

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
December 31, 2023

A New Year's Eve Caroling Service

Welcome, Announcements & Opening Prayer

*Hymn #244 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" *(vs. 1, 3)*
Celebration Hymnal

Prelude Carol #251 "It Came upon the Midnight Clear" *(vs. 1, 4)*

Advent Candle Lighting: The Christ Candle
Carol #253 "Silent Night! Holy Night!" *(vs. 1, 4)*

*Carol #256 "Love Has Come!" *(vs. 1, 3)*

Gathering "For I know the plans I have for your, says the Lord,
plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future with hope".
(Jeremiah 29:11)

Carol #259 "Angels, from the Realms of Glory" *(vs. 1, 5)*

A Message in Song
Carol #286 "Once in Royal David's City" *(vs. 1, 2 & 3)*
Carol #291 "O Sing a Song of Bethlehem"

Prayers of the People

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

Growing Generosity

Carol #290 "As with Gladness Men of Old" *(vs. 1, 3)*

*Doxology

Praise God for gifts of hope and peace
Praise God for gifts of joy and love
Praise God for sending Christ to dwell
On Earth for us Emmanuel! Amen

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Carol #258 "Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

*Benediction Carol #270 "Joy to the World!" *(vs. 1, 4)*

Postlude Carol #277 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Thank you to Lars Nielson, Deacon

Calendar:

Monday, January 1: Office and Shining Lights Closed – Happy New Year!

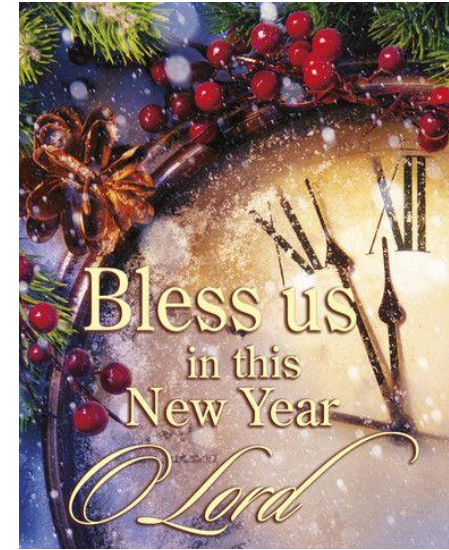
Wednesday, January 3: Choir rehearsal – Ladies Parlor – 6:00pm

Sunday, January 7: Adult Bible Study (Minor Prophets) – Classroom – 9:00am



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

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December Prayer Requests

Barbara Holland	Linda and Bob Warden	Virginia Hyatt
Roberta Lavoie	David Sykes	Bill Mellekas
Rick Muh	Christina Waddell	Karen Proulx
Chrystalyn Molnar	Michelle Seekamp	Polly Ehrman
Jennifer Hines	Family of Don Lavoie	Rolla Gerlack
Jason Plummer	Family of Violet Hopkins	Jeb Kenison
Family of Karen Carbonneau	Tim Christ	Tina Peabody
Pat Whipple	Jody LaBreque	Donna Moulin

*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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Music Director & Organist Dorothy Morton	www.1stconglittleton.org ~~~~~
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.	FCC Shining Lights Learning Center 444-7379

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.