

CHURCH STAFF

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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  
June 5, 2016*



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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**  
**June 5, 2016**

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

Gathering #209 "This Is the Day"

2. *This is the day Jesus rose again . . .*

3. *This is the day that the Spirit came . . .*

Welcome, Announcements and Prayer

*Ann Craxton*

Prelude

Call to Worship:

One: Come celebrate the life we share,  
for we are God's own people.

**All: This is the day our God has made!**  
**Let us rejoice and be glad!**

One: Come celebrate those who gather here  
to teach, to pray, to learn!

**All: What a great joy it is to grow**  
**in wisdom and understanding.**

One: Come celebrate the life of Jesus  
here at the bountiful Table of Blessing.

**All: Come taste the manna, the Bread from Heaven,**  
**Come and give thanks for the gift of God's Word,**  
**Come celebrate this day we've been given!**  
**Let us rejoice and be glad!**

\*Hymn #207 "We Have Come to Join in Worship"

Special Music

We Celebrate our Teachers and our Students

**Unison: We thank you, generous and loving God, for those**  
**who teach and for those who learn. As we have received your**

**wisdom and guidance, help us to share these gifts with the**  
**world. As we have been blessed by the teaching of your Word,**  
**help us to be a blessing to others, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Moments of Concern and Celebration (please fill out a blue card)  
Pastoral Prayer and Savior's Prayer ("trespasses")

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

\*Doxology #815

\*Offertory Prayer

Scripture

Galatians 1:11-24

Sermon

"The Encounter"

\*Hymn (*insert*)

"As We Gather at Your Table"

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

**Confession: Gentle Teacher, you show us Wisdom's way, but**  
**we don't often follow where she leads. Instead, we resist her**  
**life-giving guidance and abandon her wholesome ways. We**  
**seek our own advantage, we choose the path of ignorance,**  
**aggression and self-centered fear. Lost, in the wilderness,**  
**frightened and alone, we cry out to you, gentle Teacher. In**  
**kindness, forgive us and lead us back into your paths. We**  
**pray with humble hearts. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon and Gloria Patri #813

Statement of Faith (*inside cover of hymnal*)

\*Hymn #237

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

*vs. 1*

\*Benediction

\*Response #237

"Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

*vs. 2*

\* Postlude

The Adult Bible Study group has disbanded for the summer. We had a good year and will resume next September! ~Erma Sheley

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**Congratulations Tim Gould!**

Winner of a \$20 Gift Certificate to Gold House on Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> in the Shining Lights calendar raffle fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who bought tickets! \$2,250 was raised for new Christian curriculum for next fall!

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**Save the Date!**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual "Low Tech"**

**Community Family Fun Day**

**Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>**

**2 - 6pm**

**Remich Park ~ by the Gazebo**

**Hotdogs, Popcorn & Lemonade ~ Come play "simply" in the park**

**Games and Activities for ALL ages**

**Bring friends, relatives, a lawn chair or blanket and have some fun**

This is a free event co-sponsored by the Community Outreach Group and the Christian Education Committee

There is one more planning meeting! Please join COG and CE on Thursday night at 7:15 pm in the Ladies Parlor. Your resources would be appreciated!

**Notices for the week of June 5, 2016 – June 11, 2016**

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- TODAY..... 9:00 am ....Choir Practice
- 10:00 am ....Worship Service & Communion  
Celebration Sunday
- 11:15 am ....Coffee Fellowship – Ladies Parlor
- Mon..... Pastor’s Sabbath
- 6:00 pm ....Ladies Society Salad Supper - FH
- Tues..... 6:00 pm ....AlAnon – Ladies Parlor
- Wed..... 5:00 pm ....AA – Ladies Parlor
- 7:00 pm ....Weds. Night AA – Fellowship Hall
- Thurs..... 7:15 pm ....COG – Ladies Parlor
- Sat..... 8:00 am ....Men’s Breakfast – Bolt Residence
- 7:00 pm ....AA – Fellowship Hall

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

**Usher/Greeter:** Brenda & Ross Fairweather

**Coffee Fellowship:** Christian Ed

**Flowers:** to the Glory of God

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**Ladies Society**



**SALAD SUPPER is TOMORROW night at 6pm**

**Calling ALL Ladies!**

Try to get there early so we can begin the supper RIGHT ON TIME AT 6PM in the Fellowship Hall. We'll gather round the table for a prayer and then "dig in." The "swap" follows the meal. This is sponsored by the Ladies Society. We want ALL women to come and get ready for a grand time. Bring a salad and small gift to share. Call Barbara Holland if you have any questions. 444-1104.

## June 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.

### Cancer

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| Ron LaFlam (Emily LaFlam)        | Betsy Warden (Linda Warden)    |
| Alison Bolt (Linda Warden)       | Joyce Willoughby (Glenda Iles) |
| Jennifer LaFlam (Emily LaFlam)   | 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)      | Elaine Gray (Sarah Donovan)    |

### Illness/Recovery

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| Elissa Pollack (Glenda Iles)        | Frank Tillotson (Virginia Miller) |
| Bertha Dubey Gladney (Tina Peabody) | Sandy White (Richard Donovan)     |
| Dianne White (Donna Matz)           | Heather Wright (Wilma Weddington) |

### Loss/Grieving

Family of John Oleary (Bob Oleary)  
Family of David Vital, Jr. (Karen Morneau)  
Family of Carol Welborn (Tina Peabody)  
Family of Muriel Anderson (Chris Sundman's mother)

## Family Issues

Michelle Carmody (Wilma Weddington)

### 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.*

