



WELCOME ~ MARCH 16, 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.

*The flowers this morning are given by the Potter Family
in loving memory of their parents and grandparents.*

Join us for some fun at the Cake Auction this morning in the Parish Hall.

March Mission Box Collection ~ Gift Cards for Wellmore - Target & Walmart gift cards to be donated to Wellmore. These gift cards are given out by the social workers to help clients have an enjoyable Easter with their families. The social workers often shop with the clients and use the gift cards as a tool to teach how to budget and shop smart. To donate, see Casey at the Scrip table.

Easter Flowers - With Easter just around the corner, it's time to order plants for our Easter Sunday. Lilies (\$14.00) tulips (\$8.00) Please take your plants after the Easter service to enjoy at home. Orders due by 4/11. Forms available in the Easter Basket at the back of the church.

Annual Reports - are located on the table near kitchen. Please bring back with you next Sunday for the Annual Meeting.

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

of the First Congregational Church, Canton Center, Connecticut, on Sunday, **March 23, 2025** following the service OR on subsequent Sundays at until a quorum is obtained.

AGENDA:

1. Call to order and opening prayer.
2. Reading of the call to the meeting.
3. Presentation of the Minutes from the previous meeting(s).
4. Receiving and accepting of the reports of the church officers, committee chairpersons, and staff.
5. Any other business proper to come before the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, *Bev Sealand, Clerk*

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



Prayers for:

*Suzy, our friends daughter,
who has soft tissue sarcoma and is on hospice care.
(Craig & Linda McAllister)*

*Ukraine
(Tim Lundgren)*

Interim Minister: Rev. Kurt Satherlie

Director of Music: Mary Lou Keefe

Asst. of Faith Formation: Karen Needham

Office Manager: Kristen DiMattia

Deacons: Cora Mutch & Phil Doyle

Greeters: John McCormick

Ministers: Every Member

Dir. of Faith Formation: Dr. Hollace Bristol

Sexton: Walt LeGeyst

Trustees: Sue Lampros & Bob Howson

Coffee Hour: Hollace Bristol/Karen Needham

Sunday 16	Monday 17	Tuesday 18	Wednesday 19	Thursday 20	Friday 21	Saturday 22
Worship 10 am HS AP class 6-8	Choir 4:15 pm Al-Anon 7:30 pm	AA 7:00 pm	ACA7 pm	Bell Choir 5:30 pm		AA 11:00 pm