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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  
July 5, 2015*

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Dorothy Morton  
Sun. 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
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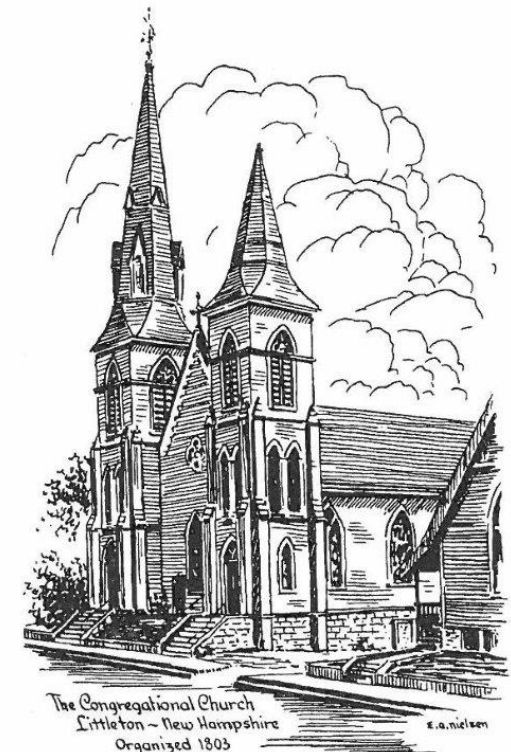
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*Our Mission Statement:  
As followers of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, we are called to provide a loving invitation and welcome to all, to inspire and uplift through the worship of God, to reach out to heal and enrich lives through the Holy Spirit, and to nurture people at various stages of their spiritual growth.*

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

United Church of Christ

July 5, 2015

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

Gathering #138

“Holy Ground”

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer *Ann Craxton*

Prelude

Call to Worship

One: These are a few of the ways we came:

**All: following the caribou across the frozen land bridge;  
sailing wooden warships in a westward search for gold;**

One: looking for a place to work and worship as we wanted;  
loaded onto slave ships, stacked and chained in the hold.

**All: We struggled with the elements;  
we struggled with each other;  
we struggle still to live up to the prophet’s holy dream:**

One: “I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up  
and live out the true meaning of its creed, that all of us  
are created equal . . .

**All: “and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed  
and all flesh shall see it together. I have a dream.  
I have a dream today.” Amen.**

\*Hymn #809 “God of Our Fathers”

**\*Confession: Generous Sovereign, you have shown us the way  
of blessing: “Do justice, love mercy, walk humbly with your  
God.” And still we spend our lives looking out for number  
one, instead of sharing justly with the poor. And still we  
keep the suffering of others at a distance, instead of  
reaching out them with kindness. And still we tread the  
lonely path of self-centered fear, instead of walking humbly**

**with you. Forgive us, O God. By this holy meal, nourish  
our souls and strengthen our hearts to walk with Jesus in  
the path of blessing. We pray in his loving name. AMEN**

\* Assurance of Pardon

\* Gloria Patri #813

\* Statement of Faith *(inside hymnal cover)*

Special Music

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

Scripture

Mark 6:1-13

Sermon

“Gifts in Open Hands”

\*Hymn *(insert)*

“As We Gather at Your Table”

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

*(insert)*

\*Hymn #428

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

\*Benediction

\*Response #231 “Let the Peace of Christ Rule in Your Heart”

\*Postlude

**On July 8<sup>th</sup> the First Congregational Church will be participating  
in a local Ministry project!**

The Littleton First United Methodist Church Outreach/Evangelism team has been working on a community summer ministry project and has invited us to have a turn sharing the sweet love of our Lord Jesus Christ with the children of the Littleton Parks and Rec summer program!

We will be delivering a sweet dessert snack to 75 children at the town pool on July 8<sup>th</sup> and August 5<sup>th</sup>. A small investment for a big deposit into the Kingdom of God as we team up to let all these children know they are valued and loved!

**Psalm 34:8 (NKJV)**

*Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good;  
Blessed is the man who trusts in Him!*

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**Pastor David will be on vacation from July 13<sup>th</sup> through July 27<sup>th</sup>**

**The office will be closed on Friday, July 17<sup>th</sup>**



**SAVE THE DATE!!**

**Saturday, September 12, 2015  
9-11am**

A fun walk around Main Street and the River District for all ages and abilities.

All Proceeds to Benefit the  
**National MS Society**

**Notices for the week of July 5, 2015 – July 11, 2015**

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**TODAY. ... 10:00 am ... Worship Service & Communion**

**Mon.....Pastor's Sabbath**

**Tues..... 6:00 pm ... Al Anon/Ladies Parlor**

**Wed..... 5:00 pm ... AA – Ladies Parlor**

**7:00 pm ... Weds. Night AA – Fellowship Hall**

**Thurs..... 6:30 pm ... Council Meeting – 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:** Emily & Reggie LaFlam

**Flowers:** In Loving memory of Louise N. Peabody  
*by the Joel Peabodys*

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# July 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.

**Nicole Elliott & Family** – Expecting a baby in December (Tina Peabody)

**Paul McMillan** – Cancer (Tina Peabody)

**Jeff White** – Serious hip issues (Mike Matz)

**Joan McDonald Zitter** – Hospitalized with low sugar problems (Judy Warden)

## Cancer

Roxie Bowker (Rachel Clark)

Donna Bliss Rosenberg (Don Bliss)

Lisa Boissonneault (Linda Warden)

Jim Aguilar (Joyce & Phil Krill)

Courtney Vashaw (Tina Peabody)

Pete Brown (Tina Peabody)

Ron LaFlam (Emily LaFlam)

Betsy Warden (Linda Warden)

Joyce Willoughby (Glenda Iles)

Sue Openhowski (Rachel Clark)

Heidi Schultz (Dottie Morton)

Bill Littlefield (Donna Matz)

## Illness/Recovery

Art Hunt (Laurie Boswell)

Anna Jackman (Linda Warden)

Charlene Cowens (Emily LaFlam)

Audrey Nestor (Glenda Iles)

Christopher Roberts (Glenda Iles)

Marvin Curnutt (Emily Laflam)

Patricia Tuck (Pat Tuck)

Paul & Ann Brown (Wilma Weddington)

Thomas Leard (Emily LaFlam)

# Family Issues/Strength

Ivey Mask, Elizabeth Grimm, Janet Nelson (Wilma Weddington)

## Loss/Grieving

Family of Tom Golden (Tina Peabody)

Family of Wayne Miller (Elaine Stroop)

## 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.*

