

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
November 19, 2023

Thanksgiving Sunday

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements & Opening Prayer

*Hymn #421 “We Gather Together” *New Century Hymnal*

Gathering – Caring Tree – Blessing of Cards

Anthem

Scripture Reading Joel 2:2-12, 18-29

Message

*Hymn#425 “For the Fruit of All Creation” *New Century Hymnal*

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer *(See back of bulletin for words)*

Cultivating Generosity – Offering of Pledges

*Doxology *(See back of bulletin for words)*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn #422 “Come, O Thankful People, Come” *New Century Hymnal*

*Benediction

Postlude

Thank you to Mary Menzies, Deacon, today.

Calendar:

Tuesday, November 21: Thanksgiving Dinner Bell – All Saints’ Church – 5:00 pm

Wednesday, November 22: Office Closed

Thursday and Friday, November 23 & 24: Shining Lights Closed

Sunday, November 26: Adult Bible Study (Minor Prophets) – Classroom – 9:00am

The pastor will be away until December 2nd

Food Collection Sunday – Next Sunday!

The last week of every month, please bring food items (or cash donation) to help stock the food pantry. Any surplus will go to other organizations in the area needing assistance who are supporting food insecurity. A cart will be available at the back of the sanctuary on most Sundays in case you want to bring items or forget to bring them on the last Sunday.

Cans of protein (tuna, chicken, hash, spam, ham, etc.)

Cereal, canned (hearty) soups, stews and fruits, and juices are the most needed items at this time, but any food to fill the shelves will be appreciated.

Thank you!



Peter’s Installation on Sunday November 12th. Thank you to all involved!

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever. Amen

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

November Prayer Requests

Karen & Vic Carbonneau
Virginia Hyatt
Bill Mellekas
Karen Proulx
Michelle Seekamp
Chris Smith

Barbara Holland
Roberta Lavoie
Stella Perry
Chrystalyn Molnar
Polly Ehrman
Jason Plummer

Linda and Bob Warden
David Sykes
Christina Waddell
Kevin Bergen
Jennifer Hines
Rolla Gerlack

After 4 weeks names will be removed unless requested to continue.

Please contact Elaine Pollak, Caring Tree chair, at (802) 633-3669 or laneylou@gmail.com

*Thank you for joining us for worship today!
It is our sincere hope that all who gather in this place will know and experience the love, forgiveness, hope, and new life available through Jesus Christ.*

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### *Our Mission Statement:*

*As followers of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, we are called to provide a loving invitation and welcome to all, to inspire and uplift through the worship of God, to reach out to heal and enrich lives through the Holy Spirit, and to nurture people at various stages of their spiritual growth.*