams and visions. Still, two of our original goals will remain uncompromised: accessibility and mechanical repair. We will (I trust by spring!) have barrier free access to the (new) front entrance, sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, office level and Library level. We will have rebuilt and fully-accessible restrooms on the Library level. We will have updated and safe electrical systems. We will build a barrier-free walkway from the sanctuary to the parking lot, and rebuild the exterior sanctuary stairs.

What we have yet to address is how and how much we can update our air handling systems, improve our windows and doors, and weather-proof our façade. Meanwhile, sub-teams have given us a new Worship Alcove (AKA: "Flower Room") and are ready to challenge us with a wonderfully redesigned and rebuilt kitchen (not a part of any original plans, but growingly needed) . . . as well as further creative possibilities.

And I *do* expect that this first stage of renovations will be complete by Lent . . . helping you and me to continue to be the church (sing it!) together!

Godspeed,
Pastor Dennis

OCTOBER SHAWL MINISTRY



The next 2 regular meetings of the Shawl Ministry will take place on:

Tuesday, October 9, at 7:00 pm

Thursday, October 11, at 1:00 pm

All knitters and crocheters are welcome to join us in making shawls...or bring your current yarn project and spend a relaxing afternoon in the Parlor with us. Everyone is welcome. For information, please contact Alice Rushforth at 201-265-1062.

MUSIC NEWS

IT'S CANTATA TIME AGAIN!!



**ADVENT CANTATA REHEARSALS BEGIN
OCTOBER 25**

Anyone who loves to sing is invited to join the Cantata Choir for the Advent Cantata to be presented in Morning Worship on Sunday, December 9. Rehearsals for Michael Burkhardt's **KNEELING IN BETHLEHEM** will be in Pilgrim Hall at 7:00 p.m. on Thursdays: October 25, November 1, November 8, November 15, November 29, and December 6.

A special invitation goes out to those who enjoy singing but can't commit to regular choir rehearsals throughout the year.

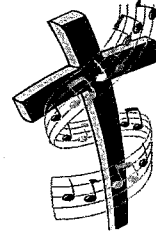
You may also support the Cantata by way of a contribution in honor or in memory of a loved one.

"Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation!"



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NEW MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS



First Congregational Church of River Edge has recently been the recipient of several new musical instruments. In the sanctuary you may have noticed a beautiful harpsichord, particularly useful with music of the Baroque and Classical Eras. We have also received some Orff xylophones, a fine autoharp, and several percussion instruments, to enhance our children's music programs. These instruments were given to us by the United Church of Spring Valley, New York, which has recently given up its building.

We are grateful to the UCSV for their generosity, and hope to give these instruments a new place in which they can glorify God. *"Let every instrument be tuned for praise!"* - Fred Pratt Green

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NJ DEVILS HOCKEY GAME



Members & Friends,

Please join us for a night of Hockey, Fun & Fellowship!

NJ DEVILS vs. DETROIT RED WINGS
(at "The Rock" Prudential Center)

Saturday, November 17 at 1:00 pm
We have 10 tickets at \$53.48 each.

Great seats in Section 122 Row 2, Seats 2-6 and Row 3, Seats 3-7. 10

Please see Russell Van Wetering at Fellowship Time or contact him at 201-261-1715 or aprilsky@optonline.net.

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Youth Group members wanted!

The First Congregational Church Youth Group will be up and running very soon with a little help from you! This group will include youth grades 5 and up as well as any friends that are interested in joining in our activities.

We will be:

- ❖ Hosting fun activities at church
- ❖ Attending some awesome events
- ❖ Getting involved in special projects
- ❖ And..... Hopefully have lots of fun doing it.

This will give our youth the opportunity to “hang out” with their church school friends outside of the classroom. They can also invite friends to give them an idea of what our church family is like. This will NOT be a huge commitment. We will meet as often as it is convenient for the group. The more they are interested in doing, the more we will do.

Please encourage your children to be a part of this special program. More info will follow including a meeting time to brainstorm. I do have the following trip in mind for October...



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Welcome Sunday

The Education Team would like to thank all of the parents along with the congregation for their support of our church school program. We have registered 20 children including 3 new families and Welcome Sunday was a great success. Our children and teachers enjoyed the "Creation Stations" set up to help re-enforce the Creation story. The older youth jumped right into our new buddy system and assisted the little ones with all the activities. Keep your eyes out for our church school rock garden coming soon! What a fun introduction to a new curriculum and church school year!

Church School



The Education Team is very excited about starting a new curriculum in September, and we are hoping to get a few more interested volunteers to help out with teaching. As you may already know, the new format will be more of a group setting than a classroom. The intention is to give the children more opportunity to interact and less preparation for our teachers. Our hope is to get enough volunteers to be able to have co-teachers which will eliminate the need for our teachers to teach every week. Not having enough support can dramatically affect the learning of our children. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact me at nbabington@fccriveredge.org. I can also provide anyone with a sample of the curriculum to look over if needed.



Our weekly children's message plays an important part in getting our children involved in the service of worship. It also gives the members of the congregation an opportunity to show our youngest members that we have a lot to teach them and that we care about their faith development. I will be reaching out for volunteers in the coming months, so please consider giving 3 minutes to our children. There will also be a sign-up sheet during Fellowship time.

Childcare 2018-2019



The Education team is in need of volunteers who are interested in helping out with childcare. Volunteering will allow parents the opportunity to worship while their young children are being properly supervised. Depending on the willingness of all of you, we are looking at possibly 2-3 Sundays/volunteer throughout the year. This is a very small commitment that has an extremely large effect on our congregation. Supporting young families will help us grow! Please contact Nicole at nbabington@fccriveredge.org and say you will help!

October

Oct. 7-Cathy Raffa
Oct. 14-Claudia Drummond
Oct. 21-Sara Myers
Oct. 28-Joan Buono

Pre-Confirmation Class

The 2018-2019 Pre-Confirmation program has begun! Our 7th/8th graders will be taking a different approach to learning that they may not be accustomed to. It is important to not only learn and appreciate the bible stories, but to also become more familiar with the life of our church. The intention is to retain our youth after Confirmation. In order for this to make sense to them, a connection to the congregation as well as a feeling of inclusion is essential. So plan on seeing much more of our older youth in worship!

Youth Group Members/Volunteers Wanted

The FCC Youth Group will be up and running very soon with a little help from you! This group will include children grades 5 and up as well as any friends that are interested in joining in our activities. Please consider becoming involved by volunteering your time or suggestions to make this group a success.

Summer Book Club



Thanks to all who participated in the Summer Book Club! We read 3 books and had some interesting discussions. Even though we will be taking a hiatus, look out for some future book club gathering in the New Year!

OCTOBER 2018 CONGREGATOR



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	1 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 Al-Anon 7:30 Step by Step	2 7:00 Women's Fellowship	3 12:00 Brown Bag & Bible 7:00 AA	4 8:00 Habitat for Humanity Team Build 7:00 Chancel Choir 8:10 Pilgrim Ringers	5 7:00 Tri-County Pipe & Drum Rehearsal	6 8:30 KWIS 7:00 AA
7 9:15 Chancel Choir 9:30 Carol & Nowell Choir 10:00 Worship Service/Communion The Rev. Dennis TeBeest Church School/Child Care 11:00 Fellowship Time 12:00 Korean Baptist Church 1:00 Blessing of the Animals	8 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED Columbus Day 1:30 Women's Fellowship/Executive Board	9 7:00 Shawl Ministry 7:00 Boy Scouts	10 12:00 Brown Bag & Bible 7:00 AA 7:00 Boy Scouts	11 1:00 Shawl Ministry 7:00 Chancel Choir 7:30 River Edge Swim Club 8:10 Pilgrim Ringers	12 7:00 Tri-County Pipe & Drum Rehearsal	13 8:30 KWIS 7:00 AA
14 9:15 Chancel Choir 9:30 Carol & Nowell Choir 10:00 Worship Service/ The Rev. Dennis TeBeest Church School/Child Care 11:00 Fellowship Time 12:30 Korean Baptist Church 4:30 Second Sunday	15 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 Al-Anon 7:30 Step by Step	16 7:00 Leadership	17 12:00 Brown Bag & Bible 7:00 AA	18 7:00 Chancel Choir 8:10 Pilgrim Ringers	19 5:30 Fish & Chips 7:00 Tri-County Pipe & Drum Rehearsal	20 8:30 KWIS 7:00 AA
21 9:15 Chancel Choir 9:30 Carol & Nowell Choir 10:00 Worship Service/ The Rev. Nancy Hoerner 11:00 Fellowship Time Church School/Child Care 12:30 Korean Baptist Church	22 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 Al-Anon 7:30 Step by Step	23 7:00 Mission Team	24 7:00 AA	25 7:00 Cantata Choir 8:20 Pilgrim Ringers	26 7:00 Tri-County Pipe & Drum Rehearsal	27 8:30 KWIS 7:00 AA
28 9:15 Chancel Choir 9:30 Carol & Nowell Choir 10:00 Worship Service/ The Rev. Dennis TeBeest Church School/Child Care 11:00 Fellowship Time 11:30 Pumpkin Carving 12:30 Korean Baptist Church	29 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 Al-Anon 7:30 Step by Step	30	31 12:00 Brown Bag & Bible 7:00 AA	<p>The Pumpkin Patch is open beginning October 6th</p> <p>Monday - Friday 11 am ~ 7 pm Saturday 10 am ~ 7 pm Sunday 11 am ~ 7 pm</p>		

Carve Out Some Time This Fall and Volunteer The Pumpkin Patch Is Coming!



Before you know it, the front lawn at FCCRE will be a sea of orange, marking the arrival of Pumpkin Patch 2018. The first delivery of pumpkins is scheduled to arrive on Saturday, October 6, at 9:00 a.m., and the second delivery sometime during the weekend of October 20-21. Read on to discover ways in which you can become involved.



Roll up your sleeves and volunteer for one or more Patch activities. Working side by side with your church family is a great way to get to know each other. And, it's fun too. There's plenty to do to make Pumpkin Patch 2018 another successful event:

- Unload the trucks
- Work at the stand
- Distribute flyers
- Tell a friend
- Connect Pumpkin Patch through social media
- Bake a favorite fall recipe for the bake sale
- Shop till you drop

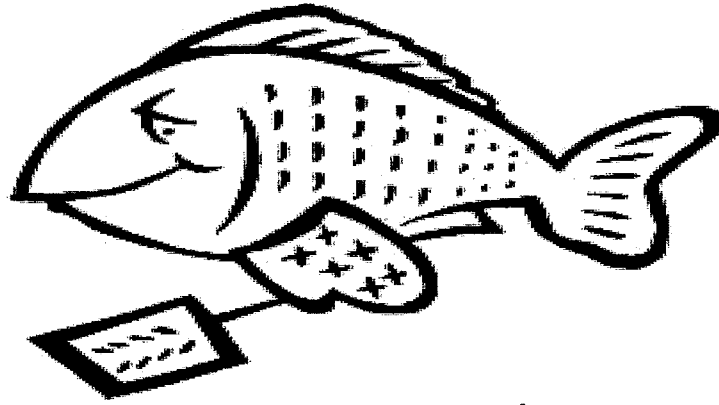
In its 10th year, the Pumpkin Patch is no stranger to our church and the local community. For many visitors, it has become a destination, a place to get into the Fall spirit by taking home a pumpkin or two. Homemade treats such as specialty pies, breads, and chocolates, as well as canned pickles, peaches and applesauce will be back to satisfy taste buds.

It is anticipated that the Patch will be hopping with shoppers again this year, especially on nice weather weekend days. If you can spare an hour or two, please sign up to help, and bring a friend if you'd like. As in past years, 60-65% of pumpkin sales will go to support Navajo farmers in New Mexico. The remaining 35-40% of pumpkin sales, plus 100% of the profits from the bake sale will go to the Building Renovation Fund at First Congregational Church of River Edge. Last year, between pumpkin and bake sales, over \$20,000 was raised for the FCCRE building fund.

To learn more about how you can volunteer at Pumpkin Patch, please speak with Pam Weiler or Ron Phillips at Sunday Fellowship time, or email, pamelaweiler244@gmail.com, or phone, 201-261-3895.

To sign up for pumpkin unloading or staffing the Patch, please stop by the Pumpkin Patch table at Fellowship Time.

The Pumpkin Patch will be open daily 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. and Saturdays 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. beginning October 6 through Halloween, October 31. Come, be a part of it!



Fish & Chips Dinner

*First Congregational Church of River Edge
109 Continental Avenue
River Edge, NJ 07661
(Fellowship Hall)*

Friday, October 19, 2018

5:30 to 7:30 PM

(TO BENEFIT CENTER FOR FOOD ACTION)

Menu Choice: *Fish filet, fries and coleslaw
Fried chicken, fries and coleslaw
Dinner includes dessert and beverages
BYOB*

Lovingly prepared by: *Tastefully British**

Tickets: *Adults \$15.00
Children (age 12 & younger) \$10.00*

*Reservations and Take-out orders required no later than October 17.
Please specify fish or chicken when making reservations*

*For tickets or information: call 201-261-1712 or office@fccriveredge.org
www.fccriveredge.org*



**Tastefully British has been feeding the fish lover for over 40 years!*



SAVE THE DATE!





Sunday, October 28th



11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



Annual Pumpkin Carving Event


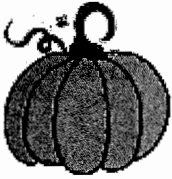
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- Bring a pumpkin (any size) to carve
 - Carving tools, candles, food, and drinks provided
 - Bring family and friends; the more, the merrier!



***EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO AN
AFTERNOON OF FUN***



Enjoy Crafts, Games, and fun and creative Photo op's!!



Bring family and friends; the more, the merrier!!

Pumpkin Patch

at

First Congregational Church of River Edge
corner of Kinderkamack Road & Continental Ave.

Thousands to choose from Grown in New Mexico



Fun for the whole family!

Picture taking areas for children and pets.

Items for sale include pumpkins of all sizes and shapes, gourds, scarecrow kits, baked goods, canned peaches, our famous pickles, and much more.

October 6-31

Open Monday-Friday 11 am-7 pm

Saturday 10 am-7 pm, & Sunday 11 am-7 pm

Pumpkin Patch at FCCRE is a mission project in support of the Native American population of New Mexico, as well as a church fundraiser for building accessibility.

PUMPKIN PATCH GIFT CERTIFICATES

Like to indulge a friend, a co-worker, a neighbor with a treat at our Pumpkin Patch? Or maybe you just need a way to start a conversation about our church? Perhaps there's a family living on a tight budget you'd like to give a little boost? Or maybe you now live at a distance, and would like to treat a grandchild or former neighbor or old friend.

THESE GIFT CERTICATES ARE A GREAT WAY TO DO THESE THINGS!

Just fill out the below form and return it with your check as indicated on the form. Check should be made out to the church, with "Pumpkin Patch" on check Memo line. The Request Form is also available on our website, www.fccriveredge.org.

Pumpkin Patch 2018 Gift Certificate Request			
Column A <i>Denominations available</i>	Column B <i>Number of Certificates In this denomination</i>	Sub-Total Column A times Column B	Total
\$15		\$	
\$25		\$	
\$35		\$	
\$50		\$	
			\$
Name			
<input type="checkbox"/> I will pick up Certificates at Church during Fellowship Time			
<input type="checkbox"/> Address to which Certificates should be mailed (In most cases, your name and address)			

If you have any questions, please leave a voice message for

Helen Koons at 1-201-261-4824, text her at 1-201-961-2350,

or email her at helenknkk@aol.com

Please return this Gift Certificate Request Form with your check to the church Please make check payable to the church, with "Pumpkin Patch" on Memo line.

First Congregational Church of River Edge Attention: Helen Koons 109 Continental Ave River Edge, NJ 07661
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LEGACY OF FATH

A meaningful way to remember/honor loved ones and friends is to make contributions to the Memorial Fund, Renovation Fund, Flower Fund, Music & Arts Fund or the General Fund of the First Congregational Church of River Edge.

FLOWER FUND

GENERAL FUND

BUILDING RENOVATION FUND

In Memory of Shirley Bullen

Adria B. Brown

Bob & Evelyn Fialko

SECOND SUNDAY FUND

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DEATHS

Shirley Bullen, long time member, died July 7, 2018. She was buried July 13, 2018.

WORSHIP TEAM

The deep green of the new paraments, the glorious colors of the fall wreaths, the coolness of the air resigns that God is ushering us into a beautiful autumn.

We begin October with World Communion on Sunday, October 7th. Communion will be served in the pews. We will have multicolored cloths and various textured breads that represent different cultures. If you have a cloth that you would like on the communion table October 7th, please bring it with you to church on Sunday, September 30th or contact the church office.

The bread served during communion will be gluten-free and the other breads will be available for you to try at coffee hour in Fellowship Hall after the service.

Thank you,
The Worship Team

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BROWN BAGS & BIBLES

BROWN BAG



BIBLE STUDY

Short Stories by Jesus—The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi.

Join us for Brown Bags and Bibles, Noon – 1:15 pm, on six Wednesdays, September 26, October 3, 10, 17, 31, and November 14. Drawing on the book by Amy-Jill Levine, we look at how the parables are not just about Jesus, but also about us. Bring your lunch to Pilgrim Hall at noon; our shared study begins at 12:20. Participant guides area available in the Parlor. Contribution of \$10 will help defray their cost!

Session Schedule:

- 9/26 Lost Sheep, Lost Coin, Lost Son
- 10/3 The Good Samaritan
- 10/10 The Pearl of Great Price
- 10/17 The Mustard Seed
- 10/31 The Laborers in the Vineyard
- 11/14 The Widow and the Judge

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ALTAR FLOWERS



If you would like to donate altar flowers for one of our worship services, please contact our Flower Coordinator, Carole Meeks at 201-262-3020. The donation for flowers is \$25.00. Flowers can be taken home after the service or given to one of our shut-ins. The deadline for ordering altar flowers is the Sunday prior to their being placed on the Altar.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Hosts for Fellowship Time and Greeters are needed throughout the Fall and Winter.

Please sign up during Fellowship Time or contact Russell Van Wetering at 201-261-1795 or aprilsky@optonline.net.

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Tithing made simple

DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU COULD FULFILL YOUR PLEDGE OR GIVE AN OFFERING ON-LINE?

Managing payments online is simple, fast, and secure. Payments can be scheduled in minutes and you'll never have to worry about running out of stamps. Especially convenient during the summer months if you will be away!

1 - Determine if your bank offers online bill pay services. Many banks, both large and small, offer online bill pay services. Call your bank or visit their website to find out what services they offer.

2 - Check out bank alternatives. If you don't have a checking account, you can still pay your bills online from a central website. All you have to do is sign up for a prepaid debit card that acts as an alternative to a checking account, such as the American Express Bluebird card. Once you have an account, you can pay online using the service's website exactly the same way that you would use a bank's website.

3 - Find out if there is a fee. Some banks offer free online bill payment services to customers who hold a checking account with them, while others charge a small fee. Make sure to find out if there is a cost associated with using the service before you get started. In many cases, banks will waive their fees if you meet certain criteria.

4 - Register for an online account. Before you can begin paying online, you will need to register for an online account. In order to do this, you must have already opened a bank account and you must be able to verify your identity. You will also be required to create a user name and password, which you will use every time you log in to your account.

- You may be asked to provide information like your name, date of birth, social security number, and bank account number when creating your account. This information is needed so that the bank can be sure it is the owner of the bank account who is registering for the online account.
- Most banks have customer support numbers that you can call if you are having a problem registering online.
- Some banks may offer to help you set up your online account at a branch.

5 - Add a payee. Once your online account is set up, you need to add payees to your account. A payee is simply an entity who you agree to pay by using your online bank account. Each bank's website is configured differently, but you should see an option that says something like "pay bills" in the main navigation. You should then see an option to "add payee" or "manage payees."

- You would add First Congregational Church of River Edge as payee
- 109 Continental Avenue, River Edge, NJ 07661 as address of payee
- 201-261-1712 as phone number of payee
- Your pledge # as your account number (If you don't have a pledge # contact Jeff Bernard at financeoffice@fccriveredge.org)

6 - Make a payment. After you have added a payee to your account, you can begin. You should see an option that says something like "make a payment" or "pay now." You will then be prompted to enter the amount of your payment and the date you would like to send your payment.

- You can make a one-time offering or you can choose to make a recurring offering.

OCTOBER 2018 COMMITMENT REMINDERS

Sunday, October 7, 2018

COMMUNION TEAM/USHERS – Wayne Placek, Alice Rushforth, Russell Van Wetering, Betty Hogan, Jane Silane
COUNTERS – Betty Hogan, Michelle Heinzinger, Terri Clark, Don Huggett, Tom Rushforth
GREETER – Bill Clark
LAY READER – Linda Stark
ALTAR GUILD – Joanne Hernandez, Barbara Walcott
CHILD CARE – Cathy Raffa
FELLOWSHIP TIME – Volunteers needed

Sunday, October 14, 2018

USHERS - ☒ Wayne Placek, William Fordham, Tom Rushforth, Diane Rolfs, Barbara Placek
COUNTERS – Tom Rushforth, Frank Meeks, Christine Banks, Don Huggett
GREETER – Cindy Fordham
LAY READER – Joy Jacobs
ALTAR GUILD – Joanne Hernandez, Barbara Walcott
CHILD CARE – Claudia Drummond
FELLOWSHIP TIME – Malena Ferrentino & Family

Sunday, October 21, 2018

USHERS - ☒ Gary Schaechinger, Heather Schaechinger, Charlie Schaechinger
COUNTERS – Robert Owens, Diane Lento, Russell Van Wetering, Don Huggett, Tom Rushforth
GREETER – Betty Hogan
LAY READER – Joanne Hernandez
ALTAR GUILD – Joanne Hernandez, Barbara Walcott
CHILD CARE – Sara Myers
FELLOWSHIP TIME – Betty Hogan

Sunday, October 28, 2018

USHERS – ☒ Jenn Young, Inge Reist, Richard Metz
COUNTERS – Chet Price, Tom Rushforth, Kathy Caughlan, Bill Hamilton, Don Huggett
GREETERS – Evelyn & Bob Fialko
LAY READER – Janice Hildreth
ALTAR GUILD – Joanne Hernandez, Barbara Walcott
CHILD CARE – Joan Buono
FELLOWSHIP TIME – Susie Choi & Brian Leddy

☒ **Team Leader**

CHURCH INFORMATION

At First Congregational, we seek to serve you in any way we can. Below you will find contact information when you have questions or needs.

Information about programs for children and youth?

Call Nicole Babington for information about Church School, Youth Group and other education programs (201-261-1712 ext. 103).

Do you want to receive our newsletter, *The Congregator*?

Call the Church Office (201-261-1712). Both mail and e-mail versions available.

An illness, hospitalization, birth, wedding or death in the family?

Call the Church Office any time (201-261-1712).

Questions about baptism, membership or adult education?

Call the Church Office (201-261-1712) to make an appointment with Pastor TeBeest.

For any question or concern not on the list – please call us anytime. We are here for you!

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
Monday, Office is closed.
Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 – 4:00 pm.

CHURCH OFFICE INFORMATION
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Phone (201) 261-1712 Website – www.fccriveredge.org
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