

I meditate on all thy works



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 22, 2022

The service of worship begins with the first gift to God - the music of the organ. May you feel the Spirit of God through the power and quietness as you become comfortable and prepare to worship God.

*** Please stand as you are able**

Listening devices and Large Print Bulletins are available

Feel free to sing the hymns while wearing your mask

WE ARE CALLED TOGETHER

PRELUDE "Spring" Sonata, Opus 24, movement I

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***WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP**

(Congregation reads bold print)

Pastor: Loving God, we gather together with a new Covenant written on our hearts that ties us together.

People: We are a people who belong to you, connected, yet free.

Pastor: We are free to follow the leadings of your Spirit.

People: Free to be the people you have created us to be.

Pastor: We are free to love and serve you faithfully, walking willingly where Christ would have us go.

People: Center us around Him now, that we may grow ever closer to his living presence.

Pastor: May the light of Christ shine brightly as we work that all may know your love and goodness.

Pastor: We worship together now in His name. Amen.

***HYMN 353**

“Be Thou My Vision”

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MINISTER’S MOMENT

The Rev. Joy A. Baumgartner

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Spring” Sonata, Opus 24, movement II

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PRAYER CONCERNS (The People of Ukraine) Donna Sullivan,
Kendell Nordstrom, Ron Peterson, Carol Warner, Family of Tom
Nightingale

QUIET PRAYER, PASTORAL PRAYER, LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your 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.

***HYMN 26** “Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet”

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***BENEDICTION AND VISIONING MEETING**

Please move to the Gathering Space for our time together. Agendas are on each chair. Coffee and Cookies are available during the meeting.

OFFERING TODAY (Offering plates are available in the Gathering Space for you to place your gifts either before or after the worship service. Remember, envelopes support the church's ministry and cash goes directly to missions). Our Mission of the Month is WORD ALIVE MISSION IN GHANA. See further description on later page.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor.....	The Rev. Joy A. Baumgartner
Organist and Director of Music.....	Max Yount
Special Music.....	Emily Sobacki

GREETERS

We thank Jan Ruster for serving as our greeter this morning.

First Congregational Church of Beloit

Is a Member of

The National Association of Congregational Christian Churches
And the Wisconsin Conference of Congregational Churches.

Welcome to First Congregational Church

We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in the worship, study, fellowship and services of this congregation.

If you are a guest with us this morning, our ushers are available to assist you. Individual **listening devices** for improved sound for those with hearing needs are available. **Large Print Bulletins** are available for those with sight needs. Our ushers will direct you to both **regular and large print bulletins on the table in the Gathering Space**. **Restrooms** are located to your left as you leave the worship space.

This Week at Church

May 22- Worship and Congregational Visioning

May 25- Al-Anon

May 29- Memorial Weekend Worship

May 30- Church office closed

Prayer for the Church

Loving and Eternal God, you have abundantly blessed us with the power to reach out and make a difference in the world. We ask that you bless our ministry through our Church and increase our love for one another and our community. Help us honor our history and seek your will as we march into our future in Jesus' name. Amen.



May Mission of the Month

Our May mission of the month is World Alive Mission in Ghana. World Alive Mission serves numerous villages and towns in Western Ghana and the Ivory Coast by planting churches, offering pastor and leadership training and a Bible College, housing abandoned children in the orphanage (Ghana), educating elementary age students, and providing training for community nurses.



Checks can be written to First Congregational Church for each Mission of the Month, and the church adds a \$200 contribution to each mission. All loose cash in the offering plates also is sent to the missions.

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