

us to deepen our love for you and love for our neighbors. Empower us with the Holy spirit, filling us with the strength, wisdom, and courage to proclaim your gospel with clarity and conviction. May we long for our community's salvation as you do and help us to shine as beacons of hope to our community. Amen.

*Sending

Pastor Luke Schmalz

*Postlude

Jack Brooks

The First Congregational Church
Your Independent Worship Center



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Offering plates are located in the narthex. Today's service will be available at our website - www.fremontfcc.org and also on Facebook and YouTube.

July 26, 2026

The Order of Worship
*please stand, if you are able

Prelude

Jack Brooks

Announcements

Welcome

Call to Worship (Psalm 105)

Pastor: O give thanks to the LORD; call on his name; make known his deeds among the peoples. Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice. Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually. Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles and the judgments he has uttered, O offspring of his servant Abraham, children of Jacob, his chosen ones.

All: He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth. He is mindful of his covenant forever, of the word that he commanded for a thousand generations, the covenant that he made with Abraham, his sworn promise to Isaac, which he confirmed to Jacob as a statute, to Israel as an everlasting covenant.

Opening Prayer

***Opening Hymn- "When Morning Gilds the Skies"-Blue Hymnal #215**
vs 1,2,4

Prayer of Confession

All: Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Prayer

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you

everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Glory to God. Amen.**

***Response - Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

JeLy Bell! All kids are invited to go to the JeLy Room for JeLy Church!
(JeLy ~ Jesus Loves You)

Scripture: Genesis 29:15-28, Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Message: "Jacob & Laban"

Pastor Luke Schmalz

***The Apostle's Creed** (words projected)

***Hymn - "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah" - Blue Hymnal #682**

Prayers of the Congregation

The Lord's Prayer (words projected)

***Doxology** (As the offering is brought forward)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Sending Hymn - "The Solid Rock" - Blue Hymnal #526 vs1&3**

***Dismissal Prayer for Revival** (words projected - unison)

Almighty God, we have gathered here today to worship you. As we prepare to leave we ask you to breathe new life into our church. May a renewed passion be kindled within us, a fervent desire to spread the message of hope and salvation to spread the message of hope and salvation to our community.

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Altar Rep: Tracy Stern

Greeting us today: Glenn & Robin Dickmann

Next Sunday: Kelly Parks

Song Leader: Pat Krehn

Scripture Reader:

Next Sunday:

Tech Booth - Thank you volunteers! Robin, Kendra, April, Jeff

Happy Birthday to ~

Happy Anniversary to ~

This Weeks Calendar

Sunday, July 26

10:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary

11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour - Fellowship Hall

Monday, July 27

Men's Coffee Time - Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Woodshop Open - when two or three are gathered

1:30 p.m. Lounge in use

Tuesday, July 28 - *Church Office Closed*

10:00 a.m. Small Group Pat's - Pat Krehn's home

Wednesday, July 29

9:30 a.m. Men's Coffee Time - Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Woodshop Open - when two or three are gathered

Thursday, July 30 - *Church Office Closed*

10:00 a.m. Christmas Crafters - Fellowship Hall

Friday, July 31

9:30 a.m. Men's Coffee Time - Fellowship Hall

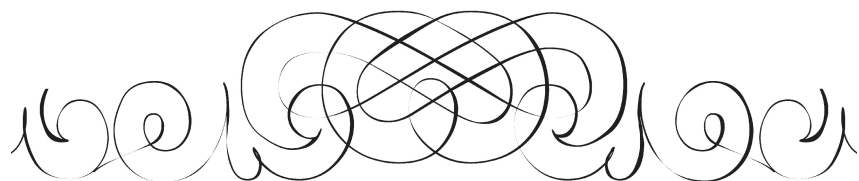
10:00 a.m. Woodshop Open - when two or three are gathered

Saturday, August 1

Sunday, August 2

10:00 a.m. Worship with Communion - Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour - Fellowship Hall



Our Church News

Jesus taught his disciples the “Lord’s Prayer” we still pray, centuries later. As we worship, know that you are in company with countless generations, praising God who was and is and is to come. Welcome to worship!

For the remainder of July, Pastor Luke will be attending class in Ohio working toward his Doctorate. If you need pastorate care during this time please contact the church office or one of the Deacon co-chairs - Ruth Cowles or Carrie DeMull.

60 & 90 - Did you notice the fish bowl & the colored ping pong balls on the bulletin table? Let’s see how many people we can invite this summer. For every person you invite put a ball in the fish bowl. Let’s try and fill it up.

Ladies Luncheon at the home of Carrie DeMull on Monday, August 17 at 12:00 noon. Car pool from church at 11:30 please bring a dish to pass. Main dish provided (Chicken Salad croissants) Please sign up on the sheet by the office door or in Fellowship Hall so we can plan accordingly.

Small Group (Pat’s) will meet July 28 at the home of Pat Krehn.

The next Bible Study with Beth will be Wednesday, August 12.



Happy
Birthday

**~Sunday, August 9~
Happy 151st Birthday to the
First Congregational Church.**

**Following worship come down to
Fellowship Hall and enjoy a breakfast**

