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Pastor Emeritus - Rev. Alex Dreese

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Children's Center Director - Mindy Tretera

Children's Ministry Directors - Robin LeBrun & Rebecca Volosin

Interim Youth Ministry Director - Brittany Volk

Administrative Assistant- Marni Jackson

Financial Secretary - Candace Pagano

***Sunday Worship Services at
9:00a.m., 10:30a.m. & 4:30p.m.***

***Sunday School at the
10:30 & 4:30 Services***

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STORIES FROM OUR MEMBERS ABOUT
HOW GOD'S LOVE THROUGH THIS CHURCH IS...



"We know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope" (Romans 5:3-4). I thank the Lord for guiding me to FCC and opening the doors to my mind, heart, and soul to get closer to Christ even through all of my suffering. As a "backslider" Christian, I was consumed with guilt, shame, anger, and fear for too long. I felt guilt for all my past mistakes and poor decisions. I felt shame due to the outcome of my actions (or inaction). I also felt anger because I saw how so many of my problems were entirely my fault with nobody else was to blame. I was angry that I couldn't change what I had ruined. But fear tormented me the most. The enemy had me in a state of panic... I believed the lie that God wouldn't forgive my past and that I would spend eternity separated from Him. My mind kept replaying the nightmare of what my life had become.

But God reassured me, through good people, through this church, that He is the one who can heal a shattered heart. As I felt Christ's unconditional love, and listened to the Word, I could see that He was truly changing me from the inside out starting with my heart. My thought processes, motives, and how I respond to life's circumstances, bumps, and typical day-to-day stresses are now being saturated in a positive way by the power of the Holy Spirit. I have been learning that God "has not dealt with us according to our sins, nor punished us according to our iniquities" (Psalm 103:10). God has been healing my heart. He has given me a sense of belonging.

Thank you for making me truly feel like I belong only with Christ and for supporting the In His Steps service each Wednesday night here at the First Congregational Church. This church has truly changed my life. I will never be the same. God has brought FCC and In His Steps into my life, renewing my mind, and cleansing my heart from pain so that I now feel stronger than ever before. I am in love with God—not the world now—and I am so grateful.

Love,

Nicole Finley



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ADVENT WORKSHOP: is being held on November 27th! Please join us after the 4:30pm service for a potluck and fellowship time as we prepare our hearts for Christmas! There will be crafts for the kiddos and caroling for all! Come join the fun!



DROP 'N SHOP: Save the Date - December 10th - The Children's Ministry team will be offering FREE childcare for our regular attendees for parents who would like the opportunity to Christmas shop without children. We will be meeting in our regular Sunday school classroom at 3pm. Please pick up your children PROMPTLY at 8pm. Pizza will be provided for dinner. Please RSVP with Robin & Rebecca by Thursday, December 8th. (cmdirectors@fccramona.org or 760-789-3348 x. 1002)

Kingdom Kids Class:

- November 6 - Solomon Asks for Wisdom
- November 13 - A Temple for God
- November 20 - Giving Thanks to God
- November 27: - Blessings from the Lord

Memory Verses for November
(Elementary):

11/6 "My son, do not forget my teaching. Keep my commands in your heart. They will help you for many years. They will bring you success. Don't let love ever leave you. Tie them around your neck. Write them in the tablet of your heart." Proverbs 3:1-3 Nlrv

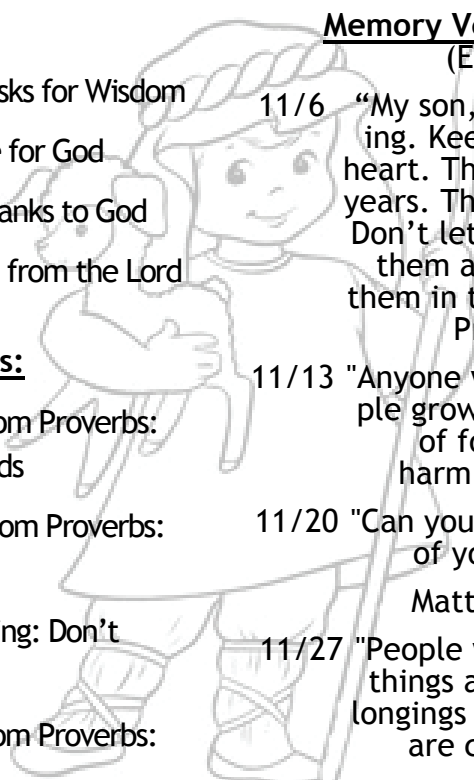
Kingdom Seekers Class:

- November 6 - Wisdom from Proverbs: Instructions and Commands
- November 13 - Wisdom from Proverbs: Friends to Keep
- November 20 - Thanksgiving: Don't Worry; Be Thankful
- November 27: Wisdom from Proverbs: The Way of the Sluggard

11/13 "Anyone who walks with wise people grows wise. But a companion of foolish people suffers harm." Proverbs 13:20 Nlrv

November 13 - Wisdom from Proverbs: Friends to Keep 11/20 "Can you add even one more hour of your life by worrying?" Matthew 6:27 Nlrv

November 20 - Thanksgiving: Don't Worry; Be Thankful 11/27 "People who refuse to work want things and get nothing. But the longings of people who work hard are completely satisfied." Proverbs 13:4 Nlrv



CALLING ALL VOICES

sing our Cantata, Glossiness to raise your voice conducted every Monday 24th, with an additional morning services on Matt Whigham (Matt)

GIFTS OF WARMTH



Board has budgeted Let's make a difference your generosity in

SENIOR SINGLES' LUNCHEON

November 8th at 11:00am before noon on Tuesday

SHARE YOUR CHRISTMAS NEEDS

needs of the elderly through the Food & Pantry

HARVEST FAIR WRITING

making the FCC Ha a special "Shout Out" for his generosity Simpson for decorating "Kid's Corner", Lynn Volk and her help

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✝ *Sunday Box*

9:00 a.m. Worship Service
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
 & Sunday School
 4:30 p.m. Worship Service
 & Sunday School



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
		1 5:00 p.m. Bell Choir	2	3 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
6 ✝ <i>See Sunday Box</i> Communion Sunday 8:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Call Time 10:30 a.m. Scholarship Committee 5:30 p.m. All Youth Fellowship	7 6:00 p.m. Gospel Choir 6:45 p.m. Combined Choir 7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 130 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir	8 11:30 Singles Lunch Bunch—Senior Center 5:00 p.m. Bell Choir 6:45 p.m. Stephen Ministry	9 4:00 p.m. Kids & Jr. Choir	10 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
13 ✝ <i>See Sunday Box</i> 8:15 a.m. Gospel Choir Call Time 11:30 a.m. Diaconate Meeting 5:30 p.m. All Youth Fellowship	14 6:00 p.m. Gospel Choir 6:45 p.m. Combined Choir 7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 130 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir	15 5:00 p.m. Bell Choir	16 4:00 p.m. Kids & Jr. Choir	17 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
20 ✝ <i>See Sunday Box</i> 8:15 a.m. Choraleers' Call Time 11:30 a.m. Christian Ed. Board 2:00 p.m. Youth Magic Mountain Day	21 6:00 p.m. Gospel Choir 6:45 p.m. Combined Choir 7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 130 7:00 p.m. Trustees 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir	22 5:00 p.m. Bell Choir 6:45 p.m. Stephen Ministry 7:00 p.m. Mission Board	23 4:00 p.m. Kids & Jr. Choir	24 CC
27 ✝ <i>See Sunday Box</i> 8:15 a.m. Chancel Choir Call Time 11:30 a.m. Council Meeting in the Fireside Room 5:30 p.m. Advent Workshop	28 6:00 p.m. Gospel Choir 6:45 p.m. Combined Choir 7:00 p.m. BSA Troop 130 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir	29 5:00 p.m. Bell Choir	30 4:00 p.m. Kids & Jr. Choir	