



## WELCOME ~ APRIL 14, 2024

*We are glad you've joined us for worship today. If you are visiting with us today may you discover a friendly church, a safe haven where you will be loved and accepted; where you will be challenged to reflect on your beliefs, acknowledge your doubts, ask questions, and grow in your faith. May The First Congregational Church, Canton Center help you find God's compassion, healing, reconciliation, justice and joy in our worship service and where you are given the opportunity to put your faith into action through effective outreach ministries. We hope to get to know you as a new friend and invite you to fill out a visitor card. No matter who you are, or where you are in your journey, you are welcome here.*

*The flowers today are given by Skip & Nancy Alford  
in celebration of the daffodil season!*

### **Congregational Meeting & Search Committee Meeting this morning**

This morning we will have a Congregational Meeting and a Search Committee meeting to follow.

### **Auction News!**

The church's live auction will be posted tomorrow, April 15 and can be found online at: **www.aarauctions.com**. Go to: **Canton Auction** (not Collinsville Auction), click on **Catalog** to view the many wonderful donated items that you can bid on.

More directions for bidding and terms/conditions will be posted on that website.

Paul Stansel reminds everyone that this is a very competitive auction, with thousands from multiple states registering to bid. We expect several hundred bidders.

### **Sandwich making for Brian's Angels**

Missions will be making sandwiches April 19th at 11:00 a.m. Please see sign up on kitchen door.

### **Case for Christ Book Group**

It's not too late to join! Next meeting is 4/21. Future meetings will be 5/19 and 6/9. Assignment for 4/21 is to read through chapter 6.

### **April Missions & Outreach Collection**

Our Missions Box collection for April is **diapers and wipes** for Gifts of Love, Avon. "Gifts of Love" helps meet the basic needs of individuals and families in the Greater Hartford area experiencing a short-term financial crisis so they can return to self-sufficiency." You can learn more about Gifts of Love on their website at <https://giftsoflovet.org>

**NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING:** of the First Congregational Church, Canton Center, Sunday, April 14, 2024 after the 10 am service, OR on subsequent Sundays until a Quorum is obtained.

### AGENDA

1. Call to order and opening prayer.
2. Reading of the call of the meeting
3. Approval of the Settled Pastor Search Committee as recommended by Church Council.
4. Any other business proper to come before said meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Bev Sealand, Clerk

**A Search Committee Meeting will follow after the Congregational Meeting.**

### **Continued Prayers for:**

*Melissa Collins' mother-in-law,*

*Linda who is having a painful and long bout with Shingles.*

*Love & support for Sean Collins' friend, Aidan & family for the loss of their dad after a battle with Cancer.*

*Rebecca Glinsman having a scan on neck, upcoming court case and for her cousin, John who has an infection.*

*John Raye who is dealing with health issues.*

### **Continued Joys for:**

*Ashlynn and Rebecca leaving for Florida.*

**Interim Minister:** Rev. Kurt Satherlie

**Director of Music:** Mary Lou Keefe

**Asst. of Faith Formation:** Karen Needham

**Office Manager:** Kristen DiMattia

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**Dir. of Faith Formation:** Dr. Hollace Bristol

**Sexton:** Walt LeGeyt

**Duty Deacons:** Cora Mutch & Phil Doyle

**Coffee Hour:** Judy Robinson

Sunday	14	Monday	15	Tuesday	16	Wednesday	17	Thursday	18	Friday	19	Saturday	20
<b>Worship 10 am Special Meeting Search Meeting</b>		<b>Auction Begins</b> Sr. Choir 4:30 ACA/Al-Anon 7		AA 7 pm				Bell Choir 5:30 pm		<b>Sandwich Making 11 am</b>		AA 11 pm	