



First Congregational Church

IN WINCHESTER, UCC

Order of Worship - Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost - October 26, 2025

Prelude	<i>Vater unser im Himmelreich</i> (Our Father in Heaven)	Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)
Welcome & Call to Worship		Rev. Will Burhans
Processional Hymn	<i>O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing</i>	New Century Hymnal, #42
Morning Prayer Lord's Prayer & Gloria Patri		Rev. Maeve Hammond
Moment for Open Doors		Ben Keeler
Time for the Young		Maggie Keeler
Hymn	<i>Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness</i> (vv. 1, 3, 4)	New Century Hymnal, #286
Scripture	Psalm 118:5, Galatians 5:1 Luke 18:9-14	
Sermon	"Climbing Mount Liberty "	Rev. Will Burhans
Offertory Anthem	<i>Now I'm Found</i>	Tim Osiek/John Newton [1779]
Prayers of the People		Rev. Maeve Hammond
Closing Hymn	<i>God of Grace and God of Glory</i> (vv. 1- 4)	New Century Hymnal, #436
Announcements/Benediction		Rev. Maeve Hammond/Rev. Will Burhans
Postlude	<i>Cwm Rhondda</i>	arr. Mark Patterson

Rev. Will Burhans, Lead Pastor, **Rev. Maeve Hammond**, Associate Pastor, **Jane Ring Frank**, Minister of Worship & the Arts, **Maggie Keeler**, Minister of Children & Families, **Jeffrey Mead**, Organist, **Sarah Marino**, Office Manager.

Thanks to Brian McArdle, our Live Stream Technician.

Deacons serving today are: **Carol Andrus**, **Rich Crawford**, **Megan Scipione** and **Brenda Wilhoite**.



First Congregational Church in Winchester is proud to be Open & Affirming.

For decades, we have celebrated our LGBTQIA+ siblings and their inclusion in all parts of our worship and congregational life. In 2001, we became Open & Affirming through the UCC, meaning we are liturgically and theologically committed to a public covenant of welcome.

Visitors, get connected!

We want to hear from you! Please fill out a Welcome Card and/or Prayer Request Card in the pews.

Please keep these people in your prayers

Prayers for **Karen Roberts**, that her spinal fusion revision surgery on October 27th is successful and leads to great improvement in her mobility.

Kevin Kattwinkel, Susan K. Navien's brother, for healing from oral cancer.

John Keeley, as he undergoes surgery. May his surgery be successful and his recovery be smooth.

Peggy Stephens, dear neighbor of the Nordstroms, who had hip replacement surgery on Tuesday, Oct 14.

For **Burke Peters and his family and friends**, as Burke died in a tragic accident at age 21.

Pat Fazekas, Larisa Lindsey's aunt, for healing from a broken hip.

Carol's life partner...may peace be with you always...miss you more than words can ever say.

Prayers for **Pat and his family, friends of the Keelers**, for comfort and healing.

Arthur Cobb for living with Parkinson's and **Lucy Sanders** for management of her bipolar.

Vanessa, newly diagnosed with previously unrecognized MS, for healing.

Prayers for **members of the Richter family** who are having a very difficult personal time.

Tricia Marino, Pam McPherson's cousin, who is recovering from back surgery.

Pam's dear friend, Claire Joyce who recently suffered a stroke that she is back to herself soon.

Healing and recovery for **Michelle Millben's mother**, who has recently undergone surgery.

Eileen Morris asks for healing prayers for her dear friend **Judy**, who is dealing with serious and debilitating skin issues and other challenging health concerns.

Prayers for **Jennifer, daughter of Barbara and Bob Davis**, as she recovers from surgery and now faces chemo treatments.

Becky-domestic difficulty.

Olivia, for the strength and courage to hold on to recovery and the self-love to move forward with life.

Cooper Sayre — please pray for continued recovery, especially in walking and vision, and also for left arm function.

Prayers for **Kathy Ciolino, friend of Linda Alexander**, as she slowly and steadily recovers from an aneurysm bleed.

Prayers of healing and comfort for **Bruce Lauterwasser's Aunt Joan and her daughter Babs** who is offering support to her at a difficult time.

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

Flowers

Today's Chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my parents, Thomas and Virginia Sanders, given by Lucy Sanders.

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