#### **CHURCH STAFF**

Pastor: Rev. W. David Weddington Organist & Music Director: Dorothy Morton Administrative Assistant: Pam Nute Sexton: Joe Chukinas

#### **OFFICERS:**

Moderator: Ann Craxton Vice-Moderator: Lars Nielson Treasurer: Dudley Bailey Assistant Treasurer: Joyce Krill

#### **COMMITTEES**

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### **Shining Lights Learning Center:**

Director: Ms. Melissa Kam Board President: Suzanne Schott

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 January 24, 2016

#### Pastor:

Rev. W. David Weddington E-mail: 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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## 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 January 24, 2016—Season of Epiphany

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

Gathering #563 "Open My Eyes That I May See"

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Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer

Lars Nielson

Prelude

Call to Worship:

Luke 4:14-21

One: Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee. The report about him spread throughout the land.

All: He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

One: In Nazareth, where he grew up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath, as was his custom.

All: He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him.

One: He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

All: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

One: And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them,

All: "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

\*Hymn (insert) "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

Anthem "Where Two or Three Are Gathered"

Govenor

Children's Time

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) \*Offertory Prayer

\*Hymn #428 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

Scripture 1 Corinthians 12:12-21, 27-31

Sermon "Today"

\*Hymn #429 "They'll Know We Are Christians"

\*Benediction

\*Response #426 "Blest Be the Tie that Binds"

\*Postlude

## Ushers & Greeters are needed!

Please consider signing up on the yellow poster board at the back of the sanctuary

## Coffee Fellowship Hosts are also needed!

Pledge envelopes are located at the back of the sanctuary

Please submit your Steeple Talk pictures, articles and announcements to Pam for the February issue by Monday!

Thank you!

# Announcing the 213<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING of the FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF LITTLETON

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2016

Our Church By-Laws (Article IX, Section 3) call for an annual meeting of the congregation on or about the first Sunday in February for the purposes of:

- Electing officials and committees
- Setting the budget
- Reporting on the activities of the Church in the previous year
- Conducting any other business that would require the vote of the membership

The annual meeting serves not only to take care of the business of the Church, but to remind us of our obligations to this Church, our community, to the world and to God. In fellowship with each other and God, we have the privilege and responsibility to carry out these promises and to guide our congregation in the coming year. Please plan on coming to the annual meeting on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup> which starts with worship at 10:00 AM and the business meeting following in the Fellowship Hall. Coffee will be available.

Please stay for a potluck lunch after the meeting. It will be a "true potluck"! Please bring your specialty or something to share with everyone.

## Notices for the week of January 24, 2016 – January 30, 2016 \* TODAY ... 9:00 am ....Adult Bible Study - Classroom 10:00 am .... Worship Service & Sunday School 11:15 am ....Coffee Fellowship 11:45 am .... Mark II Study - Classroom Mon...... Pastor's Sabbath Tues...... 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...... 7:30 pm ....AA – Fellowship Hall AA meetings: Monday – Friday 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall **Usher/Greeter: Coffee Fellowship:** Dottie and Dudley Bailey Flowers: to the Glory of God

## **January Prayer Request Concerns & Celebrations**

#### **CONTINUING & NEW**

Keeping those in need of our prayers: The President, World Leaders, the improvement of our economic situation, Syria 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.

Marvin Curnutt – had a setback and had to be moved to another rehab facility farther from home (Emily LaFlam, cousin)

**Dan Benson** – suffered a stroke and is presently at Maine Medical.

I ask for prayers for him (Su Schott)

Bing Clark – kidney failure (Linda Warden)

Pat Whipple – kidney failure (Linda Warden)

Family of Linda Caswell (Barbara Holland)

#### Cancer

Ron LaFlam (Emily LaFlam)
Alison Bolt (Linda Warden)
Holly Hyslop (Su Schott)
Paul McMillan (Tina Peabody)
Diane Stinaker (Judy Warden)
Curtis Sears (Emily LaFlam)

Betsy Warden (Linda Warden) Joyce Willoughby (Glenda Iles) Joe Carter (Donna Matz) Kathy Gordon (Judy Warden) Mike Jorde (Donna Matz)

## Illness/Recovery

Patricia Tuck (Pat Tuck)
Bob Iles (Alice Muh)
Alan Williams (Judy Warden)
Steve Cobb (Dottie Morton)
Ed Warden (Judy Warden)

Bill & Janet Doyle (Emily LaFlam)
Jeremy Doyle (Emily LaFlam)
Carol Detrick (Wilma Weddington)
Jake Baker (Alice Muh)
Makayla McNerney (Marti Faulkner)

## Family Issues/Strength

Ivey Mask (Wilma Weddington) Amy Welsh (Wilma Weddington)

## Loss/Grieving

Family of Richard Peterson (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 <u>without</u> 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.

