

Party On!
January 16, 2022



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 16, 2022

10:00 am

As you party, so you are." ~ Ted Jennings

PRELUDE

Judy Widrig

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sharon Benton & Davi Weasley

RINGING THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

Janet Ott

One Voice: We're out of wine.

All Voices: We're out of gas, we're out of energy, we're out of ideas.

One Voice: We're out of wine.

All Voices: We're exhausted, we're infected, we're despairing.

One Voice: We're out of wine.

All Voices: But there's this story about what Jesus does when there's no wine left

One Voice: Come, God of Parties, and give us reason to rejoice.

All Voices: Come, God of Parties, and transform even us!

MUSICAL RESPONSE

"I Am the Light of the World"
by Jim Strathdee

LIGHT OF THE WORLD

The musical notation is written on two staves in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (Bb). The melody is simple and accessible, with lyrics written below the notes. The first staff contains the first four measures, and the second staff contains the next four measures, starting with a measure rest labeled '5'.

"I am the light of the world! You peo-ple come and fol-low me!" If you
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fol-low and love you'll learn the mys-ter-y of what you were meant to do and be.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sharon Benton

The Prayer of Jesus

*We invite you to use the language for God that is most comfortable for you:
"Our Creator," "Our Father" or "Our Mother."*

Our Creator

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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors.**

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil,

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power,
and the glory,

forever and ever. *Amen.*

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Judy Widrig

A READING FROM SCRIPTURE

John 2: 1-11

Janet Ott

New Revised Standard Version

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

Janet Ott

One: For the Word of God in scripture,
for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us:

All: Thanks be to God.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Ted Huffman

SERMON

Davi Weasley

MUSICAL MEDITATION

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

Tune by William B. Bradbury, text by Edward Mote

Sung by Larry & Mary Jo Menninga

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Janet Ott

There are several options for giving: 1) Give at our website, <https://fccb.net/giving/>.

- 2) .Mail checks to First Congregational Church, 2401 Cornwall Avenue, Bellingham, WA 98225. 3) Use the GivePlus app. Download from your app store, set up an account, and give!
4) Give by text. Text a dollar amount to 208-516-2657, and set up your account. You're ready for easy giving by text! 5) Give by PayPal. Our easy link is [PayPal.Me/fccbu](https://www.paypal.com/mefccbu).*

Offertory

Judy Widrig

BENEDICTION

Sharon Benton

POSTLUDE

Judy Widrig

Let us know you're here! Go to Worship Connect <http://tiny.cc/worshipconnect> to sign in.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

IMPORTANT DATES TO COME:

Below are some opportunities the Funding Plan Committee has organized for conversations about how we might financially support our ministries in 2022. Mark these on your calendar. Your participation is valued.

- Church Council Meeting, **Monday, January 24, 7:00 pm** on Zoom
- Congregational Meeting, **Sunday, February 6, 11:30 pm**

WORSHIP:

- **Sundays, 10:00 am**—Hybrid worship in person and on Facebook Live, our #BiggerBalcony

WAYS TO CONNECT: For more information about these and other groups and activities, contact office@fccb.net.

- **Monday**
 - ◆ Poetry Writing Group: **1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm**
 - ◆ Happy Hour: **1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:30-8:30 pm**
- **Wednesday**
 - ◆ Adult Forum: **weekly, 7:00 pm**
- **Thursday**
 - ◆ Evening Book Club, **5:00 pm weekly**
- **Friday**
 - ◆ Afternoon Coffee Group: **2nd & 4th Friday, at 1:00 pm**
 - ◆ Knitting Group, **Fridays, 10:00 am**
 - ◆ Spirit Group (Exploring Prayer), **Fridays, 6:30 pm**
- **Saturday**
 - ◆ Creative Connections, **1st Saturdays, 10:00 am**
- **Sunday**
 - ◆ Youth Group, **Sundays, 12:00 noon**

To stay up to date, follow us on social media, subscribe to our Friday Email, or check in with our Full Circle Blog, <https://www.fccb.net/blog/>.

Open and Affirming (ONA): As an Open and Affirming congregation believing in a loving God, all people are welcome in this church without regard to gender, race, ethnicity, economic or social status, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

We Try To Use Language which will help people feel included in our worship. Since not everyone is comfortable with the same language, we invite you to amend the words of the service as we sing and pray if they do not adequately express your faith. We invite you to assist us in creating new expressions of our common faith and life together.

Technical Support: If you need help streaming our worship services or connecting in other ways, please let us know.

APPOINTMENTS WITH PASTORAL STAFF

Pastoral staff are available by appointment virtually or in person, with masks. Contact them by email or call the pastoral care line, 360-733-4255

Sharon: sharon@fccb.net

Davi: davi@fccb.net

You can also email our Office Manager Cydne at office@fccb.net and she'll pass your message on.

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LEAD PASTOR: Sharon Benton

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Ted & Susan Huffman

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ORGANIST: Judy Widrig

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Skyler Spain

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