

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
October 26, 2014

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

Gathering #708 “Behold, What Manner of Love”
Welcome and Announcements Lars Nielson

Opening Prayer

Prelude and Ministry of the Acolyte

Responsive Reading *Psalm 90*

One: O God, you have been our dwelling-place in all generations.

**All: Before the mountains were brought forth,
or ever you had formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

One: You turn us back to dust, and say, "Turn back, O mortals."

**All: For a thousand years in your sight
are like yesterday when it is past,
like a watch in the night.**

One: You sweep them away; they are like a dream,
like grass that is renewed in the morning;

**All: in the morning it flourishes and is renewed;
in the evening it fades and withers.**

One: Turn, O God! How long? Have compassion on your servants!

**All: Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,
and for as many years as we have seen evil.**

One: Let your work be manifest to your servants,
and your glorious power to their children.

**All: Let the favor of the Sovereign our God be upon us,
and prosper for us the work of our hands—
O prosper the work of our hands!**

*Hymn #686 “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

Children’s Time

Anthem “A Time for All Things” *Ecclesiastes/Wagner*
(See insert for the words to this anthem.)

Moments of Concern and Celebration

(please fill out a blue card in the pew)

Pastoral Prayer and Savior’s Prayer (trespasses)

Reflections on Living Out Our Blessings: Reg and Emily LaFlam

Worship of God with our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

*Doxology (#815)

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn #719 “Children of the Heavenly Father”

Scripture Matthew 22:34-40

Sermon “A Time to Love . . .”

*Hymn #667 “Lord, Speak to Me”

*Benediction

*Response #425 “Bind Us Together”

*Ministry of the Acolyte and Postlude

A TIME FOR ALL THINGS
Ecclesiastes, arr. Douglas Wagner

To ev'rything there is a season, there is a time for all good things;

A time to plant and time to reap, a time to lose, a time to keep;

A time to seep, a time to laugh, a time to mourn a time to dance.

To ev'rything there is a season; there is a time for all good things.

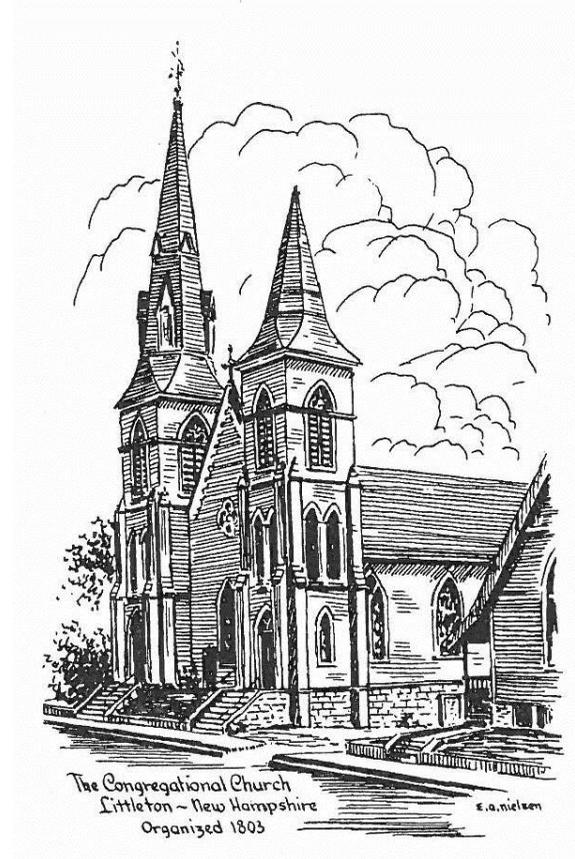
A time to follow a time to lead, a time to speak and time to heed;

A time to sleep, a time to wake, a time to give and a time to take.

For all the blessings of our God, are given us that we might have.

A time to live and a time to share, a time to love and a time to care.

A time, a time, a time for all good things, all good things.



*First Congregational Church of Littleton:
A LOVING COMMUNITY IN CHRIST
Our Vision is:*

- ✚ To offer worship that celebrates God's love and inspires us to bring that love into our daily lives.*
- ✚ To engage people of all ages and at all stages of their spiritual journeys in Christian faith formation.*
- ✚ To serve the community with compassionate hearts in the name of God.*
- ✚ To be intentional and consistent in our support and care for each other.*
- ✚ To be living examples of God's love as we have come to know it through Jesus Christ.*