

**FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Rev. Dawn Garrett-Larsen, Pastor

Holy Communion

All Saints Day

Debbie Wilbur, Lay Reader

November 1, 2020

Worship 10:30 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Psalm 149 (All Saints' Day)* Emma Lou Diemer

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather this morning to celebrate the lives of persons we name as saints.

People: Some of them are living, others have completed their physical lives here on earth.

Leader: Some have touched us personally, others have touched and called into question the institutions and structures of our society.

People: But all have shaken our being – all have been examples of lives of wholeness, working for justice.

Leader: We celebrate these persons and their lives in all aspects of God's creation!

HYMN *Come Build a Church (Please listen but do not sing)*
Come build a church with soul and spirit, come build a church of flesh and bone.
We need no tower rising skyward; no house of wood or glass or stone.
Come build a church with human frailty, come build a church of flesh and blood.
Jesus shall be its sure foundation. It shall be built by the hand of God.
Let us see the tongues of fire. Let us hear the great wind roar.
Let us know the awe and wonder, that we've only glimpsed before.
Let us feel the strength of passion, which can make us laugh and weep.
Let us know this great awakening. For so long we've been asleep. (Refrain)

INVOCATION (in unison)

On this All Saints Day, we remember and celebrate saints of yesterday and of today; faithful people who set their hopes on Christ and who with their lives, praised God. May our hearts and minds be open to new realities in Christ. We want to be counted among saints who will inherit your kingdom. May we, in this hour, commit ourselves to living lives that are pleasing to God. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (Trespases)

*GLORIA PATRI *(Please listen but do not sing)*

RESOURCE SPEAKERS

Curt and Molly Bailey

HEBREW BIBLE LESSON *Revelation 7:9-17*

MORNING PRAYER

GOSPEL LESSON *Matthew 5:1-12*

COMMUNION MEDITATION *Leaving Space for the Saints* Rev. Dawn Garrett-Larsen

SPECIAL MUSIC *For the Beauty of the Earth* arr. John Carter
Elaine Hilton, piano

***THE DOXOLOGY**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (in unison)

May our offerings give support to building the world you intend. May we turn from anxious toil to effective service. We commit ourselves once again to lead lives worthy of you, O God. We bear witness to the world through all we gladly give, not to call attention to ourselves, but to bless your name. Prosper our efforts as we find joy in the ministries you entrust to us. Amen.

COMMUNION HYMN *Let Us Break Bread Together (Please listen but do not sing)*
Let us break bread together on our knees, let us break bread together on our knees.
When I fall on my knees with my face to the rising sun, O Lord, have mercy on me.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table, Consecration and Sharing of the Bread and Cup

HYMN *For All the Saints (Please listen but do not sing)*
For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
O Blest communion, fellowship divine! We feebly struggle; they in glory shine.
Yet all are one in thee for all are thine. Alleluia! Alleluia!

BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* Dale Wood
Call to Worship reprinted from Flames of the Spirit; Invocation adapted and reprinted from; Unison Prayer of Dedication reprinted from Fresh Winds of the Spirit, Book 2 by Lavon Bayler

***Please stand if you are able.**

Happy Birthday

Nov. 2 – Beth Gajewski & Matthew Berry

Nov. 3 – Kathy Ward

Congratulations!

To Holly Ralston-Weeks and her husband on the birth of their son, Joshua, born August 28, 2020.

Prayer List

Al (Kathi & Phil Nevin's son in law who is deployed); **Alice and boyfriend, Bill** (Curt Bailey's mother); **Muriel Allemand** (Jim & Connie Malone's friend); **Steve Beck** (Heidi Schwarz's brother); **Keith Blaker; Brad Bliss; Marjorie Case; Cheryl** (Dennis & Jennifer Maxfield's sister-in-law); **Cathy Coots; Peggy & Bob DeSantis** (Dorice & Don Raw, Sr.'s friends); **Julie English** (Janet & Kim Tenreiro's friend); **Brian Fuscaldo** (Mara Huberlie's nephew); **Jerry Gomez** (Kathi Nacca's friend); **Carin Herren; Jim and Carolyn** (Amy Ogden's friends); **Jim Kolesar** (George & Carin Herren's friend); **Sue Kotalik; Mary** (Nick Kogut's mother); **Michelle List** (JoAnn Reed's friend); **Loren** (Meg & Jack Radley's friend); **Lynn** (Joan Ryan's friend); **Eileen McCarthy** (Carla DeMeco & Betsy Dresser's friend); **Liz Nelson** (Kathy Ward's friend); **Andy Platou; Chris Pritchard** (Rick, Cindy Mullen & George Herren's friend); **Jack and Meg Radley; Sara** (Meg & Jack Radley's granddaughter); **John Paul and Pat Smith; Smith/Dworetzky Family** (Okke & Kathy Postma's friends); **Walker** (Don & Dorice Raw's friend); **Gordon Wenner** (George & Carin Herren's friend); **Merle Winn** (Amy Ogden's friend); **Josh Yeo** (Barb Stahl's friend); **Jason Zeller** (Kathy Ward's son); **Linda Zeller** (Kathy Ward's daughter in law)

A Service of Covenant and Installation for Reverend Dawn Garrett-Larsen

Called to be the Pastor of First Congregational Church UCC, Canandaigua

Members of the First Congregational Church of Canandaigua *join with*

The Genesee Valley Association of the NY Conference to covenant together

Sunday, November 15, at 2:00 PM Via ZOOM

Celebrating Alicia Francis' 10th Anniversary

We have been blessed to have Alicia Francis on staff at the First Congregational Church for ten years. The first two years Alicia was the Christian Ed director and for the past eight she has been the Church Office manager. **Note new date:** We will give thanks for Alicia and her ministry among us on Sunday, Nov. 22nd during worship.

Calendar

Mon. Nov 2 - Study Group 9 Chapel

Tues. Nov 3 - Men's Group Gateway 8; Study Grp 9 Chapel; Rughooking 10 Dining Rm

Wed. Nov 4 - Study Group 9 Chapel; TOPS 10 Basement; Study Group 1:30 Youth Rm

Sat., Nov 7 - Light Hill Luminary Event 7 Kershaw

Sun. Nov 8 - Worship & Sunday School; "America" Choir Video: Veterans' Day Celebration; resource speaker

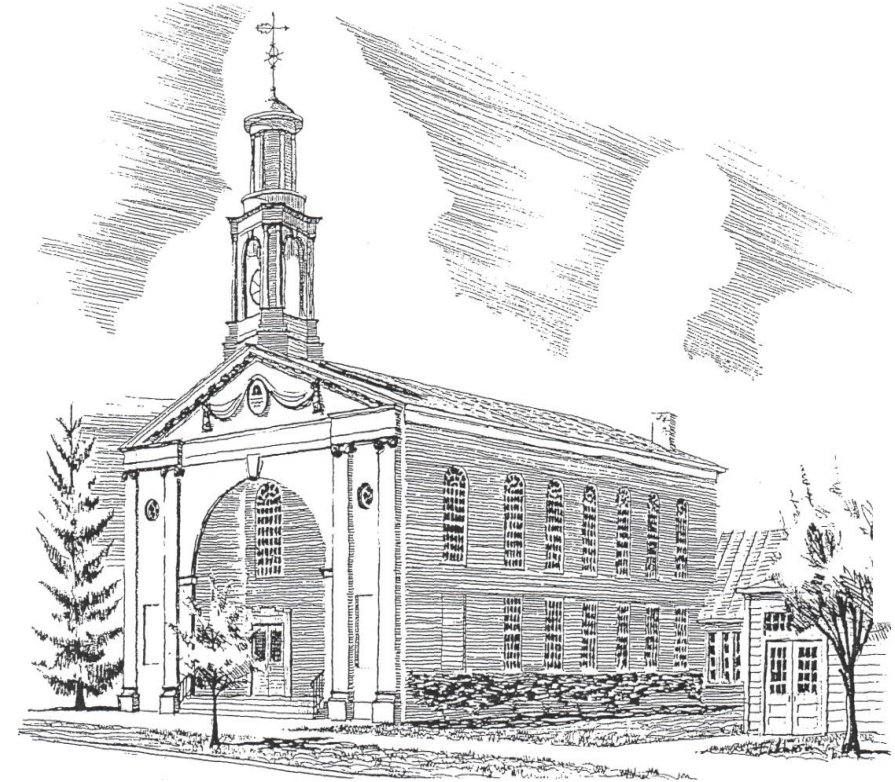
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- ❖ **We value and respect diversity in the ways we express our faith.**
- ❖ **We enjoy thoughtful dialogue about faith issues.**
- ❖ **We encourage each other to work for justice and to care for people in need in our community and in our world.**