

The First Congregational Church, Canton Center
January 9, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPDATE ON COVID RESPONSE

Per decision of our Church Council, we are suspending in-person church services, beginning Jan. 9th, for as many weeks as it seems prudent to do so. As with the other churches in the area who have made the same call, we are hopeful that this will need to be only for a matter of a few weeks. All our services will continue to be live streamed, and available after the fact on our website (under "Connect with Us") or by going to www.YouTube.com and searching "Canton Center Church." Council will reevaluate regularly.

FREE WALK-IN COVID-19 VACCINE CLINIC at Avon Congregational Church, 6 West Main St. Avon. Avon Congregational Church is partnering with the Connecticut Department of Public Health to help reduce barriers to vaccination across the state. The church will host a free walk-in Covid-19 Vaccine Clinic on Monday, January 10th & 31st from 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM. No appointment needed. Vaccine clinics will be staffed by Griffin Health. No ID or insurance will be required. Clinics will offer the choice of an mRNA vaccine (Pfizer or Moderna) and J&J. Vaccines will be free to all. Vaccines will be available for anyone 5 and older, including a pediatric vaccination (Pfizer) for ages 5-11. Those 5 - 17 years of age must have parent/guardian consent. A COVID Vaccine Parental Consent Form is available at <https://portal.ct.gov/vaccine-portal/DPH-van-clinics> webpage under 'Other resources'. Contact the church office at secretary@avon-church.org to obtain a Covid Vaccine Intake Form, Pediatric Intake Form, or Pre-Vaccination Screening Form ahead of time. Anyone who is eligible for their first, second, or booster dose can be vaccinated.

COPING WITH LIFE ALONE is a multi-session remote program that will be held on Sunday afternoons at 1 PM beginning Sunday, January 30, 2022, Registration is required- contact Denise at 845 325 3147 or Victoria at 860 993 5469. The Beginning Experience of the Hudson Valley which is a Catholic ministry recognized by the NY Archdiocese Office of Family Life is offering a program to help those suffering from the loss of a spouse through death, divorce, and separation. The program is faith-filled, and God-based offering solace to those who grieve, and it is open to people of all faiths.

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.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ~ SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2022

NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING: of the First Congregational Church, Canton Center, Sunday, January 23, 2022 after the 10 am service, *OR* on subsequent Sundays until a Quorum is obtained.

AGENDA

1. Approval of the proposed 2022 budget.
2. Any other business proper to come before said meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bev Sealand, Clerk

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Brenda Pelc-Faszczka

Director of Music: Mary Lou Keefe

Office Manager: Kristen DiMattia

Ministers: Every Member

Sexton: Walt LeGeyt

Camera: Kristin Oswald

Duty Deacons: Casey Levine & Hugh Anderson