

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
**United Church of Christ**  
**November 27, 2022**  
**The First Sunday of Advent**

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

Prelude *JoBeth Dudley*

Welcome, Announcements & Opening Prayer

\*Hymn #240 “Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

Gathering Together – Lighting the Candle of Hope

*What gives you hope?*

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Choir Anthem “Awaken and Prepare” *Hayes*

Gospel Reading Matthew 1:1-17

Sermon “There’s Room for Every Story”

\*Hymn #245 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

We Lift Up Our Joys and Concerns

The Lord’s Prayer (trespasses)

Stewardship Moment – What If?

\*Doxology (#815)

Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn #244 “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

\*Benediction

Postlude *(please remain seated throughout the postlude)*

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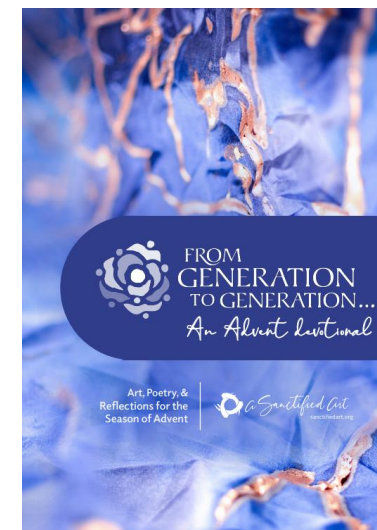
*Thank you for joining us for worship today!*

*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.*

**Advent devotionals are available at the back of the sanctuary.**

**Donations to cover copying costs are appreciated but not required.**

**Enjoy!**



*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.*

## Calendar

Monday, November 28 to December 4<sup>th</sup>: Pastor Away

Wednesday, November 30: Choir Rehearsal 6PM

### Hanging of the Greens

Mark your calendars for December 4<sup>th</sup> to help decorate the church for Christmas after service!

### Shining Lights Christmas Pageant

You are invited! Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm in the sanctuary. Dinner to follow in the fellowship hall; dinner details to come.

### **November Prayer Requests**

Dorothy Usher	Karen & Vic Carbonneau	Barbara Holland
Linda and Bob Warden	Virginia Hyatt	Anna Searles
Roberta Lavoie	Kim Antonucci	Heather Walker
Karin Brown	Nicole & Garrett Willis	Alison & Ron Bolt
Victor & Christian Hofmann	Dick Monroe	Judy Warden
Ruby Hagan	Jennifer LaFlam	Bruce & Chris Scott
Parker Towle	Carol and Gordon Jobe	Madison Ferland

*After 4 weeks names will be removed unless requested to continue.*

### **Poinsettia Order Form**

Poinsettia orders are now being taken. The cost is \$18.50.

All orders must be given to

**Eric Trafford** (860-655-7667 cell) or [ericttrafford@icloud.com](mailto:ericttrafford@icloud.com)

by **Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**.

PLEASE MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO "CHERRY BLOSSOMS".

The poinsettias will be used to decorate the sanctuary at Christmas.

*Located in your bulletin and at the back of the sanctuary.*

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*There's Room for Every Story*



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