

First Congregational Church Wilmot

An Open & Affirming Racial Justice Congregation
Of the United Church of Christ
Gathered in 1829

No matter who you are or where you are on your life's journey,
you are welcome here!

Order of Worship
Stewardship Sunday
November 22, 2026

Rev. Rachelle Eaton, Minister
David Almond, Guest Pianist

MORNING WORSHIP November 22, 2026

A TIME OF GATHERING AND SHARING

Prelude

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Bringing of the Light of Christ

A Time of Silence to Center Ourselves

Our worship service is taking place on N'dakinna, the traditional ancestral homeland of the Abenaki, Penacook and Wabanaki Peoples past and present. We acknowledge and honor with gratitude the land and waterways and the people who have stewarded N'dakinna throughout the generations.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say rejoice
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INVOCATION

O God,
in your Son Jesus Christ
you richly bless us with all that we need,
bread from the earth and the bread of heaven,
which gives life to the world.
Grant us one thing more:
grateful hearts to sing your praise,
in this world and the world to come. Amen.

***HYMN "For the Fruit of All Creation" Chalice #714**

1. For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God;
For good gifts to every nation, thanks be to God;
For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,
Future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.

2. In the just reward of labor, God's will is done;
In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done;
In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,
In the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

3. For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God;
For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God;
For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that sill confound us,
Most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Readings Philippians 4

Reflection Rev. Rachelle Eaton

***HYMN "We Give Thee But Thine Own" Chalice #382**

1. We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

2. May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive,
And gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our firstfruits give.

3. To comfort and to bless, to find a balm for woe,
To tend the lonely in distress, is angel's work below.

4. The captive to release, to God the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christlike thing.

5. And we believe thy Word, though dim our faith may be;
Whate'er for thine we do, O Lord, we do it unto thee.

MORNING PRAYERS

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer followed by The Lord's Prayer

Our * … who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen

**We have come to know God by many different names and images. Please use the one which speaks from your heart today.(e.g. Father, Mother, Creator, God…)*

Prayer Response "Restless Weaver" Chalice #658, Verse 4

Restless Weaver, still conceiving new life now and yet to be.
Binding all your vast creation in one living tapestry.
You have called us to be weavers. Let your love guide all we do.
With your Reign of Peace our pattern, we will weave your world anew.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT Robin Albing

PLEDGING OUR TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE

THE GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

EXCHANGING PRAYER PARTNERSHIP CARDS

OFFERTORY

Doxology** ***NCH #778

Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

***HYMN "God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" NCH #565**

Sing to NCH 355

1. **God whose giving knows no ending from your rich and endless store**
   Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom costly cross, grave's shattered door
   Gifted by you turn we to you offering up ourselves in praise
   Thankful song shall rise forever gracious donor of our days

2. **Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ your Son**
   All at peace in health and freedom races joined, the Church made one

Now direct our daily labor lest we strive for self alone
Born with talents make us servants fit to answer at your throne

3. **Treasure too you have entrusted gain thru powers your grace conferred**
   Ours to use for home and kindred and to spread the gospel Word
   Open wide our hands in sharing aAs we heed Christ's ageless call
   Healing teaching and reclaiming honoring you by loving all

4. **Lend your joy to all our giving let it light our pilgrim way;**
   From the night of anxious keeping, loose us into geneours day.
   Then when years on earth are over and we've lived our human span
   God, fulfill beyond our dreaming, all our stewardship began.

***CLOSING CIRCLE AND COMMISSIONING ONE ANOTHER**

Go into the world to serve God with gladness; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all people; love and serve God, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

***SUNG RESPONSE** **"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"** **Chalice #433**

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.
When we are called to part, it gives us inward pain,
But we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

We once again extend a "Thank You" to David Almond for joining us today as the pianist for our worship service. Elaine Cox will return next Sunday, Nov. 29th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Thursday, November 26	**Thanksgiving**
	6:00 pm - - AA Men's Beginners Big Book Step Meeting
Sunday, November 29	**Greening the Church**



The Worship Service on Sunday, November 29th will end with the

Hanging of the Greens

Plan on joining us on this, the First Sunday of Advent

Celebrate Advent, and Christmas at First Congregational Church Wilmot

1st Sunday in Advent -Hanging of the Greens

Sunday, November 29th - 10:00 AM

2nd Sunday in Advent

Sunday, December 6th - 10:00 AM - Worship with Communion

3rd Sunday in Advent - Christmas Pageant

Sunday, December 13th - 10:00 AM

Caroling After Worship



4th Sunday in Advent

Sunday, December 20th - 10:00 AM

Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship

Thursday, December 24th - 5:00 PM

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