

The First Congregational Church, Canton Center

September 19, 2021

WELCOME

We're glad you've joined us for worship today.
Please know that whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!
Questions? Please feel free to ask the pastor, or call the church office during the week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers today are given by Tim and Cary LeGeyt in celebration of our nephew, Sam LeGeyt's upcoming wedding to Meaghan Reilly on Sept. 25th.

FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CHURCH

We are planning for a reception of new members during the service on Sun., Oct. 24, with a preparatory meeting after the service on Sun., Oct. 10. Those who would like to explore membership, without obligation, are welcome to attend the meeting. Those definitely wishing to join are asked to attend. Please let Rev. Brenda know of your interest, if you have not already done so, and of any scheduling conflicts you may have.

WALK FOR HUNGER – SAT., OCT. 2 Collinsville

The third annual Walk to Feed the Hungry, supporting Buddhist Global Relief, will take place on Sat., Oct. 2, rain or shine, all welcome. It is sponsored locally by White Lotus Zen of CT, a non-profit American Buddhist community based in Collinsville. Gathering spot is 50 Depot St. in Collinsville. Day-of registrations & donations begin at 9 a.m., the walk (with 6-ft. social distancing) begins at 10 a.m. For pre-registrations & donations, go to: <https://www.buddhistglobalrelief.org/campaigns/2021-connecticut-walk-donate/> See flyer on the church bulletin boards & literature table (outside kitchen).

FLOWER DONORS FOR SUNDAY SERVICES

We are looking for flower donors for the dates below. Please contact Nancy Alford 860-693-2863.

2022 January 16 April 24 November 14 July 24 December 26

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

We gather as a welcoming community in worship, learning, service and fellowship, to embody Christ's message of love, compassion and justice. Joining faith with action, both within and beyond our church, we strive to build a community that serves all.

CHECK OUT OUR NEW WEBSITE!!

Our new website is finally live! Check it out! (Same web address as before: www.cantoncenterchurch.org). A small Council-appointed committee (Larry Minichiello, Kathy Smith and Rev. Brenda) has worked for months on it with a professional web designer. Our aim was to update the site as a whole, both visually and content-wise, streamlining content areas and making the site as succinct and useful as possible, especially for visitors and newcomers. Going forward, we will largely be able to edit and update from within the church office.

SUPER SATURDAY – OCT. 2, ONLINE

Super Saturday is the annual workshops-and-speakers event offered by our Conference, currently in virtual form. All members of the churches of the Conference are invited to attend for a day of learning & connecting. Workshop topics include: dealing with pandemic stress, the grieving process, climate crisis, prayer, stewardship, racial justice, digital worship, simplifying church structure, youth concerns & much more.

Keynote speaker will be Dr. Monica Coleman, theologian/teacher/writer, professor of Africana Studies at the Univ. of Delaware, who focuses on connecting faith and action. For more information about the event, or to register, go to: <https://www.sneucc.org/supersaturday> **Registration deadline is Sept. 28.**

Sunday	19	Monday	20	Tuesday	21	Wednesday	22	Thursday	23	Friday	24	Saturday	25
Worship 10:00 am		Music Meeting 4:30 pm											
		Sr. Choir 5 pm											
		ACA 7 pm			AA 7 pm				Handbell Choir 7 pm				AA 11 pm