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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 7, 2016*

Pastor:  
Rev. W. David Weddington  
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Music Director & Organist  
Dorothy Morton

Sun. 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Worship Service  
10:00 a.m.

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Church office hours: Monday-Thursday
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 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**  
**August 7, 2016**

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

Gathering #704 "God Will Make a Way"

Welcome, Announcements and Prayer

*Mary Menzies*

Prelude

Call to Worship:

*Psalm 33:12-22*

One: Happy is the nation that belongs to you, O God,  
the people you have chosen for great things.

**All: You look on us, watch over us from heaven,  
where you sit enthroned;**

One: You made our hearts, you know us through and through.  
You humble us:

**All: A ruler is not saved by mighty armies.  
Horse and weapons will not make us safe.**

One: You look with care, O God, on those who live  
in awe of your great might,  
who place their hope in your Great Love  
to save their souls from death.

**All: Our souls await you, God of love;  
you are our help, our shield.**

One: Our hearts are glad in you, O God;  
we trust your holy name.

**All: O touch us with your steadfast love;  
we lift our hopeful hearts to you;  
to you alone O God, we lift our song of joyful praise!**

\*Hymn #11 "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Special Music "Why Hast Thou Forsaken Me"

*DuBois*

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 "How Great Thou Art"

*Hine*

\*Doxology #815 and Offertory Prayer

Scripture

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Sermon "And so we walk, in humble trust,  
one loving (kind) step at a time."

\*Hymn #383

"Fill Me Now"

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

**Confession (Micah 6:8): Generous Sovereign, you have shown  
us the way of blessing: "Do justice, love mercy, walk humbly  
with your God." But we fill our lives with anxiety looking out  
for number one, instead of sharing justly with the poor. We  
isolate ourselves by keeping the suffering of others at a  
distance, instead of reaching out to bless them with  
kindness. Again and again, we choose the lonely path of self-  
centered fear, instead of opening our hearts to be ruled by  
your will. Forgive us, O God. By this holy meal, nourish our  
souls and strengthen our hearts to walk in the way of  
blessing. We pray in Jesus' name. AMEN**

Assurance of Pardon and Gloria Patri #813

Statement of Faith (*inside cover of hymnal*)

The Great Thanksgiving with #702 "Fill My Cup, Lord"

\*Hymn #677

"Glorious Is Thy Name Most Holy"

\*Benediction

\*Response #704

"God Will Make a Way"

\* Postlude

*Special thanks to Dale Childs  
who is bringing us 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*

**Silent Auction**

**During the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Harvest Supper ~ October 8<sup>th</sup>**

Please consider being a part of the Silent Auction as the proceeds are used to support important Missions and Outreaches of the Church

Donations for the Silent Auction may include:

- Food
- Handmade Craft Items / Specialties ~ Be Creative!
- Gift Certificates
- Themed Gift Baskets
- Services, Experiences or Outings

To help us plan for set up that day, please fill out a slip available at the back of the church or the church office and return to Rachel Clark or Pam in the church office no later than Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. (But the sooner the better!)

If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Clark at 869-5862.

**THANK YOU!**

**Notices for the week of August 7, 2016 – August 13, 2016**

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- TODAY... 10:00 am ....Worship Service & Communion
- Mon..... Pastor's Sabbath
- Tues..... 5:00 pm ....Property Committee Meeting - Classroom  
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
- 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:** Emily & Reg LaFlam

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

**37th Annual  
Harvest Supper  
AND SILENT AUCTION**

Saturday, October 8, 2016



**Menu**

Baked Ham/Raisin Sauce, Scalloped Potatoes, Baked Beans  
Squash, Coleslaw, Corn Muffins/Sweet Breads & Rolls, Apple Crisp & Ice Cream

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

**Served Family Style - Continuous Seating 5 PM - 7 PM**

Take Out and Free Delivery Service within Littleton: CALL 444-3376

More information about this event is available in the August issue of Steeple Talk!

# 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.

### Celebrations:

**Kyle Doty** – heart surgery went well and expected to make full recovery.  
(Godson of Donna Matz)

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**Robin Derrington** – cancer of lymph nodes. (Emily LaFlam)

**Lee Marsh** – open heart surgery and for wife, Thelma, of 45 years who is very worried. (Judy Oleary)

**Patrick** – cancer has returned and will begin a 13 week chemotherapy session. (Karen Lord)

## 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)      |

## 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)       | Donata Blanks (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 Ralph Aldrich (Rachel Clark)  
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.***

