



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL  
Church of Hamilton

## Order of Service April 21, 2024

### Prelude

### Welcome and Announcements

### Preparation

*Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them.  
And how much more valuable you are than birds!  
– Luke 12:24*

### \* Call to Worship: Hebrews 10:15-17,23

Leader: The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First he says: “This is the covenant I will make with them after that time, says the Lord.

**People: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds.”**

Leader: Then he adds: “Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more.”

**Unison: Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.**

### \* Song of Worship ..... “O Worship the King, All Glorious Above”

### \* Invocation

### \* Song of Response: Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me mold me fill me use me.  
Spirit of the living God fall afresh on me.

**Children’s Message**..... Craig Story

**Scripture Reading**..... Micah 1:1-7a

**Song of Response** ..... “Speak O Lord”

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Musical Offering:** “I Know That My Redeemer Liveth” ..... *Shelly Moran*

\* **Doxology**

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

**Sermon:** “*What Angers the Lord?*” ..... *Dr. Jeffrey Arthurs*  
Micah 1:1-16

\* **Hymn** ..... “Take My Life”

\* **Call to Prayer and Benediction**

**Postlude**

# O Worship the King, All Glorious Above 21

*O Lord my God, . . . Thou art clothed with honor and majesty. Psa. 104:1*

Psalm 104

William Kethe, 1561

Adapt. by Robert Grant, 1833

LYONS 10 10 11 11

William Gardiner's *Sacred Melodies*, 1815

Arr. from Johann M. Haydn, 1737-1806

1. O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove, O grate - ful - ly  
2. O tell of His might, O sing of His grace, Whose robe is the  
3. Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the  
4. Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail, In Thee do we

sing His pow'r and His love; Our Shield and De - fend - er, the An - cient of  
light, whose can - o - py space. His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der clouds  
air, it shines in the light; It streams from the hills, it de - scends to the  
trust, nor find Thee to fail; Thy mer - cies how ten - der! how firm to the

Days, Pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.  
form, And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.  
plain, And sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.  
end! Our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er and Friend. A - men.

HIS PRAISE

# Speak O Lord

Words and Music by  
Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

VERSE

F/A G/B C<sup>2</sup> F C F C



1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to You \_\_\_ to re - ceive the food \_\_\_ of Your  
2. Teach us Lord full o - be - di - ence, \_\_\_ ho - ly rev - er - ence, \_\_\_ true hu -  
3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; \_ Help us grasp the heights \_ of Your

4 Am G/B F/A G/B C<sup>2</sup> F C



ho - ly word. \_ Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; \_\_\_ Shape and  
-mil - i - ty. \_\_\_ Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes \_ in the  
plans for us. \_\_\_ Truths un - changed from the dawn of time, \_ that will

7 F C/E F G C C/E G G/F C/E



fash - ion us \_\_\_ in Your like - ness, that the light of Christ might be  
ra - di - ance \_\_\_ of Your pu - ri - ty. Cause our faith to rise, cause our  
e - cho down \_ through e - ter - ni - ty. And by grace we'll stand on Your

10 G<sup>sus</sup>/F G<sup>9</sup>/F C<sup>2</sup>/E G G/F C/E Am G<sup>sus</sup> G F/A G/B C<sup>2</sup>



seen \_\_\_ to - day \_ in our acts of love and our deeds of \_\_\_ faith. \_ Speak, O Lord, and ful -  
eyes \_\_\_ to see \_ Your ma - jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty. \_\_\_ Words of pow'r that can  
prom - is - es; \_ And by faith we'll walk as You walk with \_ us. \_\_\_ Speak, O Lord, till Your

14 F C F C/E F G<sup>sus</sup> G C



-fill in us \_\_\_ all Your pur - pos - es, \_\_\_ for Your glo - ry.  
nev - er fail; \_ Let their truth pre - vail \_\_\_ o - ver un - be - lief.  
church is built \_ and the earth is filled \_ with Your glo - ry.

## Take My Life

words and music by Scott Underwood

Holiness holiness  
Is what I long for  
Holiness is what I need  
Holiness holiness  
Is what You want from me

Faithfulness faithfulness  
Is what I long for  
Faithfulness is what I need  
Faithfulness faithfulness  
Is what You want from me

### *Chorus*

*So take my heart and form it  
Take my mind transform it  
Take my will conform it  
To Yours to Yours oh Lord*

Righteousness righteousness  
Is what I long for  
Righteousness is what I need  
Righteousness righteousness  
Is what You want from me

### *Chorus*

*So take my heart and form it  
Take my mind transform it  
Take my will conform it  
To Yours to Yours oh Lord to yours.*



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 21, 2024

**Our mission** is to rejoice in God, grow in the gospel, and point people to Jesus.  
**Our vision** is to be a house of refuge, a community of joy, and a spiritual catalyst for personal and cultural renewal.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Today! NJ Turkish Trip Information sessions, 9:45 am and 12:15 pm
- April 22 - Zoom Q&A with Elders for Proposed Pastoral Model, 7:00 pm
- April 24 - Pilgrim's Pint, 7:00 pm
- April 27 - Front Porch Stories, 7:00 pm
- April 28 - Welcome Milestone for parents with babies, 9:45 am
- April 28 - Middle School Field Trip to the MFA
- April 29 - Congregational Meeting, 7:00 pm
- May 6 - Women's Night at the Post Restaurant, 7:30 pm
- May 8 - New Members Class, 6:00 pm

## NEW TO OUR CHURCH?

**Welcome!** We are glad you chose to join us this morning! If you have questions please ask an usher, or visit our Welcome Desk downstairs in the Fellowship Foyer.

**For families we provide children's ministry.** During our 8:30 am service, our supervised Nursery is for ages 0- 3, and our Little People's Church (LPC) program is for age 4 through 1st grade. LPC meets after the Children's Message during the 8:30 am service. During the 11:00 am service, the Nursery is staffed as a combined space for infants and toddlers.

### Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 am

- Infants - Preschool age children gather in the Meeting House
- Elementary age children meet in the lower level of the Ministry Center
- Middle Schoolers meet in the Ministry Center (Café)
- High Schoolers meet in the Barn
- Adults classes:
  - **Study of 1 Corinthians** with Dr. Eckhard Schnabel, MC Room 21
  - **Study of 1 and 2 Thessalonians** with Kornilios Lazaridis, MC Room 22
  - **How to Get More Comfortable with the Holy Spirit** with Dr. Jack Davis, Meeting House Chapel

**Additional Resources:** As a house of refuge, we want to care for you well. We have the deacon's fund, prayer chain, helping hands ministry, meals ministry, counseling, and other resources to help. Please reach out to us at [info@fcchamilton.org](mailto:info@fcchamilton.org).

We're so glad you're here and would love to serve you!

## PASTORAL MODEL & BY-LAW CHANGES UPCOMING DATES

- Monday, April 22 - Zoom Q&A session at 7:00 pm
- Monday, April 29 - Congregational Meeting at 7:00 pm in Heritage Hall

## NEW MEMBERS CLASS

Learn what it means to join the family, mission and vision of FCCH at our new members class on Wednesday, May 8 from 6:00-9:00 pm in the Wigglesworth-Cutler House. Register online at [fcchamilton.org/classes](http://fcchamilton.org/classes) or on our app/sign ups.

## MISSIONS

- **NJ Turkish Missions Trip information Session** Are you interested in being part of supporting, praying or going on the NJ Turkish Trip with Global Gates at the end of June? If so, please come to our information sessions on April 21. We meet during the Sunday school hour and also following the 11:00 am service in the first floor classroom of the Meetinghouse.

## PILGRIM'S PINT

Our next Pilgrim's Pint (a casual and engaging lecture series exploring the 'ins' and 'outs' of Christian beliefs in a modern context) is **Wednesday**, April 24 at 7:00 pm at the Post in Hamilton. Dr. Craig Story of Gordon College will speak on *Darwin In Retrospect: How Christianity and evolution get along after 160 years*. Invite a friend and join us for a lively talk and discussion as we reason together over a beverage of your choice. Register on the app/sign ups. Pilgrim's Pint is led by Josiah Coffey and sponsored by FCCH.

## FRONT PORCH STORIES

Join us for a night of live and true stories from people like you on April 27 at 7:00 pm in the Barn. Enjoy coffee, dessert and connecting with friends. Register online at [fchamilton.org/events](http://fchamilton.org/events) or use our app/signups. \$5 suggested donation at the door. For adults and children 13+.

## WOMEN'S NIGHT AT THE POST

Ladies are invited to the Post Restaurant in Hamilton on May 6 at 7:30 pm for a fun night with friends old and new! All are welcome. Light apps provided. Drinks on your own. Register on the church app.

## "MARK, HIS WORD"

Experience a one-man show of the Gospel of Mark. Jeff Arthurs' friend, Hunter Barnes, a professional actor and pastor, will perform the show twice. May 14 and June 6. 7:00-8:30, Kaiser Chapel, Gordon-Conwell Seminary, admission is free.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

- **Welcome Milestone Class** - Parents with babies are invited to this class during the Sunday School hour on April 28, to learn about our Milestones program. The Welcome Milestone gives resources and support to new parents and information about baptism/dedication. Register online or on our app.
- **VBS Registration is open - for kids and volunteers!** Our Vacation Bible School, *The Courage of Daniel*, is for children 3 years through grade 5. Register your child online at [fchamilton.org/events](http://fchamilton.org/events) or our app/signups. Registration is also open to be a volunteer.

## YOUTH MINISTRY EXPLORE

- **MFA Sunday School Field Trip** for all 7th and 8th graders on Sunday, April 28. We will tour the MFA's Ancient Near East exhibit to learn more about the Old Testament world, putting our Old Testament Survey in context. We depart at 9:45 am from our Sunday school classroom. Please sign up by Tuesday, April 23 on our app/sign ups.
- **Explore 2024 for Middle School** - Students entering grade 6, 7 and 8 are invited to join us as we *explore* the North Shore and our faith. Register now on our website at [fchamilton.org/events](http://fchamilton.org/events) or use our app/sign ups.

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

The Young Adults Ministry at FCCH consists of two groups that meet weekly for a Bible study, fellowship and fun. Find out where you belong! Contact Pastor Matt, [mschuberth@fchamilton.org](mailto:mschuberth@fchamilton.org) with questions.

- College Age: Sundays at 6:30 pm at Gordon College.
- Post College Age: Wednesdays at 7:00 pm at the Pineda-Cooper home in Beverly.

## SERVE WITH THE LIFEBRIDGE TEAM

The first Thursday and Friday of every month, FCCH prepares and serves a meal at Lifebridge in Salem. Lifebridge works to meet the most urgent needs of the homeless and under-housed in Salem. Volunteers are needed for both meal prep and meal service. If interested, please sign up on the church app or on the website under the "serve our neighbors" tab. For more info, contact Elizabeth Ford and Kim Roberts.

## GRIEFSHARE

GriefShare is offering a 13-week Zoom session on Monday's at 7:30 pm. This program features biblical, Christ-centered teaching focused on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. Register online at [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org). For further information contact John Clark at (978) 375-6329 or [johnclarkhydroseeding@outlook.com](mailto:johnclarkhydroseeding@outlook.com).

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**All submissions for the announcements must be received in the church office by Wednesdays at noon. Thank you!**