WELCOME ~ JANUARY 5, 2025

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.

Please Welcome our Guest Organist this morning Asher Scarlato,

Asher is 14 years old and a newly-confirmed member of Simsbury United Methodist Church with a strong interest in sacred music. In addition to the organ and piano, Asher plays the carillon and is a member of the handbell & vocal choirs in Simsbury. Asher's non-musical passions include hiking/backpacking, volunteering for the local land trust, and veganism.

Congregational Meeting

Next Sunday we will have a Congregational Meeting following the service.

Italian Buffet

Join us for our Italian Buffet on Jan. 19th. See sign up sheet if you would like to volunteer.

Prayers for:

Girls/women of the world for their safety, welfare, health and lives through their reproductive rights and in the continued struggle against violence against women. (Marianne Burbank)

Paul & Martha Stansel's brother in-law Jim, who was released to rehab to continue treatment and rehab.

Comfort for the family of Hollace Bristol's niece, Amy, who died last week of inoperable brain tumor. Prayers for her husband Tim and her sister Susan.

Joys for:

Art Mauger and family upon the arrival of his daughter Hannah, son-in-law, Nico and 6 month old granddaughter, Julia from France for Christmas. (Marianne Burbank)

Mary Lou's birthday last Sunday - from the choirs.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING ~ SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2025

NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING: of the First Congregational Church, Canton Center, Sunday, January 12, 2025 after the 10 am service, *OR* on January 26 or subsequent Sundays until a Quorum is obtained.

AGENDA

- 1. Approval of the proposed 2025 budget.
- 2. Any other business proper to come before said meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Bev Sealand, Clerk



| Sunday 5 | Monday 6 | Tuesday 7 | Wednesday 8 | Thursday 9 | Friday 10 | Saturday 11 |
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| Worship 10 am | Al-Anon 7 pm | AA 7:00 pm | ACA7 pm | | | AA 11:00 pm |