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All Saints Sunday  
Season of Stewardship  
November 6, 2022

**FIRST CHURCH  
IN CAMBRIDGE**  
Congregational 1633-1636  
United Church of Christ  
Garden and Mason Streets  
Cambridge, Massachusetts

## WELCOME TO FIRST CHURCH IN CAMBRIDGE...

Grounded in God • Growing in Community • Acting in Love

We're glad you are worshiping with us today! First Church is a vibrant, multi-generational, engaged, urban church. We care a lot about each other and what's happening in the world around us. Wherever you are on the journey of faith, you are welcome here.

FIRST CHURCH  
IN CAMBRIDGE  
CONGREGATIONAL  
**386 YEARS**  
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### November 6, 2022

#### Preaching Today Leading Worship

Dan Smith, *Senior Minister*  
Lexi Boudreaux, *Transitional Minister*  
Karen McArthur, *Minister of Stewardship & Finance*  
Jaz Buchanan, *Pastoral Associate*  
Ahmaad Edmund, *Ministerial Intern*  
Sarah Higginbotham, *Director of Creative Worship & Arts*  
Peter Sykes, *Music Director*  
Winnie Yip, *liturgist*  
Lee Prouty, *tech support*

**Bulletin Cover Image** Freddie Funck, *First Church youth*

#### Today's Programs and Events

9:30 a.m. Adult Formation: Faith and Money, Harter Room and [via Zoom](#)  
10:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal, Margaret Jewett Hall (MJH)  
10:15 a.m. Coffee and Conversation, Hastings Common  
11:00 a.m. Hybrid Morning Worship, Sanctuary and [via livestream](#)  
11:20 a.m. Church School: Pastoral Care Sunday, Library  
12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour, Hastings Common and [via Zoom](#)  
12:15 p.m. Stewards and Saints Luncheon, MJH  
1:30 p.m. Our Whole Lives (OWL) for 7/8th graders, Old South Church  
1:30 p.m. Confirmation Class for 9/10th graders, Library  
2:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Pauline Fennel, Sanctuary and [via livestream](#)  
7:30 p.m. Night Song, Sanctuary and [via livestream](#)

#### New to First Church?

Have you just begun joining us for worship? Consider filling out a visitor card found on the small clipboard in the pews or this "[virtual visitor card](#)" so that we might reach out and connect with you about our community.

#### Give to First Church

You can give online: [www.firstchurchcambridge.org/give](http://www.firstchurchcambridge.org/give) or by texting "\$\_" to: 1-844-996-0982.

#### Contact a Pastor or Staff Member

Find [contact information](#) for our ministerial, program, and building staff on our website.  
For general information and inquiries: [info@firstchurchcambridge.org](mailto:info@firstchurchcambridge.org)

Have a church program or event to promote?  
Complete the [First Church Communications Request](#) form.

Have an edit or update for our website? Complete the [FCC Website Changes](#) form

## GATHERING

*For those participating at home, we invite you to bring bread or crackers and water, juice, or wine to your home altar, so that you may participate in Holy Communion. All are welcome at the Table!*

### VOLUNTARY

Prelude in C Major

J. S. Bach

### \*GREETING

Winnie Yip

L: Dear friends in Christ, the peace of God be with you,

**C: And on the whole world, peace!**

L: Come in, and be at home

**C: with saints of every time and place!**

L: Come in, and find new hope

**C: with saints of every time and place!**

L: Come in, and be in the company of God

**C: with saints of every time and place!**

L: With saints of every time and place, give thanks and praise to God!

### \*HYMN

When the Saints Go Marching In

*First Church's All Saints Band: Emma Blanc, Phil Jones, Erik Stauffer, and David Torrey*

**Oh, when the saints go marching in; oh, when the saints go marching in;  
oh, Lord, I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in!**

**And when the sun begins to shine; and when the sun begins to shine;  
Oh, Lord, I want to be in that number, when the sun begins to shine!**

**And on that hal-le-lu-jah day; and on that hal-le-lu-jah day;  
oh, Lord, I want to be in that number, on that hal-le-lu-jah day!**

**Oh, when the saints go marching in...**

### WELCOME AND TESTIMONY

Lexi Boudreaux and Winnie Yip

### INTRODUCING THE PUPPET SAINTS

Sarah Higginbotham and Jaz Buchanan

## CONFESSION

### INVITATION TO CONFESSION

### SILENCE

*\*You are invited to stand. Hymns preceded by a "C" are found in the beginning section of the hymnal. This section contains hymns written and composed by current and past members of First Church in Cambridge.*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: Let us pray for healing, pardon and peace:

C: **God of Life, by the mercy of Jesus,  
calm our anxieties, soothe our sorrows,  
heal our weaknesses, and forgive our sins.  
Let the memory and example of yesterday's saints  
and the saints of here and now  
stir us to gratitude and love, action and praise,  
for the sake of tomorrow and the world that you love. Amen.**

## DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

## GREETING OF PEACE

**\*HYMN** For Everyone Born (see page 6)  
*Children up through 6th grade are now invited to Church School: Pastoral Care Sunday in the Library. Children will return to worship in time for Communion.*

## OPENING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING Ahmaad Edmund

READING Philippians 2:1-11

HOMILY Dan Smith

STEWARDSHIP SLIDESHOW Hands of Ministry

## SHARING OUR LIFE TOGETHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS Karen McArthur

## INVITATION TO OFFERING



Give by Text



Give Online



I've Given Already

## OFFERTORY

*Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.  
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.  
Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur.  
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.  
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.*

## Ubi Caritas

*Where charity and love are, God is there.  
Love of Christ has gathered us into one.  
Let us rejoice in Him and be glad.  
Let us fear, and let us love the living God.  
And from a sincere heart let us  
love one another.*

## Maurice Durufle

## \*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, the source of life and birth,  
Praise God, the Word who came to earth,  
Praise God, the Spirit, holy flame,  
All glory, honor to God's name. Amen.**

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### SHARING THE FEAST

## INVITATION

## REMEMBERING JESUS

L: Now, O God, with grateful joy, we remember Jesus,  
his daring love, his open table.  
*(silence)*

L: We remember how he fed the five thousand people  
with only a loaf of bread and a few fish.

**C: We remember how he never left anyone hungry.**

L: We remember how Jesus welcomed the children.

**C: We remember how he didn't turn them or anyone away.**

L: We remember that the women came, early in the morning, on the third day.

**C: They did not find him among the dead.**

L: We remember him still,

**C: centering our lives on his firm foundation, our hope and our healing.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

## PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*(Please pray this prayer in words most meaningful to your heart.)*

**All: Our Creator, 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 trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not  
into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

### **\*SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP**

*We now invite you to partake of Communion with all the saints, past and present. All who seek to follow Jesus' way of justice, compassion and love are invited to partake of this feast. If you are worshiping via the livestream, please take now and eat. If you are in the Sanctuary, please approach one of the stations. The station closest to the organ has individual cups of juice, while the other two stations have a common cup for intinction. We will then prepare our hearts for a time of commemoration, thanksgiving, and song by forming a large circle lining the outer edge of the Sanctuary. Please bring your bulletins.*

### **\*COMMEMORATIONS**

Tim Butler  
Edwin Cranston  
Pauline Fennel  
Agnes Foley  
Stephen Friedlaender  
Doris Goode  
Bill Hays  
Rev. Jane Heckles  
Doris Hernon  
Llewellyn Langel  
T.M.  
George McKenna  
William Redlich

Jim Roche  
Prof. Judith Ames Whitenack Tatarelli  
Hannah Tauber  
Jamal Thompson  
Fiona Tolhurst  
Charles Van Ness  
Marjorie Van Ness  
Jeanette Beth Wall  
Jacobey Williams  
James Williams  
Mattie Ruth Williams  
Wallace Williams  
Todd Clay Willmert

*We will all be invited to name (aloud or silently) people who have died,  
whom we remember and keep close in our hearts.*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

L: Let us give thanks:

**C: Thank you, God, for life in the Spirit of Jesus,  
for gladness in this bread and cup,  
for love that cannot die, for peace the world cannot give,  
for joy in the company of friends, for the splendor of creation,  
and for the mission of justice you have made our own.  
Give us the gifts of this holy communion:  
oneness of heart, love for neighbors, forgiveness of enemies,  
the will to serve you every day, and risen life that never ends.  
In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

**GOING FORTH**

**\*HYMN**

For All the Saints

(see page 8)

**\*BENEDICTION**

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**First Church Land Acknowledgment**

*We, gathered here, acknowledge that we are meeting on land which has been the traditional ancestral homeland of the Massachusetts people. We acknowledge that this land is unceded and remains sacred to the Massachusetts, and to their close neighbors and relatives, the Nipmuc and Wampanoag peoples.*

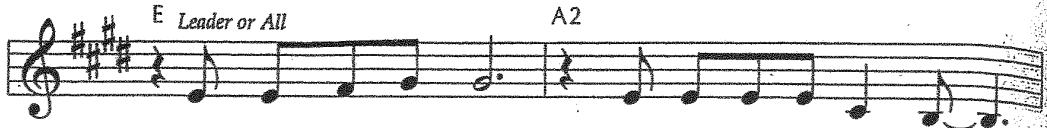
You can find a longer version of this acknowledgment [here](#) or by scanning the QR code to the right.



PEACE HYMN

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For Everyone Born



1 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,  
 2 For wom - an and man, a place at the ta - ble,  
 3 For young and for old, a place at the ta - ble,  
 4 For just and un - just, a place at the ta - ble,  
 5 For ev - ery - one born, a place at the ta - ble,



for ev - ery - one born, clean wa - ter and bread,  
 re - vis - ing the roles, de - cid - ing the share,  
 a voice to be heard, a part in the song,  
 a - bus - er, a - bus - ed, with need to for - give,  
 to live with - out fear, and sim - ply to be,



a shel - ter, a space, a safe place for grow - ing,  
 with wis - dom and grace, di - vid - ing the pow - er,  
 the hands of a child, in hands that are wrin - kled,  
 in an - ger, in hurt, a mind - set of mer - cy,  
 to work, to speak out, to wit - ness and wor - ship,



for ev - ery - one born, a star o - ver - head,  
 for wom - an and man, a sys - tem that's fair,  
 for young and for old, the right to be - long,  
 for just and un - just, a new way to live,  
 for ev - ery - one born, the right to be free,



# PEACE HYMN

*Refrain*

B *All* E E/G# A2 Bsus B

and God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice and

E E/G# A2 Bsus B

joy, com-pas - sion and peace: yes,

C#m C#m/B A2

God will de-light when we are cre - a - tors of jus - tice,

Bsus B E (A) Fine A2 E Bsus B

jus-tice and joy!

CLOSING HYMN

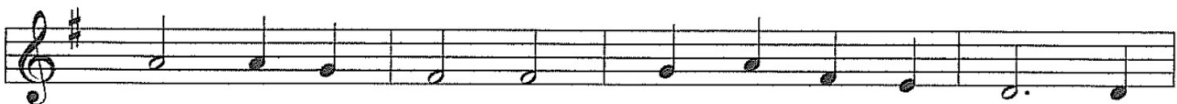
FOR ALL THE SAINTS

Sine nomine

W. W. How, alt. A. Happe, 1981



For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
 Thou wast their Rock, their For-ress and their Might:  
 O blest com-mun-ion, fel-low-ship di-vine!  
 And when the task is hard, the la-bor long,  
 The gol-den eve-ning bright-ens in the west:  
 But lo! there breaks a yet more glo-rious day:  
 From earth's wide bounds, to o-cean's far-thest coast,



Who Thee by faith be-fore the world con-fessed Thy  
 Thou, Lord, their Sa-vior through the long cold night;  
 We fee-bly strug-gle, they in glo-ry shine; Yet  
 Steals on the ear the dis-tant har-vest song, And  
 Soon, soon to faith-ful work-ers com-eth rest:  
 The Saints tri-um-phant rise in bright ar-ray: The  
 Through gates of pearl streams in the count-less host,



name, O Je-sus, be for-ev-er blest. Al-  
 Thou in the dark-ness drear, their one true Light. Al-  
 all are one in Thee, for all are Thine. Al-  
 hearts are brave a-gain and arms are strong. Al-  
 Sweet is the calm of Par-a-dise the blest. Al-  
 Lamb in Glo-ry pass-es on the way. Al-  
 Sing-ing to God: the Word and Ho-ly Ghost. Al-



le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
 le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
 le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
 le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
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 le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!  
 le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

## COMMUNITY PRAYERS

- We pray with thanksgiving for the birth of Molly Juniper Fatherly Cyr, daughter of Dewey Cyr and Will Fatherly, sister to Leah, and granddaughter to Nancy and Ed Cyr.
- We pray for First Church Sexton George Williams. George is grieving the loss of his mother Mattie Williams, who died recently.
- We pray for Facilities Manager Lee Prouty's partner Phil, who is making a treatment plan to address recent medical issues.
- We pray for First Church Sexton Kimel Williams's wife Robin, who is recovering from breast cancer surgery.
- We pray for all who are in treatment for cancer: Anita Anger; Lyman Morrill, Ann Riker's brother; Judith Semmler, Alice Napoleon Jones's mother; Penny Kilburn, Nancy Kilburn's mother; Karen Anne Zee's daughter Becky Collet, and her sons-in-law, Denis Collet and Stewart Bailey; Beth and Polly, Ann McCann's sisters; and friend of Homeless Ministries Brian O'Donovan.
- As we approach Election Day, we pray for election integrity and for the protection of voting rights in every state. We pray that no would-be voter faces fear or intimidation as they seek to exercise their constitutional right.
- We pray for our Jewish siblings as antisemitic expression is on the rise in local communities, and as antisemitic rhetoric espoused by public figures continues to appear in social media and some political campaigns around the country.
- We pray for all impacted by recent deadly disasters, including the crowd surge in Seoul, South Korea, that killed over 150 people and the collapse of a suspension bridge in Gujarat, India, that killed at over 134 people.
- We pray for all those impacted by gun violence, and especially for the community of Central Visual and Performing Arts High School in St. Louis, MO, after a mass shooting last week.
- We pray for the people of Haiti, where water, food, and fuel shortages are leading to widespread protests, violence, and civil unrest.
- We pray for the people of Iran, especially women, as anti-government protests continue.
- We pray for the people of Pakistan, where recent devastating flooding has led to widespread loss of housing, food, and safe living conditions.
- We pray for those experiencing the loss of vital reproductive rights across the nation, and all those who care about them. We pray for our country in the lasting wake of changing reproductive rights: for all those struggling through the moral and political complexities of pregnancy and childbearing, and for the integrity of our legal and judicial institutions at a time of extreme political polarization.
- We pray for the people of Ukraine as they experience increased attacks in an ongoing war, and for the Russian men drafted to continue the attacks.
- We pray for all who are affected by COVID-19.

## FIRST CHURCH'S PUPPET SAINTS

Celebrating with us this morning are First Church's Puppet Saints, a symbolic representation of the Communion of Saints gathered with us today. Their presence in our worship provides a creative, playful, and accessible way for the youngest members of our community to encounter and contemplate the spiritual connections between the living and the dead. Each puppet was named and given a story by the children. Our oldest puppets were created in 2004, and subsequent generations were made in 2007 and 2013. On All Saints Sunday 2020, we hosted a virtual DIY puppet-making workshop; many new puppet saints were created that day!



*St. Joann, St. Lelo, and St. Philip*

### ***Big Puppet Saints***

**St. Lionel (robed in green print)** loves lions. In fact, he was raised by lions and became a minister to lions after saving a lion from a poacher. St. Lionel believes that all of nature (especially lions!) is a sacred gift from God.

**St. Michiro (robed in blue & white stripes)** lives in Japan, where he teaches Japanese to monkeys. Like St. Lionel, St. Michiro celebrates the natural world as God's beautiful creation.

**St. Maya (robed in pink)** is a good listener and an artist who uses materials from nature in her artwork. When not creating pictures from nature, she studies rocks in Madagascar.

### ***Middle Puppet Saints***

**St. Joann (robed in black & white flowers)** is a world traveler who speaks many languages. She loves to sample the foods of different countries. St. Joann is known to help people of all sorts who come to her. She also visits hospitals and heals people who are sick.

**St. Lelo (robed in green madras print)** loves to sail. She sails around the world with her pet chameleon and pet chinchilla. She is able to speak to frogs and helps them survive in difficult climates.

**St. Philip (robed in olive green)** is a tae-kwon-do master who is "really close to God." He lives in Iraq, where he cares for the injured and dying, both Americans and Iraqis, who have been hurt by war. He also looks after animals in Iraq.

## FIRST CHURCH'S PUPPET SAINTS

### *Small Puppet Saints*

**St. Lucy (robed in blue print)** loves living in the country surrounded by cow pastures. She helps endangered chimpanzees survive, and she “helps people find their way.” She also likes to send cards to people who are sick.

**St. Rainbow (robed in green)** is loving and compassionate. She helps people in need by finding houses for them and caring for them when they are sick. She can speak every language (!) and she teaches people to communicate peacefully with each other in different languages.

**St. Valerie (robed in pink stripes)** plants flower bulbs as well as seeds of vegetables and grains, so that all can be fed. She gives food away to people who need it.

**St. Allie (robed in blue floral print)** is an artist who paints pictures. She is also an animal doctor who helps all animals, particularly helping animals not to bite people or each other.

**St. Sarah (robed in brown stripes)** lives in the Amazon. She makes food for animals, and she helps get food to people in war zones. She also helps people who have “owies.”

**St. Louis (robed in tan & black print)** tends to the injured in places where there is war. At one battle, he saved 120 people! “Almost wherever he goes, people follow him.”



*St. Lucy, St. Louis, St. Valerie, St. Rainbow, St. Allie, and, St. Sarah*

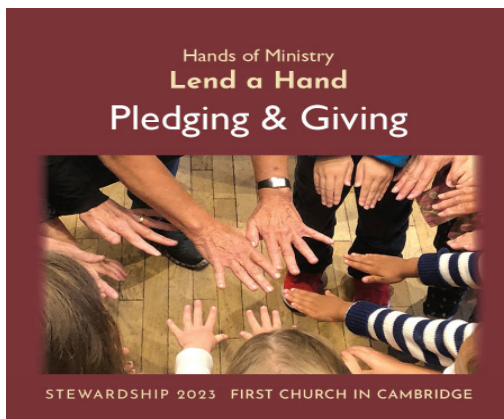
## TODAY AT FIRST CHURCH

### Adult Formation: Faith & Money

Today, 9:30 - 10:15 a.m., Harter Room and [via Zoom](#)  
Treasurer Rich Goode and Minister of Stewardship & Finance Karen McArthur present the 2023 budget and discuss the “how” and “why” of First Church’s budgetary decisions.

### Stewards and Saints Luncheon

Today, 12:30 - 1:30 p.m., MJH  
Stay for a delicious meal of soups, stews, and bread to celebrate our saints and the beginning of our 2023 Stewardship season.



### Art Exhibit: “70 Witnesses” Today, Margaret Jewett Hall

In honor of All Saints Sunday, First Church member Henry Gates will display “70 Witnesses,” three long oil paint canvases that celebrate the testimonies of many voices in faith over thousands of years: Hebrew, Christian and Protestant. Henry will be on hand before and after worship to explain the presentation.

### Coffee Hour, Hastings Common and [via Zoom](#)

Today at 12:00 p.m.

Join us in person or online for social connection and conversation.



### Memorial Service for Pauline Fennel

Today at 2:00 p.m., Sanctuary and [via livestream](#)

A memorial service for longtime, beloved First Church member Pauline Fennel will take place today, with a reception to follow. Pauline died on Tuesday, September 13, 2022, following a year-long struggle with cancer.

### Our Whole Lives (OWL) for 7/8th Graders

Today, 1:30 - 3:00 p.m., Old South Church, Boston

AND

### Confirmation Class for 9/10th Graders

Today, 1:30 - 2:00 p.m., Library



## FALL AT FIRST CHURCH



### Contribute to the “Lend a Helping Hand” Stewardship Video Project

Will you help us thread together a montage of video images for our 2023 Stewardship campaign? Our hope is to use our hands to symbolically “lend” items that represent Jesus’s humble, selfless and sacrificial love to others. What you pass along from one person or family to another is up to you: it could be a monetary donation, some sort of sustenance, clothing, or something else. We will replicate the “Light for the World” video from Christmas Eve 2020, when we passed a candle to each other. This time, you will use a sign of your own creation that says what your hands might lend to a neighbor or stranger. You can view the [full instruction sheet](#) and a [demo video](#) to get started. Please submit your videos by uploading them to [this folder](#) by November 10 to be included in the project. Any questions or needs for extension of this deadline should be directed to either Joanne Paul or Lexi Boudreaux. Thank you so much for adding to our worship in the Season of Stewardship!

### Adult Formation: The Doctrine of Discovery Sundays, November 13 & 20, 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. Harter Room and [via Zoom](#)

The Christian Formation Committee invites you to a two-part series on the Doctrine of Discovery.

#### November 13: Session 1

What exactly is the “Doctrine of Discovery?”

Did you ever hear of Johnson v. McIntosh?

What is “Manifest Destiny?”

How did, and how do, these rulings affect Native Americans?

We’ll view a TED talk by a powerful American Indian speaker and explore some issues it raises.

#### November 20: Session 2

We’ll talk religion.

How might our theology blind us to American Indian spiritual identity?

The Promised Land: promised to whom by whom?

How can the church support a new sense of God’s mission among American Indian Christians?

We’ll view a video prepared by the Episcopal church, which was the first denomination to repudiate the Doctrine of Discovery.



## FALL AT FIRST CHURCH



### Church Staffing and Finance Forum

**Sunday, November 13, 12:15 - 1:30 p.m., MJH and [via Zoom](#)**

Join church leaders for a second important after-worship conversation about our church's finances and future staffing plans. Given Covid, we're just now coming through a highly unusual stretch, in terms of the demands and opportunities related to our staff and budget. Our leaders have been working

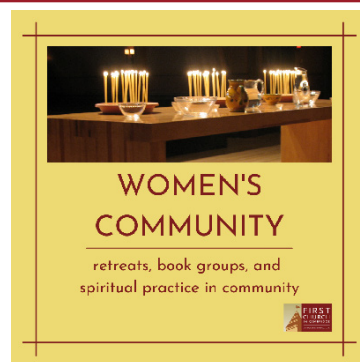
hard to develop near and medium term plans. Please join us, and share your input and insight as we prepare for our Fall Congregational Meeting and budget vote on Sunday, December 4.

### Women's Community Book Club

**Tuesday, November 15, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m., [via Zoom](#)**

All First Church people who identify as women are invited to join us for a discussion of *The Sentence* by Louise Erdrich. We promise to have a thoughtful and lively discussion of Erdrich's newest novel.

If you have trouble finding the book, let us know, and we will do our best to find one for you.



### Seraphim Choral Concert: *In/Justice Through the Ages*

**Sunday, November 13, 3:00 - 4:30 p.m., Sanctuary**

[Seraphim](#), a choral singing group in residence here at First

Church in Cambridge, invites the congregation to its upcoming concert. "[In/Justice Through the Ages](#)" will feature choral music of protest from the medieval to the current day, with works by James MacMillan, Trevor Weston, Teresa Murphy, Shruthi Rajasekar, and Teri Kowiak, with organ and percussion. You may read the

program notes [here](#). Free in-person tickets are available to First Church members; request your tickets by email: [daryl@bichel@aol.com](mailto:daryl@bichel@aol.com). Participate in our outreach to the homeless and those living on the margins by bringing donations of clothing, food, and other items to the concert. Of importance at this concert is collecting winter wear.



## FALL AT FIRST CHURCH

### Connect with First Church on Social Media

With hundreds of subscribers, and sometimes hundreds of views of our services and sermons, our reach is growing beyond our in-person and livestream attendance! First Church's [YouTube channel](#) is home to lots of meaningful content, including sermons, music, church school lessons, testimonies, entire worship services, and more. Our [Instagram](#) is full of the beauty and wonder of moments in the life of First Church. Subscribe to and follow our social media! If you missed our celebration of First Church's long-term members this past Sunday, or want to revisit parts or all of it, please be sure to check it out on our Sunday Services playlist [here!](#)



### A Success!

Last Sunday, **the 2022 Doris Beauvais Luncheon** took place in Margaret Jewett Hall. In addition to celebrating the First Church Shelter's 35th Anniversary, **the 2022 Mitch Snyder Awards** were presented.

Nikki Bell, of Lift Worcester; Chris Alba, City of Chelsea Substance Use Disorder Initiative; Mary Wheeler, Healthy Streets/Lynn; Kim Powers, ACCESS Hope/Cape Cod and Joe Freitas, First Church Shelter were recognized this year.

The Shelter Staff and Oversight Committee are grateful for the support and encouragement of the entire First Church community in celebrating this important milestone in the life of the Shelter. They also appreciate the First Church community joining them in recognizing the selfless and edifying lives of our Mitch Snyder Award recipients. And special, grateful thanks go out to the entire Funck Hendren family; no Funck Hendren family, no luncheon!!!

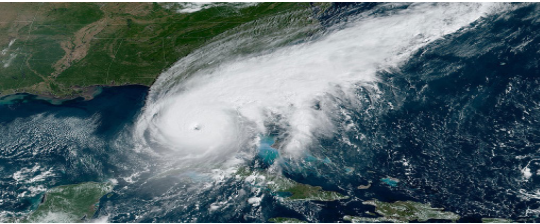
## UCC NEWS



### **Pakistan Emergency Appeal**

The situation in Pakistan is dire. This summer's monsoon season dropped nearly triple the average annual rainfall. Already, more than 33 million people have been affected and an estimated 6.4 million people will need humanitarian assistance. Nearly 1,500 people died as a result of the flooding. More than 1 million homes were severely damaged or completely destroyed. Over 17,500 schools were completely or partially damaged. The loss of livelihoods

through, for example, dead livestock and destroyed cropland is also staggering. The United Church of Christ is issuing an appeal to support immediate needs in Pakistan and the long-term recovery of those devastated by these floods. All donations will be deposited into the International Emergency fund designated for "Pakistan Response." Your generous financial support will be used by our partners in the areas of greatest need, for relief and long-term recovery. [Please donate here](#), or mail a check made payable to the United Church of Christ, PO BOX 71957 Cleveland, OH 44194. Please be sure to note "Pakistan Response Fund" on your check in the memo section.



### **Emergency Appeal for UCC Hurricanes 2022 Fund**

The 2022 hurricane season started slowly – until, in the space of 10 days, two catastrophic storms slammed Florida, Puerto Rico, Cuba, Bermuda and even Canada. The United Church of Christ has launched an emergency appeal to help with response and recovery. The UCC "Hurricanes 2022" appeal will be used to help those impacted by Hurricanes Ian and Fiona – and storms still to come. [Please consider giving generously by clicking here](#). If you prefer, you may mail a check payable to the United Church of Christ, PO BOX 71957 Cleveland, OH 44194. Please be sure to note "Hurricanes 2022 Fund" in the memo section.

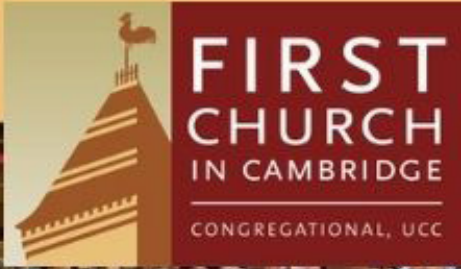


### **A Note from Earth Stewardship**

Be sure to regularly check out our [Earth Stewardship webpage](#) for upcoming UCC and local climate justice events!

# THIS WEEK

Looking ahead to this week's programs and events



## **Monday, November 7**

4:30 p.m. Contemplative Practices Gathering, via Zoom

## **Tuesday, November 8**

10:30 a.m. Communications Team Meeting, Harter Room

4:00 p.m. Buildings & Grounds Committee, via Zoom

6:00 p.m. Faith & Life Group: Encountering Faith & the Bible Anew, via Zoom

7:30 p.m. Faith & Life Group: Metaphors for God, via Zoom

8:00 p.m. Faith & Life Group: Prophetic Voices of the 20th Century, via Zoom

## **Wednesday, November 9**

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting, Harter Room and via Zoom

7:00 p.m. Faith & Life Group: 1619 Project Discussion Group, via Zoom

7:00 p.m. Christian Formation, via Zoom

## **Thursday, November 10**

10:00 a.m. Faith & Life Group: Fall Revelations, Harter Room

4:30 p.m. Finance Committee, via Zoom

5:30 p.m. Friday Café food dropoff, Tower Room

6:00 p.m. Drop-in Bible Study, via Zoom

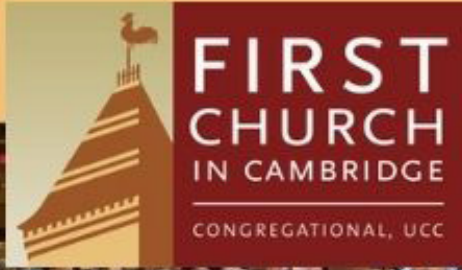
6:30 p.m. Greater Boston Interfaith Organization (GBIO) Delegates Assembly  
Watch Party, Harter Room

## **Friday, November 11 - Church Office & Building Closed for Veterans Day Holiday**

12:00 p.m. Friday Café, MJH and Lawn

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## Sunday, November 13

- 9:30 a.m. Adult Formation: Doctrine of Discovery, Harter Room and via Zoom
- 10:15 a.m. Choir Rehearsal, MJH
- 10:15 a.m. Coffee and Conversation, Hastings Common
- 11:00 a.m. Hybrid Morning Worship, Sanctuary and via livestream
- 11:20 a.m. Church School: Godly Play and Bible 101 Classes
- 12:00 p.m. Coffee Hour in MJH and via Zoom
- 12:15 p.m. Church Staffing and Finance Forum, MJH and via Zoom
- 1:30 p.m. Our Whole Lives (OWL) for 7/8th graders, Old South Church
- 1:30 p.m. Youth Group: Care Packages for First Church Elders, Kitchen and Harter Room
- 3:00 p.m. Seraphim Concert, Sanctuary
- 7:30 p.m. Night Song, Sanctuary and via livestream

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