

CHURCH STAFF

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

April 8, 2018

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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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Church office hours: Monday-Thursday
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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444-7379  
E-mail: [fccshininglights@myfairpoint.net](mailto:fccshininglights@myfairpoint.net)



*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**

**April 8, 2018: Second Sunday of Easter**

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

Gathering #34                      “He Is Lord”

Welcome and Announcements                      *Ross Fairweather*

Opening Prayer

Prelude

Call to Worship:                      *Psalm 32:1-7*

One: Happy are those who know they are forgiven,  
who know that their sins have been pardoned.

**All: Happy are those who are free from deceit,  
who know God is not against them.**

One: When I kept silent, my bones ached from weeping;  
your hand lay heavy on me like the fierce heat of summer.

**All: Then I confessed; I stopped covering my flaws.  
I opened my heart and admitted everything,  
and you took away my guilt and my shame.**

One: O pray to our God. Pray, while God may be found,  
that the great flood of troubles will not reach us.

**All: You are our hiding place, good and loving God.  
You preserve us from trouble; you protect us.  
With trusting hearts we lay our lives  
in your creative hands, O God.  
Shape us, mold us as you will. Amen.**

Hymn #710                      “Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

Special Music

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 John 1:1-2:2

\*Hymn #705                      “It Is Well with My Soul”

Sermon                      “for those who have not seen”

\*Hymn #368                      “He Lives”                      vs. 1, 2

\*Benediction

\*Response #368                      “He Lives”                      vs. 3

\*Postlude

*Scripture Readings for Next Sunday: Acts 3:12-19; Psalm 4; 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48.*

**NEXT WEEK!** *Please contact Pam if you have any questions*



## Community Dinner

Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>

**A Homemade Meal!**

Chicken & Biscuits with vegetables, pickles,  
cranberry sauce, drinks and desserts

Adults/Teens: \$ 10.00      Children 5-12: \$5.00  
4 & under: Free

**5 PM – 6:30 PM**

**First Congregational Church**

189 Main Street, Littleton



*We welcome everyone to the table*

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**The COG is providing pizza, salad and dessert for the Littleton Drama Students again this year on Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to donate towards a Pizza or make a Dessert, please see Tim Gould or Linda Warden! Thank You!**

## Notices for the week of April 8, 2018 – April 14, 2018

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- TODAY... 9:00 am ....Adult Bible Class – Classroom
- 10:00 am ....Worship Service and Sunday School
- 11:15 am ....Coffee Fellowship – Ladies Parlor
- Mon..... 5:30 pm ....Shining Lights Board – Classroom
- Pastor’s Sabbath
- Tues..... 12:30 pm ....Ladies Society – Bailiwick’s Restaurant
- 6:00 pm ....AlAnon – Ladies Parlor
- 7:00 pm ....Eastern Star – Fellowship Hall
- Wed..... 5:00 pm ....AA – Ladies Parlor
- 6:30 pm ....Choir Rehearsal – Ladies Parlor
- 7:00 pm ....Weds. Night AA – Fellowship Hall
- Thurs..... 5:00 pm ....Property Committee – Classroom
- Fri..... 2:00 pm ....Set Up for Community Dinner – FH
- Sat..... 8:00 am ....Men’s Breakfast – LaFleur Residence
- 5:00 pm ....Community Dinner Fundraiser – FH
- 7:00 pm ....AA – Ladies Parlor

AA meetings: Monday – Friday 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

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**Usher/Greeter:**

**Coffee Fellowship:**

**Flowers:** to the Glory of God

## April 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.

**Paula Thomas** – brain and lung cancer – has had one radiation treatment and one chemo, she’s now in ICU with double pneumonia. She is a friend and neighbor. (Emily LaFlam)

### Cancer

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|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Barry Jacobson (David Weddington)  | Travis Gay (Judy Warden)          |
| Judy Dean (Alice Muh)              | Mark Morgan (Lars Nielson)        |
| Betsy Harman (Judy Warden)         | Doreen Degenerica (June Davis)    |
| Cynthia Farquharson (Linda Warden) | Joyce Watrous (Glenda Iles)       |
| Mary Ellen Gilbert (Tina Peabody)  | Jennifer Abdool (Bruce Webster)   |
| Bruce Swanson (Judy Warden)        | Richard Price (Alice Muh)         |
| Barbara Sarafini (Linda Warden)    | Mike MacKillop (Ross Fairweather) |
| Matt Byrne (Tina Peabody)          | Fred Englet – (Ed O’Brien)        |

### Family Issues/Concerns

Janet Doyle (Glenda Iles)  
Margaret Whetstine & Mike Whetstine (Wilma Weddington)

### Illness/Recovery

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| Betsy Bergen (Alice Muh)       | Dennis Sharpe (Rachel Clark) |
| Phil Tomashek (Marti Faulkner) | Jack Nute (Karen Morneau)    |

## Loss/Grieving

Family of Ginny Dickman (Linda Warden)  
Family of Pam Michaud McBean (Marti Faulkner)  
Family of Donna Cruickshank (Linda Warden)  
Family of Jean Kimball

## 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.*

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