



# First Congregational Church

IN WINCHESTER, UCC

## Order of Worship - Sunday, May 3, 2026 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

Prelude	<i>Praeludium</i>	Anon. (17th cent.)
Welcome/Call to Worship		Rev. Maeve K. Hammond
Processional Hymn	<i>God Is Here! As We Your People Meet</i> (vv. 1, 3, 4)	New Century Hymnal, #70
Prayer of Confession Lord's Prayer Gloria Patri		Rev. Will Burhans/Gathered Community
Scripture	John 14:1-14	Liturgists: Jennifer Wilson
Sermon	"An Easter People en Route"	Rev. Will Burhans
Offertory Anthem	<i>Still I Sing Alleluia</i>	LOCH LOMOND/arr. Kyle Pederson
Sacrament of Baptism	Connor James Mylrea	
Hymn	<i>Child of Blessing, Child of Promise</i>	New Century Hymnal, #325
Sacrament of Holy Communion Invitation Prayer of Consecration Words of Institution Sharing of Bread and Cup Prayer of Thanksgiving		
Closing Hymn	<i>Arise, Your Light Is Come</i>	New Century Hymnal, #164
Announcements/Benediction		Rev. Maeve Hammond/Rev. Will Burhans
Postlude	<i>Christ lag in Todesbanden</i> (BWV 625) (Christ lay in the bonds of death)	J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

### Transition to Annual Meeting

**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 **Chris French**, our Live Stream Technician, **Liz Sayre** for Slide Advancement, **Maria Fernando**, Communion Bread Baker. Deacons serving today are: **Richard Carbone**, **Rich Crawford**, **Robin Delurey**, **Andrew McKinley**, & **Branda Wilhoite**.

### Visitors, get connected!

Please fill out a Welcome Card and/or Prayer Request Card found in the pews.



**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.

## Please keep these people in your prayers

Healing prayers for **Craig MacInnes**, as he recovers from a fall, **and his wife, Jeanette**.

**Julianne Zimmerman's mom, Suzie**, for comfort and peace in her decline and for her friend, **Jennifer**, for healing from cancer.

**Andrea, friend of Karen Roberts**, that her cancer treatment will be successful.

**The Ryan family and Bob**, who is recovering from a successful heart surgery.

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

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

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

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.

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.

**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.

**Cooper Sayre**, for his left side to continue to rewire, and for ongoing faith and perseverance.

**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.

### P&D Fund

On Communion Sundays you will find envelopes for the Pastors' & Deacons' Fund. This fund offers monetary aid to members and participants in the congregation and those in the community who are experiencing an urgent need for financial assistance. Please consider a donation as part of your worship today. Scan this QR Code to donate through Pledgeling.



### Flowers

Today's chancel flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and in memory of Helen and David McKnight.

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