

Congregational Calendar

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SUNDAY, January 26

9/10:30/11:59 Worship (Sanctuary)
9:00 am The Nine (Youth Room)
9:45 am Friends Class (102)
10:30 am Breakfast Club (Youth Room)
11:30 am Congregational Meeting (FH)
11:45 am Children's Center Open House
6:00 pm SALT (Youth Room & FH)
6:00 pm Handbells (Choir Room)
7:30 pm Teen Band/Choir (Sanctuary)

MONDAY, January 27

7:00 pm Investment Committee (304)
7:00 pm Bible Study (Youth Room)
7:00 pm Mat Yoga (FH)
7:00 pm ShE (Three Palms)

TUESDAY, January 28

12:30 pm ROMEOs (Lager & Vine)
1:00 pm OPEN M Cooking (FH Kitchen)
1:30 pm Congregational Conversations (LL)

Coffee Hour this week

is sponsored by the FCCH Staff.

WEDNESDAY, January 29

9:00 am WOW (FH)
9:30 am Women's Bible Study (Youth Rm.)
10:00 am Chair Yoga (FH)
10:45 am Tai Chi (FH)
3:00 pm D&D (Youth Room/FH)
5:00 pm revoice (Choir Room)
5:00 pm Camp Wednesday (FH/Act/Choir)
5:30 pm High School Choir (Youth Room)
6:45 pm Women's Bible Study (301)
7:00 pm Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
8:30 pm Men's Ensemble (Choir Room)

THURSDAY, January 30

9:30 am Intro to Pickleball (FH)
1:30 pm Vespers (Laurel Lake)
6:30 pm Family to Family (102)
7:00 pm Women's Ensemble (Choir Room)
7:00 pm Intro to Pickleball (FH)

SATURDAY, February 1

9:00 am Gennesaret (off site)
9:30 am Centering Prayer (Chapel)
10:00 am AI-Anon Newcomers (120)
11:00 am AI-Anon (102) - Alateen (Youth Rm)

Women's Ensemble - Thursdays, January 30 and February 6 from 7:00-8:00 pm. We will perform in worship on **Sunday, February 9** at the **9:00** and **10:30** services. Email Charlotte at cplank@hudsonucc.org to sign up for February or for future dates.

SAVE THE DATE - On **March 22** at the 10:30 service, we will present **The Creation**, a jazz-rock cantata. Contact Dr. Tom Scott if you are interested in singing in this event. The first rehearsal is **Monday, February 10** from **7:00-9:00 pm**. Scores will be provided.

Today's Scripture: Isaiah 9:1-4

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ²The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness — on them light has shined. ³You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. ⁴For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

WELCOME TO FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

SUNDAY, January 26, 2020

Wherever you are on your journey... you are welcome here.

Guests are encouraged to participate in any of the church's varied activities or support groups. Contact the Church Office (330) 650-4048 for more information or check off your interests on the back of the Connection Card.

Congregational Meeting - TODAY at 11:30 in Fellowship Hall

Newcomers and Membership Informational Gathering

Interested in First Congregational Church? Want to know how to become a member? Join us for this **two-part** gathering and learn more about our congregation, its ministries, and the many ways to engage your faith wherever you are on life's journey. New members will join in worship on **Sunday, February 23**. Sign up on the Connection Card. For more information, contact Rev. Jeanette Brodersen; 330-650-4048 or jbroderson@hudsonucc.org.

PART I

Wednesday, February 5
7:00 - 8:30 pm; Room 102
(child care available)

PART II

Sunday, February 9
5:00 - 7:00 pm; Activity Room & Room 102.
(meal provided & child care available)

Family Promise Host Week, February 2—9 ~ Volunteers are urgently needed!

Consider joining this mission for the first time, rejoining in a different role, or continuing to provide your wonderful skills. Listed below are the volunteers needed:

- Day Leader (5:30-7:30 pm): Saturday, 2/8
- Evening Host (7:30-9:30 pm): Sunday, 2/2; Tuesday, 2/4; Thursday, 2/6
- Overnight Host (9:15 pm-7:00 am): Friday, 2/7
- Breakfast Host (6:00-7:00 am): Thursday, 2/6

Thank you for supporting our Family Promise Mission at FCCH!

Learn to Play Pickleball - Thursday, January 30, 9:30-11:00 am OR 7:00-8:30 pm.

Pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports! Have you always wanted to learn? Julie Kern will lead an Introduction to Pickleball class in Fellowship Hall. Everything you need for the class will be provided... just wear comfy clothes and be ready for fun! To register, email Missy at mkisthardt@hudsonucc.org.

Today's Flowers

The Sanctuary flowers are given by Bob Prevette in memory of Caroline Ann Davis Prevette, wife, mother, grandmother for her birthday, January 28, 1939.

Children's Ministry

For Children's opportunities, contact Dee Buchanan dbuchanan@hudsonucc.org or Katie Morgan: kmorgan@hudsonucc.org.

The Children's Center is having an **Open House TODAY** from **11:45 am - 1:45 pm**. All are welcome! Church members can **register** their children starting **TOMORROW** at **8:00 am**. Please contact Dee Buchanan for more information.

Teachers and Shepherds needed - Come join the fun on the 1st floor! We are looking for Teachers and Shepherds for the upcoming rotation called Lent & Temptation in the Wilderness (**2/9 - 3/15**).

- Pray-per-View Teacher and Shepherd: **2/9 only**
- Thou Art Teachers: **9:00 on 2/23 only; 10:30 from 2/23-3/15**
- Fun & Godly Stuff Teacher: **9:00 on 3/1 only; 10:30 from 2/23-3/15**
- Tabernacle Teacher: **9:00 on 3/8 only; 10:30 from 2/23-3/15**
- Garden of Eatin' Teacher: **9:00 on 3/15 only; 10:30 from 2/23-3/15**
- 1st-5th grade Shepherd: **9:00 from 2/9 -3/15**
- 1st grade Shepherd: **10:30 from 2/9-3/15**
- 2nd grade Shepherd: **10:30 from 2/9-3/15**
- 3rd grade Shepherd: **10:30 from 2/9-3/15**
- 4th/5th grade Shepherd: **10:30 from 2/9-3/15**

Summer Intern - Do you love children and are looking for a summer job? The Children's Ministries team is looking for a summer intern. If you have a strong faith, have completed your sophomore year in high school and have experience working with children, please go to the church website (www.hudsonucc.org) and fill out the application. If you have any questions, contact Dee Buchanan (dbuchanan@hudsonucc.org).

Adult Faith Formation

For opportunities in Adult Faith Formation, contact Steve Hockstra, (330) 650-4048 or shockstra@hudsonucc.org.

Pathfinders meets on the **2nd and 4th Sundays** of each month but will **NOT** meet today. Join us **February 9** at **9:00 am** in the 3rd floor chapel as we study *The Apocryphal Jesus*.

ROMEOS, "Retired Older Men Eating Out," meets **Tuesday, January 28** at **12:30 pm**, at Lager and Vine for lunch and fellowship. For more information, contact Henry Vigor: hkvigor@windstream.net.

Centering Prayer - **Saturdays, February 1, 15, 29; March 14, 28** at **9:30 am** in the Chapel. Join us for a calm, centering 20-minute session of Contemplative Prayer (meditation) followed by conversation. Gathering lasts about 1 hour. No experience required.

CAKES FOR OPEN M - We are in need of bakers to provide desserts. Please bring your donation in a disposable container on **Wednesday, January 29, by 9:30 am** to the Fellowship Hall Kitchen. Questions? Contact Karen Farkas at Kafarkas1979@gmail.com.

ShE Social – Join us at **3 Palms** in Hudson **TOMORROW, January 27** at **7:00 pm** for a night of fellowship that is sure to help shake off the winter blues. Childcare is available at the church. RSVP to JBarden@hudsonucc.org.

Youth Ministry

For Youth opportunities, contact Callie Baylor cbaylor@hudsonucc.org or Amy Baldwin abaldwin@hudsonucc.org.

The 9 and Breakfast Club - Every Sunday, our middle and high schoolers are invited to the Youth Room during the 9:00 and 10:30 services. This week we'll look at the unlikely people God sometimes chooses to do God's work as we discuss the battle of Jericho.

SALT - "I was made for being more than being stuck in a vicious cycle... I was made to be a victorious child of God." *Lysa TerKeurst* ~ Sometimes we get stuck in vicious cycles that are hard to break free from. Let's spend some time this week identifying places we might feel stuck and how to change those cycles from vicious to victorious. And remember, the **LOCK-IN** is **February 22**. Please turn in money and registration **no later than February 9**.

D&D - What's your superpower? And how do you celebrate it? Join us in the Youth Room from **3-5 pm** to talk about the amazing things middle schoolers do. Friends are welcome!

Confirmation - Our next meeting is a week from today. Join us **February 2** for church at **10:30 am** followed by lunch and our meeting in the Activity Room. Check your email!

ASP - Our next meeting is **February 9** at **4:30 pm** (note earlier start time). Bring your safety glasses and work gloves and get ready for Tool Time! We'll make birdhouses to give to our homeowners this summer. Spend some fun time with your friends while brushing up on those power tool skills. **Everyone signed up for ASP should attend.**

Adult/Health Ministry

For questions, contact Kathy Yeakley, (330) 650-4048, or kyeakley@hudsonucc.org.

FYI (Feeling Young Inside) luncheon on **February 10** at **noon** will feature "Your Kidneys and You" presented by Leah Adams from the National Kidney Foundation. Most people don't know much about their kidneys and how important they are to their health, including the 37 million people who have kidney disease. If caught early, kidney disease can be slowed or even stopped! Learn about how kidneys function, early detection, testing and prevention! Sign up today on the Connection Card.

Mat Yoga continues in Fellowship Hall on **Mondays** at **7:00 pm**. Bring a mat and foam block or a towel roll. Beginners are welcome! Good will donations accepted.

Chair Yoga will continue on **Wednesdays** at **10:00 am** in Fellowship Hall through **February 12** with instructor, **Jodi Fill**.

Want to walk a mile, practice balance, or do simple stretches? It is cold and icy outside but you can keep moving here at FCCH! About 24 laps around Fellowship Hall is a mile. There are also 4 areas assigned to exercises that can break up the monotony. Use the mat, weights, stretch bands or body roller as you walk around. Hope to see you soon!