

Congregational Courier

THOUGHTS FROM BOB LIVINGSTON SENIOR MINISTER

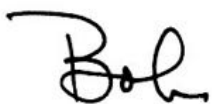
Dear Friends:

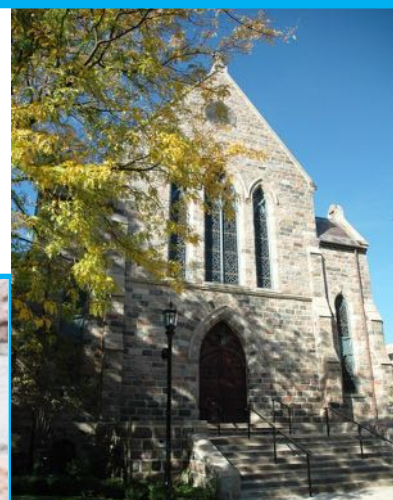
Happy New Year 2019!

As I have been thinking about the passing of an old year and the arrival of a new year, I think of a poem that is attributed to Sir Francis Drake. In many respects, Drake was a bit infamous by our standards today. On the positive side, however, Drake was a sixteenth-century English naval officer and explorer. Drake's poem speaks about risk taking, and living boldly, and moving forward into the future with hope, courage, and love, all of which are good challenges for 2019. Here is his poem:

*Disturb us, Lord, when
We are too well pleased with ourselves,
When our dreams have come true
Because we have dreamed too little,
When we arrived safely
Because we sailed too close to shore.
Disturb us, Lord, when
With the abundance of things we possess
We have lost our thirst
For the waters of life;
Having fallen in love with life,
We have ceased to dream of eternity
And in our efforts to build a new earth,
We have allowed our vision
Of the new Heaven to dim.
Disturb us, Lord, to dare more boldly,
To venture on wider seas
Where storms will show your mastery;
Where losing sight of land,
We shall find the stars.
We ask You to push back
The horizons of our hopes;
And to push into the future
In courage, strength, hope, and love.*

Blessings in the New Year!





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Whatever Your Story, You're Welcome Here



DARCY CRAIN MINISTER

Space for the Unexpected

Each year on January 1, the gym and fitness facilities experience a surge of memberships and traffic. Having eaten our way through the Christmas season, many of us are eager to return to regiments of exercise and discipline, in hopes that this new pattern will prolong itself beyond the usual six weeks of our newfound determination. Many of us begin our new year with health regiment goals: exercising daily or professing our allegiance to strict and hip new diets. Some resolve on spiritual disciplines like reading scriptures or meditation or promise to attend church more regularly (I vote for this practice!). Others set professional objectives such as reviewing and renewing their strategic plan or planning to wake up extra early each day to fit in an hour of email correspondence before hitting the office.

I admit to being a type-A person; I have a number of goals similar to this. I sit at the kitchen table with a giant calendar and plan how many days a month I should work out, how I should streamline my balance of family and work, how I will get the boys to various activities and so on. I make plans to be in bed by 10 and up by 5:30 a.m.

In all my planning I don't always make space for the unexpected moments of joy. This Christmas, my best memory was not in anything I planned, but rather an unexpected late night karaoke session with my brother on Christmas night. My teenage nephews looked at us skeptically while we belted out tunes from the 80s and 90s that they had never heard of, but we still (mostly) knew every word to and tried earnestly to hit every note. It meant I was in bed after midnight instead of at 10 p.m. It meant I didn't wake up early to be productive. It also meant I experienced great joy in the unexpected.

The leadership of Jesus was not what any of the leaders expected. He wasn't predictable and efficient. He didn't prioritize based on how much he could squeeze into a day. He left room for unexpected needs and joys. He took time out of his agenda to heal, to teach, to serve. He didn't go to obligatory dinners but accepted invitations from tax collectors instead.

This 2019, as you make your resolutions and set your goals, remember to leave room for the unexpected. I believe it is not in the meticulous schedule that God teaches us about joy and servanthood, but in the moments of unexpected opportunity. As you calendar for your new year, make sure to leave enough breathing room for God to teach you and use you and show you the best of what this abundant life has to offer.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Darcy".

RACHEL DUDLEY
DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Happy New Year!

This past year has been full of excitement and growth. We wrapped up the year with our live nativity and Christmas pageant on Christmas Eve. Below are some pictures from Christmas Eve. We are blessed!



Rachel

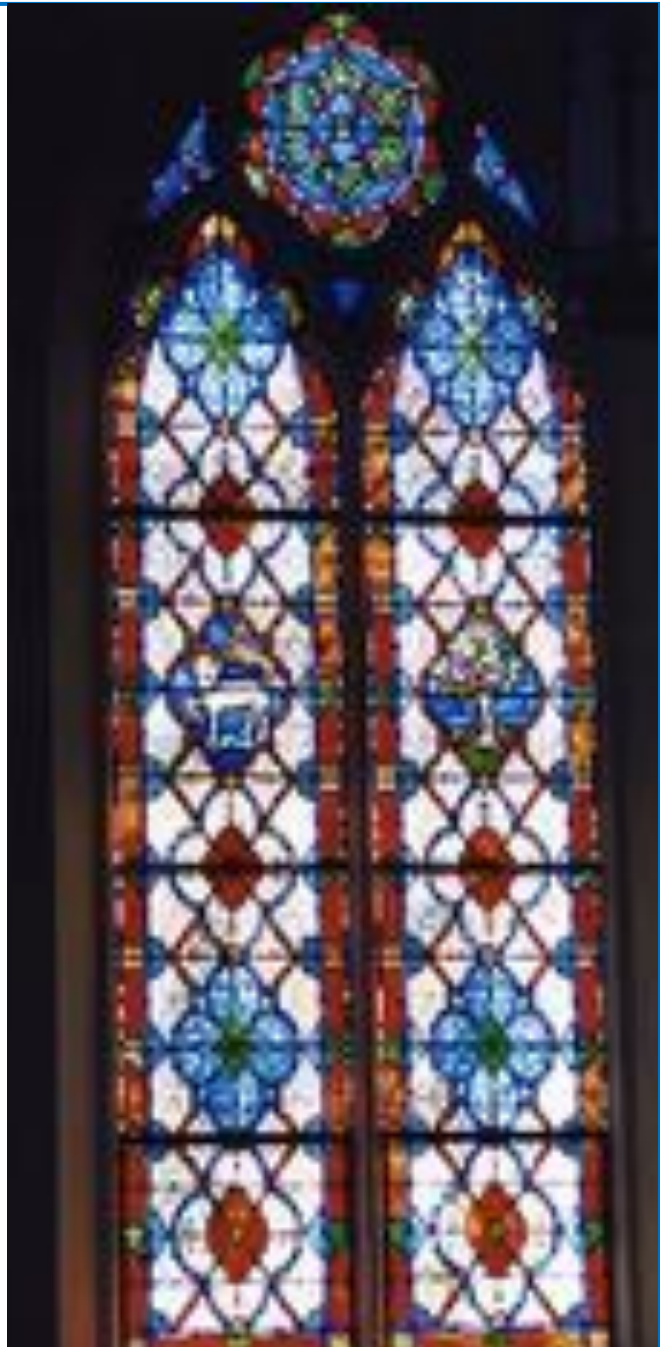


HISTORIAN'S CORNER

BETTY BISHOP

As we start 2019, the 172nd year of the First Congregational Church of Ann Arbor, it is appropriate to look back at the known written histories of the church. The first history was written in 1947, one hundred years after the church was established. It was written by Professor Calvin O. Davis, Professor of Education at the University of Michigan from 1905 until 1941. Prof. Davis was involved with FCC since his student days at the U of M in the 1890's. He later served as church treasurer for almost ten years. In 1976 the Church Centennial Committee, formed to help celebrate the centennial of the present building at State and William, produced the next history book. Chapters in this book were written by long-time church members with special knowledge of various aspects of church life. This is the book with stained glass windows on the covers which is given to new members when they join FCC. The 1947 history was included in the 1976 book as the second part of the book.

With the 175th anniversary of the founding of the church taking place in 2022, steps are being taken to create an updated church history. As Prof. Davis noted in the preface to the 1947 book, this type of project requires locating and evaluating records, selecting the relevant materials, and putting them together to make a book which is "factually dependable and structurally interesting." Records are being reviewed now, both at FCC and at the Bentley Historical Library, where the older church records are archived. A small committee is involved in working on the new church history. Please feel free to contact the historian if you have questions or suggestions (bbishop@umich.edu).



BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Church School Christmas Party Report

On Sunday, December 9, we celebrated Christmas with the church school families at the Church School Christmas Party! Pilgrim Hall was packed with over 100 people as the kids created gingerbread houses, paper chains, and pinecone birdfeeders. The adults assisted the kids on their projects and laughed and chatted with other parents. The event was finished off with a wonderful lunch. This is always a fun fellowship event!



On behalf of BOCE, we heartily thank our many volunteers:

Event Co-Chairs: Tracy Barrett and Robin Myler

Kitchen Volunteers: Janet Allen, Mitchell Dudley, and Megan Nicholson

Event Volunteers: Helena Myler, Oliver Myler, Linnea Verhey-Henke and Lulu Bogun, Diane O'Connell, Dave Haviland, Melissa Joy, Jane Pettit and many others, including Jennifer German, Michelle Muza-Moons, and Ryan Munson, who jumped in and helped out as needs occurred.

It really is wonderful to be part of the FCC church school family!



YOUTH MINISTRIES CONFIRMATION

Confirmation is a faith exploration journey that for our students takes place in the eighth grade. At FCC, the format utilizes class meetings and mentoring relationships. Students meet for classes led by Rev. Darcy Crain, and they are also paired with an adult mentor in the congregation. Together, students and mentors explore the gospel story and find connections with their own lives. Following the semester of learning and growing, students prepare statements of faith, which they present to families and pastors prior to Confirmation Sunday (May 5).

The commissioning service for our confirmation class this year will take place on January 13 during the 10 a.m. worship service. The class will gather on Sundays, starting at 11 a.m. The complete schedule of classes and important dates has been emailed to participants and mentors. If you have further questions or did not receive the schedule, please contact Darcy (darcy@fccannarbor.org).

Please hold our students, their mentors, and their families in prayer as they begin this important period in their spiritual development!

—Darcy Crain

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION BRUNCH

The new member orientation brunch is scheduled for January 27 at 11:00 a.m. in the Mayflower Room. Please put this date on your calendar if you are considering membership at First Congregational Church of Ann Arbor. We hope you will join us. At the brunch, you will have the opportunity to hear about various ministries and opportunities at FCC and get to know others who are joining as well. It is a fun and informative gathering.

Please contact Laura Livingston (laural88@att.net) to RSVP or if you have any questions.

TREASURER'S REPORT MIKE DABBS

As of November 30, we are behind in meeting our budget revenue goals; but based on past history, we would expect to catch up with the budget revenue in December due to end-of-year giving and more attendees giving during the holidays. All of our expenses are in line with the budget for the first five months of this fiscal year. As indicated in Note 2, pending Trustees approval in January, we will be placing all capital campaign funds and paying capital campaign related expenses from a separate account.

TREASURER'S REPORT

MIKE DABBS

First Congregational Church of Ann Arbor

2018 - 2019 SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

November 30, 2018

	ACTUAL 11/30/18	APPROVED BUDGET 7/1/18 - 6/30/19	NOTES
REVENUE			
Pledges	\$195,644	\$525,000	1
Capital Pledges	\$176,005		2
Gifts - Operations	\$12,700	\$48,000	
Other Income	\$9,971	\$33,250	
Total Earned Revenue	\$394,320	\$606,250	
 EXPENSES			
Ministry	\$77,156	\$229,900	
Administrative/Office	\$119,824	\$323,160	
Christian Education	\$24,962	\$56,950	
Music	\$24,483	\$69,200	
Missions & Outreach	\$68	\$34,500	
Maintenance & Utilities	\$40,613	\$92,050	
Total Expenses	\$287,106	\$805,760	
NET REVENUE	\$107,214	\$(199,510)	
 CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$31,857	\$40,000	3
	\$12,422		4
TRUST FUND DISTRIBUTION	\$ 30,000	\$240,000	5
Capital Campaign			
Gifts Transfer	-\$105,936		6
BALANCE	-\$13,001	\$490	7

Notes

- 1 2018 - 19 Actual Pledges Total was \$523,246.
- 2 Capital Campaign Funds received being temporarily held in Operating Account pending establishment of BOAA Capital Campaign Account. New account has been opened and funds are expected to be transferred before December 31.
- 3 2018-19 budget includes capital campaign expenses and mortgage principal payments. Capital campaign will contribute \$40,000 for costs of capital expenses, mortgage principal payments, and maintenance and repairs.
- 4 Mortgage Principal Payments. 2018-19 Principal Payments will be \$30,231.
- 5 2018 - 19 Budget distribution is 5.5%, but a lower absolute amount than last year.
- 6 Campaign Gifts transfer in-process to Investments from Donors
- 7 If additional funds are received from stewardship, they will go to reduce trust fund withdrawals, add to office staff and M&O in that order.

CHURCH COUNCIL

Elected Positions

Church Council Chair:	Dick Mitchell
Church Council Vice-Chair:	Lynda Norton
Secretary:	Chris Vermeulen
Treasurer:	Mike Dabbs
Clerk:	Peg Jacobs
Historian:	Betty Bishop

Remaining Positions Filled by Board and Committee Positions

Board of Deacons Co-Chairs	Mitchell Dudley and Nancy Vermeulen
Board of Trustees Chair	Mark Foster
Board of Christian Education Chair	Ellen Rambo
Director of Christian Education	Rachel Dudley
Missions and Outreach Committee Chair	Pam Dabbs
Music Committee Chair	Mj Quigley-Young
Nominating Committee Co-Chairs	Rich Muhs and Kristy Stoneburner
Activities and Fellowship Chair	Robbie Sawitski
Contemporary Issues Committee Chair	Sara Holmes
Ministers	Bob Livingston and Darcy Crain

Review of 2018 Activities

Staffing:

- Filled open positions to provide staffing to handle the needs and tasks of the Church.
- Formed a personnel committee to review the current staff handbook.

Budget / Strategic Plan:

- Approved a proposed budget for the 2018–2019 fiscal year to be voted on by the Congregation during the Annual Meeting.
- Reviewed and updated the Strategic Plan for the period from July, 2018 to June, 2019.

Capital Campaign / Capital Improvement:

- Approved the recommendation for a vote by the Congregation to move forward with a Capital Campaign to make capital improvements on the building.

Review of By-Laws:

- A group was formed to review the By-Laws and make suggestions for updating various sections to meet the current needs of the Church organization.

Safety:

- Continued to have discussions about the safety and security of the Church.

Please feel free to contact any member of the Church Council with questions, comments, or concerns. We appreciate your input on the activities of the Church.

—Chris Vermeulen, Church Council Secretary

Next Scheduled Meeting: January 21, 2019

MUSIC COMMITTEE

CO-CHAIRS: MICHELLE JOHNS AND MJ QUIGLEY-YOUNG

Music is a major part of our worship, and, in keeping with that, the members of the music committee have been actively supporting all the musical gifts within our church membership as well as reaching out to include others in our community. Please note these many contributions listed below, both past and future.

- Welcoming and supporting our new Chancel Choir director, Shohei Kobayashi, as he begins his tenure with us.
- Increase in choir membership.
- Recognition and grateful acceptance of the donation by Marilyn Mason of her home practice organ, to be installed in our Douglas Chapel.
- The inclusion of more information about our musical selections in the Sunday bulletin for the edification of our congregation.
- Holding regular rehearsals for the Hand Chimes Choir, with the Randy Webb volunteering to aid Director Cindy Bylsma, in preparation for more frequent performances in the future.
- The presentation of a wonderful, large music program for the second Sunday in Advent on Dec. 9, 2018. Our Chancel Choir, soloists, and a string orchestra performed Vivaldi's *Magnificat RV 611*, conducted by Shohei Kobayashi. Included in the orchestra this year was a Portativ organ played by Rebecca Jones. This is in keeping with the *Charles and Alva Sink Fund* and legacy, supporting these events.
- Sending out an invitation to families and youth to attend our special music presentations for their personal inspiration and growth.
- The presentation of an extended music offering under the direction of Terry Farmer, at our 9 a.m. Change of Pace Worship Service on Christmas Sunday, Dec. 23.
- At the 8 p.m. Christmas Eve Service on Dec. 24th, the performance of a string quartet in conjunction with special organ music by Timothy Huth, A.Mus.D. Members of the string quartet are Barbara Sturgis-Everett, Mike Overdier, Carolyn Tarzia, and Mj Quigley-Young.

Plans are being made for special performances by our youth during the Prelude section of our 10 a.m. worship service during January and February, 2019, and musical plans are being laid for Lent, Palm Sunday, and Easter Sunday, all to be announced.

It is our hope that more church members, both adults and youth, will share their musical gifts more frequently throughout the year. Our Music Committee is presently exploring and planning new projects that will support and enhance the musical component of our worship services.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: FUNDRAISING TEAM REPORT

MIKE DABBS

Capital Campaign Leadership Team: Michael Dabbs, Team Leader; Debbie Bourque, Judy Hallberg, Dan Jacobs, Bob Livingston, Ken Nisbet, and Jean Wedemeyer



As this Courier goes to print, a grand total of 130 members have pledged \$1,537,225. This has been a phenomenal response from our members, which is deeply appreciated. We believe it is critical that this campaign be inclusive of all of our members and would encourage members who have not submitted a pledge to consider doing so during January. Should any member be concerned that their gift may be small and not make a difference, let us assure you that we need all gifts and each will bring us closer to our stretch goal of \$2,000,000. As we mentioned, the most important thing is having all members participate in this campaign.

In December, we announced that we had received a gift of \$100,000 from the Towsley Foundation and that we were eligible to receive an additional \$90,000 gift if we could raise at least \$45,000. We are pleased to report that during December, 45 members pledged \$204,395, thus enabling our church to receive this additional gift. Thank you so much for your fabulous response!

Also, Bob announced in December that the new Welcome Center would be named in honor of Rev. Terry and Joan Smith, given their 32 years of ministry at FCC. As Bob explained, their warm, compassionate, and welcoming spirit during Terry's years as Senior Minister made the naming of the enlarged and rejuvenated Mayflower Lobby a very appropriate way to honor Terry and Joan and convey the spirit we want this renovated area to convey. Bob visited with Terry and Joan in North Carolina. They were very moved and humbled by this honor.

In January, the Trustees will advise the Design Team to proceed with working with the architectural firm to prepare cost estimates of each of the major projects in order to share this information with the members prior to this summer.

On December 2, the first "Check-In" meeting was held with twelve to fifteen members who raised a number of good questions and comments. We thought it would be helpful for all members to see the notes of the meeting, which follows. It is anticipated that additional check-in meetings will be held as necessary throughout 2019 and beyond.

Notes from the December 2 Capital Campaign Check-In

Dan Jacobs

A group of 12–15 members attended this meeting, along with representatives from Church Council and the Trustees, and provided the Trustee Design Committee with input on a range of issues.

Access into the building – There was concern about having the entrance on the north and parking on the south. It was shared with the group that putting a ramp on the south would eliminate the very parking needed by those members who are mobile but need a short distance to the building. It was also shared that FCC has shared with the DDA that, as they plan for a bike lane on William Street, we hope that they will provide a drop off space that aligns with our north entry and additional barrier-free parking spaces.

Safety & Security – There was concern that we might be making the church seem like a fortress rather than a welcoming space. After some discussion, the group agreed that we need to provide secure spaces for our office staff during the week and children during church service. They hope that suggestions for securing the sanctuary can be discussed further.

Who came up with the list of things to do? – A few members wanted to know how the list was developed. The list was generated by the congregation. There was a survey taken during the Strategic Planning Process about five years ago and then a follow up survey was done about two years ago, and both surveys supported the same initiatives. From the major categories of Accessibility, Safety and Security, Worship Space, Fellowship Space, and Staff Offices, small groups directly affected by possible changes, such as the church school, were asked about issues they hoped to see included in a Capital Campaign. There was also a congregation meeting held by the church's architect, Kingscott last winter.

What will be the ultimate decision-making process? – After the fundraising portion of the Capital Campaign is complete, the Trustee's Design Committee will prepare a preliminary list of items to be proposed for the campaign. The list will then be shared with the Trustees for their approval. Once the Trustees agree on a list, it will be shared with the Church Council for their review, input, and approval. After both groups have agreed upon the scope of work to be undertaken, it will be presented to the congregation for their approval. If there are substantial changes along the way, the Church Council and Trustees will be made aware, so that they can officially approve the final scope, which will allow the Design Committee to proceed working with Kingscott to prepare drawings for the various phases. Some work will be done by FCC, but the bigger project will be done by either a general contractor or a construction manager.

Act like a welcoming church – Some discussion occurred, suggesting that we need to act like a welcoming church rather than making structural changes to create a welcoming environment. There were some good ideas expressed, which will be shared with Church Council for their thoughts and discussion. The group was informed that most new churches create spaces like the proposed Welcome Center, and many existing churches are building additions to create that type of space. The proposed Welcome Center will be our front door and first impression for new visitors, as well as a space for members to gather and commune before and after services.

Will there be another meeting? – Yes. In January we will hold another check-in meeting. However, in the meantime, if you want to contact one of the Design Committee members, please reach out to Peter Sandretto, Scott Allen, Jane Thomson, Joe Denay, or Dan Jacobs.

STEWARDSHIP MARK SCHIRMER

Stewardship 2019: It's Never Too Early to Plan

Happy New Year! We hope you had a joyous and special holiday and are ready for 2019. The beginning of a new year is often a time to look ahead and begin planning. With that in mind, we'd like you to begin planning to support the annual stewardship campaign. The campaign will kick off in April, a month earlier this year, to help us have everything in place before the start of the church's next fiscal year, which begins on July 1.

As always, we will be asking the entire FCC family to generously help our church and all it stands for in the community. As you look ahead into 2019, please consider donating your valuable time to support our many Missions and Outreach efforts; to be a deacon and help make each service go smoothly; maybe get involved with Christian Education, or join one of the many boards and committees. As you will find, the more you put in, the more you get out.

Making a financial commitment during stewardship is also important, as the stewardship campaign generates the funding to make FCC run. Stewardship supports the operating budget of the church, which pays for all the great programming in our church year. The operating budget pays the salaries of our excellent staff, heats the building, keeps the lights on, supports our programs and ministries, and ensures that FCC keeps rolling smoothly.

There's been a lot of information about the capital campaign in the past months. Many of our church members have already generously donated to campaign. Keep in mind that the capital campaign is different from the annual stewardship campaign. Our capital campaign will support many excellent and much-needed improvements to our historic home. It does not, however, cover the cost of operating the church. While the physical improvements will help our home look better than ever for its 175th anniversary, our annual stewardship campaign is important as well. Without your support, we can't run the church.

Please consider how you can support stewardship this year. We had a number of great campaigns in the past years, with the most ever raised in 2018. But our number of donors was down. Let's work to get more engagement this year—everyone can donate in some way. Remember, *April is Stewardship Month*. It's never too early to consider how you can support the First Congregational Church of Ann Arbor. We all can help keep our beacon of God's love, hope and Christian freedom alive and well in our community. We all need to pitch in. Thank you, and Happy New Year!

—Mark Schirmer, Stewardship Chair (1960bird@gmail.com)

MISSIONS AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE

PAM DABBS

We can't believe how fast 2018 flew by, and now, here we are at the beginning of 2019 — another year of doing thoughtful, caring mission work! As we feel the cold weather outside, we are in the process of preparing to open our daytime FCC Warming Shelter on Monday, Wednesdays, and Fridays in February. Again this year, we will be using the Sign-up Genius to fill our volunteer, food, and supply needs. The Sign-up Genius really simplifies the whole process, and we hope you will take advantage of it. Please look for the Sign-up Genius link in the Friday email or on the church website in the second or third week of January. Any help you can give us will be so appreciated! Thank you so much for your never-ending generosity!

A Special Request

Looking ahead to the daytime warming shelter, many of you know that our Golden Retriever "Nugget" has been a frequent visitor during the February daytime warming shelter bringing comfort to many of our guests every year. Nugget is ready for his job, but unfortunately I am not so ready to be at his side this year even though I will be in the building. It's been a rough winter for me with flu morphing into pneumonia and with a Rx that caused tendon issues in my right shoulder that may require surgery and recovery. To get to the point, if you love dogs and would be willing to wander around Pilgrim Hall with Nugget so he can visit with his friends seeking shelter, please contact me. If you're going to be volunteering and would like the part time responsibility of leading him around the room, please let me know. Perhaps there is time in January for a meet and greet with the big guy at FCC; Nugget is 125 lbs., well-trained, but will need leadership working the room. He makes conversation easy. This I know.

Many thanks for the well wishes received over the past month!

--Nancy Sauve (nancy@fccannarbor.org) or 734-926-0560.

HEALING SPACE

Healing Space is held on the third Sunday of each month from 7 to 8 p.m. in the Mayflower Room. Each session includes music, both silent and guided meditations, a themed reflection and a time for group prayer. The next meditation service will be Sunday, January 20, and our topic will be Discernment. If you need further information contact Gail Haynes. Input is welcome and all are welcome. Come when you can!

For additional information, please contact Gail Haynes (gehaynes@aol.com).



ACTIVITIES AND FELLOWSHIP COMMITTEE

ROBBIE SAWITSKI

Warmest greetings for the new year to all from your AFC. We certainly have been blessed by a wonderful Christmas Season! The church decorations have been lovely and inspiring. Many thanks to all who participated in adding that extra-loving Christmas spirit to our already special church, both putting them up and taking them down. A very special thank you to Dave Steiner for his exceptional organizational skills! Because of this, next year's decorating event will go smoothly that everyone will want to participate.

The Advent Women's Evening was a resounding success! So many happy faces and warm greetings everywhere I looked. We women sure know how to have a good time. We already have one hostess signed up for next year! Thank you Pam Towery and Nancy Vermeulen for your receptionist skills and your willingness to share them. Many special thanks to all the fantastic kitchen elves who served and doted on us throughout the evening. Christine Miller was our chef extraordinaire. We are so lucky to have Christine at FCC. She outdid herself, again, and we thank her from the bottom of our hearts for taking such good care of us. I would also like to thank Cesar Puente, George Sawitski, and Chris Vermeulen for their excellent kitchen assistance. You made my night!! Special thanks to Andrew Anderson, for the beautiful piano music throughout the evening—it was magical. Finally, I personally want to thank Tori Darnell, FCC section leader, for her willingness to volunteer her fine talent to lead us in our caroling. She was a delight, and everyone had such fun singing along with her. I do believe a great time was had by all! I'm already looking forward to next year.

Our next event will be the FCC's 172nd anniversary celebration on a Sunday in March, following the 10 a.m. service. Please, stay tuned for details.

—Robbie Sawitski

CONTEMPORARY ISSUES—SECOND SUNDAY SERIES

SARA HOLMES

Schedule Change

Unfortunately, the program, Interfaith Wisdom: Women creating alliances for friendship and peace, will no longer occur on Sunday, January 13th. The program will be rescheduled for a Sunday later in 2019.

Please join us for the next program in our next Contemporary Issues presentation on February 10 at 11:10 a.m. in the Mayflower Room:

Carbon Fee and Dividend: Effective Option for Addressing Climate Change

Steve Kolk, ACAS, MAAA, climate actuarial expert

Clark McCall, Citizens' Climate Lobby volunteer, FCC member



2019

FACES OF FAITH VIII

Sunday, January 27, 3-5 pm

(followed by our annual fundraising dinner at the Mission – 5:30-7:30)

Come hear the stories of local clergy & other designated religious leaders from 6 traditions. This year each will speak to the whole group on matters of compassion and mercy. Follow-up conversations will be probing and engaging.

Muslim

*Leenah Safi, U of M
Assn of Religious Counselors*

Native (Anishinaabe)

Bruce Martin

Christian

*Hillary Watson
Mennonite/Church
of the Brethren*

Atheist

Dan Thiel

Old Catholic

Gil Oswald

Buddhist

*Marta Dabis
Jissilo Zen Buddhist*

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word and
enriching lives*

REGULAR SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- 8:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 8:45 a.m. Continental Breakfast, Pilgrim Hall
- 9:00 a.m. Change of Pace Service, Pilgrim Hall
- 9:30 a.m. Communion Service, Douglas Memorial Chapel
- 10:00 a.m. Traditional Service, Sanctuary
(Church School during 10:00 a.m. service)
- 11:00 a.m. Friendship Time, Pilgrim Hall

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH JANUARY 2019 CALENDAR

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| Jan 13 | 10:00 a.m. | Confirmation Commissioning, |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Confirmation Class, Mayflower Room |
| | 11:00 a.m. | BOCE, Meeting Room |
| Jan 14 | 6:00 p.m. | Trustees, Meeting Room |
| Jan 15 | 7:00 p.m. | TNS, Mayflower Room |
| Jan 16 | 8:30 a.m. | Text Breakfast, Classic Cup Café |
| | 12:00 p.m. | Marketing Committee, Mayflower Room |
| | 6:30 p.m. | 20-40 Group, Meeting Room |
| Jan 20 | 11:00 a.m. | Church School Potluck, Mayflower Room |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Activities and Fellowship Committee,
Mayflower Room |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Healing Space, Mayflower Room |
| Jan 21 | | OFFICE CLOSED – MLK Holiday |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Church Council, Mayflower Room |
| Jan 22 | 7:00 p.m. | TNS, Mayflower Room |
| Jan 23 | 8:30 a.m. | Text Breakfast, Classic Cup Café |
| | 6:30 p.m. | 20-40 Group, Meeting Room |
| Jan 27 | 11:00 a.m. | Confirmation Class, Mayflower Room |
| | 11:00 a.m. | New Member Orientation Brunch,
Mayflower Room |
| Jan 28 | 12:00 p.m. | Knights Luncheon Group, Knights on
Dexter Rd. |
| Jan 29 | 7:00 p.m. | TNS, Mayflower Room |
| Jan 30 | 8:30 a.m. | Text Breakfast, Classic Cup Café |
| | 6:30 p.m. | 20-40 Group, Meeting Room |
| Feb 1 | 9:00 a.m. | Warming Shelter begins, Pilgrim Hall |