

Order of Worship

Gathering Music

O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Welcome

Rev. Judy Arnold

Moment of Silence

Prelude

Ad coenam agni providi

Girolamo Cavazzoni (1520-77)

Call to Worship (from Saint Patrick, "Earth Prayers From Around the World") Ben Pulaski

One: We arise today through a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity, Through belief in the threeness, through confession of the oneness, of the Creator of Creation.

All: We arise today through the strength of heaven, light of sun, radiance of moon, splendor of fire, speed of lightning, swiftness of wind, depth of sea, stability of earth, firmness of rock.

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*Processional Hymn

For the Healing of the Nations

NCH #576

Call to Confession

Kathleen Zagata

Prayer of Confession (by Rev. Matt Caventa, Amherst Presbyterian Church)

Almighty God, mother of mercy, father of grace: You have called us to one table, but we have pursued our own course. You have promised us the abundance of all creation, but in our greed, and in our envy, the world goes without. You have promised us the bread of life itself, but in our pride, and in our arrogance, the world goes hungry. You have promised us the waters of peace and justice, but in our violence, and in our discord, the world goes thirsty. And now we are famished, too, Lord. Have mercy on us. Forgive us, again. Transform us, at this table, and for this table, and send us from this table as servants of your righteousness, by the power of your Son, our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

The Lord's Prayer

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever, amen.

*An Act of Praise

Gloria Patri

PH #513

Glory be to the Creator and to the Christ and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; World without end, amen, amen.

Time for the Young

Ben Pulaski

Offertory

Anthem

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee/Asifiwe Bwana Ludwig Van Beethoven/trad. Swahili song
arr. Dan Goeller. 2006

Rick Forzese, percussion

Scripture

Luke 22:7-23

Liturgist: Rev. Judy Arnold
NT pg. 86, LP NT pg. 75

Sermon

"Communion Values"

Rev. Will Burhans

Quiet Time for Reflection

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation

Hymn

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

NCH #337

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

(Communion this morning is by intinction. Please come forward by the center aisle, receive the elements by dipping the bread in the juice and partaking. Return to your seat by the side aisles. Deacons will gladly bring the elements out to those who are unable to come forward. All the bread is gluten free.)

Closing Prayer

Gracious God, we offer our thanks, for the whole communion of saint's witness to this feast, and for the ministry of churches around the world who gather with us today. By this broken bread may we each be restored for the work yet to come. By this shared cup may we each be claimed for the proclamation of your Kingdom. At this shared table may we be united as children of your promise, children of your word, dying and made new again, sent boldly together into the world as servants of your peace. Amen.

*Closing Hymn

O for a World

NCH #575

Benediction

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Postlude

Praeambulum

Heinrich Scheidemann (1595-1663)

*You are invited to join together for coffee hour down in Chidley Hall.
Just head downstairs and towards the back of the church facility until you find the large hall.*

Today's Worship Service

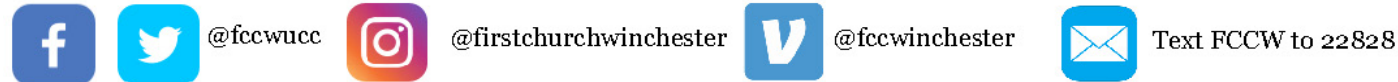
Sanctuary Flowers

Today's Chancel Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our families by Rick Forzese and Julianne Zimmerman. The Narthex flowers are in loving memory of John E. and Louise H. Allen, by their family.

Meet Our Church

First Congregational Church in Winchester, UCC, An Open and Affirming Congregation
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Connect with Us!



The Congregation, Ministers to the World
Rev. William Burhans, Lead Pastor
Rev. Ms. Judith B. Arnold, Associate Pastor
Ms. Kathleen Zagata, RN, MS, CS, Minister of Congregational Health & Wellness
Ms. Jane Ring Frank, Minister of Music & Worship Arts
Mr. Ben Pulaski, Minister of Faith Formation: Children & Youth
Ms. Sarah Marino, Office Manager
Mr. Ed Banzy, Building Manager
Mr. Bill Lewis, Building Superintendent
Mr. Jeffrey Mead, Organist
Rev. Dr. Kenneth Orth, Pastoral Counselor (Affiliate)

Welcome!

We are happy you have joined us today for worship. We hope that in the coming hour of quiet, song, prayer, sacred scripture, and communal gathering, you will awaken more fully to God's presence in your life and the world around us.

Restrooms

Restrooms are located down the stairs as you first enter the front doors of the church.

Accessibility

We have an inductive hearing loop for those whose hearing aids have Telecoil. Listening devices are also available in the back. For our coffee hour in Chidley Hall, an elevator is located out the doors to the right of the front chancel area and down the hall. Please ask a greeter if you need assistance.

Childcare

Children are always welcome in the sanctuary! We appreciate the sounds of little ones among us. If you'd prefer, there are trained caregivers in our nursery on the floor beneath the sanctuary. Ask a greeter if you need help finding it.

Family Room

There is also a comfortable room outfitted with a changing table, toys, rocking chairs, couches, a water bubbler and a video link to the service for when you need more room to attend to your family. It is located just outside the doors to the right of the front chancel area.

Children (Stepping Stones) and Youth Church School

Classes for children and youth in pre-k through 8th grade are taught during worship. Families begin the worship service together in the sanctuary. Children are then invited to join us at the front (if they are comfortable) for the Time for the Young. Afterwards, the children and youth are led to their classrooms by their teachers.

Get connected!

Please tell us about yourself and/or request a prayer by filling out a Welcome/Prayer Request Card found in each pew and place it in the offering plate when it passes. We look forward to getting to know you at Coffee Hour, held downstairs immediately following the service. Just head downstairs and towards the back of the church facility until you find the large hall, or follow the signs or pick up a laminated map to help guide you.

October 6, 2019

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 Worship Service

*We are a Christ-centered, nurturing community
growing in faith, serving in love, welcoming all with joy.*

People for Whom We Are Praying ...

<u>Names</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Bruce Lauterwasser	As he starts the next round of chemotherapy.
Lucy Sanders	For healing.
Warren, dear friend of Carol & Dave Weir	For strength and healing while facing a serious diagnosis.
Barbara Hoekelman, Laurie Roby's sister-in law	For peace and relief in the final stages of leukemia.
Sarah Hebb Carpenter	For strength and healing from surgery on 9/9.
Olivia	For support in finding her way back.
Nick, friend of Christine Atkins & Frank Willwerth	For recovery from a traumatic brain injury suffered in a motorcycle accident.
Janet Snover	For strength in Rehab to recover fully from her stairs fall.
Kneiss Family	For the death of Aaron's Aunt Sally.
Susan Neill and the Richter Family	For the tragic death of Uncle Steve and an unknown 17-month old.
Patricia, friend of the Dwelling Place	For strength & comfort in learning her cancer has spread to her liver.
Jessica Brand	For healing.
Janet Brewer	For healing from gall bladder stones, high risk for surgery.
Kris, Laura Bailey's brother-in-law	For healing, after recent cancer diagnosis.
Bill McCarter	For healing.
Susan Zimmerman, Julianne's mother	For stabilization & relief from pain; and comfort for her family.

Please let the Deacons or Ministry Team know if you have someone to add or remove from this list.

Upcoming Faith Formation Events

Adult Faith Exploration Offering

Second Program is Today at 11:30 am in the Palmer Room

"From Jesus to Christ: The First Christians" is a historical documentary that tells the epic story of the rise of Christianity. It continues Adult Faith Exploration Ministry's series about the three religions that share Abraham as an ancestor – Christianity, Judaism and Islam. The series will be shown on four Sundays after worship: 9/29, **10/6**, 10/27 and 11/3.

Please join us after worship today in the Palmer Room for our second session. We will examine the early church and see how the Good News spread beyond just Judea to the wider Mediterranean world. The Apostle Paul was a major figure in the churches spread. Like Jesus himself, his church was not always welcome and often seen as a threat to the existing order. A light lunch of cheese & crackers, veggies & hummus, fruit and cookies will be provided.

FCC Monthly Men's Group

Tonight, 7-9 PM, 4 Heritage Drive, Woburn (Paul and Lynne Rahmeier's house)

All FCC men and their guests are welcome. We discuss matters that are personal and spiritual. Potluck beverages or snacks are welcome but not expected. Questions to chris.noble@yahoo.com.

Second Wednesday Bible Study

Wednesday, October 9, 7-8:30 PM in the Health Ministry Office Room #207

We are an informal group focused on how we can better understand what the Bible is telling us about God and our relationship with God. We will look at 1 Samuel and the political ascent of Saul. This was the time when Israel moved from a Tribal society to a centralized government. We'll start around Chapter 14 and read selectively to get a full picture. We hope you will consider participating.

Mission & Service Opportunities

P&D Fund

On Communion Sundays you will find envelopes for the Pastors' & Deacons' Fund. This fund offers monetary aid to congregation members who are experiencing an urgent need for financial crisis assistance. Please consider a donation as part of your worship today.

News & Upcoming Events

"BEHOLD, I MAKE ALL THINGS NEW." (Revelation 21:5) RIPLEY CHAPEL RE-DEDICATION: OPENING TO THE SPIRIT AND TO THE FUTURE.

As work on Ripley Chapel continues, the contractors have broken through the main chancel wall to create an opening through which new light is shining, with a view to God's natural world - our beloved Jena Roy's imaginative and long-ago vision coming to completion.

On **Friday, October 18, 2019, 7:30 pm**, you are invited to join us for a **Celebration and Re-dedication of Ripley Chapel!** That evening, we will honor the renovation of the Chapel with a beautiful, tuneful Taizé service, led by Reverend Will and a band of professional instrumentalists and vocalists, including Johann Soult, Beth Welty, Rob Skinner and more. With candles and chants, prayers and litanies, meditation and singing, we will re-claim Ripley Chapel as a treasured addition to our church and as home for pilgrims young and old. You are invited to worship, pray and sing with us; the service will be followed by a festive and joyful reception.

As vital, sacred space, Ripley Chapel offers us the opportunity to enhance and deepen our spiritual lives. We aspire to offer engaging worship, contemplative practices, centering prayer, yoga, as well as a vibrant resource for youth and children alike. And Ripley will be home to rich artistic expression: concerts, art, poetry and more, where our neighbors and the larger community will be most welcome!

We thank Jena for the seeds she planted; we thank each donor and supporter for steadfastly holding the vision; we thank the Ripley family for a cherished resource that can grow and move with us into the future.

Blessing of the Animals

Our annual Blessing of the Animals will be held out on the town common on Sunday, October 20th at 10am. The Jazz Band will be joining us again to lead our music and we encourage you to bring your pets (or stuffed animals!) to be blessed! A collection during the service will be taken for Puppies Behind Bars.

Divine Yoga in Ripley Chapel starts Tuesday, October 22nd at 10 am.

Join Christine Tresselt every Tuesday morning for an all-levels, 60 minute flow practice designed to unite body, spirit and mind. This is a free class, so bring a friend, your mat if you have one and wear comfortable clothes. Any questions, contact Christine at cgtresselt@gmail.com

Join your friends and meet new ones at this year's Progressive Dinner!!!

Saturday, November 2, 2019 5:30 pm – 10 pm

Visit this link to RSVP and sign up to bring something to the event: bit.ly/FCCW19ProgDin
Want to know more about how it works? or if your cooking skills are up to the task (yes they are!)? just ask Marsha Lamson at marshalamson@gmail.com