The First Congregational Church, Canton Center November 14, 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.

The flowers today are given by Bill & Tina Downes in loving memory of their parents, William and Joan Downes, and Richard and Rosa Creamer.

<u>Next Sunday, Nov. 21, our guest preacher will be the Rev. Dr. Robert LaRochelle</u>, who is an ordained minister in the UCC and has served both UCC and ECLA (Lutheran) churches in CT. He also worked for many years in education, including from 2000-19 as a Counselor in the South Windsor Public Schools. He is the author of a number of books and articles on church and ministry subjects.

<u>Shop Scrip Today!</u> -The Scrip table will be set up in the parish hall today, after the congregational meeting. Stop by for all your gift card needs! We are actively collecting cards for Wellmore through December 5th. Let's help make it a very Merry Christmas for these families. And don't forget your own friends and family as well - there are only 6 shopping Sundays left until Christmas! Thanks for your support!

Donations are being accepted in support of recently arrived refugees from Afghanistan.

They are being brought to the New Haven and Hartford areas by **IRIS (Integrated Refugee and Immigration Services)** and placed in apartments in the area to start a newhere. To see a complete list of needs please go to <u>irisct.org</u>. To arrange for a furniture pick up of dressers, dining tables and chairs, side tables, small sofas and carpets please send photos to <u>mariesmovers@yahoo.com</u> or contact Gina Magennis at <u>g.magennis76@gmail.com</u> to arrange next group pickup in our area.

Gift cards for Wellmore will be collected from November thru Sunday, December 5, 2021.

Wellmore is requesting cards for Target, Walmart, and Dunkin Donuts. The Dunkin cards as you might guess are for Wellmore's teenage population. You can also help our church by using the Script program and ordering the cards from Casey Levine. Please let Casey know the cards are for Wellmore and she will get them to the Mission Committee or to Geri Bunnell. Thank you so much for your continued support!

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.

An Open and Affirming Congregation.

NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING of the First Congregational Church, Canton Center, Connecticut, on Sunday, Nov. 14, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. OR on subsequent Sundays at 11:00 a.m. until a quorum is obtained.

AGENDA:

- 1. Call to order and opening prayer.
- 2. Reading of the call to the meeting.
- 3. Presentation of the proposed changes to the Church's by-laws included in Amendment 14
- 4. Any other business proper to come before the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Bev Sealand, Clerk

Pastor : The Rev. Dr. Brenda Pelc-Faszcza Director of Music : Mary Lou Keefe Office Manager : Kristen DiMattia	Ministers: Every Member Sexton: Walt LeGeyt
Duty Trustees: Dina Raimo & Dave Heyer Duty Deacons: Ali Hager & Tim LeGeyt	Camera: Craig Mcallister

Sunday	14	Monday 15	Tuesday	16	Wednesday 17	Thursday	18	Friday	19	Saturday 20
Missions	9:00 am									
Worship	10:00 am									
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Confirmation Clas 11:30– 12:15 pm	ion Class	Sr. Choir 5 pm								
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