



WELCOME ~ JUNE 30, 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 this morning are given by Eleanor Howson Anderson & Bob Howson in loving memory of their parents, Edgar & Olive Howson who were married in this church on June 30, 1935.

We welcome this morning, our Guest Preacher - Ali Hager and our Guest Organist - Kari Miller.

Picnic today for the Tarins (Afghan family that we helped)

The VFW has invited everyone to a pot luck picnic to celebrate the Afghan family today. See flyer on the bulletin board.

Shop Scrip Today!

Stop by the Scrip table during coffee hour to purchase a gift card or learn more about the program. Even though we won't have Sunday services at Canton Center in July, Scrip is only a call or email away. Reach out anytime! 860-371-1016 or levine429@gmail.com.

Mission & Outreach

The Missions Box collection will be for the children served by Wellmore. **Backpacks & School Supplies: pencils, pens, markers (non-permanent), colored pencils, crayons, binders, notebook paper, spiral notebooks, colorful folders including pocket folders, glue sticks, blunt scissors, tape, rulers, etc...** any supplies a child would need.

ALL JULY SERVICES

Starting next Sunday, July Services will take place at the Canton Community Baptist Church, 125 Dowd Avenue at 10 a.m.

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 Church

A Request from the Search Committee

An essential part of the search process for our next settled pastor involves writing a Church Profile. This will allow UCC ministerial candidates to learn about us and decide whether to apply to become our pastor. To be sure our profile reflects the perspectives of all members, **we ask that you take a few minutes to fill out a simple survey.** All responses will be anonymous (unless you choose to identify yourself in your responses) and kept strictly confidential; only the members of the settled pastor search committee will see them. **You can complete the survey online at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/canton-center>.** Paper copies will also be available in the church office or on the table near the missions box; you can pick one up or ask Kristen to mail one to you. We kindly ask that you submit your responses by **Sunday, August 4.** If you have any questions about the survey, or if you would like to share your thoughts another way, please contact any member of the search committee. Thank you very much, and may God bless you this summer.

Hugh Anderson, Chair, Art Dewey, Chris Hager, Noah Herbek, Bob Howson, Susan Lampros, Tim Lundgren, Gail Macbeth, Gina Magennis, Heather Neumann, Joy Petersen

Continued Prayers for:

For Austin's friend Mason who is back in the hospital. He is in pain and can not walk or stand. (Melissa Collins)

Continued Joys for:

Charlie & Donna Hammond who became great-grandparents for the 3rd time last week.

For Marianne Burbank's daughter Anna & Aaron Medford who got married on June 22 in New York.

Sunday 30	Monday 1	Tuesday 2	Wednesday 3	Thursday 4	Friday 5	Saturday 6
Worship 10am	A/A-Anon 7 pm	AA 7 pm		Happy July 4th		AA 11:00 pm