



# First Congregational Church

IN WINCHESTER, UCC

## Order of Worship - September 17, 2023 - 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude	<i>Beecher</i>	Charles Callahan (b. 1951)
Welcome/Call to Worship		Rev. Maeve Hammond
Processional Hymn	<i>Called as Partners in Christ's Service</i> (vv. 1, 3, 4)	New Century Hymnal, #495
Morning Prayer The Lord's Prayer Act of Praise - Gloria Patri		Rev. Will Burhans
Testimony: What is "Roots and Branches"?		Janet Hall
Time for the Young		Maggie Keeler
Hymn	<i>Blest Be the Tie that Binds</i> (vv. 1, 3, 4)	Pilgrim Hymnal, #272
Scripture	Isaiah 56:6-7 Luke 6:12-16	
Sermon	"Longing to Belong"	Rev. Will Burhans
Offertory Anthem	<i>Come Dwell in Solomon's Walls</i> Music & Lyrics by Z. Randall Stroope (b. 1953)	
Prayers of the People		Rev. Maeve Hammond
Closing Hymn	<i>We'll Build a Land</i>	Please see slides and insert
Announcements		Rev. Will Burhans
Benediction		Rev. Maeve Hammond
Postlude	<i>Herr Christ, der einig Gottes Sohn</i> Heinrich Scheidemann (1595-1663)	

Rev. Will Burhans, Lead Pastor, Maeve Hammond, Pastoral Resident,  
Jane Ring Frank, Minister of Worship & the Arts, Maggie Keeler, Minister of Children & Families,  
Jeffrey Mead, Keyboards, Sarah Marino, Office Administrator  
Thanks to Brian McArdle, our Live Stream Technician, and for Slide Advancement.  
Deacons serving today are: Kate Carpini, Dick Sayre, Branda Wilhoite, and Julianne Zimmerman

### Visitors, get connected!

Please tell us about yourself and/or request a prayer by filling out a Welcome/Prayer Request Card found in the pews.

## Please keep these people in your prayers

**Family of Marjorie Moore**, in their grief.

**Kristina Spry, Karen and Lee Roberts' niece**, as she goes through her second bout with cancer.  
**Laurie Roby's friend Laurel and her family**. Her sister, **Amy**, was recently diagnosed with cancer. Amy's husband, **Cliff**, had been diagnosed with cancer as well earlier in the year. And Laurel's mother was recently hospitalized with pneumonia.

**Karen Swyers' brother, Rick**, for healing and recovery.

**Marianne Iacuzio and her husband, Nick**, as he receives hospice care. May they and their loved ones find comfort.

**Kevin Kattwinkel**, Susan Navien's brother, for continuing recovery.

**Alicia Flores**, mother of Trish from the Dwelling Place, who had a stroke & is recovering at Winchester Hospital.

A friend of Jodie Mullane, **Marcia**, diagnosed with inoperable throat cancer.

Prayers for healing and recuperation for **Russell Carter** as he continues to recover abroad from surgeries to his collarbone.

Ed Banzy's cousin, **Charlene Joyce**, for continued healing from her hip replacement surgery, and her husband **Bart**, recovering from congestive heart disease and recent pneumonia, who has returned to rehab for treatment.

**Carol Johnson**, Judy's wife, for healing.

Prayers for healing and recovery for **Daniel Bukey**, father of Michelle Stewart.

**Shelly Griffiths**, Tomye Little's cousin, for healing, comfort and peace for her and her family.

**Nate Gardiner**, for strength and healing.

Prayers for the growing and strengthening of **Kate Mae Lucca**, newborn daughter of Erin and Chris Lucca.

**Nancy Alleyn**, friend of Nick Wankowicz's sister, **Nina**, for healing.

Prayers for peace for **Mike Redding** and her loved ones.

**Glenn McPherson, Tony McPherson's brother**, for healing as he awaits a kidney transplant.

**Olivia**, for healing and help finding her way back to recovery.

## Flowers

Today's Chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of family and friends of Kris and John Montgomery.

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## We'll Build a Land

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1. We'll build a land where we bind up the bro - ken.  
 2. We'll build a land where we bring the good tid - ings to  
 3. We'll be a land build - ing up an - cient cit - ies,  
 4. Come, build a land where the man - tles of prais - es re -

We'll build a land where the cap - tives go free, where the  
 all the af - flict - ed and all those who mourn. And we'll  
 rais - ing up dev - as - ta - tions from old; re -  
 sound from spir - its once faint and once weak; where like

oil of glad - ness dis - solves all mourn - ing. Oh,  
 give them gar - lands in - stead of ash - es. Oh,  
 stor - ing ru - ins of gen - er - a - tions. Oh,  
 oaks of right - eous - ness stand her peo - ple. Oh,

we'll build a prom - ised land that can be.  
 we'll build a land where peace is born.  
 we'll build a land of peo - ple so bold.  
 come build the land, my peo - ple we seek.

Come build a land where sis - ters and broth - ers, a - noint - ed by  
 God, may then cre - ate peace: where jus - tice shall roll

down like wa - ters, and peace like an ev - er flow - ing stream.