



First Congregational Church

IN WINCHESTER, UCC

Order of Worship - First Sunday in Lent - February 22, 2026

Prelude	<i>O Sacred Head, Now Wounded</i>	arr. Michael Larkin (b. 1951)
Welcome/Call to Worship		Rev. Will Burhans
Processional Hymn	<i>O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High</i> (vv. 1, 2, 3, 6)	Pilgrim Hymnal, #150
Morning Prayer		Rev. Maeve Kieran Hammond
The Lord's Prayer		
Act of Praise - Gloria Patri		
Time for the Young		
Hymn	<i>Lord Jesus, Who through Forty Days</i>	New Century Hymnal, #211
Scripture	Psalm 32 Matthew 4:1-11	Liturgist Thomas Spaulding
Sermon	"Jesus and Me and The Mid-Life Crisis "	Rev. Will Burhans
Offertory		
Anthem	"Kyrie" from <i>Pavane</i> , Op. 50	Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924) arr. Arthur Frackenpohl
Prayers of the People		
	<i>If you are in the sanctuary, you are invited to come forward and light a candle for a prayer intention. If you are on the live-stream, you are invited to write your prayer request in the YouTube chat, and we will light candles in the sanctuary to represent your prayers. Please join us in singing "Jesus, Remember Me" during the candle lighting.</i>	
Closing Hymn	<i>O God, How We Have Wandered</i>	New Century Hymnal, #202
Announcements/Benediction		Rev. Maeve Hammond/Rev. Will Burhans
Postlude	<i>4ème Couplet-Kyrie</i>	François Couperin (1668-1733)

Rev. Will Burhans, Lead Pastor, **Rev. Maeve Kieran 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 **Brian McArdle**, our Live Stream Technician, and **Julia Daggett** for Slide Advancement.
Deacons serving today are: **Richard Carbone**, **Robin Delurey**, **Liz Sayre**, 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

Prayers for strength and comfort for **Stephanie, sister of Linda Alexander**, who is struggling with being a caretaker for her husband after his stroke and with her own health problems.

The Ryan family and Bob, who is undergoing heart surgery.

Karen, Caroline Lafferty's aunt, for strength and healing in the face of a cancer diagnosis.

Frank Willwerth and family, at the death of his mother

Sarah-Marie Giblin (Deirdre's mother), for a recovery to full health.

Katie Shanahan's father, for strength and healing through cancer treatment.

Ana, who is suffering emotional and economic distress, for comfort and sustenance.

The families and elders displaced by the Pine Ridge fire.

Healing and strength for **Kim Farina's mother**, as she battles cancer.

Ellie Chita's son-in-law, Miguel, as he undergoes chemotherapy.

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.

Don, Drew Holman's step-father, for healing.

Julia's sister, Anne as she battles Stage 4 cancer.

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 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.

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 loving memory of Lois & Richard Scipione.

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