

The Call

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Are We There Yet? - **CALLING ON HOLY IMAGINATION**

When I was a child and my family would load the car for a road trip, before we'd even get out of the county someone would ask, "Are we there yet?" In this time of pandemic that sentiment takes on a little different sound, "Can we come back yet?" We all miss gathering in the sanctuary, singing our songs, hearing musicians, feeling the power of prayers offered in that holy space, seeing our children twirling around with smiles and energy we wish we had, exchanging greetings and hugs, and telling one another what's new in our lives and how good it is to see each other. I love how much we love and care about each other! So, you might be wondering, "Can we come back yet?"

There are at least two answers to that question right now. The first answer is, "Not yet." The virus in Iowa and Story County continues to spread. And those studying COVID-19 are discovering that church gatherings, in particular, put people at higher risk of spreading the virus. Being in an enclosed space for an extended period of time, talking and singing, along with habits that include getting close and personal are what we miss so much, yet those are the things that spread this disease with great efficiency. So, it is not safe to worship together in the building, yet. Our denominational leaders on all levels – for the sake of expressing love and care for one another – are strongly urging churches not to return to their buildings, yet. After looking at the medical, scientific, and theological considerations, after much prayer and discussion with FCC Elders, the conclusion is that we need to continue our Zoom Worship (with a recording available on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#)), at least through August 2.

During July we will continue our decades-long practice of sharing worship with our friends at Ames United Church of Christ. They will share their link to online worship with us on July 5 and 19. We will share our link to online worship with them on July 12 and 26. Then on August 2 we will join together for worship with First Baptist Church and Ames UCC. Normally that is Worship in the Park. At this time, we do not know if that will be possible, but the three congregations will be together in

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worship, however we can do so safely. Stay tuned for details.

So, the first answer to “Can we come back yet?” is, “Not yet.” The second answer, which is the one I now want us to focus and act on is this: “The church never left.” Just because we cannot meet in the building does not mean we stopped being church. The church is, first of all, the people. That does not diminish how important our holy space is for us and how well it serves us. That does not diminish the grief that comes with losing access to the reminders, shared within those walls, of life-giving events and experiences. That is not to say we don’t look forward to that glorious day when we can come back to that space. For now, we need to learn how to express being church in different and deeper ways – to strengthen our connection, to shower blessings upon each other and those beyond the church, to share grace, love, care, prayer, and service, and to keep us grounded in faith and life.

Several years ago, our theme for the year was “We Make the Road By Walking.” That phrase can serve us now. Given the nature of this virus, rather than focus our attention on when we can come back to the building, I invite us to ignite our holy imagination to get creative about how to live fully and faithfully, and how to flourish together now. The truth is, even when it will be safe for some of us to return to the building, there will still be many of us for whom it will not. Let’s use this time to try new ways of connecting that do not depend upon gathering at the church. We started with shifting our worship to online. Zoom was chosen as the platform so we could still see and interact with each other and take comfort in knowing we’re together “live” in the same virtual space. We then added recording that Zoom service so those who cannot connect through Zoom can watch the service later. Soon we hope to be able to burn DVD’s for those who do not have computers so they can watch on their TV. That shows one progression, trying to reach as many people as possible.

Now is the time for all of us to put our heads and

hearts together. Remember the saying, “Necessity is the mother of invention?” Let’s see the new thing God is doing among us and through us. Let’s not be in a holding pattern just because we cannot gather in the building on Sunday morning, but rather rise up as a beacon of hope in a troubled world. In Ephesians 4:1 we read, “I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called...” We have been called to be the church, together. No virus can change that. We just need to allow our holy, God-infused, spirit-filled imagination to flow, and to share our dreams and thoughts and longings and gifts with one another as we express our faith each and every day, and as we build the community of Christ’s love with new tools and practices, still expressing our core values as a church. Please let me know your thoughts. You can email me: maryjane@fccames.org or send a letter 611 Clark Ave, Ames 50010 or call or text my cellphone 515-460-5363 (please leave a message if I don’t answer) or you can find me on Facebook.

To help guide our creative process, and to work through the details of how and when we will return to the building, a Leadership Group has been named. Each person on the team represents a ministry area so we make sure our efforts are coordinated well. The members of the team are: Board Chair Vern Hawkins, Council of Ministries Moderator Randy Allman, Deacon Chair Larry Mesenbrink, Elder Chair Deb Lewis, Personnel Chair Amy Kuehl, Property Chair Derek Krebs, Trustee Chair David Gregory, and me, Pastor Mary Jane. I invite you to pray for this group, and for all of us as church together.

“We know all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God’s purpose.” (Romans 8:28) In the midst of such suffering, sorrow, death, and disruption, the church is called to rise up with Christ. And we can do just that, together!

In Christ’s love and by God’s grace,

—Pastor Mary Jane

Summer Worship —

During **May** we are exploring 5 Habits of the Heart for Healthy Congregations. On May 3 we started with the first Habit – We are All in this Together, May 10 was The Value of Otherness, May 17 was Life in Tension. Up next:

July Joint Worship with Ames United Church of Christ will explore **The Lord’s Prayer**.

–Pastor Mary Jane



May	Worship Theme
24	Personal Voice and Agency
31	Pentecost Sunday – Acts 2:1-13 Don’t forget to wear RED! ☺

Then, in **June**, we will explore First Christian Church’s Key Ministry Areas and Core Values. Worship will continue via Zoom at 10:30 am. Services are also recorded and uploaded to both [FCC’s Facebook](#) page and [YouTube channel](#).

July	Worship Theme
5	UCC will share their online service with FCC. “Our Creator in heaven, hallowed by your name.”
12	FCC will share our Zoom Worship with UCC. “Your Kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.”
19	UCC will share their online service with FCC. “Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.”
26	FCC will share our Zoom Worship with UCC. “And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one.”
Aug 2	Worship with First Baptist Church and Ames United Church of Christ. Details yet to be determined. (Normally Worship in the Park.)

June	Worship Theme
7	Worshipping God Connect people to God and one another
14	Growing Connections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Genuinely accept, welcome, and love everyone as Jesus did. Celebrate everyone’s gifts for ministry and encourage people as leaders.
21	Loving Neighbors Minister in the community with God’s healing love
28	Building Faith Cultivate an environment where people grow in faith and discipleship.

UPDATED Zoom Weekly Activity Schedule

Please begin updating all your devices, desktops and laptops to Zoom 5.0 [now](#). After May 30, 2020, all Zoom clients on older versions will receive a forced upgrade when trying to join meetings as GCM Encryption will be fully enabled across the Zoom platform. Click [here](#) for more information.

Sunday

10:30 AM	Worship Online Link: fccames.org/SundayWorship	Phone connection: 1-312-626-6799 ID: 482716293#
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Wednesday

12:15 PM	Midweek Prayers Online Link: fccames.org/WednesdayPrayers	Phone Connection: 1-312-626-6799 ID: 151979297#
5:30 PM	Midweek Worship Online Link: fccames.org/WednesdayWorship	Phone connection: 1-312-626-6799 ID: 663853487#
6:30 PM	Called to Community Book Group Online Link: fccames.org/CalledtoCommunity	Phone connection: 1-312-626-6799 ID: 415539219#

Thursday

10:00 AM	Coffee Fellowship Online Link: fccames.org/CoffeeFellowship	Phone connection: 1-312-626-6799 ID: 86790917856#
5:30 PM	Listening to Good Online Link: fccames.org/CenteringPrayer	Phone connection: 1-312-626-6799 ID: 244426391#
7:00 PM	Thursday Church Online Link: fccames.org/ThursdayChurch	Phone connection: 1-312-626-6799 ID: 373174310#

Print this schedule and Keep it Handy

Updated Thursday, May 21, 2020

An Update from the FCC Trustees

First, we would like to thank church members and friends who have found creative ways to support FCC financially—in the absence of a weekly “offering plate.” Until face-to-face worship resumes, we will continue to remind readers of *The Call* how they can share their offerings by check, credit/debit card, or online banking (see details below.) We would also like to provide the following brief update on the church’s finances.



Income, Expenses, and our Operating Budget:

During the month of March, income did appear to be impacted by the move to online worship. However, offerings increased in April, and we ended the month with just a small deficit in our year-to-date income/expense balance (-\$372). This is a good sign that the spirit of giving is healthy and strong at FCC!

Investments: Beyond the general fund that supports our operating budget, we have investments with the Christian Church Foundation (CCF) that support long-range goals and special projects. These funds have declined in a predictable way over the past few months. Our plan, like that of most investors (and following the advice of CCF) is to refrain from using invested funds until the market recovers.

The Paycheck Protection Program (PPP): The church has received a forgivable loan through the PPP, which is part of the federal CARES Act. This is the same program available to small businesses, and churches were intentionally included as potential recipients. The loan will cover two months of our payroll and—if we meet the program’s requirements—the loan is completely forgivable. We are confident we can meet these requirements, which include maintaining our current staff and payroll.

Thank you for your generosity, and for helping to ensure that the church can continue its ministries and meet its financial obligations during these challenging times. If you have questions, comments, or concerns about the church’s finances, please do not hesitate to contact any one of your Trustees.

*--David Gregory (Chair),
Roger Bertelsen, and DeLores Hawkins*

Alternatives to the Offering Plate

- You can always send a **check** through the mail to: First Christian Church, 611 Clark Ave., Ames IA 50010. If you add “Attention: Dave or Jeanne Fitz,” the envelope will be delivered directly to our Financial Secretaries.
- Now might be a good time to set up, through your bank, some form of automatic payment to FCC. This can be done either as a **direct deposit** (in which funds are transferred electronically), or as **online bill pay** (in which your bank sends an actual check to the church). Contact FCC’s Financial Secretaries, Dave or Jeanne Fitz (515-232-9306), for more information.
- You can also make your offering by **debit card, credit card or PayPal**, using the **DONATE** button on the FCC website. This button is also regularly included in the electronic version of *The Call*, and in the online *Weekly Update*. It’s safe, secure, and convenient! For more information, contact the church office.





The 2020 Pentecost Offering will be received on Sundays, May 31st and June 7th. Please give generously [ONLINE](#) or by mailing your offering cheque to the church, at First Christian Church, 611 Clark Avenue, Ames, IA 50010. Please make sure to designate your cheques as for the "Pentecost Offering" on the memo line.

How is the Pentecost offering used?

In 2001, the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) embraced a bold vision: to start 1,000 new churches in 1,000 different ways by the year 2020.

Today, we have welcomed 1,034+ new places of worship into the Church. The Table around which we gather has grown in language, diversity, and life experience.

Courageous leaders have answered the call to grow the denomination through the new church movement. They have reached the underserved, welcomed new neighbors, and created communities of faith. And we, as Disciples, have committed to supporting them.

Support the 2020 Pentecost Offering. Each year, half of this offering stays in your [Region](#) to support and sustain new churches. The second half helps leaders across the United States and Canada through [New Church Ministry](#) programs.

[Make a gift to the 2020 Pentecost Offering.](#)

Opportunities to Serve

"Each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift... The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ..." (Eph. 4:7;11)

- **CONNECT** with one another through Zoom. Check out page 4 for all opportunities and instructions.
- **BE FAITHFUL** in your giving. Even while we are not gathering in our building, the work of the church continues, and expenses keep coming in.
- **GIVE** generously to the Pentecost Offering and help new ministries grow.
- **LOVE ONE ANOTHER** by sending each other cards or greetings during this time of distancing. We can email or mail you a church directory for this purpose.
- **SHARE** your imaginative ideas for worship and connecting with one another.
- **FIGHT HUNGER** by joining FCC's core team of Food at First Volunteers by helping to serve a meal every first Saturday of the month. For more information, you may contact Cynthia Gaunt at cygaunt@hotmail.com. There are new guidelines in place to keep everyone safe, and ALL meals and markets will be *TO GO* now. Food at First also needs volunteers during the week. 515-344-4357.

Thank you so much for what you do! Keep watching this box and respond as you are able. It takes a lot of people contributing their gifts to keep the ministry of FCC moving, growing and vital.

Keeping Connected...

Building a Worship Center at Home

How can we be more connected to one another during worship?

Many of us are missing gathering together in the FCC sanctuary on Sunday mornings. Let's try something to bring a little bit of sanctuary and our FCC family into our homes.

Find a spot in your home that you can see during Zoom worship on Sunday mornings. It can be a coffee table, end table, the floor, anything that can hold a few items that you can see during worship.

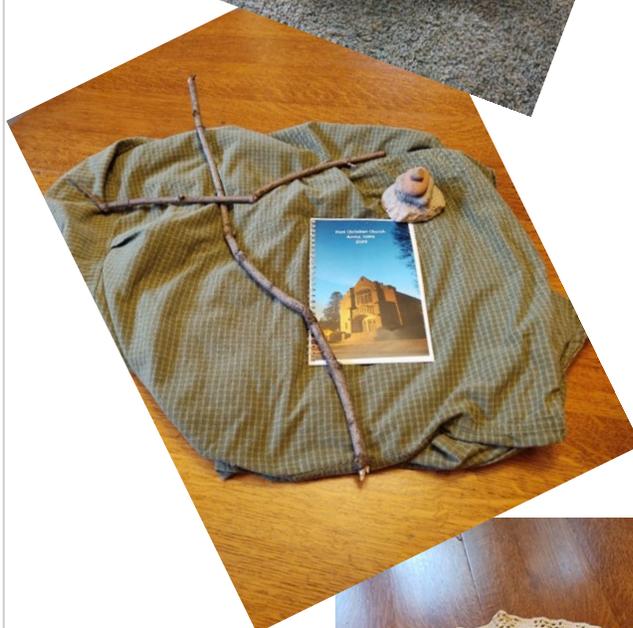
Gather a few things that are important to you. If you'd like, you can start with a base - a napkin, scarf, handkerchief, bandana, a t-shirt, a plate, a piece of paper, or nothing.

Next place your important things on the base place, for example: rocks, sticks, jewelry, a candle, a cross, a Bible, a plant, a tool, anything will do with as much or as little as you care to include.

Place an FCC pictorial directory among your important objects. This represents all of us coming together for worship.

Could you take a picture and email it to Janet Lott, jalott@isunet.net. We would like to make a collage of our little sanctuaries to show during worship.

Here are four examples of a little sanctuary:



...Keeping Connected



We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us.

First Christian Church



Prayers Of the People

One important way we can stay connected during this time of social distancing and shelter-in-place is to continue to pray with and for one another, our community, and the world.

You can now submit prayer requests using a new "Prayer Request Form" using this link: bit.ly/FCCPrayers. Using the form, you choose how extensive you'd like your prayer request shared.

One option is through our email prayer chain called "Prayers of the People." If you'd like to be part of that email prayer chain so you receive and can offer prayers, please sign up by clicking on this link: "[Prayers of the People](#)."

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Mary Jane, Administrative Assistant Liz Collazo, or ask an FCC Elder.

FCC Has a YouTube Channel!



Worship Service
Sunday, May 17, 2020

To view past services
and other content, subscribe to us on



[First Christian Church of Ames
on YouTube](#)

We have created a YouTube channel where we will upload past video of our Zoom services for those who may have missed a Sunday, or who may want to refresh during the week. There is also video content for kids — FCC Storytime, with Mary Gregory (and created by David Gregory) — where Mary reads a children's book selection from the FCC Library. It's so much fun!

New Additions to the FCC Library

Several new titles have been added to the FCC Library over the past few months. Even though the church building remains closed, these and other items from the library can be delivered to your home.

Did you know you can also request a PDF list of all the books in the library, sorted by author, title, or call number? This can easily be shared with you by email.

For book delivery or to request a copy of the library book list, contact David Gregory, FCC Librarian, at 515-708-9004, or dgregory@iastate.edu.

**We Can Deliver
These Items to
You...**

If you are interested in borrowing any of these books or others from the FCC Library, please contact our the church office at 515-232-5766 or fccames@fccames.org.



- Beadle, Diane Faires & Jamie Lynn Haskins (Eds.)** *Acting on Faith: Stories of Courage, Activism and Hope Across Religions* (2020)
- Chittister, Joan D.** *The Story of Ruth: Twelve Moments in Every Woman's Life* (2000)
- Dickinson, T. Wilson.** *The Green Good News: Christ's Path to Sustainable and Joyful Life* (2019)
- Ehrman, Bart D.** *The History of the Bible: The Making of the New Testament Canon* (2005; The Great Courses lecture series, including Guidebook and two DVDs)
- Evans, Rachel Held.** *Faith Unraveled: How a Girl Who Knew All the Answers Learned to Ask Questions* (2010)
- Evans, Rachel Held.** *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again* (2018)
- Evans, Rachel Held.** *Searching for Sunday: Loving, Leaving, & Finding the Church* (2015)
- Johnson, Luke Timothy.** *Early Christianity: The Experience of the Divine* (2002; The Great Courses lecture series, including Guidebook and four DVDs)
- Law, Eric H. F.** *Fear Not: Living Grace and Truth in a Frightened World* (2019)
- Merritt, Carol Howard & Tyler Wigg-Stevenson.** *Fighting for Peace: Your Role in a Culture Too Comfortable with Violence* (2013)
- Meyer, Marvin (Ed.).** *The Nag Hammadi Scriptures: The International Edition* (2007)
- Simon, Arthur.** *How Much is Enough? Hungering for God in an Affluent Culture* (2003)
- Taylor, Barbara Brown.** *An Altar in the World: A Geography of Faith* (2009)

Report from Good Neighbor Emergency Assistance From FCC Representative: Janis Pyle

Some Very Sad News to Share: Lori Allen, Director, arrived at Good Neighbor on Friday morning, May 8, to find the office at 613 Clark ransacked. As she looked around it was apparent some electronic equipment was missing. The Ames Police were called. The responding officer found a mattress, blankets, food, and clothing in what was in the old coal room in the basement. A person had been living down there for some time, and it seemed a party took place, giving away the person's presence. A locksmith helped us determine how the people got in and helped us remedy the problem. We are back operating in a safer way, but we are out \$835 in electronics, \$277 to a cleaning service, and \$75 for a new deadbolt. Sadly, we'll be taking about \$1200 from our budget.

Many changes have been implemented because of the Covid-19 virus. However, since we closed our doors to the public on March 16, we have still been able to help: 129 Households, including 175 Adults and 104 Children for a total of \$17,785.73.

On Sunday, May 3, an online concert featuring Musician David G. Smith brought in more than \$1000. Three fundraisers scheduled for May and June have been postponed or cancelled. Fundraising remains an ongoing challenge. Support from organizations and individual donors remains steady during this time of emergency, but there is an increasing need for the emergency assistance we can provide

Following is a recent update from Lori Allen:

Hello Neighbors -

To protect our clients, staff, and volunteers - Good Neighbor has taken our assistance operations to phone and email applications. We know that it is more important now, than ever, to continue to offer emergency financial support to our Story County

Neighbors experiencing emergency needs for food, housing, utilities, and transportation.

Many of our volunteers fall into the high risk category if they were to be exposed to Covid-19, and we know that many of our clients also fall into that high risk category. For this reason, the following changes have been made:

- The Good Neighbor office at 613 Clark is temporarily closed.
- Assistance applications for food, rent, utilities, and transportation are being taken via:
 - o Phone 515-296-1449
 - o Email assistance@gnea.org
- The director, Lori Allen, is working full-time to take and process these applications.
- A key volunteer is working as needed to facilitate the transfer of funds to landlords, utilities, and other vendors.
- Healthy Food Voucher distribution is suspended. Healthy Food Vouchers will be available only for emergency and crisis needs.
- The remainder of our services - rent and utility assistance, gasoline vouchers, and CyRide tickets will be via our usual emergency criteria, with arrangement for safe pick up of vouchers or receipt of documents when necessary.
- We are working closer than ever with other agencies in Story County that have similar missions and goals. We are proud to be a part of the solution to this serious situation that is changing daily in our country. We have seen a high volume of requests for assistance directly related to the Covid-19 social isolation measures. It is more important than ever that we continue to receive your financial support during this time. Thank you to those who continue to support us regularly. To those who can, we would appreciate any donations that could be made to help us help our Neighbors. Ways to donate include:
 - Mail your check to Good Neighbor, 613 Clark Ave, Ames, IA 50010.
 - Give online at www.gnea.org/Giving

Around the Region — Things We Do Together

For more info or to register for events:
[http://www.uppermidwestcc.org/
regional-newsletter-dte](http://www.uppermidwestcc.org/regional-newsletter-dte)



Below, @CCC =
held at the Christian Conference Center

- May 28 Regional Operations Council Online
- May 29-31 CCC Work Retreat @ CCC (rescheduled date)
- June 25 Regional Operations Council Online



Splash Bash Virtual VBS 2020! Let the Living Water Flow with Komo the Komodo Dragon

VBS 2020 is going to be a little different this year. We are going virtual! We will miss seeing all of you in person, but we hope you still have an awesome time with VBS this year. This year's VBS will be available as a boxed kit with all supplies and instructional videos included along with options to do some activities live online during the week of June 22-26.

Registration will be open from May 1 through May 31. Kits will be packaged and ready for pick up by mid-June. You will be contacted by email regarding kit pick up dates and times. Special arrangements can be made if you are not able to pick up a kit at the date/time listed.

Virtual Dates: June 22nd - 26th
Register today
at www.fumcamesevents.com

Congregational Creativity

Creativity has burst forth in our Upper Midwest congregations as we have been faced with the challenge of how to worship and support one another from a distance. Whether by print or video, most of our congregations have established a means to continue to share in a worship experience together. A few of our churches have even organized "drive-in" worship services.



Jolene James from FCC, Guthrie Center shared a photo of the auctioneer truck that assisted with a community Easter service sponsored by the Guthrie Center Association of Churches.



Dawn Ingram, pastor of Glen Echo Christian Church leads their drive-in worship service. They held their first on Easter and have continued since.

Members were also invited to mark significant worship services by sharing their activities at home with their worship community. In preparation for Palm Sunday, many churches found safe ways to share palms or Holy Week supplies with their members. Individuals and families have been encouraged to find communion supplies using what they have on hand (reminiscent of church camp for many!).



Alison Nicoll shares her "Alleluia" banner, Members at Ankeny Christian Church were invited to make their own for Easter Sunday and share pictures.



Marion Christian Church provided members with "Holy Week Kits" including palm leaves and community supplies among other materials.

Finally, congregants have been offered and encouraged to continue caring for members of their community. First Christian Church, Adel has invited members to participate in "Daily Prayer Walking," praying for the people and homes they encounter on their path. Ankeny Christian Church did a Palm Parade where they visited nursing homes and other facilities by car with signs and palm waving.



Please keep sharing your own congregation's creativity with the regional office. Your stories are heart-warming and inspiring!



The Church office is currently closed to the public. But our office hours remain 9 am—2 pm , Monday-Thursday

Need anything? CALL US! 515-232-5766
Email Liz Collazo at: fccames@fccames.org

Stewardship Report

	April	2020 YTD
Income:	\$17,235	\$79,234
Expenses:	\$18,043	\$79,606
Difference:	\$(808)	\$(372)

In and Out of the Hospital:
Dorothy Hayes, Lee Hogle, Guillermo Velez

[Mary Greeley Medical Center COVID-19 Policies and Visitor Restrictions](#)



June Birthdays

- 01 Jake Clark
- 02 Sue Prins
- 08 Isaac Brenden
- 11 Lily Pendry
- 14 John Lott
- 21 Walter Pogwizd
- 23 Sherri Khan
- 30 Derek Krebs

Calendar

June Calendar:

- ◆ **Office Closed — Memorial Day**
Monday, May 25
- ◆ **Faith Formation Team Meeting**
Tuesday, May 26, 5:00 pm
- ◆ **Leadership Group Meeting**
Monday, June 1, 5:30 PM
- ◆ **Welcome Group Meeting**
Tuesday, June 2, 9:30 PM
- ◆ **Council of Ministries**
Tuesday, June 2, 5 PM
- ◆ **Worship Planning**
Wednesday, June 3, 9:30 AM



[Join us for Coffee Fellowship every Thursday at 10:00 AM.](#)



10 Ways to Know What's Happening at FCC

- The Call Newsletter – 3rd week of the month
- Weekly News Update – an email sent every Thursday
- Worship Bulletin Inserts – every Sunday
- Prayers of the People – an email sent as needed
- Video Slides before Sunday worship – every Sunday
- Announcements during Sunday worship – every Sunday
- Bulletin boards in the church - ongoing
- Word of mouth - ongoing
- Facebook – First Christian Church (Disciples) Ames
- Website - www.fccames.org

To receive a hardcopy newsletter, please contact the church office.

To receive newsletter, news updates and prayers via email **please sign up by clicking on an icon below.**

Weekly
News Update



Prayers
Of
The
People



Food at
First

Free Meal Program +
Perishable Food Pantry



Meals: Sunday thru Friday 5:45 pm and Saturday at 11:30 am (7 days a week)

Grocery Distributions: Monday and Thursday at 4:45 pm and Saturday at 10:00 am. Sign Up to Volunteer at <http://bit.ly/1tG7Xb2>

FCC's Volunteers the 1st Saturday of every Month!
Contact Cynthia Gaunt for more information, at cygaunt@hotmail.com.

The people of First Christian Church accept these values as core...

Genuinely accept, welcome and love everyone as Jesus did.

Connect people to God and to one another.

Cultivate an environment where people grow in faith and discipleship.

Celebrate everyone's gifts for ministry and encourage people as leaders.

Minister in the community with God's healing love.

Staff at First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Ames, IA:

Minister:	Mary Jane Button-Harrison
Minister of Worship & Discipleship:	Tim Button-Harrison
Minister of Worship Arts:	Janet Lott
Administrative Assistant:	Liz Collazo
Worship Musician:	Ty (Joseph) Schwartz
Building Custodian:	Sherri Khan
Nursery Attendants:	Karen LeCount
Nursery Helper:	Eiley Misfeldt

Return Service Requested

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