



THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DARIEN

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Church School (Age 3 - Grade 5)

Children are always welcome at our worship services. They are usually dismissed to Church School with Mrs. G. before "Joys and Concerns".

Nursery/Cry Room (Age 0 - 2)

A drop-off Nursery is available to children age 2 and younger in the Nursery School wing from 9:50 a.m. through the close of the service on Sundays. Please drop off nursery-age children at or before the other children are released for Church School. A cry-room is also available in the library.

****Those who are able are invited to stand.***

PRELUDE

Mr. John Hanulik, Oboe and Mr. Maxim Pakhomov, Piano

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Gary Morello, *Associate Minister*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

***HYMN #514**

“O GOD OF LOVE, O POWER OF PEACE”

ANTHEM

(10:00 only)

“HOW BEAUTIFUL UPON THE MOUNTAINS”

Senior Choir

John Stainer

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Morello

The day of Pentecost has come, and we are together.
Will the works of God be known among us today?

We will rejoice today with songs and praise.

Holy Spirit, enter this space through beautiful sounds.

God comes to us as a gentle breath or a violent wind.
Catch your breath, God’s breath, and live.

There are stirrings deep within that give us hope.

There is a Spirit linking us to one another.

The fires of love and music dispel life’s shadows.
God’s Spirit comes to give us new life!

Surely God is in this place!

May the glory of God be known among us today!

***OPENING PRAYER**

***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.

***GLORIA PATRI**

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.*

CHILDREN’S SONG

“LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH”

(10:00 only)

CHILDREN’S DISMISSAL

(10:00 only)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MOMENT OF SILENCE

VOLUNTARY

“REVERIE”
Mr. Hanulik and Mr. Pakhomov

Claude Debussy

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

PSALM 150

Rev. Morello

ANTHEM

(10:00 only)

“PEACE I ASK OF THEE, O RIVER”

Gwyneth Walker

SERMONETTE:

“THE HEARTBEAT OF THE CHURCH”

Rev. Morello

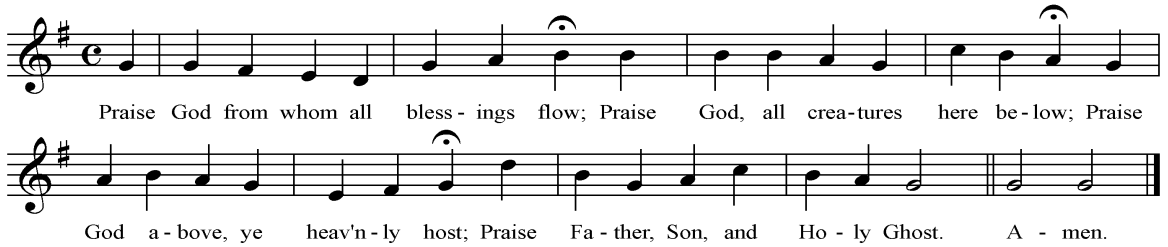
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

(10:00 only)

“ANTHEM OF PEACE”
Senior Choir

arr. Mack Wilberg

***DOXOLOGY (10:00 only)**



Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; Praise God, all crea - tures here be - low; Praise
God a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; Praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION (10:00 only)**

(unison)

Holy Spirit thank you for the way you move in and through every single one of us. Your Spirit comes, and we are lifted up and linked to one another. We bring our offerings as an expression of thanksgiving for all your gifts. May your glory be proclaimed in all we give and all we do, when we are together and when we scatter to do your will in other places. Amen.

***HYMN #515**

“THIS IS MY SONG”

***SUNG BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“DONA NOBIS PACEM”
The “Belles” that Ring

Traditional

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THE “BELLES” THAT RING (BELL CHOIR)

Jo Anne Dwyer, Audrey Esmond, Anne MacInnes, Teri Manning, Kathy Monro, *Theo Osgood, Marny Smith, Mandy Teare and Susan Wilson.

*(*summoning Belle)*

TODAY’S USHERS

8:30 a.m. - Marianne Lauer

10:00 a.m. – Anne MacInnes and Phil Meyer

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

Church School This Week

This week, 3's - 5th grade will perform in our Sunday Service! When they are dismissed for Church School, we will watch the Veggie Tales Bible story mini-movie, "Esther - The Girl Who Became Queen" to learn a little more about our story from last week!

Attention all Church School Parents!

In order to minimize risks in the Parish Hall during coffee hour, do not allow your children to run.

Let's Talk!

Have an idea for Church School...a story, craft, or game? Have a thought regarding a fun event that the kids of FCC would love? Let's talk! cgeeding@uccdarien.org.

ACCESS - May 31. 6th - 8th graders, mark your calendars for the final ACCESS of the school year on May 31st at 7:00 PM in the Dream Center! Can't wait to see you there!

Youth Ignite Band - May 20, 3:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. The band will rehearse at 3:00 p.m. on May 20th before helping to lead worship at 4:30 p.m. at Come As You Are! Want to join the band? Contact cgeeding@uccdarien.org.

5/22/18 WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION SPRING LUNCHEON AND #METOO TALK

Featuring Gayle Weinstein, President of the Board of Directors at The Center for Sexual Assault Crisis Counseling and Education, 12 noon in Parish Hall.

RSVP to the church office at: office@uccdarien.org, or (203) 655-0491.

Sponsored by the Women's Association and Board of Christian Outreach.

BREEZE DATABASE

The church has upgraded to a new database, and we need your help. You may have already received an email with instructions for checking your information on Breeze. Please take a few minutes to make sure that the information the church has for you is right. If you are having trouble, please reach out to the office. For those people who have not received an invite, please contact the church office.

BIBLE STUDY / THE BOOK OF ACTS

Please join us for a 10-week examination of some of the best-known stories from the book of Acts and a discussion about what they tell us about our lives today.

All are welcome regardless of their background in the Bible.

The meetings will be on Wednesdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Morehouse Room.

Next week's Bible Study will discuss Acts 17.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

Save the date for the 11th Liberation Programs Spirit of Hope Benefit

On Thursday, June 7, 2018, Liberation Programs will honor Jayme Stevenson, our First Selectman, and raise funds for their important work. Liberation Programs' mission is to empower people and their families to be free of the disease of addiction by providing targeted solutions that restore lives and strengthen our community. Contact John Bassler at johnbassler@gmail.com for more information.

DARIEN HOUSE TOUR

Volunteer for a house tour shift

We need LOTS of volunteers to pull off the house tour. Please email hramer@me.com if you can volunteer from 8:45 to 12 OR 11:45 to 3 on June 7!!!

Would you like to help with the Darien House Tour, but can't cover a shift during the day? We will be putting together Goody Bags on **Tuesday June 5th, 7:30 - 9 pm**, and we'd love to have your help! Refreshments will be provided! Please contact Annette Madden-Kline. a_madden_kline@hotmail.com

CALLING ALL FCC MEN (AND WOMEN, TOO!)

Please come and help with one of the most important jobs at the House Tour - parking! We need a volunteer at each house to oversee parking attendants. We have morning and afternoon shifts available.

Contact Annette Madden-Kline a madden_kline@hotmail.com or sign up directly. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080f4da9ad29a5fd0-thejune>

CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY

“Come As You Are” worship service, 4:30 p.m. in Parish Hall

TUESDAY, MAY 22

Women's Association Spring Luncheon, 12:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23

Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. in the Morehouse Room

SATURDAY, MAY 26

Men's Ministry, 7:30 a.m. in the Morehouse Room

SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2018

Worship Service at 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Hymns of Truth & Light

Dedicate a hymnal to someone special with a bookplate!

The cost of adding a personalized bookplate is \$25 per hymnal. Please fill out the following form, printing clearly so that your name and that of a loved one are readable and reproducible on a bookplate:

Your Name: _____

Email _____

>>To honor the memory of a loved one:

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

>To celebrate someone special:

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

>>To dedicate a meetinghouse hymnal(s) in your family name:

Your family name: _____

>>Otherwording: _____

Total number of hymnals ordered above: _____

Total amount due with this order: \$_____ (Price: \$25ea)

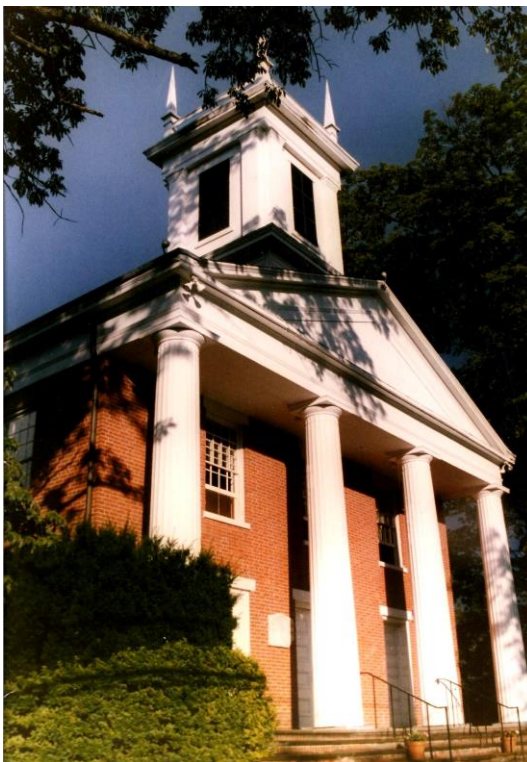
(Please make check out to First Congregational Church of Darien, with "hymnal" in the memo section, and leave it and the form in the church office.)

Thank you! Through your purchase, you are helping subsidize the cost of these hymnals to the church.

WELCOME TO THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DARIEN

**"Where God's extravagant love welcomes and affirms,
where Christ's transforming truth enlivens and compels."**

We are an accepting community where faith in Christ makes a difference. We welcome you to worship with us wherever you are on your journey. As a spiritual home, our hallmarks are education, fellowship and pastoral care. Children have a special place in our church family, and are embraced with love, guidance and opportunities for spiritual growth. We are a church of conscience, unafraid of the issues of today and serving as a reconciling force among different faiths.



Ministers: Every member of the congregation.

Clergy and Staff:

The Rev. Dale Rosenberger, *Senior Minister*

The Rev. Gary M. Morello, *Associate Minister*

(emergency pager for Senior. & Associate Ministers: 1- (203) 368-7789)

The Rev. Ronald T. Evans, *Pastor Emeritus*

Christine Geeding, *Christian Education Director*

Daniel Hague, *Music Director* Maxim Pakhomov, *Organist*

Teri Manning, *Nursery School Director* Karen Hansen, *Treasurer*

Pamela Toason, *Church Administrator (M, T)* Dennis Hanlon, *Church Administrator (W, Th, Fri)*

Carlos Maya, *Weekday Sexton* Ruth Salazar, *Sunday Sexton*