

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
May 17, 2026

Welcome, Announcements and Opening Prayer

Prelude

Planting Hope

* Hymn #56 “To God Be the Glory”

Celebration Hymnal

A Time for the Young and Young at Heart

Greeting One Another

Anthem

Scripture Reading 1 Peter 4:10-11

Sermon

* Hymn #425 “Bind Us Together”

Celebration Hymnal

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer *(See next page for words)*

Offertory

* Doxology *(See next page for words)*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

* Hymn #424 “The Servant’s Song”

Celebration Hymnal

Benediction

Postlude

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

Thank you to our worship leader today, Lars Nielson

*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.*

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.

*As followers of Jesus Christ, we believe in celebrating the rich diversity of
human experiences and creating a place where everyone feels valued,
respected, and fully included. Accordingly, our community of faith
wholeheartedly welcomes all people regardless of their race, gender, age,
nationality, economic circumstances, physical or mental ability, or sexual
orientation. The welcome and affirmation we extend reflects God’s grace and
love made known in Jesus Christ.*

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Calendar:

Sunday mornings at 9:00 am – Adult Bible Class – Classroom
Monday, May 18: 11:00 am – Discussion on Aging – Ladies Parlor
Wednesday, May 20: 10:00 am – Bible Study and Prayer – 8:30 am – Zoom
Choir Rehearsal – 6:00 pm – Ladies Parlor
Thursday, May 21: 9:30 am – Council Meeting – Classroom/Zoom (Tentative)

TODAY!! Coffee Hour conversation on what you’d like to see in worship. Do you have topics or scriptural texts you’d like to have us pay attention to this summer and fall?
Patriotic Songs and Readings – Marcia Bean-Dickerman has invited us to join other local congregations TODAY at 2pm on the Riverglen side of the Covered Bridge for a program of patriotic songs and readings.

Peter is away next week. Pam will be out of the office on Monday and Tuesday.

FOOD COLLECTION NEXT WEEK!

May 24 – Pentecost Sunday: The World is Blessed (Acts 2:1-4; Ephesians 4:1-16)
Grateful to Mary for preaching today! Thanks to Dave Boyle who will be leading us in honoring those who have died in war on this Memorial Day Sunday. Celebrating the church choir today and Joanna Cote’s graduation from high school. Joanna will be attending the University of Maine this fall.

May 31 – Ecumenical Worship Service in Franconia at 10:30am – with a Picnic to Follow! Bring something to share for the potluck – main dish, dessert, salad or beverage – or just come and join us!

May Prayer Requests

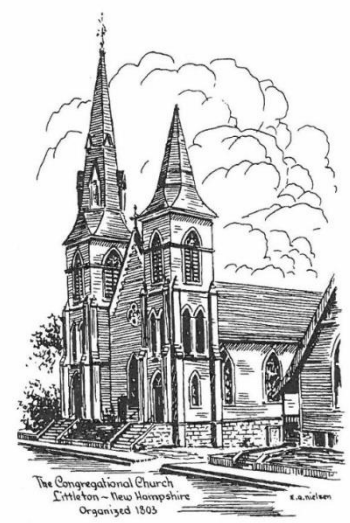
Barbara Holland	Linda and Bob Warden	Roberta Lavoie	Ed O’Brien
Arianna English	Marianne Langdoc	Cutter Flynn	Ryan Hall
Patty Ritzo	Michael Edney	Sam Johnk	Donna Moulin
Patrick Kezerian	Marj Silt and Family	Karina Dalik	Mike Boswell
John Morton			

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