



WELCOME ~ OCTOBER 20, 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.

WHITE ROSES OF REMEMBRANCE

Twenty six white roses symbolizing innocence, purity and youthfulness are in memory of the twenty six innocent lives lost in Sandy Hook on December 14, 2012:

Charlotte Bacon, Daniel Barden, Olivia Engel, Josephine Gay, Dylan Hockley, Madeline Hsu, Catherine Hubbard, Chase Kowalski, Jesse Lewis, Ana Marquez-Greene, James Mattioli, Grace McDonnell, Emilie Parker, Jack Pinto, Noah Pozner, Caroline Previdi, Jessica Rekos, Avielle Richman, Ben Wheeler, Allison Wyatt and their guardians Rachel D'Avino, Dawn Hochsprung, Ann Marie Murphy, Lauren Rousseau, Mary Sherlack and Victoria Soto.

Please feel free to take a rose home in their memory ~ Jim & Kathy Todd

This Friday - Sandwich Making for Brian's Angels

If anyone would like to volunteer, we will make sandwiches on **Friday, October 25 at 11 a.m.**

Next Sunday - 4th Sunday Food Collection

Next Sunday, the church school children will collect food item donations for the local food bank.

October Missions & Outreach

We will be collecting toiletries for Hands of Grace, such as:

toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo & deodorant also Men, Women & Children's coats for Gifts of Love. Items can be placed in the Missions Box outside the kitchen door.

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



Artisan Fair at Canton Center Church

Calling all artists, crafters and makers. We are hosting an Artisan Fair on Saturday, November 23rd, from 10 AM to 2 PM in the fellowship hall.

Vendor spaces are available so act now to secure your spot!

For more info. or an application, please email Jennifer Herbek at jenniferherbek@hotmail.com

Prayers for:

Peace in the Middle East.

The Family of Gail Macbeth, after the passing of her two nephews recently.

Joys for:

Art Mauger who recently took a trip to France to visit with his newborn grand-daughter - Julia.

Sunday	20	Monday	21	Tuesday	22	Wednesday	23	Thursday	24	Friday	25	Saturday	26
Worship 10 am		Choir 4:30 pm AA/ACA 7 pm		AA 7 pm				Handbell Choir 5:30 pm				AA 11:00 pm	