

*First Congregational Church  
United Church of Christ  
Littleton, New Hampshire  
September 13, 2015*

**CHURCH STAFF**

Pastor: Rev. W. David Weddington  
Organist & Music Director: Dorothy Morton  
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Director: Ms. Melissa Kam  
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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.

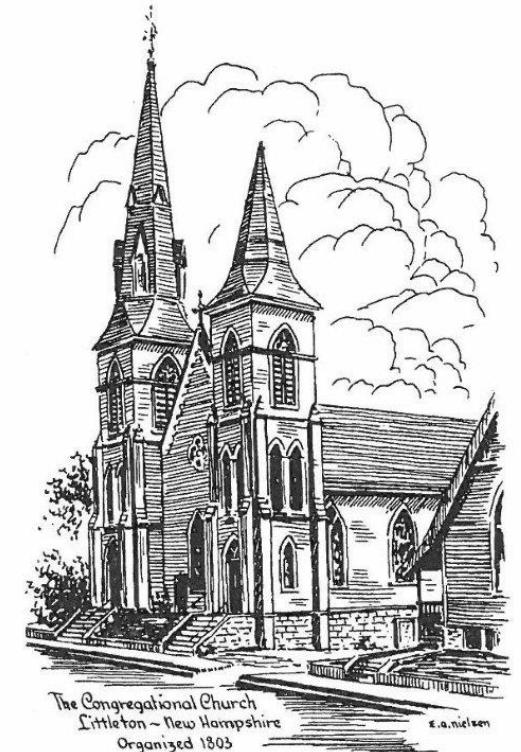
Worship Service and Sunday School  
10:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship  
11:15 a.m.

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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.*

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

Gathering "This Little Light of Mine"  
Welcome and Announcements and Opening Prayer *Mary Menzies*  
Prelude  
Call to Worship *Psalm 19*  
One: The sky is alive with the brilliance of God;  
the starry night shouts: "God is good!"  
**All: One day pours out the good news to the next day;  
night speaks to night and the word of God spreads.**  
One: No one is speaking; not a word is uttered;  
voiceless, their voices fill all the world with joy.  
**All: Out of his wedding-tent, the sun steps, a bridegroom;  
he runs like a strong man the length of the sky,  
and nothing escapes from his heat.**  
One: Your commandments are perfect, they brighten our eyes;  
your precepts are just; they give joy to our hearts;  
**All: your decrees give us wisdom; your law gives us life;  
we tremble before you, our awe never ends.**  
One: You order the world by your words right and true;  
more precious than gold, more than heaps of fine gold;  
sweeter than honey that drips from the comb.  
**All: You warn, you guide us, you prod us, you shape us,  
and when we obey you, you give us good things.**  
One: Protect us, dear God, from our own foolish pride,  
and from all who would lead us away from your love.  
**All: Let the words of our mouths and our hearts' meditation  
please you, O God, our Rock, our Redeemer,  
now and forever. Amen.**

\*Hymn #793 "For the Beauty of the Earth"  
Anthem "Holy Manna" *Raney/Atkins*  
Children's Time  
Blessing our Sunday School Classes  
**Thank you, God, for these children and adults who will  
share in the joy of teaching and learning about you in our  
Sunday School classes this year. Open all our hearts to your  
presence; help us all to grow in our love for you and for our  
neighbors as we hear your story and claim it as our own, in  
Jesus' name. Amen.**  
Blessing our Confirmation Class  
**Gracious God, you are the One in whom we live and  
move and have our being. Draw near to these young people  
who are seeking to grow in faith. Steadily increase in them,  
and in us, the desire to follow you, courage to question you,  
and willingness to learn from you. We ask this through Christ  
our Savior. Amen.**  
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 #688 "Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"  
Scripture Mark 8:27-38  
Sermon "The Rallying Call"  
\*Hymn #571 "Trust and Obey"  
\*Benediction  
\*Response #237 "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"  
\*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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Our first Dinner Bell will be held on this Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>

For your convenience, your food contribution can be dropped off at our church (before 1pm on that day) and it will be delivered to All Saints Church.

The next date is October 20<sup>th</sup>

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THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED MAKE THIS A SUCCESS

# Notices for the week of September 13 – September 19, 2015

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TODAY. ... 10:00 am .. Worship Service & Sunday School  
11:15 am .. Coffee Fellowship – Ladies Parlor  
11:30 am .. Living Prayer Study- Classroom

Mon.....Pastor's Sabbath

Tues..... 5:00 pm .. Dinner Bell – All Saints  
6:00 pm ... Al Anon/Ladies Parlor

Wed ..... 5:00 pm .. AA – Ladies Parlor  
6:30 pm ... Choir Practice – Ladies Parlor  
7:00 pm ... Weds. Night AA – Fellowship Hall

Sat..... 8:00 am .. Men's Breakfast – Menzies Residence  
Noon ..... Fall Concert Rehearsal - Sanctuary  
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:** Roberta Lucht & Bob Muh

**Flowers:** Thank you to Su Schott for providing flowers from her garden throughout the summer!

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*Donations gratefully accepted to benefit the Music Fund*

**An Autumn Serenade for Winds**

Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>  
3:00 PM



Mozart Divertimento  
Gounod – Petite Symphonie  
Dvorak – Serenade for Winds

## September 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.

**Mike Jorde** – diagnosed with lung cancer, had surgery on the 9th  
(Donna Matz)

**Pam Adams** – working with doctors and taking a lot of medication to correct a problem she is having  
(Glenda Iles)

### Cancer

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| Courtney Vashaw (Tina Peabody)    | Ron LaFlam (Emily LaFlam)         |
| Betsy Warden (Linda Warden)       | Lisa Boissonneault (Linda Warden) |
| Joyce Willoughby (Glenda Iles)    | Sue Openhowski (Rachel Clark)     |
| Heidi Schultz (Dottie Morton)     | Bill Littlefield (Donna Matz)     |
| Paul McMillan (Tina Peabody)      | Kathy Gordon (Judy Warden)        |
| Diane Stinaker (Richard Peterson) |                                   |

### Illness/Recovery

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| Marvin Curnutt (Emily Laflam) | Anna Jackman (Linda Warden)  |
| Patricia Tuck (Pat Tuck)      | Ed Warden (Judy Warden)      |
| Pat Whipple (Pat Whipple)     | Seth Donnan (Donna Matz)     |
| Jerry Tobyne (Marti Faulkner) | Bernard Glynn (Linda Warden) |

### Family Issues/Strength

James Richard Donovan (Richard Donovan)

## Loss/Grieving

Family of Art Hunt and Laurie Boswell (Karen Lord)  
Family of Jim Aguilar (Joyce & Phil Krill)  
Family of John Potocki (Linda 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. Thank you.*

