

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
March 23, 2025

Third Sunday of Lent: A Lost Sheep, Lost Coin, Lost Son

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer

Prelude

Unison Prayer of Invocation:

Unison Prayer of Confession: As we gather for worship, we put down the burdens we bear into your hands of grace, O God. The mistakes and missteps we have made, the brokenness in our lives and throughout your creation, the silent suffering we all carry. Free us to release our confessions and cares unto you, so that we may walk freely and joyfully in newness of life, in faith, hope and love. Amen.

* Hymn #190 “Beneath the Cross of Jesus” *New Century Hymnal*

A Moment for the Young and Young at Heart

Greeting One Another

Anthem

Scripture Reading Luke 15:1-32

Sermon

* Hymn #11 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” *Celebration Hymnal*

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer *(See back of bulletin for words)*

Offertory

*Doxology *(See back of bulletins for words)*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

* Hymn #520 “The Longer I Serve Him” *Celebration Hymnal*

Benediction

Postlude

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

Thank you to our worship leader today, Dan Kiefer

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.

Calendar:

Tuesday, March 25: Compassion & Resilience Group – 5:30 am – Ladies Parlor

Wednesday, March 19: Bible Study and Prayer – 8:30 am – Zoom

Choir rehearsal – 6pm – Ladies Parlor

Pam will be out of the office on Monday

Food Collection Sunday is NEXT Sunday! Needed donations for the pantry include cereal, proteins (Spam, chicken, hash, etc.) and snacks.



Online giving: <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YR4H/home>

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever. Amen.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

March Prayer Requests

Barbara Holland	Linda and Bob Warden	Virginia Hyatt	Roberta Lavoie
Ed O'Brien	Jason Plummer	Arianna English	Marianne Langdoc
Cutter Flynn	Dudley & Dottie Bailey	Dick Monroe	Nancy Hadfield
Donna Lauren	Sandy Monroe	Family of Susan Strong's Husband	
Dave Keller	Henrietta Howard	Nicole Willis	

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

Please contact Elaine Pollak, Caring Tree chair, at (802) 633-3669 or laneylou@gmail.com

NEXT WEEK – OGHS – SPECIAL OFFERING – MARCH 30TH



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Our Mission Statement:

We unite to worship God and share Christ's love by caring for our wider community in a way that welcomes all and invites and inspires the gift of spiritual renewal.