

The First Congregational Church, Canton Center

December 5, 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.

Choirs this morning - The Senior and Bell Choirs will present music of the season. The bell choir will be reprising Hallelujah and the senior choir will sing an Advent piece

Poinsettia Plants- Please find the order forms on the table near the kitchen if you would like to order poinsettias for our December 19 & 24 services. Please return forms to the red box on the table by Dec. 12 with checks payable to Canton Center Church. Please leave your poinsettias until after the Christmas Eve Service.

The Missions Committee is collecting hats and mittens on the Christmas tree in the sanctuary. We ask that you put the items in a Ziplock bag so they can be placed within the branches of the tree without getting pine needles stuck in them. Thank you!"

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 new here. To see a complete list of needs please go to irisct.org. To arrange for a furniture pick up of dressers, dining tables and chairs, side tables, small sofas and carpets please send photos to mariesmovers@yahoo.com or contact Gina Magennis at g.magennis76@gmail.com to arrange next group pickup in our area.

Shop Scrip Today! -The Scrip table will be set up in the parish hall today during coffee hour. Stop by for all your gift card needs! Today is the last day to pick-up gift cards to donate to Wellmore. We have plenty Dunkin, Walmart & Target in stock. Let's help make it a very Merry Christmas for these families. If you want to special order any cards for Christmas for your own family & friends, the deadline to do that is next Sunday, 12/12, to ensure they are here in time. Thanks for your 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.

The Christmas tree in the church this year is from Case's Lawn Service and is given by Marianne Burbank in memory of her grandfather, Harry Humphrey and her father, Sam Humphrey, and by Tim LeGeyst in memory of his grandfather, Mort Bristol.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 24 ~ 7:00 pm

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Brenda Pelc-Faszczka **Ministers:** Every Member
Director of Music: Mary Lou Keefe **Sexton:** Walt LeGeyst
Office Manager: Kristen DiMattia
Duty Trustees: Dina Pelham & Julius Ziemba **Camera:** Steve Byko
Duty Deacons: Vicki Rees & Tim LeGeyst **Coffee Hour:** Jim Magennis

Sunday	5	Monday	6	Tuesday	7	Wednesday	8	Thursday	9	Friday	10	Saturday	11
Worship & Communion 10:00 am		Sr. Choir 5 pm ACA 7 pm		AA 7 pm				Handbell Choir 7 pm					AA 11 pm