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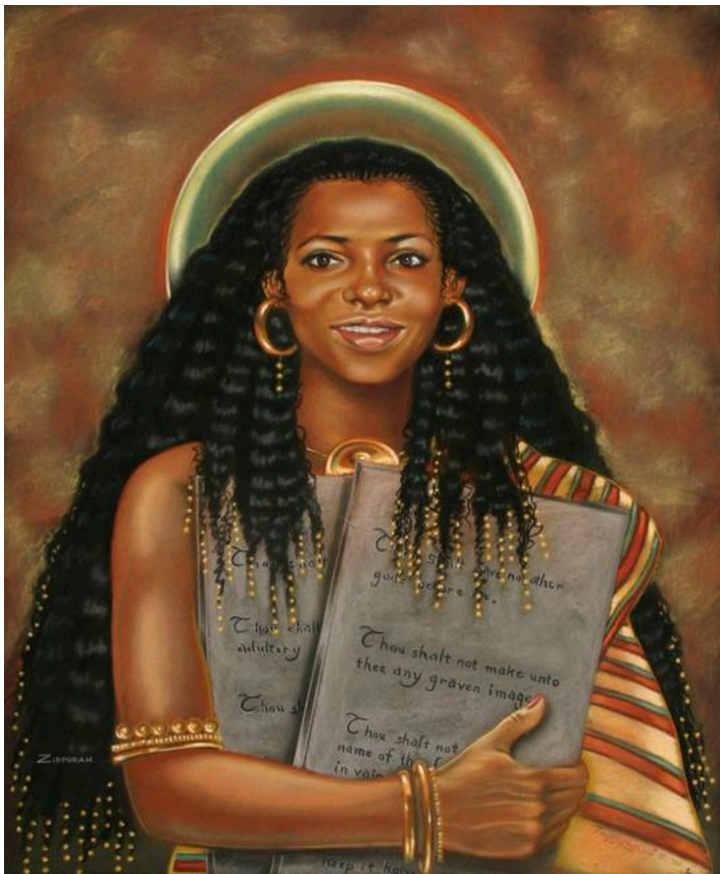
First Congregational Church of Webster Groves
United Church of Christ



Seek Christ in each. Serve God in all.

FEBRUARY 13, 2022

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
SCOUTING AND CHOCOLATE SUNDAY



*We respond to God's call
by welcoming everyone
regardless of ability, age,
ethnicity, race, gender identity,
sexual orientation or
socio-economic background.*

*To proclaim in word and deed
the love of Christ,
we affirm that all may share
in the full life, ministry, fellowship,
responsibilities
and blessing of our congregation.*

*No matter who you are
or where you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here.*

Depiction of Zipporah, by the artist Alan Jones. Zipporah, described in Numbers 12 as "a Cushite," a biblical word for a sub-Saharan African, was the wife of the prophet Moses (Exodus 2:21-22) and a prophet in her own right: Zipporah appears to have been appalled by the practice of circumcision (Exodus 4:25); she also gave her sons names that protested the Israelites' bondage in Egypt (Exodus 18:2-4).

Order of Worship

An asterisk () indicates that worshipers are invited to stand in body or in spirit.*

If you would like a personal joy or concern read aloud and you are at home, you may text 314-858-6710, or fill out a prayer card, found in the pew box.

Due to the surge of infections from the Omicron variant of Covid 19, we are requiring that everyone wear a mask indoors at First Congregational Church.

PRELUDE *Piece in Free Style, No. 19* Louis Vierne

WELCOME Roger Barnes, *Announcer*

TOLLING OF THE BELL Sophia Villani, *Tenderfoot*

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES Elyse von Weise, *Tenderfoot*

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive – Leader; **People**) from Luke 6
Led by Thérèse Schuster, *Second Class Scout*
and Jacqueline Johns, *Scout*

Jesus looked at his disciples and said,

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the realm of God.

“Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

“Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Human One.

“Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven.”

***RAISING THE COVENANT** (Unison) *Covenant of 1977*

We who are called of God into this Christian community covenant together: to seek to know the will of God, to experience the joy and struggle of discipleship, to proclaim in word and deed the love of Christ, and to work for peace and justice among all people. We trust God’s promise of grace and forgiveness and the presence of the Holy Spirit in our trials and rejoicing.

***GATHERING HYMN** *Hush, Somebody’s Calling My Name* Spiritual
(No. 604, *New Century Hymnal*)

RITUAL OF APPROACH
Introduction (Story) Halley Kim, *Pastoral Assistant*

Prayer of Confession (Unison) Brendan Yn, *Life Scout and Asst. Sr. Patrol Leader*

Do you think we are good, O God? We know that you love us, and that means we're good enough. But we also know that there have been times when we have not lived up to your expectations of us. There have been times when we have done the wrong thing, or when we have left the right thing undone. Forgive us, we pray, and teach us to forgive. You can make it possible for us to be the way you want us to be and as others need us to be. Here, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Silence for Personal Confession

Words of Assurance

Halley Kim

NOT FOR CHILDREN ONLY

Rev. David Denoon, *Pastor*

The children are invited forward for a time of enrichment.

Afterward, they may proceed to Sunday School classes, or return to their seats.

SHARING THE WORD

Member, Troop 301

From the Epistles

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

Pew Bible, p. 1048

Led by Philip O'Halloran, *Life Scout and Senior Patrol Leader*
and Ann O'Halloran, *Second Class Scout and Senior Patrol Leader*

Response.

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the people.

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE OF THE DAY

*The Resurrection and You, Part 2:
"Who Goes Where?"*

Rev. Denoon

INTERLUDE

Adagio in F minor

Chevalier de St. Georges

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We Lift Our Joys and Concerns to God

Prayer of the Day

Prayer of Our Savior (Unison)

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

PARTING HYMN

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me
(No. 596, vv. 1,2,4, *New Century Hymnal*)

Augustus M. Toplady

OPPORTUNITIES ARISING
Presentation of the Scout Charter

Roger Barnes

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Denoon

POSTLUDE

Voluntary on Gelobt Sei Gott

Robert Lind

During the Postlude, we encourage you to greet those around you safely, or to remain at your seat to enjoy the music until it has ended. In the spirit of diversity, please be attentive to the possibility that one who is seated may be meditating.

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Sunday worship each week is shared in person for those who wish to attend and streamed live on YouTube, starting at 10:00am ([bit.ly/FCCWG-YT](https://bit.ly/FCCWG-YT)).

#### **Electronic Device Users**

If you wish to access our wi-fi, our network connections are: fccwg1, fccwg2 or fccwg3. The password for each is firstchurch.

#### **Finding Your Way at First Church**

**The Nursery:** The Nursery is attended today. The Nursery is located through the double doors at the end of the Narthex (foyer), turn left. Nursery/Toddler Room is on your right (Dutch doors).

**Restrooms:** Family restrooms are located to the right of the Narthex (foyer) as you go to the Library (look for the blue library banner) and to the left of the Narthex just before the double doors.

#### **We Hold in Our Prayers**

- Our residents in assisted living and skilled care – Sharon Beal, Joyce Berger, Paul Davis, Margery Gable, Shirley Moore
- All people who are living with dementia, their families, and their caregivers
- People we love who are living with cancer – Margaret Gustafson
- All those the world regards as disabled – especially David & Becky Scott
- People with mental illnesses, as well as the people who love and care for them
- Peace with justice

#### **February Meal-a-Month**

Canned Tuna, packed in Water • Tuna Helper • Canned Carrots (low or no salt)  
Canned Fruit in own juices • Powdered Milk, shelf stable milk, soy milk  
Diapers • Diaper Wipes • Formula with Iron

#### **How to Donate to First Congregational Church**

You may leave a donation in the offering plate in the Narthex.

Send a check made out to FCCWG at:

First Congregational Church 10 W.  
Lockwood Ave.

Webster Groves, MO 63119

visit <http://firstchurchwg.org/donate> to make an electronic contribution or scan the QR code



## **What's Going on at First Church This Week**

**Sunday, February 13**

**Scouting Sunday/Chocolate Sunday**

**9:00 AM** Nursery Care Available

**10:00 AM** Worship

**10:15 AM** Kids' Church

**Monday, February 14**

**7:00 PM** Three Ministries

**Tuesday, February 15**

**10:30 AM** Staff Meeting

**Wednesday, February 16**

**9:30 AM** Yoga with Jeanene - Inglis Room

**6:00 PM** Bridge Club - Inglis Room

**Thursday, February 17**

**6:00 PM** Canterbury Bells Practice

**Saturday, February 19**

**1:00 PM - 3:00 PM** Visitation: Jean Kohler  
at Bopp Chapel

**3:00 PM** Memorial Service for Jean Kohler  
at Bopp Chapel





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