

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  
August 21, 2016*



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| <p><b>Pastor:</b><br/>Rev. W. David Weddington<br/>E-mail: <a href="mailto:pastordavid@myfairpoint.net">pastordavid@myfairpoint.net</a></p> <p><b>Music Director &amp; Organist</b><br/>Dorothy Morton</p> <p>Sun. 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.</p> <p>Worship Service 10:00 a.m.</p> | <p>189 Main Street<br/>Littleton, NH 03561<br/>603-444-3376, Fax: 603-444-6589<br/>E-mail: <a href="mailto:fstcong@myfairpoint.net">fstcong@myfairpoint.net</a><br/><a href="http://www.1stconglittleton.org">www.1stconglittleton.org</a></p> <p>~~~~</p> <p>Church office hours: Monday-Thursday<br/>9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.</p> <p>~~~~</p> <p>FCC Shining Lights Learning Center<br/>444-7379<br/>E-mail: <a href="mailto:fccshininglights@myfairpoint.net">fccshininglights@myfairpoint.net</a></p> |
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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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August 21, 2016**

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

Gathering #431      “Shine, Jesus, Shine”      *vs. 1*

Welcome and Announcements      *Ross Fairweather*

Opening Prayer

Prelude

Call to Worship      *Psalm 71:1-6*

One: God, I have taken refuge in you;  
never let me be put to shame.

**All: Come to me in your righteousness, God;  
deliver me; rescue me; hear my cry  
and save me from my oppressors.**

One: God, be my rock; let me hide myself in you;  
God, be my fortress in times of distress.

**All: Save me, O God for you are my rock;  
yes, you are my mighty fortress!**

One: Save me, God; rescue my soul from wicked hands,  
from the grasp of cruel, unjust hands.

**All: You are my hope, God. Since I was a youth,  
I have put all my trust in you.**

One: I have leaned on you, God, from the day of my birth;  
from the moment you brought me from my mother's womb.

**All: So, day and night, God, my voice is raised to you;  
my mouth is full of grateful praise of you!**

\*Hymn #90      “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Special Music

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

Offertory

\*Doxology #815

\*Offertory Prayer

Scripture      Luke 13:10-17

\*Hymn #505      “He Touched Me”

Sermon      “By Darkness Bound, by Loving Hands Set Free”

\*Hymn #440      “So Send I You—by Grace Made Strong”      vs. 1-3

\*Benediction

\*Response #440      “So Send I You—by Grace Made Strong”      vs. 4

\*Postlude

*Special thanks to Lori Jo Gardner  
who is providing our special music this morning.*

**Third Annual!!**



**Saturday, September 10, 2016**

- **All Proceeds** to Benefit the **National MS Society**
- It's a fun walk around Main Street and the River District for all ages and abilities. For added fun, try our scavenger hunt for children of all ages!
- You can register on the day of the walk anytime between 9am and 11am at the church.
- Refreshments available for all walkers!
- MS hats for walkers to help raise awareness while supplies last.

***No amount raised is too small ~ Join us, it is fun!***

If you have Facebook, you can help spread the word from the comfort of your own home just by liking and sharing our posts!!

*Brought to you by the **Community Outreach Group** and **Christian Education Committee***

**REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH!**

*The **Community Outreach Group** and **Christian Education Committee** will be having a logistics planning meeting for this event on Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Classroom*

**THEY NEED YOUR HELP!**

**PLEASE COME TO THIS MEETING**

**Please contact Tim Gould or Kim Smith if you have any questions**

**Notices for the week of August 21, 2016 – August 27, 2016**

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TODAY... 10:00 am ....Worship Service

Mon..... Pastor's Sabbath

Tues..... 6:00 pm ....AIAnon – Ladies Parlor

7:00 pm ....Eastern Star – Fellowship Hall

Wed..... 5:00 pm ....AA – Ladies Parlor

7:00 pm ....Weds. Night AA – Fellowship Hall

Fri..... 7:00 pm ....NA – Fellowship Hall

Sat..... 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

**Flowers:** Thank you to Su Schott and her garden

**It's time to put together another Steeple Talk!**

**Articles, information and pictures are needed by Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup> for the September issue**

Newsletters are no fun without you! Please send in your submission to Pam in the office to make the September issue informative and entertaining.

**Food Collection is next Sunday!**

*The Food Cupboard is in need of the following items:*

*Small containers of condiments. Coffee. Cat food. Canned fruit. Soups, stews, canned meat (turkey, chicken, ham, corned beef, Spam). Canned or boxed (complete) meals.*

**Thank you!**

# August 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.

**Sandra Eaton** - diagnosed with reoccurring breast cancer.  
(Sister of Judy Warden)

## Cancer

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| Betsy Warden (Linda Warden)     | Lois Smith (Alison Bolt)       |
| Joyce Willoughby (Glenda Iles)  | Jennifer LaFlam (Emily LaFlam) |
| Paul McMillan (Tina Peabody)    | Diane Stinaker (Judy Warden)   |
| Curtis Sears (Emily LaFlam)     | Ray Morton (Dottie Morton)     |
| Joan Ziter (Judy Warden)        | Peter Low (Tina Peabody)       |
| Astrid Warden (Judy Warden)     | Joni Prell (Linda Warden)      |
| Robin Derrington (Emily LaFlam) |                                |

## Illness/Recovery

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| Matt Bradbury (Donna Matz)          | Dan Doyle (Bill & Janet Doyle)    |
| Dick & Judy Campbell (Linda Warden) | Heather Wright (Wilma Weddington) |
| Sandy White (Richard Donovan)       | Lee Marsh (Judy Oleary)           |
| Damian Gates (Wilma Weddington)     | Allison Bartley (Karen Lord) Bill |
| Spencer (Glenda Iles)               | Todd Warden (Judy Warden)         |

## Family Issues

Michelle Seekamp (June Davis)      Kristi King and family (June Davis)

## Loss/Grieving

Family of Ron LaFlam (Emily & Reg LaFlam)

## 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.*

