

*First Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
Littleton, New Hampshire
April 12, 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**  
E-mail: [pastordavid@myfairpoint.net](mailto:pastordavid@myfairpoint.net)

**Music Director & Organist**  
Dorothy Morton  
Wednesdays. 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm  
Sun. 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

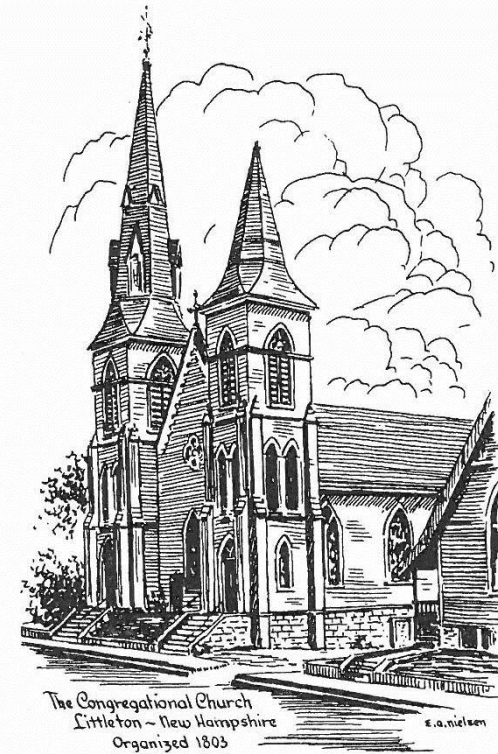
Worship Service and Sunday School  
10:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship  
11:15 a.m.

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Church office hours: Monday-Friday
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 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**

**April 12, 2015**

**Second Sunday of Easter**

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

Gathering #426 “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” *vs. 1, 2*

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer *Emily LaFlam*

Prelude

Responsive Reading

One: We are a people of water! We worship a God  
whose love flows through water.

**All: Love, like the water in which we take form,  
holds us in safety, softens our world  
until we can live on our own.**

One: We are a people of water! We worship a God  
whose love flows through water.

**All: Love like a puddle inspires our delight—we jump,  
we splash, we dance with wild, wet joy.**

One: We are a people of water! We worship a God  
whose love flows through water.

**All: Love, like a steaming shower  
at the end of a long day's work—  
it cleans us, relaxes our muscles, wakes us up.**

One: We are a people of water! We worship a God  
whose love flows through water.

**All: Love, like the holy, delightful water in which  
we are baptized—it drops like gentle rain  
from loving fingertips to our waiting forehead.**

One: This is the water of baptism. In this water,  
Christ is with us!

**All: In this water, Christ is with us, indeed! Alleluia!**

\*Hymn #430 “Showers of Blessing”

Children’s Time

The Sacrament of Baptism *(see insert)*

*We welcome Granite Skoglund into the body of Christ*

**We give you thanks, Great Loving One, for the gift of this  
precious person, and for your kindness, which embraces us  
all through this water and through your Holy Spirit. Help us,  
your grateful sons and daughters to love our sister Granite.  
Help us to welcome, nurture and befriend her, as she grows  
in the body of Christ. Give Granite, who is baptized today:  
strength for life’s journey, courage in suffering, the joy of  
faith, the freedom of love, and the hope of new life;  
through Jesus Christ who makes us one. Amen.**

Anthem “Would You Bless Our Homes and Families”

*Farquharson/Wyeth*

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) and Offertory Prayer

\*Hymn #415

“We Are Called to Be God’s People”

Scripture

John 20:18-29

Sermon

“To Touch a Broken World with Jesus’ Love”

\*Hymn #424

“The Servant Song”

\*Benediction

\* Response #425

“Bind Us Together”

\*Postlude

## DEACON'S FUND

**There will be a special collection today to benefit the Deacon's Fund. This fund helps people who come to our door in need of assistance. Envelopes for this specific purpose are included in the bulletin. Thank you!**

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Pam will be out of the office on Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup> for training.  
She will return on Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup>.

Linda Warden will be covering the office from 9am to 1pm – thank you, Linda!

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### Community Breakfast

#### Fellowship Hall

Saturday

April 25, 2015

8:00 am to 10:00 am

~ Menu ~

Eggs, Pancakes, Bacon & Sausage, Toast & Assorted Muffins  
Juice, Coffee, Tea and Milk

Suggested Donations:

**\$7.00 Adults / \$5.00 for Seniors & Children under 12**

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU HERE!

If you have any questions or would like to support this effort with food items, money, or your time, please see Judy Oleary!



## Notices for the week of April 12, 2015 – April 18, 2015

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TODAY. .. 10:00 am....Worship Service & Sunday School

....Sacrament of Holy Baptism for  
Granite Ravine Skoglund

11:15 am....Coffee Fellowship – Ladies Parlor

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

Sat..... 7:30 pm....AA – Fellowship Hall

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

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**Usher/Greeter:** Barbara Holland

**Flowers:** In loving memory of Sara & Dr. Frank Dudley by their children

**Coffee Fellowship:** Ron & Alison Bolt



# April 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.

**Erica Duffy** – 25 year old girl with serious growth on thyroid, surgery on 4/6.  
(Donna Matz)

**Betsy Warden** – breast cancer (Linda Warden)

**Seth Donnan** – rare kidney disease and starting to have some renal failure  
(grandson of Mike & Donna Matz)

## Cancer

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|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Paul MacMillan (Tina Peabody)        | Roxie Bowker (Rachel Clark)       |
| Patti Cruickshank Schott (Su Schott) | Jim Aguilar (Phil & Joyce Krill)  |
| John Potocki (Linda Warden)          | Andy Andrews (Marti Faulkner)     |
| Ron LaFlam (Emily LaFlam)            | Donna Bliss Rosenberg (Don Bliss) |

## Illness/Recovery

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|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Dave Theisen (Judy Warden)                 | Art Hunt (Laurie Boswell) |
| Jimmie Dudley (Jo Beth Dudley)             |                           |
| Walter Weddington, Sr. (Wilma Weddington)  |                           |
| Karen Elizabeth Krill (Joyce & Phil Krill) |                           |

## Loss/Grieving

Family of Leslie Ward, uncle of Pat Whipple (Tina Peabody)  
Family of Dick Holland (Judy Warden)

## 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.***

