

# FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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June 7, 2026

10:00 AM

*"We are a community in Christ, called to act with love toward our neighbors."*

## **SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*(As we prepare for worship, we invite quiet contemplation of the Living God.)*

*\*For those who are able, please stand.*

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - JOYS AND CONCERNS

INTROIT #220 (UCC-Red) "Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face"

### CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN #199 (UCC-Red) "I Love to Tell the Story"

### OPENING PRAYER (From Psalm 33:1-12)

1 Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous;  
**it is good for the just to sing praises.**  
2 Praise the Lord with the harp;  
**play to God upon the psaltery and lyre.**  
3 Sing for the Lord a new song;  
**sound a fanfare with all your skill upon the trumpet.**  
4 For the word of the Lord is right,  
**and all God's works are sure.**  
5 The Lord loves righteousness and justice;  
**the loving-kindness of the Lord fills the whole earth.**  
6 By the word of the Lord were the heavens made,  
**by the breath of God's mouth all the heavenly hosts.**  
7 The Lord gathers up the waters of the ocean as in a water-skin  
**and stores up the depths of the sea.**  
8 Let all the earth fear the Lord;  
**let all who dwell in the world stand in awe of God.**  
9 For God spoke, and it came to pass;  
**God commanded, and it stood fast.**  
10 The Lord brings the will of the nations to naught,  
**and thwarts the designs of the peoples.**  
11 But the Lord's will stands fast forever,  
**and the designs of God's heart from age to age.**  
12 Happy is the nation whose God is the Lord!  
**happy the people the Lord has chosen to be God's own!**

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and everlasting God, who is always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and gives more than we either desire or deserve, pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things whereof our consciences are afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, your son, our Lord. Amen

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

**\*SONG OF PRAISE #338** (UCC-red) (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. Amen.

## GOD MOMENT

### GROWING IN OUR FAITH

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Genesis 12:1-9  
Matthew 9:9-13,18-26

**A MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES** (Teachers and classes leave for Church School)

**SERMON** "Righteously Healed"

### PRACTICING OUR SPIRITUALITY

**\*HYMN #454 (NCH-Black)** "Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - CONCERNS

### PRAYER OF OUR SAVIOR

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 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.

**ACKNOWLEDGING OUR GIFTS** (Please send pledges & donations to the church via mail or use online giving.)

## MUSICAL OFFERING

**\*SONG OF PRAISE HYMN #780** Doxology (NCH – Black)  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, O heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Merciful God, we offer to each other and our communities the talents which you have given us. May our gifts be seeds which grow and flower, carrying your grace throughout the world. Amen.

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(Communion Hymn: Let Us Break Bread Together 210 UCC Red Hymnal)

God be with you  
**And Also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to God.**  
Let us give thanks to God most high.  
**It is right to give God thanks and praise**

## **BREAKING AND DISTRIBUTION**

## **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Eternal God, you have called your people from east and west and north and south to feast at the table of Jesus Christ. We thank you for Christ's presence and for the spiritual food of Christ's body and blood. By the power of your Holy Spirit, keep us faithful to your will. Go with us to the streets, to our homes, to our places of labor and leisure that whether we are gathered or scattered, we may be the servant church of the servant Christ, in whose name we rejoice to pray. Amen.**

**\*HYMN #34 (UCC-Red)** "For the Beauty of the Earth"

## **BENEDICTION**

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** "One In Love"

One in love, one in friendship true,  
One in hope, one in spirit, too,  
One in faith that God will care for you  
Till we meet together again.

## **POSTLUDE**

**WE EXTEND THE HAND** of Christian fellowship to all who have come to worship in this Welcoming, Open and Affirming congregation. May our prayers and the hearing of God's Word make our burdens lighter, our hearts encouraged, and our souls refreshed.

If you are visiting for the first time, we welcome you.

**OUR THANKS** to Jon Clinch and all who participated in our service this morning.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** today are given by Carol Richardson.

**ALTAR FLOWERS ARE NEEDED!** Please sign up on the flower sign-up list on the table in the entrance or call Cynthia King 802-885-5831.

<b>PRAYER LIST</b>	Dianne	Jaz	Jocelyn	Helen
Amie and Nicole	Harriet	Wesley	Ted	Elmer
Ellen	All others in need			

**CHECK OUT** our church web site: [firstchurchspringfield.org](http://firstchurchspringfield.org) and our YouTube channel **First Church Springfield 4738 (@firstchurchspringfield4738)**

**TO JOIN OUR ONLINE LIVE WORSHIP SERVICE EACH SUNDAY AT 10 AM, CLICK ON THE LINK FOR OUR NEW WEBSITE:**

[www.firstchurchspringfield.org](http://www.firstchurchspringfield.org)

Note that a copy of the bulletin and hymns are available midway on the homepage.

Click on Worship on the homepage and it will take you to our Facebook page and a live video. Click on the video.

Glad you can worship with us!

**CHOIR** meets to raise our voices on the final Sunday of each month, rehearsing at 9 AM just before worship. All are welcome to join.

**CONGREGATIONAL CARE:**

Those words can mean most anything. Would you or someone you know benefit from prayers, home visits, help with shopping, rides to appointments, prepared meals, food to help you over a hard time? If you have such a need, or know someone who does, please contact Congregational Care chair, Claire Trask at 886-7377.

**COMING UP ON THE CALENDAR!**

June	7	Sunday Worship – Michael Mario	10:00 AM
June	11	Wilderness Bible Study via Zoom	9:30 AM
June	14	Sunday Worship – Michael Mario	10:00 AM

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

Tues. & Wed. 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M

**PASTOR'S HOURS**

Wed. 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

**STAFF**

Pastor: Michael Mario

Sexton: Todd Murray

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