



Our 21st Season

The first Sunday of every month,
October through June at 6:00 p.m.

A secular concert of professional jazz music, for those who love jazz, with an inspirational message.

Concert Spotlight

Nelda Swiggett in Megabopolis

March 5, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Swingin', well-crafted arrangements and tight ensemble work produce a rich “big band” sound from this jazz sextet’s three-horn front line. Megabopolis is led by OAZ recording artist and award-winning composer Nelda Swiggett, and performs many of her original compositions and arrangements.

Megabopolis features some of Seattle’s finest jazz musicians, passionate about their craft, who have collectively performed at many top clubs and festivals throughout the Northwest and beyond, including the Earshot Jazz Festival, the Port Townsend Jazz Festival, Bumbershoot, Dimitriou’s Jazz Alley, the North Sea Jazz Festival, the Montreux Jazz Festival, and the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C., to name a few.

Travis Ranney - tenor saxophone, Michael Van Bebber - trumpet, Clif Swiggett -trombone/bongos, Nelda Swiggett - piano/vocal, Max Wood - drums, and Michael Glynn - bass



THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

WONDER AND CALLING



Sunday, February 26, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Please respect those gathering in prayer before worship.

Welcome to Worship! We are glad you are here.

Masks are recommended but not required.

Children are a treasured part of this community!
Please find a **Worship Adventure Packet** or a **Busy Box** at the tables in the foyers.
Children are free to use these resources during the worship service as they sit in the pews or in the Wiggle Room.

For families who prefer to worship together in a more informal setting, the service may be seen and heard in the Wiggle Room (aka Brawley Room) adjacent to the sanctuary. Arts, crafts, books and other materials are also available there to engage younger children.

Please take a moment to turn your cell phone ringer off. Thank you!



Prelude *Fantasia on “Wondrous Love”* - David Hurd Christian Broughton

Call to Worship Cherry Johnson

God, you are Wondrous (breathe in)
God, I am your child (breathe out)
Pray: God, let us give permission to stand in wonder with you. Let us notice something beautiful today we pray. Amen.

***Hymn** *God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale* #32

Time with Children Godly Play: Parable of Parables Ben Luedcke

Invitations to Involvement/Call to Giving/Call to Prayer Metta Williams

***Prayer Hymn** *O God How We Have Wandered* #202

Pastoral Prayer Margie Paynton

Anthem *My Song in the Night* - arr. Mack Wilberg Sanctuary Choir

O Jesus, my Savior, my song in the night,
Come to us with Thy tender love, my soul's delight.
Unto Thee, O Lord, in affliction I call,
My comfort by day and my song in the night.
O why should I wander an alien from Thee,
Or cry in the desert Thy face to see.
My comfort and joy, my soul's delight.
O Jesus, my Savior, my song in the night.

*If it is comfortable for you, please stand where indicated.

Scripture Genesis 2:7-9, 15-17, 21-25; 3:1-7 Gerald Seminatore

Sermon Rev. Davi Weasley

***Hymn** *We Shall Overcome*

We shall overcome, we shall overcome, we shall overcome someday.
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe we shall overcome someday.
We’ll go hand in hand...
We are not afraid...
We shall live in peace...

Benediction Rev. Davi Weasley

Postlude *Prelude and Fugue in D minor, BWV 554* - J.S. Bach Christian Broughton



Notes for Today’s Worship: Rev. Davi Weasley (they/them/theirs) is Pastor for Youth, Young Adults, and Mission at First Congregational Church in Bellingham, WA. Davi grew up in Western New York, and studied at Oberlin College and Chicago Theological Seminary. In addition to theology, they have a background in spiritual direction, community organizing, and storytelling. **Welcome, Rev. Davi!**

Scripture is from Dr. Wilda C. Gafney, a Women’s Lectionary for the Whole Church: Year A.

The call to worship and breath prayer are by Rev. Katy Stenta, <https://katyandtheword.com/2022/06/09/this-here-flesh-sermon-series/>.

Next Sunday, March 5th Lent II - Communion - Pastor Anita preaching. Congregational Forum w/the Facilities Committee immediately following worship, with a light lunch.

Remember to pick up the book “This Here Flesh: Spirituality, Liberation, and the Stories That Make Us” by Cole Arthur Riley in the Office.

Visit our website to see the Spire newsletter for the Lenten season.