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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.*

*First Congregational Church  
United Church of Christ  
Littleton, New Hampshire  
April 17, 2016*

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-Friday
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.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**  
**April 17, 2016**  
**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

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

Gathering #9                      “Glorify Thy Name”

Welcome and Announcements                      *Mary Menzies*

Prayer

Prelude

Call to Worship                      *John 10:22-30*  
One: It was winter, the Feast of Dedication. Jesus was walking  
in the temple, in Solomon’s Porch; and people came to ask  
him, “Are you the One? Tell us plainly.” Jesus said:  
**All: “I’ve answered that question in a hundred ways;  
everything I do is an answer to that question;  
the real question is, Will you trust me?”**  
One: He went on. “A sheep trusts the voice of its shepherd.  
If you are my sheep, you’ll respond to my voice.  
**All: “If you’re one of my sheep, I know you; you know me;  
you follow me; I give you imperishable life;  
we are one, just as I and the Father are one,  
and no one can snatch you from our hand.”**  
One: So the real question isn’t “Is Jesus the One?”  
The real question is, “Will we trust him when he calls?”  
**All: Jesus, we trust you. Our hearts leap for joy  
at the sound of your voice. O speak to us today,  
dear Shepherd, and we will follow you!**

Hymn #688                      “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”

Anthem                      “The Lord Is My Shepherd”                      *Goodall*

Children's Time

Moments of Concern and Celebration (please fill out a blue card)  
Pastoral Prayer  
Savior’s Prayer (“trespasses”)

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings  
\*Doxology #815  
\*Offertory Prayer

Scripture                      Acts 9:32-43

\*Hymn #665                      “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”

Sermon                      “Here and There:  
The Curious, Winding Journey Home”

\*Hymn #424                      “The Servant Song”

\*Benediction

\*Response #426                      “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

\*Postlude

**The May Men's Breakfast will take place  
on May 7<sup>th</sup>**

**At Doug Menzies home**

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**PLANS ARE UNDERWAY FOR THE**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Low Tech"  
Community Family Fun Night**  
*Scheduled for June 18<sup>th</sup>*

*Do you like to play? Your ideas are welcomed!*

*COG and CE needs your help make this event a success!*

**PLANNING MEETING – MAY 12<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:15 PM**

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**Spring Clean Up Day**

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>!

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**Memorial Day Bell Ringers are needed!**



**Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 to 11:10 am**  
**In observance of the Memorial Procession down Main Street**

**Please see Reg LaFlam if you are able to help!**

**Notices for the week of April 17 – April 23, 2016**

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TODAY..... 9:00 am ....Adult Bible Study - Classroom  
10:00 am ....Worship Service  
11:15 am ....Coffee Fellowship – Ladies Parlor  
Mon..... Pastor's Sabbath  
Tues..... 6:00 pm ....AlAnon – 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.....7:00 pm ....AA – Fellowship Hall

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

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**Usher/Greeter:** BG & Rick Frazier

**Coffee Fellowship:** Mary Menzies

**Flowers:** to the Glory of God

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**Coming May 15<sup>th</sup> ~ Strengthen the Church Offering**

Each day, visions and dreams are created in the hearts of many in the United Church of Christ. Through the *Strengthen the Church* special mission offering, they can become a reality. As God calls our congregations to be "church" in new ways, your gift will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches, and develop spiritual life in our youth and young adults. Because of this offering, many more will hear the good news that "God is still speaking." *Strengthen the Church* is directed to your church's Conference, Local Church Ministries and The Stillspeaking Ministry for these purposes. *Invest in the Vision: Strengthen the Church!*

# April 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.

**Ron LaFlam** – going to see if he can qualify for a clinical trial Friday at Dana Farber. Prayer that this drug will work. (Emily LaFlam)

**Dianne White** – doing well from heart issues. She is extremely grateful for all the prayers. (Donna Matz)

**Charron Sundman** – had to have surgery for a cracked knee cap. (Judy Warden)

## 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)         | Paul McMillan (Tina Peabody)   |
| Kathy Gordon (Judy Warden)       | Diane Stinaker (Judy Warden)   |
| Curtis Sears (Emily LaFlam)      | Ray Morton (Dottie Morton)     |
| Jim Sturtevant (Mary Sturtevant) | Joan Ziter (Judy Warden)       |
| Carol Detrick (Wilma Weddington) | Peter Low (Tina Peabody)       |
| Astrid Warden (Judy Warden)      |                                |

## Illness/Recovery

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| Patricia Tuck (Pat Tuck)              | Bill & Janet Doyle (Emily LaFlam) |
| Jeremy Doyle (Emily LaFlam)           | Ed Warden (Judy Warden)           |
| Ryan Benson (Su Schott)               | Barbara Enderson (Judy Warden)    |
| Dan Benson (Su Schott)                | Don Bliss (Don Bliss)             |
| Diane White (Marti Faulkner)          | Camie Quail (Glenda Iles)         |
| Ann Cosgrove (Glenda Iles)            | Marvin Curnutt (Emily LaFlam)     |
| Martha Jane Aldrich (Barbara Holland) | Jackie Home (Su Schott)           |

## Loss/Grieving

Family of Bob Bigelow (Marti Faulkner)  
Family of James Edison (Wilma Weddington)

## Family Issues

Elizabeth Grimm (Wilma Weddington) The Weddington Family

## 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.*

