

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
May 18, 2014
Fifth Sunday of Easter—Celebration Sunday

Those who are able may stand where marked (*).

Gathering #185 “Jesus Loves Me”

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Prelude and Ministry of the Acolyte

Unison Reading: *Psalm 100*

One: Celebrate! Make a joyful noise to God!

**All: We worship you, God, with hearts that are glad.
 We come into your presence singing!**

One: God of all people, you are our God;
 you have made us and we are yours.

**All: We are your people, the sheep of your pasture.
 We celebrate your presence with grateful hearts,
 our mouths overflow with praise!**

One: We thank you, O God. We bless your name. You are good.

**All: Your steadfast love endures forever,
 your faithfulness to all generations!**

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**All: We worship you, God, with hearts that are glad.
 We come into your presence singing!**

*Hymn #719 “Children of the Heavenly Father”

Anthem “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” *Bateman/Pethel*

Celebrations

Children’s Class

Third Graders

Exodus Class

Sunday Morning Adult Class

Moments of Concern and Celebration

(please fill out a blue card in the pew)

Pastoral Prayer

Savior’s Prayer (trespasses)

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

*Doxology #815

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn #667 “Lord, Speak to Me”

Scripture: Matthew 18:1-5

Sermon: “Celebrate!”

*Hymn #572 “Blessed Assurance”

*Benediction

*Response #764 “The Trees of the Field”

*Ministry of the Acolyte and Postlude