### **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**

Christian Education Committee: Kim Smith, Chair

Deacons: Mary Menzies, Chair Finance: Dudley Bailey, Chair Mission: Judy O'Leary, Chair Music: Rachel Clark, Chair

Personnel Relations: Tina Peabody

Property Management: Reggie LaFlam, Chair

Stewardship: Bob Muh

Trustee of Trust Funds: Dudley Bailey

Caring Tree: Karen Carbonneau Steeple Talk: Pam Nute

### **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 November 15, 2015

#### 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.

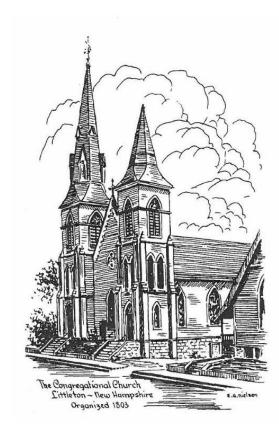
Coffee Fellowship 11:15 a.m.

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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 November 15, 2015 Stewardship Sunday

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

Gathering #214

"He Has Made Me Glad"

Welcome and Announcements

Mary Menzies

**Opening Prayer** 

Stewardship Moment "You Celebrate My Glory"

Call to Worship

Philippians 4:4-7

One: Rejoice in the risen Christ always, dear friends! Let us say it together:

All: Rejoice!

We will open our gentle hearts to everyone, trusting that Jesus is near.

One: Don't worry about anything; instead, by prayer and supplication—already giving thanks let your requests be made known to God.

All: And the peace of God—wider and deeper by far than any of us will ever understand—the peace of God will guard us, will fill our hearts and our minds with the love of Christ Jesus.

Rejoice! Amen.

\*Hymn #793

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Anthem

"Offertory"

John Ness Beck

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 (insert) "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

Scripture Luke 6:27-38

Sermon "With the Measure You Use"

\*Hymn #597 "Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated"

\*Benediction

\*Response #713

"Seek Ye First"

\*Postlude

# **Next week is Dedication Sunday!**

By now, everyone should have received our Stewardship mailing. We would appreciate it if everyone could make an effort to return their completed commitment cards on or before Dedication Sunday next week. Prompt returned cards will aid the church council in embarking on meaningful financial planning at the next council meeting on December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thank you! *~Bob Muh, Stewardship Chair* 

Next week there is also a Slide Show featuring the wonderful people who participated in this year's River Walk for MS ~ be sure to come early to enjoy!

Coffee Fellowship will be held in the Fellowship Hall next week to coincide with this year's Cake Walk. Please let Kim Smith or anyone on the CE committee know if you are willing to donate a cake or pie. Be sure to bring your "dollahs" next week to participate in the rounds.

All proceeds will be used to double the children's mission pig money.

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Marcia Dickerman, daughter of **Nat Beane**, is extending an invitation to her mom's 90th **birthday party** at Riverglen on Tuesday, **November 17th**. It will be "openhouse like" from 6pm to 7pm. (Cards, flowers, cake & coffee.) She hopes her Congregational church friends will come to celebrate!

**December Steeple Talk Articles are needed by THIS Friday** – yes! It's a little earlier than usual, but due to holiday scheduling, it would be very much appreciated if you can get them in to Pam by the deadline. Thank you!

**Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service:** at the First United Methodist Church: Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

**Volunteer Opportunity:** at the Food Bank at the All Saints Church: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:45 am to 10:15 am. There is no heavy lifting, someone will train you and you will always have an experienced person with you!

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Usher/Greeter: Dottie and Dudley Bailey

Coffee Fellowship: Glenda lles

Flowers: to the Glory of God

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On Tuesday, November 24th, the Dinner Bell meal is a Thanksgiving meal in which all organizations involved pitch in to put the meal on together.

The items our church has been assigned are: 8 bags of Pepperidge Farm **Stuffing** Mix (Judy Oleary will prepare it); **Olives** (1 can of black, 1 jar of green); 3-4 jars of dill **Pickles**; 15 bags of **Frozen Peas**; and 6 cans of **Cranberry Sauce**. This meal traditionally serves 120+ people.

If you are able to donate something, please bring it to church or the kitchen during office hours. Thank you for your consideration!

# **November 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.

**Wilman Gadwah** – heart failure. He is at VA Hospital in White River Jct., and for Mary Hodgdon as she travels to be with him. (Linda Warden)

**Don Bliss** – surgery over; pacemaker installed, being set up for home dialysis. He cannot come to Littleton until end of December. (Glenda lles)

### Cancer

Ron LaFlam (Emily LaFlam)
Alison Bolt (Linda Warden)
Holly Hyslop (Su Schott)
Paul McMillan (Tina Peabody)
Diane Stinaker (Richard Peterson)

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) Roberta Lucht (Roberta Lucht) Aldyn Frenkiewich (Linda Warden) Alan Willimas (Judy Warden) Ginny Collins (Tim Gould)
Bill Hardy, Sr. (Tina Peabody)
Vic & Karen Carbonneau
Carol Detrick (Wilma Weddington)

## Family Issues/Strength

Holly & Steve Hilliard (Steve Hilliard)

# Loss/Grieving

Family of Roger Tewksbury (Marti Faulkner) Family of Alan Astle (Linda Warden) Family of Rodney Collins (Tim Gould)

# **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.

