



First Congregational Church

IN WINCHESTER, UCC

Order of Worship - First Sunday After Christmas - December 28, 2025

Gathering Music	<i>Rise Up Shepherd and Follow</i>	arr. James Pethel (b. 1936)
Prelude	<i>Silent Night</i> Carol Weir, <i>guitar</i>	arr. Kevin Gallagher
Welcome & Call to Worship		Rev. Maeve Hammond
Opening Carol	<i>Go Tell It on the Mountain</i>	New Century Hymnal, #154
Morning Prayer The Lord's Prayer Gloria in excelsis		Rev. Will Burhans
Time for the Young		Maggie Keeler
Carol	<i>In the Bleak Midwinter</i> (vv. 1, 3, 4)	Pilgrim Hymnal, #128
Scripture	Matthew 1:18-25	
Sermon	"No One Left Behind"	Rev. Will Burhans
Offertory	<i>Maria Wiegenlied</i> (Mary's Lullaby) Susan K. Navien, <i>soprano</i>	Max Reger (1873-1916)
Prayers of the People		Rev. Maeve Hammond
Closing Carol	<i>The First Nowell</i> (vv. 1, 2, 5)	Pilgrim Hymnal, #141
Announcements/Benediction		Rev. Will Burhans/Rev. Maeve Hammond
Postlude	"Auld Lang Syne"	

Chorus: For auld lang syne, my dear
for auld lang syne
we'll take a cup of kindness yet
for days of old auld lang syne.

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, Keyboards, Sarah Marino, Office Administrator
Thanks to Chris French, our Live Stream Technician and Leslie French for Slide Advancement
Deacons serving today are: Carol Andrus, Kate Carpini, Petra Sansom, and Branda Wilhoite.

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

Healing and strength for **Kim Farina's mother**, as she battles cancer.
Ellie Chita's son-in-law, Miguel, as he undergoes chemotherapy.
The Lauretano family, for the loss of Leo.
Peggy Wargelin, for peace amidst family chaos.
PJ Dodge, for healing after surgery.
Healing and strength for **Ron Taylor**, who has been recovering from a stroke.
Those struggling with addiction and alcoholism.
Don, Drew Holman's step-father, for healing
Julia's sister, Anne as she battles Stage 4 cancer.
Strength for and protection over **John Keeley's friend, Anthony.**
Kelsey, goddaughter of Frank Willwerth, for strength in uncertainty.
Karen Roberts, for healing after surgery.
Kevin Kattwinkel, Susan K. Navien's brother, for healing from oral cancer.
Pat Fazekas, Larisa Lindsey's aunt, for healing from a broken hip.
Pat and his family, friends of the Keelers, for comfort and healing.
Arthur Cobb for living with Parkinson's and **Lucy Sanders** for bipolar management.
Vanessa, newly diagnosed with previously unrecognized MS, for healing.
Tricia Marino, Pam McPherson's cousin, recovering from back surgery.
Claire Joyce for healing.
Healing and recovery for **Michelle Millben's mother.**
Jennifer, daughter of Barbara and Bob Davis, in her cancer treatments.
Becky-domestic difficulty.
Olivia, to hold on to recovery and the self-love to move forward with her life.
Cooper Sayre, for continued recovery, in walking and vision, left arm function.
Kathy Ciolino, friend of Linda Alexander, in recovery from an aneurysm bleed.
Healing and comfort for **Bruce Lauterwasser's Aunt Joan and her daughter Babs.**
Glenn McPherson, Tony McPherson's brother, as he awaits a kidney transplant.

Flowers

Today's chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God, and in honor of Victoria Fay Ursillo on her 25th birthday, by her aunt, Sarah Marino.

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