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Fill out this Connection Card and include it in today's offering. New around here? Address changes? Fill out what's relevant.

Today's Date: May 19, 2019

Your Name(s)

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Many of us give in ways other than putting money in the offering plate each week. Some of us give online at the church's website, or use our bank's online bill pay. Some of us make one large annual gift, or we fulfill our pledge by making a gift once a month. We give our time and our talents because all of our gifts make a difference. Note ways to participate on the reverse side.

Gold envelopes are available in the pews for any financial gifts you would like to give today. Place this card in the offering as a symbol of a gift you've made in another way.

Opportunities for the Week of May 19–May 26

Today	9:15	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00	Worship and Fellowship
	1:30	Fellowship Hall Reserved by Emily Boerckel
	8:00	Language of the Heart Alcoholics Anonymous
	5:30	Parents Night Out at FCC
	5:30	NYP End-of-Year Celebration at Congregational
Monday	10:00	Staff Meeting
	6:00	Piedmont Global Preschool Staff Meeting, Friendship Classroom
Tuesday	7:00	Table Topics in Gathering Space
Wednesday	7:00	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	9:00	Ladies' Coffee Group at Panera, 2645 Lawndale Ave.
	6:30	Table Talk
	8:00	Al-Anon and Alateen
Friday		Senior Wheels
Sunday	9:00	Small Group Video Series in Balcony Classroom
	9:15	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00	Worship and Fellowship
	8:00	Language of the Heart Alcoholics Anonymous

Preaching Next Sunday: Rev. Amanda Kerr

Please note that the church office will be closed Memorial Day, Monday, May 27.

Plan ahead for The Corner Market, Saturday, June 8

On Saturday, June 8, FCC will again host a bake sale at the Corner Market (at the corner of Elam Ave and Walker) to support the market's Green for Greens program, which doubles the SNAP benefits and provides hungry neighbors with access to fresh, local produce. Can you bake something to donate? Can you help at the sale that morning? It's a great way to get to know our neighbors. Sign up on the Connection Card or Talk to Darilyn Knibb if you can help. Volunteers are needed to set up, operate our table, and tear down. Lots of bakers are needed to supply goods to sell.

Serving Next Sunday, May 26

Acolyte Jack Wildman **Elders** Dean McPhail and Robin Lund **Deacons** Brad Light, Debbie Light, Olivia Steadman, Madison Steadman, Larry Collins, Meredith Cooper
Worship Leader Mark McDonald **Children's Moment** Mike Wildman
No Children's Church **Greeters** Jim and Laura Tebow
Coffee Hour Host Sue Hulighan **Building Responsibilities** John Flynt

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Amanda Desselles, Children's Church Leader Holly Lail, PYF Teacher

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Sunday, May 19, 2019

Chiming of the Hour

Gathering Music "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" from *Messiah* HANDEL

Lighting of Candles and Processional Neighborhood Youth

***Choral Call to Worship** No. 222

"Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" (v. 1) W ZLOBIE LEZY

Christ is risen! Shout hosanna! Celebrate this day of days.

Christ is risen! Hush in wonder; all creation is amazed.

In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.

Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

***Proclamation** Neighborhood Youth

One: We are people of God, created to love.

Many: We will love the Lord our God with heart, soul, mind, and strength.

One: We are people of God determined to love.

Many: We will love our neighbors and treat them as we would be treated.

One: We love neither from a sense of obligation nor to gain popularity or favor.

Many: We choose to love both the lovely and the unlovable because love imitates God's nature.

One: For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

***Hymn of Praise** No. 21

"Let the Whole Creation Cry" LLANFAIR

***Invocation and Lord's Prayer** Neighborhood Youth

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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom

and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***Response in Praise** "Gloria Creator Dei" W. Faulkner



Words of Welcome Melissa Guthrie Loy

Ministry Moment Dawn Steadman

Scripture Mark 12:28-31 Neighborhood Youth
One: The word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God.

Celebrating Our Graduates and Honoring Our Teachers see insert

Children's Moment Neighborhood Youth
Following the Children's Moment, children age 3 through 2nd grade are invited to gather at the back of the sanctuary for Children's Church. Children's Church leader: Amanda Desselles

Prayers of the People
Preparation for Prayer No. 324
"Your Words to Me Are Life and Health" (v. 4) WINCHESTER OLD
Your words you have fulfilled on earth, yourself, the living Word; within my heart your image print in clearest lines, O Lord.
Pastoral Prayer Neighborhood Youth

Sharing Our Gifts
Call to Offering Mike Wildman
Offertory *Our gifts support the ministry of this congregation, here in our community and around the world. The gold envelopes in the pews can be used for general gifts to First Christian. The connection card in this bulletin can also symbolize gifts made electronically.*

Offertory Music Abiah George, violin
*Response LASST UNS ERFREUEN
From all that dwell below the skies, Let the Creator's praise arise; Alleluia, Alleluia! Let the redeemer's name be sung, Through every land by every tongue, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Dedication of Gifts Mike Wildman

Anthem "Seek Ye First" Karen Lafferty, arr. by John F. Wilson

Scripture John 13:34-35 and Galatians 5:13-14 Neighborhood Youth
One: The word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God.

Message Melissa Guthrie Loy

Sharing the Feast
Communion Hymn "A Hymn of Joy We Sing" No. 404
BOYLSTON
Call to Communion Neighborhood Youth

One: Come to the Lord's Table.
Many: We give thanks for God's love.
One: Come to the Lord's Table.
Many: We confess our sin.
One: Come to the Lord's Table.

Many: We know God forgives and satisfies our needs.
Words of Institution Melissa Guthrie Loy
Prayer for the Bread and Cup John Flynt
One: The gifts of God for the people of God. Come, share in the feast.
All who seek to follow Jesus are invited to share in communion. Eat the bread as it is passed; hold the cup to drink in unison.
One: We eat the bread individually, because Christ meets us each where we are. We drink the cup as one, because together we are the body of Christ.
The cup is shared.
One: We give you thanks, O God. We celebrate the life that Jesus has shared among his community through the centuries and shares with us now.
Many: Amen.

Invitation to Discipleship Melissa Guthrie Loy

***Hymn of Dedication** No. 494
"They'll Know We Are Christians" ST. BRENDAN'S

***Taking the Light of Christ into the World** Charlie Manley

***Benediction** Melissa Guthrie Loy

***Postlude** "To God on High" Mendelssohn
**Please stand as you are able.*

Thank you to all of the youth who helped with today's worship service, and many thanks to our organist, Genie Jones.

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prms Feel free to share Joys and Concerns:

- participate* Let us know your plans.
- We plan to drop our child(ren) off for the last Parents Night Out event tonight at 5:30 p.m. at FCC.
 - I will be at the end-of-year party for NYP tonight at 5:30 at Congregational.
 - I'll be at Table Topics Tuesday at 7 p.m. for the *On the Brink of Everything* book discussion.
 - Fa la la la la. I'll be at choir rehearsal Wednesday at 7 p.m.
 - I plan to stop by the Ladies' Coffee Group Thursday at 9 a.m. at Panera, 2645 Lawndale Ave.
 - I need to eat dinner; I'll be at Table Talk this Thursday. We're thinking LaBamba Mexican, 601 State St.
 - I plan to be at the Video Series Small Group next Sunday at 9 a.m.
 - I can help with the Corner Market on June 8 by baking goods or working at the booth on that day.
 - I may be able to volunteer in the church office for an hour or two this summer. (What day(s)? _____)
 - Other: