

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
November 7, 2021

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

Ministry of the Acolyte

Gathering Music #612 “In This Very Room”

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer *Mary Menzies*

Prelude

Responsive Reading *Psalm 127*

One: Unless the LORD builds the house, those who build it
labor in vain.

**All: Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchman
stays awake in vain.**

One: It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest,

**All: eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives to his
beloved sleep.**

One: Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of
the womb a reward.

**All: Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, are the children
of one's youth.**

One: Blessed is the man who fills his quiver with them!

**All: He shall not be put to shame when he speaks with
his enemies in the gate.**

*Hymn #23 “The God of Abraham Praise”

We Lift Up Our Joys and Concerns
Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (trespasses)

Special Music

We Dedicate our Gifts
*Doxology (#815)
Offering prayer

Scripture Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17 *Mary Menzies*
Mark 12:38-44

*Hymn #424 “The Servant Song”

Sermon: “How things have changed ... or not?” *Lars Nielson*

*Hymn #415 “We Are Called to Be God's People”

*Benediction

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

Postlude

We welcome Lars Nielson to the pulpit this week.

*Scriptures for Sunday, November 14: 1 Samuel 1:4-20 and 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Daniel
12:1-36 and Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25; Mark 13:1-8:38-44*

Please note: Our guest leader, Ross Fairweather, may or may not use these texts.

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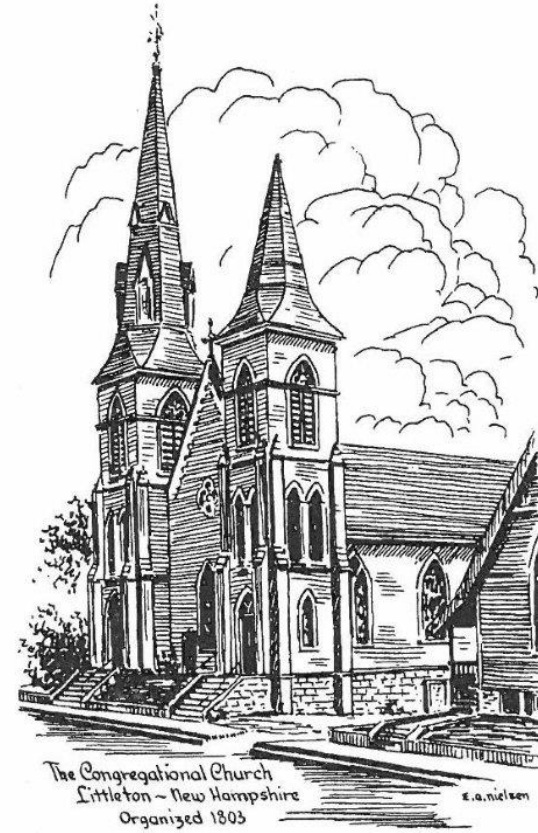
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*Thank you for joining us for worship today!
It is our sincere hope that all who gather in this place will know and experience
the love, forgiveness, hope, and new life available through Jesus Christ.*

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Welcome:
Lars Nielson

Music Director & Organist
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Worship Service 10:00

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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.

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