

**CHURCH STAFF**

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*First Congregational Church  
United Church of Christ  
Littleton, New Hampshire*

*November 12, 2017*

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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.*

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| <b>Music Director &amp; Organist</b><br>Dorothy Morton<br>Sun. 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.                                              | ~~~~~<br>Church office hours: Monday-Thursday<br>9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.                                                                                                                                                             |
| Worship Service and Sunday School<br>10:00 a.m.                                                                                    | ~~~~~<br>FCC Shining Lights Learning Center<br>444-7379                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Coffee Fellowship 11:15 a.m.                                                                                                       | E-mail: <a href="mailto:fccshininglights@myfairpoint.net">fccshininglights@myfairpoint.net</a>                                                                                                                                      |

*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**  
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**November 12, 2017**

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

Gathering #429 “They’ll Know We Are Christians” *vs. 1,2*

Welcome and Announcements *Mary Menzies*

Opening Prayer

Prelude

Responsive Reading *Psalm 70*

One: Be pleased, O God, to deliver me.  
O God, make haste to help me!

**All: Let those who seek my life be put to shame.  
Let those who want to hurt me be turned back.  
Let those who try to shame me be turned back  
in shame of their own.**

One: Let everyone who seeks you, God, rejoice and be glad.  
Let those who love your salvation say evermore:  
“Our God is great!”

**All: But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God!  
You are my help, my deliverer. O God, do not delay!**

\*Hymn #682 “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

Anthem “The Time for Turning” *Courtney/Martin*

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

Scripture 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

\*Hymn #705 “It Is Well with My Soul”

Sermon “Over My Head”

\*Hymn #639 “Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”

\*Benediction

\*Response #429 “They’ll Know We Are Christians” *vs. 3,4*

\*Postlude

*Lectionary readings for the coming week:  
Judges 4:1-7; Psalm 123; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30*



**Full House! Thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Pumpkin Patch Hangout a Success!**



**COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME!**

This year, our Community Service of Thanksgiving will be held at St. Rose of Lima Roman Catholic Church. We'll gather in their sanctuary for worship on Tuesday, November 21 at 6:30 p.m. Our very own Pastor David will be preaching. There's going to be a bell choir, an ecumenical group of ringers. We're excited to have them join us. Our Thanksgiving offering will go to support our local DARE (the Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program. After worship, we'll gather in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and visiting before we go home.

*(We've been asked to bring fruit platters to serve fifty people—talk to David if you'd like to help with this.)*

Come share in this joyful celebration as we join with our friends to give thanks for God's abundant blessings.

**Notices for the week of November 12, 2017 – November 18, 2017**

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- TODAY... 9:00 am ....Adult Bible Class: James - Classroom
- 10:00 am ....Worship Service & Sunday School
- 11:15 am ....Coffee Fellowship – Ladies Parlor
- 11:30 am ....Adult Bible Study: Pray – Classroom
- Mon..... 4:30 pm ....Finance Committee – Ladies Parlor
- 5:30 pm ....SLLC Board & CE following – Classroom
- Pastor's Sabbath
- Tues..... 6:00 pm ....AlAnon – Ladies Parlor
- 6:30 pm ....Council – Classroom
- Wed..... 5:00 pm ....AA – Ladies Parlor
- 6:30 pm ....Choir Rehearsal – Ladies Parlor
- 7:00 pm ....Weds. Night AA – Fellowship Hall
- Thurs..... 7:15 pm ....COG – Classroom
- Sat..... 7:00 pm ....AA – Fellowship Hall

AA meetings: Monday – Friday 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm in the Ladies Parlor

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**Usher/Greeter:**

**Coffee Fellowship:** Elizabeth and Mary Lopes

**Flowers:** to the glory of God

# November 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.

**Don Bliss** – kidney failure. (Judy Oleary)

**Joyce Watrous** – wife of Glenda Iles nephew, beginning chemo for uterine cancer. (Glenda Iles)

**Bing Clark and Melissa Elander** – They will continue with their extraordinary recovery from kidney transplant and donor surgery. (Linda Warden)

**Robin O.** – friend of my colleague; young woman newly diagnosed with ovarian cancer with invasive surgery. (Karen Lord)

## Cancer

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| Barry Jacobson (David Weddington)  | Curtis Sears (Emily LaFlam)    |
| Joni Prell (Linda Warden)          | Travis Gay (Judy Warden)       |
| Judy Dean (Alice Muh)              | Joyce Willoughby (Glenda Iles) |
| Peter Campbell (Glenda Iles)       | Steve Cobb (Dottie Morton)     |
| Cynthia Farquharson (Linda Warden) | Betsy Harman (Judy Warden)     |
| Rebecca Martel (Glenda Iles)       | Doreen Degenerica (June Davis) |
| Mark Morgan (Lars Nielson)         |                                |

## Loss/Grieving

Family of Erma Sheley (Brenda Fairweather)  
Family of Dan Nute (Emily LaFlam)

## Illness/Recovery

Dianne & Jeff White (Donna Matz)  
Sharon Bartley (Karen Lord)

Bill Hardy, Sr. (Tina Peabody)  
Betsy Bergen (Alice Muh)

Bing Clark (Mary Hodgdon)

## 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.*

