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PRAISE THE LORD!
*Blessed is the man
who fears the LORD,
who greatly delights in
his commandments!*

PSALM 112:1, ESV

IN PERSON OR CATCH THE 10AM LIVESTREAM ON YOUTUBE.
Check out recent service streams and more at www.fcnh.org.



The birth of our church was in large measure a response against people like this Sunday's guest preacher.

The Stone Campbell movement was a rebellion against judicatories, religious middle management. The precipitating event was the Presbyterian practice of "fencing the table." Members had to be examined by elders and deemed worthy of admittance to the Lord's Supper. Alexander Campbell found this practice unconscionable. However, his refusal to participate in it was only one symptom of much broader concerns about church tradition and authority.

Our church was created out of these concerns. For most of the first century, congregations functioned without ecclesiastical organization. There were no diocese, synods, or presbyteries, just a loose association or brotherhood. There were no bishops, superintendents, or presbyters, just traveling evangelists who helped start churches. We emphasized the autonomy of the local congregation at the cost of ecclesiastical interdependence.

It wasn't long before a myriad of colleges and mission agencies were spontaneously created to fill the void. As they grew, so did their influence on congregations. Churches developed associations, often grouped within a state, and traveling evangelists became state executives. But governance still remained in the local congregation.

It does even yet today. Our movement restructured into a denomination in 1968. An ecclesiastical hierarchy was named (Local, Regional, General). State executives became regional ministers, a bishop of sorts in church vocabulary. However, they are not authoritarian figures, but function as the connective minister between congregations in a region. They are the hub and churches are the spokes.

Regional ministers serve as a spiritual guide for pastors and congregations, offering programs that connect congregations' members with one another. The Loch Leven summer camping project is a fine example of this, one which is important to our students. The regional minister helps local churches in times of crisis or opportunity. Most importantly, a regional minister plays a key role when a church seeks a new pastor.

Our regional minister is serving us well during this crucial time. He is the central resource for candidate discovery and has served as a consultant and guide to the search committee. He is prayerfully and purposefully invested in our future. Because of this and all of the above, we welcome our regional minister, Reverend Richie Sanchez. He is our guest preacher this Sunday.

Blessings, Randy

SUNDAY, JUNE 26th • 10:00am: Rev. Richie Sanchez, preaching
Unable to join us in person this Sunday? Tune in to the livestream on YouTube at:

www.youtube.com/c/FIRSTCHRISTIANCHURCHOFNORTHOLLYWOOD

2022 FCCNH SUMMER CAMPS

Some spaces are still available for the following camps:

Art Camp • Grades 2 - 12

7/11/22 – 7/15/22 • 9am-3pm • *Earlybird \$245 • Regular \$275

Art Camp! Sign your kids up for a creative endeavor this summer. Each day for a week, your son or daughter will have classes in painting, drawing, sculpture and photography. At the end of the week, an art show will display the kids' masterpieces. We are looking forward to having fun this summer.

Cooking Camp II • Grades 3 - 7

7.18.22 – 7.22.22 • 9:30am-12:30pm • *Earlybird \$175 • Regular \$195

A week-long camp for younger kids that teaches how to select and prepare America's favorite comfort foods from scratch. Kiddos will learn basic cooking skills, kitchen safety, and so much more! Each day we will focus on different entrees from baking to savory foods!

Photography Camp • Grades 3 - 12

7.25.22 – 7.29.22 • 9am - 12:30pm • *Earlybird \$165 • Regular \$195

Photography Camp is a half-day adventure between 9am-12:30pm. Additionally campers can enroll in Advanced Photography from 12:30-3:00pm (see below). All campers have the opportunity to learn the basics of digital photography through daily demonstrations and hands-on sessions in camera operation, composition, lighting, and seeing with an artistic eye photographing the church campus indoors and out. Also, there will be a stop motion workshop for those with phones. Campers should plan on bringing their own camera if they have access to one so they can learn its functionality. If not, we have cameras to share. SD memory cards are provided. Snacks are provided (Plan on packing a lunch IF you are in the advanced camp portion that stays later). Camp concludes with a gallery showing on Friday at 12:00pm. **Advanced Photography 12:30 - 3:00pm • \$85**

***To qualify for the Earlybird rate, payment is due three weeks before the camp start date.**

More info and secure registration may be accessed with the QR code at left or by emailing Camp Director, Kristina Frost, at camps@fccnh.org.



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ABOVE: Interim Youth Director Luis Oliart, former Youth Director Jeff Henderson and Regional Youth Representative Rev. Siobhan Lopez meeting to strengthen regional support for the FCCNH Youth Program, and help unify our regional efforts for youth development. **BOTTOM LEFT:** Departure for some of our participating Chi Rho kids to Loch Leven camp. We had 5 new families attend this year and one family member volunteered to be a counselor. **BOTTOM RIGHT:** Pre-college leap of faith. New traditions in the making.





Scouting safe bike paths for an upcoming FCCNH Youth Group Summer adventure.

YOUTH PROGRAM HOURS

SUNDAY MORNINGS

9:30AM-11:00AM · Middle School & High School

SUNDAY EVENINGS

5:30PM-7:30PM · High School

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS

3:00PM-5:30PM · Middle School



MEN'S GROUP

meets online weekly at
7PM WEDNESDAYS

Interested in joining?

For Zoom info Email: menoncorner@gmail.com



MEN ON THE CORNER SUGGESTED SCRIPTURE FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE
Casting all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you. – 1 PETER 5:7



W2W • WOMEN *to* WOMEN

Women's Group ZOOM MEETING

7:30pm FRIDAY NEWCOMERS WELCOME

email for Zoom info W2W.FCCNH@gmail.com

LOCH LEVEN SUMMER CAMP 2022



July 10-15 | JUNIOR CAMP
(Entering grades 4-5)

July 12-15 | MINI CAMP
(Entering 1-3)

July 24-29 | CYF 1
(Entering grades 9-10)

July 24-29 | CYF 2
(Entering grades 11 & 12 and
recent graduates)

REGISTER AT WWW.DOCPSWR.ORG/CAMP

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PLEASE SUBMIT ARTICLES
VIA EMAIL TO:

terrib@fccnh.org or
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office Monday thru Friday, 9am to 5pm.

EMAIL ADDRESS CORRECTION

The contact email address for
Deborah Luster printed in last
week's newsletter for information
regarding FCCNH Human
Needs Committee *Lunch in the
Park* was incorrect. Deborah
Luster's correct email address is
diluster@yahoo.com.

Christian Nursery School FALL registration now OPEN!

for Ages 2 - 5 • Full or Half Day

for more information email
Amanda@fccnh.org



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is a work of
heart



BY WAY OF REPORT

WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2022_____

10:00am Worship	109
Sunday School	8
Youth Morning	4
Youth Evening	3

10:00 AM Worship Offering	\$1,634.55
Sunday School Offering	\$1.00

CREDIT CARD OFFERING 6/13/22-6/19/22____

General Offering	\$2,446.67
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