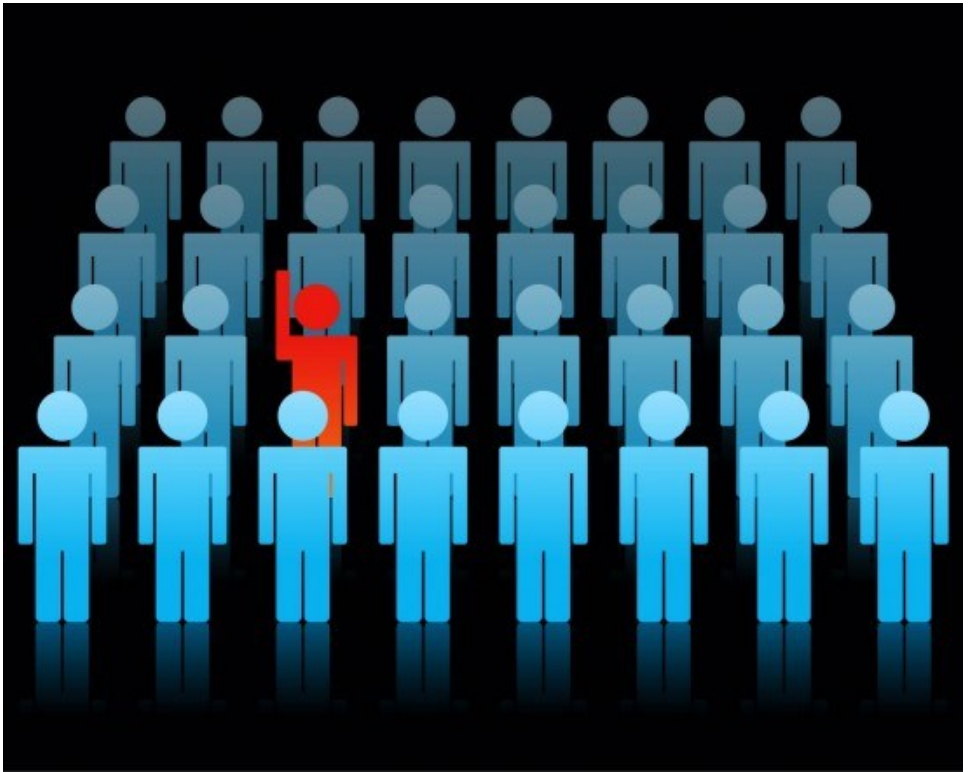


Church on the Hill

Congregational/United Church of Christ



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
10:00 A.M.
JANUARY 21, 2018



Welcome to Worship!

- No matter who you are or where you are on Life's journey, you are welcome at Church on the Hill. Our doors are wide open to all who desire a closer relationship with God. We welcome believers, seekers, and doubters; **ANYONE, JUST AS YOU ARE.**
 - Large-print bulletin and hearing devices are available from the ushers.
 - Wheel chair and power chair seating available in pews. Please look for blue handicapped signs adjacent to pews.
- Please keep this a time of quiet reflection in preparation of worship.
 - Please check your cell phone volume.
- If needed, you are welcome to walk infants in rear of sanctuary.
- Preschool care is available during worship, if you wish. All children are encouraged to come to the altar during Children's Time. Following Children's Time, children go to Sunday School.
- Please fill out the Friendship Pad at the end of each pew, then pass it along to your neighbor to sign. If you are a visitor or guest, please include your mailing and/or email addresses so we may keep in touch.
 - Adult Fellowship invites you to join us before worship for coffee in the foyer area. After worship, please join us for conversation, coffee, punch, and cookies in the fellowship hall.

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Quiet Time *“Be still, and know that I am God.”* Psalm 46:10

Prelude *This Holy Place* E. Sheppard

Welcome Tom Lacey

Today is a new day, rising fresh from the Creator’s hand. Today we begin again, with praise and thanks to God who made us, Christ who redeemed us and the Holy Spirit who guides us. Here we participate in the fellowship of the forgiven, the church. It is good to be together today.

Prayer Requests

Call to Worship

We see light, hope, and joy;

We bring heart, soul, mind, and body;

We share blessings and fears;

We bring faith and doubt.

We come seeking courage and faithfulness.

We bring all we are and give voice to our thanksgiving.

* Praise Hymn (bulletin p. 6)

Your Grace Is Enough

Call to Confession

As God’s beloved children, we are invited to come to our God with the fullness of our lives, to admit our love and our hate, to admit our faith and our fear. Trusting in God’s mercy, let us make our confession, first in silent prayer.

Silent Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Let us pray

Holy and gracious God, at times we feel so frail and fragile, getting blown about by the latest crisis, by bad news, by our own short tempers and failings. You call us to hold fast to what is good, but so often we flounder, unable to find that solid thing that will center us again.

Help us, we pray. Give us hearts to direct us according

to your will. Help us to see you as our center, and to cling to the good that you create in the world. Help us to overcome all our jealousies and prejudices, all of our betrayals and lies, all that adds to the world's hurt. Help us to grow spiritually even more into Christ's likeness, that we will bear his love and truth to the world. We pray in his name. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the Good News: we are forgiven! We are set free to go out into the world and be the loving, gracious, hopeful people of God!

Alleluia! Amen.

Children's Time

Lynne Holloway

Announcements

ONA Introduction Part 2

ONA Sub-Committee

Hebrew Scripture (OT p. 386) 1Chronicles 28:20-2

Anthem

Immortal, Invincible

E. Thiman

Message

*Find Your Voice:
The Need for Courage*

Pastoral Prayer

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Lord's Prayer (Debts/Debtors)

Sharing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Meet Someone New

Please greet one another with a sign of God's peace—a handshake, a hug, or (especially if you have a cold or are concerned about catching one) a hand on your heart, or a fist bump.

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Gracious and loving God, giver of all that is good and true, may our offerings represent our work, our blessings, and our faith. May they be good and true offerings as they witness to our gratitude and love for you, in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Solo

My God Is So High
Olu Daré

U. Brown

* Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise God, all creatures here below
Praise God above, ye heavenly host
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.**

* Hymn (WR #513 vss. 1, 2, 4)

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

* Benediction

* Spirit Song (WR #352)

**O let the Son of God enfold you
with his Spirit and his love.
Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.
O let him have the things that hold you,
and his Spirit like a dove
will descend upon your life and make you whole.
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.**

Postlude

Contemplation

R. Hughes

** Those who are able may stand*

Your Grace Is Enough

**Great is Your faithfulness, oh God.
You wrestle with the sinner's heart.
You lead us by still waters, into mercy.
And nothing can keep us apart.**

Chorus:

**So remember Your people,
Remember Your children.
Remember Your promise, oh God.
Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough, for me.**

**Great is Your love and justice, God.
You use the weak to lead the strong.
You lead us in the song of Your salvation.
And all Your people sing along.**

***Repeat Chorus**

**Your grace is enough, Your grace is enough,
Your grace is enough, for me.**

***Repeat Chorus**

**Yeah, Your grace is enough,
Heaven reaching down to us.
Your grace is enough for me.**

**God I sing Your grace is enough,
I'm covered in Your love.
Your grace is enough for me, for me.**



PRAYER REQUESTS

Dear God, thank you for friendship, and the fellowship of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Lord Jesus, help us to be open to the grace of others, may we seek to be a friend.

We pray for victims and families of all those affected by natural disasters around our world. We pray for the immigrants and refugees trying to find a safe place to live with their families.

We continue to pray for all those facing tough economic situations. We pray for our leaders to have continuing compassion and care for those who are struggling.

We pray for the family and friends of: Fred Test; Donald Goodgion; Janet Milshaw; Menna Thomas; Harold Esposito; Joseph Fenner; Lydia Erica Medore; Antoinette Brazukas; Gene Baur; Ned Wurster; Elizabeth Stewart; Ed Ehlers, Jr.; Alex Ary; Mary Dorst; Sally Salter; Noel Martinez; Judy Garland; Janet Bales; Helen Huckabee; George Sinclair; Beatrice Flemister; Loren Eyrich; Bonnie Tust; Joe Folino; Lillian Guilfu; Willy Willard; and all those grieving loved ones.

We pray for those suffering health issues and in need of healing: Kathy Cogley; Amanda Sage St. John; Harold Logan; Sandra Price; Faye Flemister; Jacline Barsoum; Elaine; Gail Donovan; Justin Havlett; Judy Williams; Elena Correia; Janet Case; Dorothy Tinker; Larry Williams; Bonnie Whitehead; Molly Jourdin; Barbara Hichar; Virginia Jones; Mark Vargo; Joan Murphy; Eileen Maass; Rosemary Case; Jean Jacques Bouvard; Nick Wurster; Noreen Buss; Sue Halsey; Martin Ross; Lucille Bruno; Bill Collins; Lori Casey; Ed Artis; Rev. Carl Flemister; Karen Newman; Laura Huntington; Randall Garland; Donna O'Connor; Valerie Ary; Dan Siller; Joann Davis; Louise Mahoney; Barbara Buchan; Audrey Eisnor.

We pray for our friends and family who are traveling.

We offer prayers of joy and thanksgiving.

And we pray for our friends, families and neighbors, trusting that you know their needs: Grayce Esposito; Bette Houston; Hanna; Jan DeNino; Mary and Marty Chaikinto; Kim and her family; Teri and her mother Ellen; Mark Amara; Sue Moser; Lulu and the Murphy family; Mary and Jennifer; Carrie Kelly; Kim Smith; Rob Buick and his daughters; Beth Soufleris; Seth Peterson and family; Florence Gomes and Mala; Annika Ljungberg.

We pray for our service men and women.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

Open and Affirming Seminar

Today, Sunday, January 21st



Today is our seminar entitled “Understanding Sexual Orientation,” lead by our own Dr. Bob Rodgers. This is the first in a series of seminars as we launch our Open and Affirming (ONA) process. Please join in at 11:15 in Fellowship Hall to learn, ask questions, and enjoy some light refreshments. Child care with snacks is provided in the Youth room on the lower level.

If you can't come today, the seminar will be repeated tomorrow/ Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Finance Team Meeting *Monday, January 22nd*

The Finance Team will meet on Monday, January 22nd at 7:00 p.m. to go over the end of year reports as well as the proposed budget for 2018.



Wednesday Morning Communion Service

Wednesday, January 24th



Join us at 8:30 a.m. for Communion on Wednesday mornings. As the early morning sun streams through the stained glass window lighting the sanctuary in softly filtered colors, we will share in the fellowship of Christ. It's a wonderful way to start the day centered in the Lord.

Prayer Fellowship *Friday, January 26th*

The Prayer Fellowship and Bible Study meets every Friday morning at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We are currently using *Character Under Pressure* by Patty Pell, which focuses on the book of Esther. For more information please contact John Bird at 561-400-5604.



Brighten Someone's Day



Member Care

If we can brighten the day of someone with a call, card or a visit, please let your Member Care team know. Call Nancy Hindle at 561-213-1280.

RUMMAGE SALE - THIS SATURDAY - January 27th!

Volunteers arrive by 7:30 a.m.

Doors open at 8:00 a.m.



Volunteer Information

- We need 25-30 volunteers for the day of the sale.
- Volunteering is EASY and FUN! The More the Merrier!
- Wear your “Church on the Hill” shirt Saturday!
- Lunch will be provided Saturday for volunteers helping through the day.
- Volunteers are also needed this week Mon-Fri 9am-12pm and 6pm-8:30pm to help set up and organize.
- Volunteer Coordinators will be there to assist!
- High School students get community service hours. The rest of us just get to have fun with our church friends!

Donation Information

- Donations are accepted this week Monday through Thursday, 9am-3pm or in the evening 6:00-8:30pm.
- Please—NO Donations on FRIDAY.
- Jewelry, art, books, linens,
- Boutique and gently used clothing, shoes, purses, luggage,
- Electronics in working condition (no computers or their components), tools, sporting goods, toys,
- Household items, glassware, furniture (Carry only), office supplies, paper goods, holiday décor.
- NO Large appliances or heavy furniture.
- Don’t forget, your donations are tax deductible!!

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to volunteer.

If you haven’t been here to help at a rummage sale, you just don’t know what you are missing!! This is one of the only times during the year that....

members of our congregation, of all ages and from all walks of life,
get together, and work together,
NOT on a Sunday,
to pitch in, get their hands a tiny bit dirty,
and help each other out
with organizing and pricing and smiles galore,
for the betterment of OUR CHURCH.

We can’t wait to make this the best, and most fun, Rummage Sale yet—WITH YOUR HELP!!

We hope to see you this week and we definitely hope to see you SATURDAY AT THE SALE!!

B.C.E.O. *Friday, January 26*



Boca Christians Eating Out takes place each Friday evening for dinner and conversation. Please join us at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, January 26th at **Lito's Surf and Turf**, 2460 N. Federal Highway, Lighthouse Point. Be sure to sign up in the Rosser room or call Sandi in the church office to add your name to the list so that we can make appropriate reservations.

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us next week on Friday, February 2nd at **Carrabba's Italian Grill** in Delray Beach.

Vision Ministry Meeting *Tuesday, January 30th*



The Vision Ministry will meet on Tuesday, January 30th at 7:00 p.m. to finalize various budget requests to create a realistic 2018 budget. Team Leaders are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Prayer Requests

Prayer request forms can be found in the pews or in the prayer box on the post in the Rosser room. Please feel free to fill one out if you have a special prayer you would like the pastor to know about and leave it in the Prayer Box.



Per Capita Dues

Annually CCBP pays 15.00 per church member in dues to the Florida UCC. Please consider contributing your share so that we can continue to be a part of the Florida conference.

2018 Annual Meeting *Sunday, February 18th*



Annual Meeting of the Congregation will be held on Sunday, February 18th immediately following worship. The agenda includes announcement of this year's honoree of the Elizabeth Ehlers Faithful Servant Award, vote on Team Leaders and Officers of our church, and vote on the 2018 annual budget for our church.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>21</p> <p>10:00 am Worship</p> <p>11:15 am Seminar: “Understanding Sexual Orientation”</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Rummage Sale Prep Week</p> <p>7:00 pm Finance Team</p> <p>7:00 pm Seminar (repeat): “Understanding Sexual Orientation”</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Rummage Sale Prep Week</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Rummage Sale Prep Week</p> <p>8:30 am Communion</p> <p>7:15 pm Choir rehearsal</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Rummage Sale Prep Week</p> <p>7:00 pm ONA Sub- Committee</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Rummage Sale Prep Week</p> <p>10:00 am Prayer Fellowship</p> <p>6:30 pm B.C.E.O.</p>	<p>27</p> <p>7:30 am Rummage Sale</p>
<p>28</p> <p>10:00 am Worship</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Team Annual Reports due today!</p>	<p>30</p> <p>12 noon AA</p> <p>6:30 pm AA</p> <p>7:00 pm Vision Ministry</p>	<p>31</p> <p>8:30 am Communion</p> <p>12 noon Lunch Bunch</p> <p>6:00 pm Bell Choir rehearsal</p> <p>7:15 pm Choir rehearsal</p>	<p>Feb. 1</p> <p>12 noon AA</p> <p>7:00 pm AA</p> <p>7:00 pm ONA Sub- Committee</p>	<p>2</p> <p>10:00 am Prayer Fellowship</p> <p>12 noon AA</p> <p>4:00 pm Book Club</p> <p>6:30 pm B.C.E.O.</p> <p>7:00 pm AA</p>	<p>3</p> <p>8:30 am B.H.H. West workday</p>



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Nicholas R. Wurster

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Olu Daré, Baritone

Megan Lipsky, Soprano

Mary Mattingly, Alto

Boca Bells Director:

Brian Rowland

This Week's Volunteers

Lead Deacons:

Tracy and Gary Martin

Office Helpers: Grayce Esposito,

Howard Case; Sarah Hugus, Audrey Michele, and Diana Sorensen

Hospitality: Kathy Barlow, Frances

Bell, Grayce Esposito, Lorraine Folino, Audrey Michele, Judy and Larry Williams

Children's Choir:

Marit Lacey

Children's Band:

Eric Alter and Marit Lacey

Children's Worship Time:

Lynne Holloway

Sunday School Volunteers:

Nursery . Lynne & Ken Holloway
2-5 Nest Jones
MS/HS Tyler Tust
Acolyte Marcus Teixeira

**We welcome everyone, no matter who they are,
or where they are on life's journey!**