



Rally Day 2021

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Welcome and Introductions

Diana Villeneuve, Pre-Confirmation

Alex Plum, Youth Minister

Sarah Plum, Choir Director and Youth Minister

Chris Myers, Pastor

Stacy Myers, Minister of Christian Education

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You Are NOT Alone

Raising children is hard.
Especially now.

You are not alone.

First Congregational
Church offers support.

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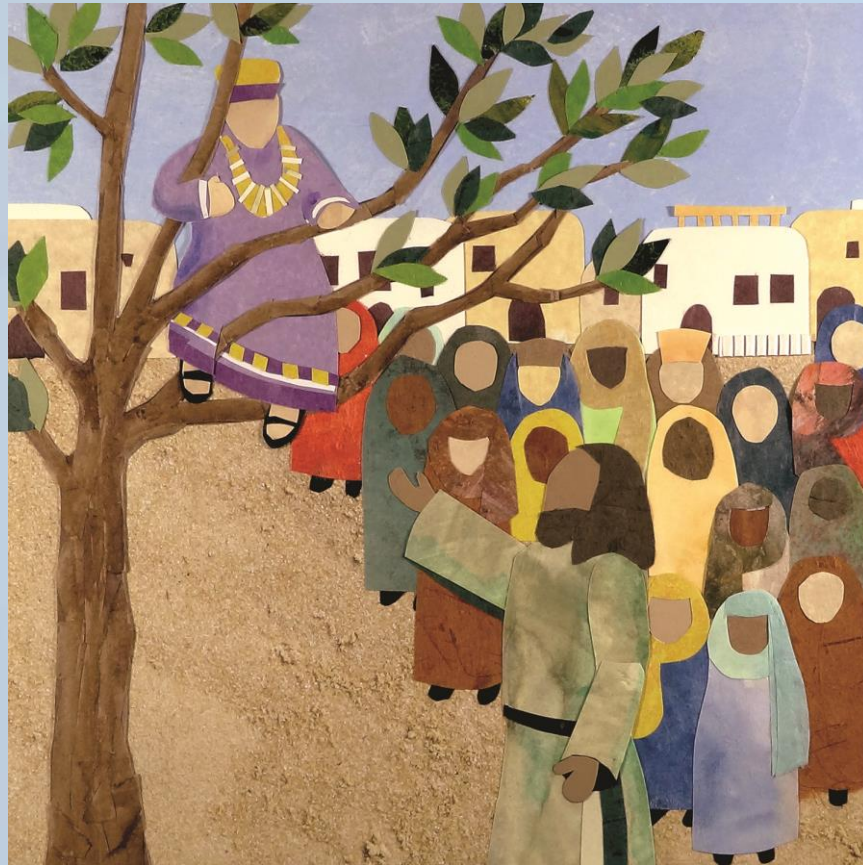
Our Goals for Faith Formation

Faith that is...

- Internal and external;
it is part of who I am & what I do
- Personal and communal;
it belongs to me & to the community
- Mature and maturing;
it is right for now & will grow



To Achieve Our Goals



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We hope children and teens will experience that:

- Church welcomes them
- Church nurtures their creativity and curiosity
- Church helps them learn



Specific Programs & Opportunities

- Worship Sundays and Mid-Week Advent, Lent
- Sunday School New! Library & Resource Center
- Wednesday School Friends, stories, art, play
- Pre-Confirmation Grade 6
- Confirmation Years 1, 2, 3 (Grades 7 – 9), new book
- Church Intern Program High School Students
- Middle & HS Youth Groups New!
- Wednesday Family Meals 5:15 – 6:15 pm, Family Max= \$25.00
- Boston Trip We hope April 21-24, 2022...
- Back Bay Mission Potentially March 12-19, 2022...



Marking Milestones

Baptism

Picture the Bible book

Grade 3

Picture the Bible story cards

Grade 6

NRSV Bible

Grade 7

Servant of Christ apron

Confirmation

Cross

High School Graduation Fleece blanket with church logo



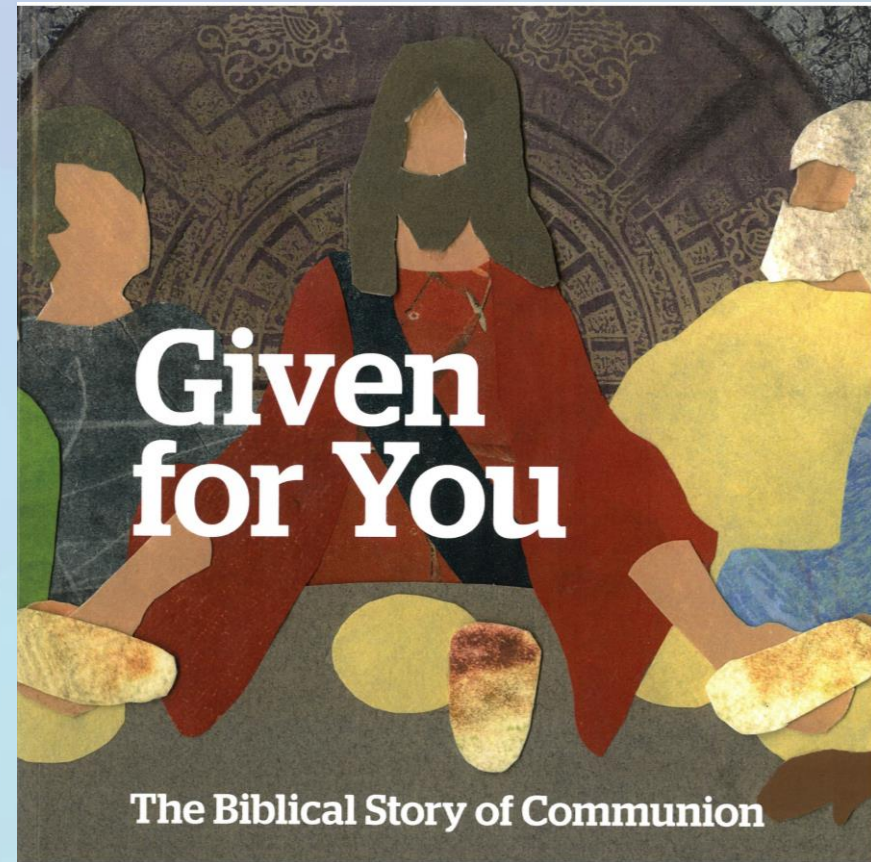


First Communion

Communion
Resources
for
Children
and Parents

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The Finer Details

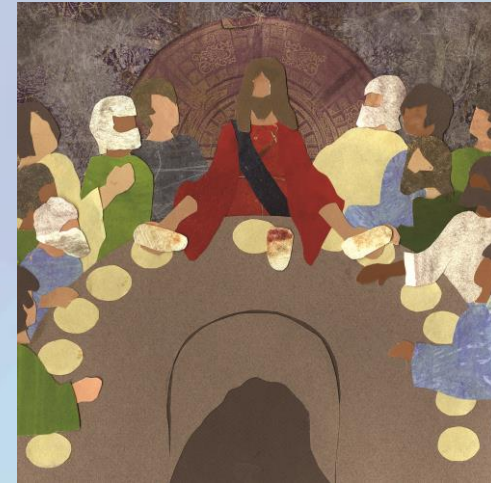
- Sunday School registration
- Wednesday School registration
- Pre-Confirmation & Confirmation registration
- Pre-Confirmation & Confirmation schedules
- Youth Groups schedules & events
- Bonfire & College Packs
- Church Intern opportunities & covenant



Worship

Worship is about:

- **You** individually
- **Us** communally



Worship for Confirmands:

- Worship *at least* three of every four Sundays
- In-person worship: No worship reflection pages
- Virtual worship: Worship reflection pages required



Remember

After life, faith is the most important gift you can give your children.

A gift of faith remains even when you are no longer with your child.

In a church family you will find people you *know* and who will *know* you.