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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: July 21, 2019

Your Name(s)

Address

City State Zip

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give

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 July 21-July 28

Today	10:00	Worship and Fellowship
	8:00	Language of the Heart Alcoholics Anonymous
Monday	9:30	Vintage Kings & Queens Play Cards
	10:00	Staff Meetings
Tuesday	7:00	Table Topics
Wednesday	6:00	"Tai Chi Chuan & ..." with Michael Gagliano
Thursday	9:00	Ladies' Coffee Group at Panera, 2645 Lawndale Ave.
	8:00	Al-Anon and Alateen
Friday		Senior Wheels
Saturday	11:00	Baptistry Used by El Shaddai
	6:00	Celebration of Life for Betty Wilson Offsite
Sunday	10:00	Worship and Fellowship
	8:00	Language of the Heart Alcoholics Anonymous

General Assembly

Melissa Guthrie Loy & Baylee Smith are representing FCC at the Assembly in Des Moines, Iowa, this week. Check the blog for updates from them on business, learning, and worship.

Not too late to get baseball tickets for July 29 game

It's Interfaith & Community Night with the Grasshoppers! The game begins at 7 p.m. and features a pre-game parade with all faith communities present—let's represent FCC GSO! We'll meet at the church at 6 p.m. to head to the field. Tickets cost \$8. FCC will collect money closer to the event. Sign up on the Connection Card or at the Welcome Desk.

Middle and High School Trip to Hanging Rock

NYP is taking a day trip to Hanging Rock State Park on Saturday, August 17, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Lunch included. RSVP on the Connection Card. Contact Melissa for more information. Youth group resumes with a Harvest Dinner and kickoff party on September 15.

Serving Next Sunday, July 28

Acolyte TBD **Elders** John Flynt and Jim Tebow **Deacons** Brad Light, Debbie Light, Olivia Steadman, Madison Steadman, Larry Collins, Meredith Cooper
Worship Leader Bella Myers **Children's Moment** Phil Miller
No Children's Church **Greeter** Baylee Smith **Coffee Hour Host** Sue Hulighan
Building Responsibilities Bill Wiley

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Amanda Desselles, Children's Church Leader

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Sunday, July 21, 2019

Chiming of the Hour

Gathering Music "Adagio Cantabile" from *Piano Sonata in C minor, Op 13*
Ludvigan Beethoven (1770-1827)
Jazz Arr. by Philip Keveren

Lighting of Candles and Processional Bella Myers

***Call to Worship** Ellen Smith

**Please stand as you are able.*

One: I was glad when they said to me,
Many: "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

One: For the sake of our families and friends,

Many: We'll say it again: live in peace!

One: For the sake of the house of the Lord our God

Many: I will seek your good.

***Hymn of Praise** No. 86
"Great is Thy Faithfulness" FAITHFULNESS

***Invocation and Lord's Prayer** Ellen Smith

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** No. 35
"Glory Be to the Father" GREATOREX

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.

Words of Welcome Phil Miller

Scripture Colossians 1:15-28 Ellen Smith
One: The word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God.

Children's Moment Phil Miller
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 and Dona Norwood

Prayers of the People
Preparation for Prayer No. 575
"Come and Find the Quiet Center" (v. 1) BEACH SPRING
Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead, find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed: clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

Pastoral Prayer Phil Miller

Sharing Our Gifts
Call to Offering Jim Tebow
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
*Response No. 46
"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him*, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Dedication of Gifts Jim Tebow

Scripture Luke 10:38-42 Ellen Smith
One: The word of God for the people of God.
Many: Thanks be to God.

Hymn Sing

Message "The Better Part" Phil Miller

Sharing the Feast
Communion Hymn "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly" No. 419
HOLY MANNA
Phil Miller

Call to Communion
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 Phil Miller
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 Phil Miller

***Hymn of Dedication** No. 265
"Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart" MORCAMBE

***Taking the Light of Christ into the World** Bella Myers

***Benediction** Phil Miller

***Postlude** "Recessional in E Flat" David N. Johnson
**Please stand as you are able.*

Next Sunday's special music provided by the El Shaddai Choir.

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praying Feel free to share Joys and Concerns:

- participate* Let us know your plans.
- I am praying for our representatives at the General Assembly in Iowa.
 - I'm interested in playing cards with the Vintage Kings & Queens tomorrow, Monday, July 22, at 9:30.
 - I'll be at the Table Topics discussion Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the church.
 - Coffee? Yes, please. I'll come by the Ladies' Coffee Group Thursday at 9 a.m., at Panera, 2645 Lawndale Ave.
 - I would like tickets for the July 29 baseball game for the Interfaith and Community Night. # of tickets: _____
 - I/we will attend the youth group trip to Hanging Rock State Park on Saturday, August 17.
 - I can donate school supplies and/or will plan to come to the potluck dinner to pack the backpacks on Wednesday, August 21.
 - I am interested in helping with our children or youth programs this fall on the first and third Sunday evenings.
 - I would be willing to provide a meal on Sunday evenings for youth.
 - Other: