

**CHURCH STAFF**

Pastor: Rev. W. David Weddington  
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*First Congregational Church  
United Church of Christ  
Littleton, New Hampshire*

*May 13, 2018*

**OFFICERS:**

Moderator: Lars Nielson  
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Treasurer: Dudley Bailey  
Assistant Treasurer: Joyce Krill



**The Shining Lights June calendar fundraiser is underway!**

If you would like to purchase a \$10 ticket for a chance to win various prizes for 30 days, please see Su Schott or Pam in the office or Melissa at Shining Lights during the week. Description of prizes are available in the back of the Sanctuary (on blue paper). **Thank you for your support!**

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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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FCC Shining Lights Learning Center  
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**

**May 13, 2018: Seventh Sunday of Easter**

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

Gathering #138      “Holy Ground”

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer      *Mary Menzies*

Prelude

Responsive Reading      *from Psalm 139*

One: God, you have searched me and known me;  
you know when I sit down and when I rise;  
you discern my thoughts from far away.

**All: You guard my path; you guard my sleep;  
you are acquainted with all my ways.**

One: It was you who formed my inward parts;  
you knit me together my mother’s womb.

**All: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made!**

One: My frame was not hidden from you  
when I was being made in secret,  
intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

**One: Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.**

**All my days were written in your book  
when none of them existed.**

One: How weighty for me are your thoughts, O God!  
How vast is the sum of them!

**All: I try to count them—they are more than the sand;  
I come to the end—I am still with you.**

One: Search me, O God, and know my heart;  
test me and know my thoughts.

**All: See if there is any wicked way in me,  
and lead me in the way everlasting.**

\*Hymn #688      “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

Anthem      “My Savior”      *Besig*

Children’s Time

Good News from El Salvador      *Su Schott*

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 and Offertory Prayer

Scripture      2 Timothy 1:3-14      Page 198NT

\*Hymn #690      “He Leadeth Me”

Sermon:      “Most of all, that Love has found us . . .”

\*Hymn #793      “For the Beauty of the Earth”

\*Benediction

\*Choral Response      “The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

\*Postlude

*Scripture Readings for next week: Acts 2:1-21; Ezekiel 37:1-14;  
Psalm 104; Romans 8:22-27.*

## COG Announcement

An informational meeting will be held on **June 3<sup>rd</sup>** after Sunday's service to relay information about our LittleTON Free Pantry!

This informational meeting will also be to hear input from you, the congregation.

There will be handouts at the meeting.

If members cannot attend and would like the information either mailed or emailed, please let Estelle LaFleur know and she will send the information out to you.

**Next Week!**  
**SPECIAL OFFERING**  
**Pentecost Sunday, May 20th**



**STRENGTHEN  
 THE CHURCH  
 OFFERING**

*The gifts He gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ.*

— Ephesians 4: 11 - 12



## Notices for the week of May 13, 2018 – May 19, 2018

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TODAY... 10:00 am ....Worship Service, Communion and Sunday School

11:15 am ....Coffee Fellowship – Ladies Parlor

Mon..... 4:30 pm ....Finance Committee – Ladies Parlor

5:30 pm ....Shining Lights Board – Classroom  
 Pastor's Sabbath

Tues..... 5:00 pm ....Dinner Bell – All Saints Church

6:00 pm ....AlAnon – Ladies Parlor

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 Fellowship Hall

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**Usher/Greeter:**

**Coffee Fellowship: Karen Lord**

**Flowers:** to the Glory of God

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## DEACON'S FUND COLLECTION TODAY

There will be a special collection today to benefit the Deacon's Fund. This fund helps people who come to our door in need of emergency assistance. Envelopes for this specific purpose are included in the bulletin. Thank you!

# May 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.

**Lynne Lind** - she is in the hospital with cardiac issues. (June Davis)

**Donna Murphy** – broke her heel in three places. (Judy Warden)

Granddaughter of my boss, Helen Nelson – 11 month old twin girl diagnosed with a brain tumor last week – is inoperable. (Karen Lord)

**Wilma Weddington** – right hip surgery on May 15<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 in Concord, NH.

**Amy Welsh** – Amy’s birthday is May 14<sup>th</sup> – blessings of peace and joy. (Wilma Weddington)

## 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) | Mary Ellen Gilbert (Tina Peabody) |
| 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)          |
| Paula Thomas (Emily LaFlam)        | Linda Reed Tamm (Elaine Stroop)   |

## Family Issues/Concerns

Janet Nelson (Wilma Weddington)

## Illness/Recovery

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| Betsy Bergen (Alice Muh)    | Jeff & Diane White (Donna Matz)       |
| Barney Wiers (Tina Peabody) | Brenda Fairweather (Ross Fairweather) |

## Loss/Grieving

Family of Casey Pillsbury  
Family of Janet Doyle

## 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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