

*First Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
Littleton, New Hampshire
March 29, 2015*

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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.*

Pastor:  
**Rev. W. David Weddington**  
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**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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Church office hours: Monday-Friday
8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.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 29, 2015**

**Palm/Passion Sunday**

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

Gathering #138

“Holy Ground”

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer

*Lars Nielson*

Prelude

Responsive Reading

*Psalm 118*

One: O give thanks to God who is generous and good:

**All: God’s love endures forever.**

One: In our distress, we cried out to God;

**All: God’s love endures forever.**

One: And God heard our cries and set us free.

**All: God’s love endures forever.**

One: When we were falling, we cried out to God;

**All: God’s love endures forever.**

One: And God was our comfort, our strength, our help.

**All: God’s love endures forever.**

One: Open the gates of the City, make way

**All: God’s love endures forever.**

One: for the One who has come in the name of our God.

**All: God’s love endures forever.**

One: O come, let us welcome our Savior, our King

with high waving branches and loud songs of joy.

**All: O come let us welcome our Savior, our King,  
for God’s love endures forever.**

\*Hymn #297

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

*(We’ll stay in our places while we sing this hymn.*

*Palm waving is encouraged!)*

Children’s Time

Anthem

“Of Palms and Praise” *Furman/Drennan*

*(Now, while the choir is singing this anthem,  
we’ll come with joy and lay food gifts along with our palms  
on Jesus’ Table of Blessing!)*

Moments of Concern and Celebration

(please fill out a blue card in the pew)

Pastoral Prayer

Savior’s Prayer (trespasses)

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

\*Doxology (#815)

\*Offertory Prayer

\*Hymn #416

“We’re Marching to Zion”

Scripture

Mark 11:1-11

Sermon

“Turning Point”

\*Hymn #352

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus”

\*Benediction *(After the benediction, we’ll sit back down  
and listen to the choir.)*

Choral Response

“Ave Verum Corpus”

*Mozart*

*O praise the true Body of Christ, born of the Virgin Mary,  
Which suffered, was sacrificed on the cross for  
humankind;*

*Whose pierced side flowed with water and blood.*

*May it be for us a foretaste of Heaven in the trial of death.*

\*Postlude

**Energy Fair & Workshops**  
**Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**Profile School in Bethlehem**  
For more information visit [www.ammenergy.org](http://www.ammenergy.org)

Please contact Judy Oleary to learn how you can help support and learn more about the fundraising breakfast planned on April 25<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 10am in the Fellowship Hall!

**Save the Date – Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**Church Cleanup Day**

**Save the Date: MARCH FOR MEALS, Saturday, May 16th:**

On Saturday, May 16, Newfound Area Senior Services in Bristol will host the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual March for Meals to raise funds to help support the Meals on Wheels programs managed by the Grafton County Senior Citizens Council at its eight centers in Grafton County. Last year's event, hosted by the Littleton Area Senior Center, raised \$30,000 of which nearly \$20,000 was raised in Littleton alone. Within the Littleton service area, over 3,000 tasty, nutritious meals are prepared and delivered on a monthly basis by dedicated volunteers. To donate or create your own fundraising page, visit <http://marchformeals2015.causevox.com/teamlittleton>. For additional information, contact the Littleton Area Senior Center at 444-6050.

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**Notices for the week of March 29, 2015 – April 4, 2015**

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TODAY. .. 10:00 am....Worship Service- Palm Sunday  
11:15 am....Coffee Fellowship – Ladies Parlor  
11:30 am ... Mark Study – Choir Room  
..... Food Pantry Collection Day  
Mon..... Pastor's Sabbath  
Tues..... 6:00 pm....Al Anon/Ladies Parlor  
Wed..... 6:30 pm....Choir Practice – Ladies Parlor  
7:00 pm....Weds. Night AA – Fellowship Hall  
Thurs..... 6:30 pm....Maundy Thursday – Ladies Parlor  
Fri.....6:30 pm Good Friday @ **All Saints' Episcopal**  
Sat..... 7:30 pm ...AA – Fellowship Hall

AA meetings: Monday – Friday 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm  
in the Fellowship Hall

**Good Friday Services will be held at the**  
**All Saints' Episcopal Church**  
**6:30 pm**

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**Usher/Greeter:** Tim Gould and Roberta Lavoie

**Flowers:** to the Glory of God

**Coffee Fellowship:** June Davis



## March Prayer Request Concerns & Celebrations

### CONTINUING & NEW

Keeping those in need of our prayers: The President, World Leaders, the improvement of our economic situation, Iran and its people, 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.

New this week: Jimmie Dudley for recovery from Lyme disease and co-infections (Jo Beth Dudley)  
Arthur Hunt as he awaits diagnosis for his back pain (Laurie Boswell)

### Cancer

Lisa Boissonneault (Linda Warden)      Roxie Bowker (Rachel Clark)  
Patti Cruickshank Schott (Su Schott)      Jim Aguilar (Phil & Joyce Krill)  
Pam Lynch (Linda Warden) .....Ron LaFlam (Emily LaFlam)  
Andy Andrews (Marti Faulkner).....John Potocki (Linda Warden)  
Donna Bliss Rosenberg (Don Bliss)

### Illness/Recovery

Jessica Goodell (Glenda Iles)      Dave Theisen (Judy Warden)  
Melodie Paskowski (Judy Warden)      Art Hunt (Laurie Boswell)  
Karen Elizabeth Krill (Joyce & Phil Krill)  
Jimmie Dudley (Jo Beth Dudley)

### Family Issues/Strength

Denise Batchelder (Karen Lord)      Kimberly Noël (Kimberly Noël)

### Loss/Grieving

Family of Dick Holland (Judy Warden)  
Family of Shirley Stefanik (Tim Gould)  
Family of Ruth McKenzie (Tina Peabody)  
Sam Paquette & Sons (Karen Lord)

## 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 without 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.***

