



WE WISH TO THANK all of the persons listed for contributing Easter lily's that you see displayed in our church today!

**Alison Bolt** - In memory of Laverne Smith Kohl and Alice Smith Lynn

**June Davis** – In memory of my parents, Charles & Regina Cicerone

**Barbara Holland** – In memory of Dick

**Emily & Reg LaFlam** – In memory of our son, Ron LaFlam

**Roberta Lavoie & Jean Kimball** – In memory of Jane Boswell

**Dottie Morton** – In memory of Ray

**Alice & Bob Muh**

**Su Schott & children** – In memory of Schott & Sleeper, parents and grandparents

**Elaine Stroop** – In memory of members no longer with us

**Wilma & David Weddington** – In memory of Walter Weddington & Al Whetstine

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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.*

*First Congregational Church  
United Church of Christ  
Littleton, New Hampshire  
April 16, 2017*

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.

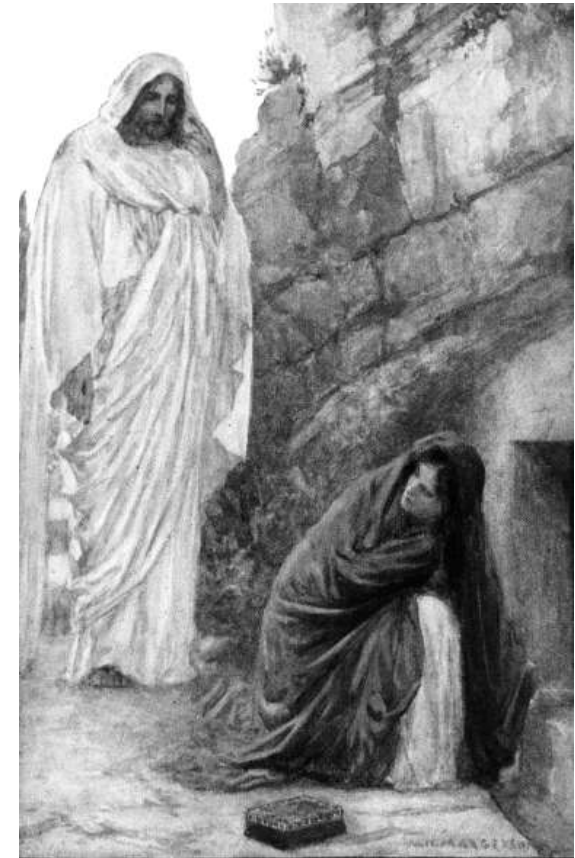
Worship Service and Sunday School  
10:00 a.m.

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 16, 2017**  
**Easter Sunday**

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

\*Gathering Music #357      “Christ Arose”      *vs. 1, 2*

Welcome & Announcements      *Emily LaFlam*

Opening Prayer

Prelude

Responsive Reading:

One: Deep in the darkness you lay, dear Jesus;  
we saw you die; it broke our hearts in two.

**All: Soft in the silence you lay, dear Jesus,  
we wept as they laid you in the ground.**

One: Sorrowful, missing the sound of your voice,  
sad that we would never hear you call our name again,

**All: Grieving, we came to this green and solemn place  
to pour out our tears at your tomb.**

One: And then this . . . Dear Jesus, then impossible this!  
Our eyes won't take in . . . our fine words elude . . .

**All: Open our hearts to this moment, dear Jesus;  
help us perceive what we cannot express;  
help us receive what we cannot imagine;  
help us to welcome your warm, loving presence  
alive! O, dear crucified Jesus, alive! Alive!**

\*Hymn #367      “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

Children's Time

Choir Anthem      “Easter Carol”      *Shafferman/Drennan*

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 #360      “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

Scripture      John 20:1-18

Sermon      “. . . until the day we hear Him speak our name!”

\*Hymn #368      “He Lives”

\*Benediction

\*Response #357      “Christ Arose”      *vs. 3*

\*Postlude



## Steeple Talk Correction!

**Church Clean Up Day is May 6<sup>th</sup>**

**(Not May 2nd as reported in Steeple Talk)**



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Are you looking for a wonderful way to provide a service for a child in need?

### **The Fresh Air Fund**

is seeking families willing to open their hearts and homes to New York City children for one or two weeks this summer.

Hosts may request a boy or girl between the ages of 7 and 12. As a volunteer host family you will help a child enjoy the simple pleasures of a summer away from the hot city streets. Please call Sally Sherrard at 444-2289 or visit

[www.freshairfund.org](http://www.freshairfund.org) for more information.

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### **REMINDER**

The Mission Committee is meeting on Wednesday at 3pm in the Ladies Parlor.

This committee is small and new members are always welcome!

Please consider attending and learning more about this committee.

### **The Community Outreach Group**

meets on Thursday at 7:15pm in the Classroom.

This is an energetic, fun group that always welcomes more people to join in the planning!

## **Notices for the week of April 16, 2017 – April 22, 2017**

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- TODAY.... 9:00 am ....Adult Bible Study – Classroom  
 10:00 am ....Intergenerational Worship Service  
 11:15 am ....Coffee Fellowship – Ladies Parlor
- Mon..... Pastor’s Sabbath
- Tues..... 6:00 pm ....AlAnon – Ladies Parlor
- Wed..... 3:00 pm ....Mission Committee – Ladies Parlor  
 5:00 pm ....AA – Ladies Parlor  
 6:30 pm ....Choir Practice  
 7:00 pm ....Weds. Night AA – Fellowship Hall
- Thurs..... 4:30 pm ....Property Committee – Classroom  
 7:15 pm ....COG - Classroom
- Sat..... 7:00 pm ....AA – Fellowship Hall

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

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**Usher/Greeter:** Linda Warden and Tim Gould

**Coffee Fellowship:** The Deacons

**Flowers:** to the Glory of God  
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# April 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.

### Cancer

|                                      |                                    |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Paul McMillan (Tina Peabody)         | Curtis Sears (Emily LaFlam)        |
| Peter Low (Tina Peabody)             | Joni Prell (Linda Warden)          |
| Rebecca Griffin Martel (Glenda Iles) | James Stewart (Tim Gould)          |
| Rita Biagioni (Bob Oleary)           | Ron Bolt (Alison Bolt)             |
| Arped Lind (June Davis)              | Judy Jalbert (June Davis)          |
| Travis Gay (Judy Warden)             | Mike McKillop (Brenda Fairweather) |
| Joyce Willoughby (Glenda Iles)       | Cynthia Farquharson (Linda Warden) |
| Peter Campbell (Glenda Iles)         | David Sime (Linda Smith)           |

### Family Concerns

Aaron & Gabriel Morton (Dottie Morton)  
Leslie & Heather Dunbar (Alice Muh)  
Margaret & Mike Whetstine (Wilma Weddington)

### Illness/Recovery

|                                 |                               |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Priscilla Truchon (Judy Oleary) | Stanley Rapee (Mark Blodgett) |
| Bette Vaughn (Tina Peabody)     | Thomas Leard (Emily LaFlam)   |

### Loss/Grieving

Family of Rick Gilbert (Marti Faulkner)

## 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. Thank you.*

