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**First Congregational Church**  
of Woodstock \_\_\_\_\_

*Declaring, "Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today,  
and forever." Hebrews 13:8*

*January 9th, 2022*

# *The Order of Morning Worship*

January 9th, 2022

Ten-thirty

Welcome

Pastor Doug Warren

Prelude & Silent Prayer

❖ Call to Worship

Psalm 86

Congregation

Pastor: We will praise You, O Lord our God, with our whole hearts; we will glorify Your name forever; for You have delivered us from the power of death.

**Congregation: Bring joy to Your servants, O Lord, for to You we lift up our souls. There is none like You; no deeds can compare with Yours.**

Pastor: All the nations You have made will come and worship before You. They will bring glory to Your name, for You alone are God.

**Congregation: Teach us now Your way, O Lord, and we will live in Your truth. Give us undivided hearts that we may fear and praise Your great name.**

❖ Hymn of Exultation #580

*Lead On, O King Eternal*

Congregation

Scriptural Call to Repentance

Psalm 46: 8 – 9

Pastor

Collective Confession

Congregation

Holy Father, we long to have You change our hearts. We confess to You that we do not obey You as we should. We don't think Your thoughts, speak Your truth, or do the good that You command. We do not love our neighbors as You have loved us. We bend the truth to our own purposes. We harbor bitterness when we don't get our own way. We neglect and leave the oppressed with no defender. We break Your holy law and delight in what You have forbidden. Merciful Lord, we humbly ask that You would forgive us and change our hearts. Conform us to the image of Your Son. Holy Spirit, work in us we pray, that we might be like You.

Silent Reflection and Confession

Proclamation of Forgiveness

Psalm 130

Pastor

Offering

(collected from back to front)

Congregation

- ❖ Affirmation of Faith *The Westminster Shorter Catechism*<sup>1</sup> Congregation
  - Pastor: What is the chief end of man?
  - Congregation: Man’s chief end is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever.**
  - Pastor: What rule has God given to direct us in how to glorify and enjoy Him?
  - Congregation: The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us as to how we may glorify and enjoy Him.**

❖ Creedal Song #735 *Gloria Patri* Congregation

❖ Scripture Reading Hebrews 10:19-25 Pastor

Pastor: The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

Deacons’ Offering (collected from back to front) Congregation

Pastoral Prayer Pastor

❖ Hymn of Reflection #597 *Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire* Congregation

The Sermon Acts 16:11-40 Pastor  
*“The Church in Philippi—Origin Story”*

❖ Hymn of Response #30 *Our God, Our Help in Ages Past* Congregation

Benediction Jude 24-25 Pastor

Pastor: To Him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before His glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forever more.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*The Congregation may be seated after the Benediction for silent prayer.*

Postlude

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<sup>1</sup> A catechism is a question and answer format for teaching the truths contained in Scripture. The Westminster Shorter Catechism was written in 1647 in England primarily as an aid for teaching children. It has been used by congregations and families in both worship and instruction for the past 350 years.

~~ Organist: Jonathan Denham ~~  
~~ Please ensure cell phones are off ~~

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The flowers today are given in loving memory of Evelyn  
and Roderick English by Edwin English.

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Young Adult Fellowship Group will meet tonight  
at 6 pm in the church library.

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### Property Manager Position

FCCW is looking for a Property Manager. This part-time position requires the person or persons to work a flexible schedule, be able to handle a variety of tasks, and be a good steward of FCCW property. Please contact Karl Huck at 802-457-3072 or e-mail him at [karlhuck@gmail.com](mailto:karlhuck@gmail.com) for more details or to submit an application. Thank you.

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### Deacons' Offering – Today, January 9th

Our church receives many requests for help from not just within our church body but the community at large. The deacons have a great many opportunities to share God's love with folks in need, whether it is paying a bill for them or buying them a pair of glasses. This is a vital ministry that our church has to reach into our communities and share the gospel in a loving, gracious way. If you are in need or know someone who is, please contact Dan Bruce, the Deacons' Mercy Minister at home (802) 457-3975, at his cell number (802) 345-8870, or email him at [rhondan08@myfairpoint.net](mailto:rhondan08@myfairpoint.net).

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