

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
**United Church of Christ**  
**November 12, 2023**

*Doing A New Thing: Bringing the North Country Flock Together for Feasting, Fun and Inspiration!*

Gathering Music *Suzan Derby*

Welcome and Prayer *Mary Menzies and Lars Nielson*  
*First Congregational Church, Littleton*

Water Gathering from our Communities

Song "The Little Mountain Church House"

Scripture: Feeding of the 5000, John 6:1-14 *John Hughes*  
*Conway Village Congregational Church*

Meditation *Gordon Rankin*  
*New Hampshire Conference Minister*

Song "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" *Anonymous*

I am weak but Thou art strong;  
Jesus, keep me from all wrong;  
I'll be satisfied as long  
As I walk, let me walk close to Thee

Refrain:  
Just a closer walk with Thee.  
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea,  
Daily walking close to Thee,  
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.

Thro' this world of toil and snares,  
If I falter, Lord, who cares?  
Who with me my burden shares?  
None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee.  
(Refrain)

Recognition of our Veterans *David Boyle*  
*First Congregational Church, Littleton*

Prayers *Pam Spain*  
*Lancaster Congregational Church of Christ*

Installation and Community Covenanting *Gordon Rankin, Alice Muh*  
*Gerry Tilton, Peter Ilgenfritz and Everyone!*

**Local Church Members:**

**We, the members of First Congregational Church of Littleton receive Peter Ilgenfritz as our Designated Term Pastor, promising to continue to labor with him in our shared ministry of the gospel as we discern Christ's call to our congregation. We gather with him and the United Church of Christ as a sign of our mutual ministry in Christ's name.**

**North Country Association Members:**

**We, the members of the North Country Association, gather with you, the people and pastor and teacher of First Congregational Church of Littleton, as a sign of our covenant and in celebration of our mutual ministry in Christ's name.**

Water Blessing at our Tables

Anthem "At the Table of the World" *Brian Wren*  
*Choir, First Congregational Church, Littleton*

Communion *John Vail*  
*Community Church of Christ, Franconia*

Offering Invitation to support Members in Discernment *Gerry Tilton*  
*Gorham Congregational Church*

Song "We Are Singing, for the Lord Is Our Light" (insert)

Blessing and Benediction Lyn Winter  
The Shared Ministry UCC and UMC, Lisbon and Bath Congregational Church

**We hope you will stay and join us for Brownies and Ice Cream and a short and important meeting of the North Country Association!**

*Many thanks to everyone who was involved in bringing this afternoon's worship service together! Thank you to June Davis for coordinating our feasting and for the gift of our sheep and choir mice to take home! Suzan Derby, Dave Estes, and Joanne Gilman for leading us in song. Pam Spain and June Davis for their worship planning inspiration. Kim Smith for liturgical dance, Dottie Morton, Music Director at First Congregational, Littleton and the Choir of First Congregational; Pam Nute, Office Manager at First Congregational, Littleton, and Reg LaFlam, Sexton at First Congregational, Littleton!*

**OFFICERS - First Congregational Church:**

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Welcome! We are so glad you are here. Come in and choose from the food and drink items you'd like to enjoy during our worship gathering today. Then find a place at a table, perhaps with some folks you don't know. No need to wait to begin to eat, we'll offer a blessing during our welcome.



*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.*