



WORLD COMMUNION OFFERING

Sunday, October 6, we celebrated World Communion. We took up an offering to be distributed to two carefully vetted organizations, one local and one international, which address social justice issues. Thank you to those who have responded generously!

BY THE HAND CLUB FOR KIDS

(www.bythehand.org)

Committed to serving children from the most under-resourced, dangerous neighborhoods by providing after-school programs, during the most dangerous time of day - when more crimes are committed by and against youth.

INTERNATIONAL RESCUE COMMITTEE

(www.rescue.org)

Responds to the world's worst humanitarian crises and helps people whose lives and livelihoods are shattered by conflict and disaster to survive, recover and gain control of their future. IRC's dedicated teams provide clean water, shelter, healthcare, education and empowerment support to refugees and displaced people.

If you have not already done so, we ask you to prayerfully consider your contribution to the World Communion Offering this month. Offering envelopes are available in the pews, or you may also contribute online at the Giving tab on www.fccfaithful.org, indicating World Communion in the description.

Coffee, tea, lemonade, sweets... something for everyone!

Fellowship time takes place in the Gathering Space, behind the Sanctuary following worship and offers all an opportunity to spend time visiting with one another in Christian fellowship.

Our weekly treats are provided by volunteers like you! If you are interested in providing treats, please sign up in the Gathering Space or email Megan Maginity at mmaginity@fccfaithful.org.

Children In Worship

FCC loves to have people of all ages present for worship! We have worship activity bags in the Narthex, a Children's Message each week, and the "Prayground" in the front corners of the Sanctuary where our youngest children can play, relax and witness worship up close. We ask that parents sit near the Prayground to remind children to play quietly.

WORSHIP WIGGLERS

On non-communion Sundays, Children age preschool and younger may leave worship following "Time with Children" to be escorted the Nursery.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

On non-communion Sundays, Children age 4 and above may attend Children's Choir Rehearsal following "Time with Children".

11 a.m. Education Hour for Children & Youth

Promised Land Sunday School for children 2 yrs – 5th grade begins together on the 2nd floor in the Temple. At noon, children need to be picked up from the following classrooms:

- 2-3s 1st Floor Teddy Bear Room
- 4-5s 1st Floor Snoopy Room
- Grades 1-5 2nd floor of the Education Wing

Youth Groups for grades 6-10

- Tribes (6-8th grade) meets in Room 22 (2nd floor).
- Quest (9th/10th grade) meet in Room 23 (2nd floor).
- Highschool juniors and seniors assist the younger groups.

Faith Family Matters



October 20, 2019



a Congregation & Community Engagement Event at the FCC Community House

BYOB and snacks, grab your friends and come out to a fun Adults Only BINGO night with split-the-pot cash prize! Bingo cards are \$5 per game and \$2 per additional card (cash only). When we have this much fun together, everyone wins! Must be 21 and over.

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Pastor Search Committee Update

The good news is that FCC has already received applications from 20 candidates! The committee is busy reading resumes, corresponding with candidates, advertising in publications and posting on websites of seminaries and mainline denominations. We have prayed together for God's guidance in this challenging process.

Now we would like to ask you, the congregation, for assistance.

Please pray for our committee to discern God's will for FCC. Pray for our congregation for patience and acceptance. Pray for our future pastor. We may not yet know who that will be, but God knows. Finally, please help us spread the word. Post the information on your social media sites. Each of you may know someone outside of our church who knows a pastor seeking a new position. You may direct candidates to go to our website: www.fccfaithful.org and to click on the link on the far right of the page under "pastor search". The link will take you directly to the job application. If you have any questions, you may contact a member of the search committee.

Got the feeling you've found the place where you belong?

If you have been worshipping with us, and would like to learn more about our church family or about becoming a member, we encourage you to attend our membership session today from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Parlor (2nd floor).

CONNECT EVENT

Bonfire & Bears

TODAY

FROM 3 PM – GAME END

at Rick Hanzelin's Backyard
(2039 Evans Rd., Flossmoor)



Bring a chair, your beverage of choice and a snack to share and join in an afternoon of watching the Bears defeat the Saints (prayer appreciated!). Sign up on our Facebook event or by emailing rick@hanzelin.com.

This event is weather permitting.

Family HALLOWEEN PARTY



**Next Sunday, October 27
from 3 – 5 p.m.
at the Community House**

Halloween games, crafts, music, dancing, costumes, snacks, and FUN!!! All families from the community are invited to join us for a spooktacular time! Please bring a pair of white men's athletic socks to donate to our PADS guests.

*A Congregation & Community
Engagement event sponsored by FCC
Children's Ministries*

Shine a Light on Domestic Violence

FCC is commemorating Domestic Violence Awareness Month by "Shining a light on domestic violence" with purple lights above our doors. These lights are available from the South Suburban Family Shelter 2 for \$5, 1 for \$3 with all proceeds going to the organization. Email bwilliams@ssfs1.org to order.



Welcome, Megan Maginity!

We are thrilled to welcome Megan Maginity as our new Administrative Assistant! Megan will be in the office Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Megan, her husband Scott and their young son Henry moved to Homewood just over a year ago. Megan's background is in the fast paced, high stress world of start-ups. With a nickname like Meg-gyver, we know she is the perfect fit to jump right in as a member of the FCC staff. Please join us in welcoming Megan to FCC and our community! You can reach Megan at mmaginity@fccfaithful.org or 798-2800 x11.

Upcoming ADULT ED

We never become too old to grow, learn, and connect while being formed and informed for following the Way of Jesus. Your presence and participation in Adult Education, whether regular or occasional, is most welcome!

"Why Bring it Up?" Raising Race Conscious Children

Today at 11 a.m. in Bell Chapel

An overview of a parenting resource from a website called *Raising Race-Conscious Children*. We will read aloud and discuss an article called "Why Bring it Up? Pushing Back Against White Supremacy" in which a parent describes their process of using a multitude of daily interactions to help children start noticing how majority white culture is presented as the default culture.

New Testament Bible Study: Acts and the Epistles

Sundays through November 3 at 11 a.m. in the Family Room

This course led by the Phil & Rebecca Courington takes us through the the reading and discussion of the New Testament book called The Acts of the Apostles.

In preparation for next Sunday, please read II Corinthians

Life Together

Concludes this Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Family Room

This book study led by Pastor Fred Lyon is an exploration of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's book, *Life Together*.

Getting Dressed for Life

Next Sunday at 11 a.m. in Bell Chapel

Jessica Groen and Megan Brackin will host a conversation with parents on how we encourage our children to treat their wardrobe and self-styling choices as ways for their bodies to feel good and function well. What are some ways that we can resist reinforcing the common belief that our bodies are primarily for being looked at and earning a gaze of approval by others? Megan will present some insights she learned in Lauren Shields' book *The Beauty Suit*, and we will read and discuss a short essay by Ayla Zuraw-Friedland, who took a new approach to her own closet after reading *The Beauty Suit*.

Vespers

Wednesday, October 30 at 7 p.m. in the Family Room

This class led by Pastor Fred will be a worship service which links us to a Western Christian tradition of gathering for evening prayer (vespers). The liturgy will feature prayer, song, communion.



YOUTH MINISTRIES Quest Fall Retreat

**October 25-27
at Tower Hill, Michigan**

Sign up reminder!

Visit our website for more information and to sign up at fccfaithful.org/youth-retreats in time to participate!

FCC FOCUS ON THE ARTS Peter Scott, Graphic Design

Peter Scott is a Hoosier from Mishawaka, just east of South Bend. After spending his junior year abroad in Strasbourg, France where he was exposed to art, architecture, and history, he decided to pursue a career in art upon returning. After graduating from Purdue, he went to the Otis Art Institute of Parsons School of Design in Los Angeles to study graphic design for the next four years.

When approaching design, Peter looks for images and type solutions that resonate with truth. Two of his major influences are Modernism and Grunge, which just happen to be polar opposites! This conflict explains the push and pull sense he feels when reconciling type versus image. He enjoys the control and structure that typography requires, but is also drawn to the sort of images that express looseness and freedom. Peter shares, "one is analytical and the other emotional. It is this dichotomy that makes design interesting to me."

PRAY

Ongoing Concerns

Charlie Ranlett, hospitalized at Silver Cross
Ruth Watson, home

In our continued prayers

The Pastor Search Committee
Sue Bertram, Bill & Louvenia Bright
Gloria D. H. Butler, Amy & Sydney Carlson
Stephanie Carrero, Leo Gaitor Jr.
Sandra Gaitor, Irene Guerra, Cardy Jones
Fred & Char Lyon, Janice Nielsen
Stephen Nielsen, Alan Samargin
Todd Smith, Nancy Van Laten
Alice Vronay, Debbie Wheeler



TO BENEFIT THE FCC PADS SHELTER

SEEKING TALENTED COMMUNITY MEMBERS

Friday, November 22 from 6-10 p.m. at the Community House, we will host our 3rd Annual Show Off to benefit our PADS homeless shelter.

There's no hiding that this congregation is wealthy in talented members, and we'd love for you to take the stage and be a part of the show featuring the outstanding local talent in our community!

Performers of all types and ages are encouraged to contact Brooke King-LaBreck (bking@fccfaithful.org) with questions and to participate.