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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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# First Congregational Church United Church of Christ Littleton, New Hampshire March 19, 2017

Pastor:

Rev. W. David Weddington E-mail: pastordavid@myfairpoint.net

Music Director & Organist
Dorothy Morton

Wednesdays. 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Sun. 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Worship Service and Sunday School 10:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship 11:15 a.m.

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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.

# FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH United Church of Christ March 19, 2017 Third Sunday in Lent

Those who are able may stand where marked (\*).

Gathering #651

"All That I Need"

Welcome and Announcements

Ross Fairweather

**Opening Prayer** 

Prelude

"Deep River"

Arr. Hayes

Responsive Reading

Psalm 95

One: O come, let us sing to the Holy One, our God;

All: Let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation!

One: We come into your presence, Holy One, with grateful hearts, with joyful noise, with songs of praise to you!

All: For you are great, a mighty King above all other gods.

One: You hold the depths of earth, the highest mountains, in your hand;

All: The sea is yours, you made it, and the dry land, which your hands have formed.

One: We worship you, we kneel, we bow before you, God, our Maker!

All: You are our God, and we are the people of your pasture, the sheep of your hand.

One: God, give us grace to hear your voice, and not to harden our hearts, as we have in the past, when we put You to the test.

All: Help us, O God, lest our hearts go astray and we wander into danger, disregarding your ways. O God, let your anger not fall on us again! Guide our feet into your holy rest, we pray. Amen.

\*Hymn #294

"One Day"

Children's Time

Anthem

"Family of Light"

English

Moments of Concern and Celebration

(please fill out a blue card in the pew)

Pastoral Prayer and Savior's Prayer ("trespasses")

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

\*Doxology (#815)

\*Offertory Prayer

\*Hymn #92

"O How I Love Jesus"

Scripture

John 4:5-42

Sermon

"Come and See"

\*Hymn #444

"I Love to Tell the Story"

\*Benediction

\*Response #651

"All That I Need"

\*Postlude

Lectionary readings for the coming week:

1 Samuel 16:1-17; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41



# Caster Lily Order Form



Easter lily orders are now being taken. The cost is \$15 a lily

All orders must be given to Glenda Iles by March 31st

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO: "Cherry Blossom"

Order forms are available at the back of the sanctuary under the Madonna Window ~ Any questions? Call Glenda at 398-7353

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#### SAVE THE DATE!

Back by popular demand! Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> NO Joke! 4pm - 7pm in the Ladies Parlor

Bring something to share if you'd like (but not required) a true Pot Luck.

There is no charge and bringing a friend is strongly encouraged!

The Community Outreach Group is

Hosting a rehearsal dinner for the Littleton High School Drama Dept. again this Spring on Wednesday, April 5<sup>th</sup> for 50 people!

Please consider helping with this Outreach and Random Act of Kindness by purchasing a pizza or water, making a dessert or helping at the dinner!

We will be serving Pizza, 1 big simple salad, water and hand-held desserts.

There is a sign-up sheet with instructions in the **Ladies Parlor during Fellowship**Any questions? See Tim Gould!

| Notices for the week of March 19, 2017 – March 25, 2017                                                                                                                     |
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| TODAY 9:00 amAdult Bible Study – Classroom 10:00 amWorship Service and Sunday School 11:15 amCoffee Fellowship – Ladies Parlor 11:30 amExploring Holy Scripture – Classroom |
| Mon Pastor's Sabbath                                                                                                                                                        |
| Tues 6:00 pmAlAnon – Ladies Parlor                                                                                                                                          |
| 6:30 pmCouncil Meeting - Classroom                                                                                                                                          |
| Wed 5:00 pmAA – Ladies Parlor                                                                                                                                               |
| 6:30 pmChoir Practice                                                                                                                                                       |
| 7:00 pmWeds. Night AA – Fellowship Hall                                                                                                                                     |
| Sat7:00 pmAA – Fellowship Hall                                                                                                                                              |
| AA meetings: Monday – Friday 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall                                                                                                      |

#### **Usher/Greeter:**

Coffee Fellowship: Su Schott

Flowers: In memory of Dick Holland from Barbara and family

Food Collection Next Sunday!
March 26<sup>th</sup>

The Food Cupboard is in need of the following items:

Soups, stews, coffee, canned meat (turkey, chicken, ham, corned beef, Spam). CAT food. Tissues. Dry cereals, snacks, and canned fruit.

Thank you!

# **March Prayer Request Concerns & Celebrations**

#### **CONTINUING & NEW**

Keeping those in need of our prayers: The President, World Leaders, the Youth of our Community, the future of our World, and Rev. David and Wilma Weddington as they participate and lead us into the future.

Stanley Rapee – fell, head injuries. (Mark Blodgett)

**Bette Vaughn** – health issues. (Tina Peabody)

#### Cancer

Betsy Warden (Linda Warden)
Curtis Sears (Emily LaFlam)
Joni Prell (Linda Warden)
Paul McMillan (Tina Peabody)
Peter Low (Tina Peabody)
Rebecca Griffin Martel (Glenda Iles)
Rita Biagioni (Bob Oleary)

James Stewart (Tim Gould)

Ron Bolt (Alison Bolt)

Judy Jalbert (June Davis)

Rita Biagioni (Bob Oleary)

Arped Lind (June Davis)

Travis Gay (Judy Warden)

Mike McKillop (Brenda Fairweather) Joyce Willoughby (Glenda Iles)

### **Family Concerns**

Barry Jacobson & Amy Welsh (Wilma Weddington) Arthur Arnold & Kris Still & Family (Glenda Iles) Aaron & Gabriel Morton (Dottie Morton) Leslie & Heather Dunbar (Alice Muh)

# Illness/Recovery

Peggy Heatly (Marti Faulkner)
Denise Batchelder (Karen Lord)

Pat Whipple (Emily LaFlam)

## Loss/Grieving

Family of Al Whetstine (Wilma Weddington)
Family of Shirley Smith (Alison Bolt)
Family of Nancy Lange (Bob Muh)

# Military

The names of people in the military are on the name board by office.

To add a name to our prayer list, please fill out a blue card located in the pew racks and place them in the offering plate or hand them to a Deacon. The name will remain in the bulletin for approximately 4 weeks. We understand that some situations are very serious and a longer period of time would be helpful. You may call the office with any names that need to be added or to update the status.

If you or someone you care about would like a visit or call, please contact Pastor David at 603-991-0535 or Pam Nute at 603-444-3376.

If you have an emergency during the week and Pastor David is away, please call the church office at 444-3376 and Pam Nute will contact someone for you.

\*\*Names listed <u>without</u> original contact person will be removed from the list if we are not notified. In order to keep this list up-to-date, it is important that we be notified when someone should come off the list. Thank you.

