



WELCOME ~ MAY 25, 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 LeGeyt family in loving memory of Mortimer R. Bristol, WWI veteran, Henry A. LeGeyt, WWII veteran and Laura Ingraben.

Outdoor Community Tag Sale on Saturday May 31st - (rain date June 7th)

We will invite members of our congregation and the local community to bring tag sale items they'd like to sell and will provide them with spaces on the lawn along Cherry Brook Rd. The Church will have its own space to sell donated items and will also have a food tent. Paul Stansel is coordinating this event through Bridge The Gap. See sign up sheets!

Strawberry Festival

Watch for sign up sheets - the Strawberry Festival will be held on **Father's Day, June 15th**.

May Missions Box Collection- Diapers & Wipes

The Missions Box collection for May will be diapers and wipes to be donated to Gifts of Love in Avon. Gifts of Love serves individuals/families who "face a short-term crisis due to reduced working hours, illness, divorce, death of spouse/mate, domestic abuse, or unexpected increase in expenses.

Happy Wanderers hike and picnic on Sunday, June 1st after church.

We will walk the fields at Topsmead, a state park at the highest point in Litchfield. The trails are quite flat. Feel free to bring a picnic lunch! We will plan to meet at the parking lot at Topsmead at 12:15.

Scrip orders in May

The Scrip table will be open during coffee hours for the rest of the month, but only cards in inventory will be available. Sorry for the inconvenience and thanks for your support!

Interim Minister: Rev. Kurt Satherlie
Director of Music: Mary Lou Keefe
Sexton: Walt LeGeyt
Greeters: AshLynn Glinsman
Deacons: Vicki Reese & Dan LeGeyt

Ministers: Every Member
Dir. of Faith Formation: Jody Swan
Office Manager: Kristen DiMattia
Trustees: Art Dewey & Don Scott

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

NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING: of the First Congregational Church,
Canton Center, Sunday, June 15, 2025 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 Pastoral Search Committee's recommendations as approved by Church Council.
4. Any other business proper to come before said meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bev Sealand, Clerk

Prayers for:

Marty Sims who has poor health and awaiting a diagnosis.

*Marianne Burbank's daughter & son-in-law, Anna & Aaron's niece,
Eva Joan Medford, who was stillborn on May 18.*

Joys for:

*Jody Conway, now cancer FREE after catching it early and a pancreatic operation.
(Gail Macbeth)*

Sunday	25	Monday	26	Tuesday	27	Wednesday	28	Thursday	29	Friday	30	Saturday	31
Worship 10:00 am		Al-Anon 7 pm		AA 7 pm		ACA 7 pm						Tag Sale 9-2 pm	