

*First Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
Littleton, New Hampshire
November 22, 2015*

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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.

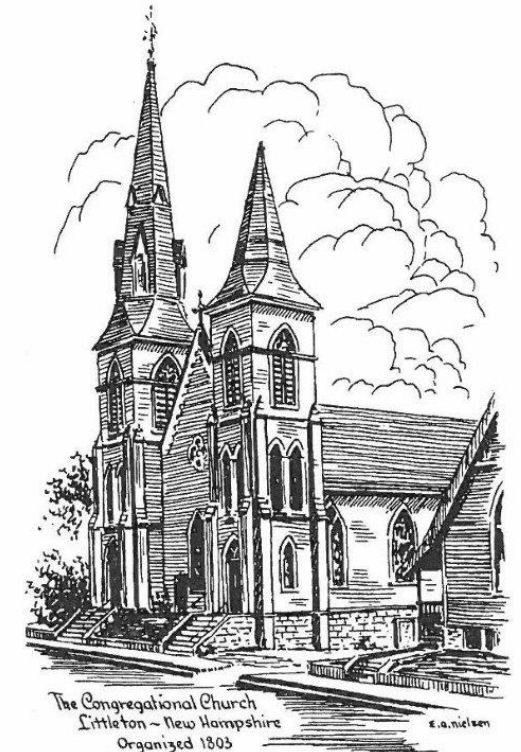
Worship Service and Sunday School  
10:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship  
11:15 a.m.

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*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 22, 2015**  
**Thanksgiving Sunday**

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

Slide Show "Riverwalk for MS"  
Gathering #431 "Shine, Jesus, Shine"  
Welcome and Announcements *Lars Nielson*  
Opening Prayer  
Call to Worship *based on 1 Timothy 2:1-7*  
One: Pray, I urge you. Pray for those who sit in seats of power.  
**All: Pray. Ask God to guide all leaders, one day at a time.**  
One: Pray. Ask God to intercede when leaders start to go astray.  
Grant us, God, a quiet life, a peaceful life, a godly life.  
**All: God, may we live with dignity, a life that pleases you.**  
One: For it is your hope that everyone will come to see the truth,  
that all your people, everywhere,  
will come to enjoy your bountiful gifts.  
**All: And so we offer Jesus, fully human, just like us,  
who gave himself to rescue us  
(not some of us, but all of us!)**  
One: to open the way (at just the right time!)  
the way to your heart, O God.  
**All: You call us, O God, to share this good news,  
(We believe you; we know this is what we're for!)  
Help us, O God, to live up to your calling,  
to offer the whole world the gift of your love  
with hearts full of gratitude, hope and praise.  
For we pray in the name of Jesus, our Savior,  
whose help never fails. Amen.**

\*Hymn #686 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"  
Anthem "To Everything There Is a Season" *Harris*  
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, Offerings and Pledges  
Offertory Music "Hymn of Abundance" *Green/Butler*  
\*Doxology (#815)  
\*Offertory Prayer  
\*Hymn (*insert*) "We Praise You, O God Our Redeemer, Creator"  
Scripture Matthew 6:25-33  
Sermon "Most of All, That Love Has Found Us"  
\*Hymn #794 "Let All Things Now Living"  
\*Benediction  
\*Response #796 "In Thanksgiving Let Us Praise Him" *vs. 1*  
\*Postlude

Coffee Fellowship will be held in the Fellowship Hall today to coincide with this year's Cake Walk. Please join us in this fun fundraiser.

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

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**Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service: at the First United Methodist Church:**

Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Your area churches are asking you to pause your preparation of the meal for a time to prepare your inner spirit. **Let us Give Thanks** to our Abundant God, Compassionate Jesus, and Renewing Holy Spirit who have been **Bountiful in their Blessings**. All are welcome. There will be a monetary offering collected for food & fuel for those in need in Littleton. Let us celebrate the harvest with ministry & mission!

**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!

**A Friendly reminder: Next week is Food Pantry Collection Week!**

*and*

**December 6<sup>th</sup> is Tree Decoration Fun (Second Sunday of Advent)**

On Tuesday, the Dinner Bell meal is a Thanksgiving meal in which all organizations involved pitch in to put the meal on together at All Saints church at 5pm. All are welcomed to attend! Please contact Judy Oleary if you have any questions or would like to help with last minute item needs.

**Notices for the week of November 22, 2015 – November 27, 2015**

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TODAY. ... 9:00 am ..Bible Study  
10:00 am ...Worship Service & Sunday School  
11:15 am ..Coffee Fellowship – Fellowship Hall  
..... Cake Walk fundraiser

Mon..... Pastor's Sabbath

Tues..... 5:00 pm ..Dinner Bell – All Saints Church  
6:00 pm ...Al Anon/Ladies Parlor  
7:00 pm ...Eastern Star – Fellowship Hall

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

Thurs./Fri. OFFICE CLOSED for Thanksgiving Holiday

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:** Joyce and Phil Krill

**Coffee Fellowship:** Linda Warden & Tim Gould

**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 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.

**Family of Glenn Stillings** – (Marti Faulkner)

**Jennie, Jordyn & Jake Baker** – niece, Jennie, and children in a bad car accident last week. Jake (3 month old) admitted to pedi ICU for head trauma. Jennie and Jordyn (5 yrs.) are fine. (Alice & Bob Muh)

**Kalin Sara McClary** – newborn daughter of Samantha (Peabody) & Jarrad McClary (Tina Peabody)

## Cancer

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| Ron LaFlam (Emily LaFlam)         | Betsy Warden (Linda Warden)    |
| Alison Bolt (Linda Warden)        | Joyce Willoughby (Glenda Iles) |
| Holly Hyslop (Su Schott)          | Joe Carter (Donna Matz)        |
| Paul McMillan (Tina Peabody)      | Kathy Gordon (Judy Warden)     |
| Diane Stinaker (Richard Peterson) | Mike Jorde (Donna Matz)        |

## Illness/Recovery

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| Patricia Tuck (Pat Tuck)         | Ginny Collins (Tim Gould)        |
| Roberta Lucht (Roberta Lucht)    | Wilman Gadway (Linda Warden)     |
| Aldyn Frenkiewich (Linda Warden) | Vic & Karen Carbonneau           |
| Alan Williams (Judy Warden)      | Carol Detrick (Wilma Weddington) |
| Don Bliss (Glenda Iles)          |                                  |

## 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 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.***

