

First Congregational Church of Wakefield NH
United Church of Christ

Sunday, August 2nd, 2026
Communion Sunday
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

We are an Inclusive Faith Community.
All Are Welcomed and All Really Means ALL!



"The people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world
are the ones who do" – Steve Jobs

Senior Pastor — Rev. Dr. James L. Mills, Sr.
Sunday Deacons—Ken Ballinger, Gail Feddern,
Anne Palmariello, Jeff Perkins & Harriet Wilson
Greeters—Jeff Hebert, Linda Messer, Nancy & Jeff Perkins
Tech Team—Donna Ackerman, Gloria Ballinger, Kaylee Fogg,
Nathan Fogg, Carol Jeffery & Barry Truhn
Organists—Cindy Eggleston & Beverly Woods
Voice Choir Director—Cindy Eggleston
Bell Choir Director—Kevin Connell
Guitarist—Buddy Dee
Exterior/Interior Floral Décor – Rachel White

Welcome to Sunday Worship!

(Please stand if able. Bold content is read in unison.)*

Greeting & Reply

Introit & Candle Lighting

***Opening Hymn** *(see screen)* “Great is Thy Faithfulness” HFG 98

***Call to Worship**

One: Sing aloud to God our strength!

Many: Sing the story of our faith.

One: Sing of God’s providential care:

Many: water in the desert, honey from a rock.

One: Sing of God’s sorrow at our wandering!

Many: Sing of God’s love that calls us anew.

One: Sing aloud to God our strength.

All: Let us Worship and Praise God who has given us a song in our hearts.

The Scripture Readings *(see insert or screen)*

Harriet Wilson

Hebrew Reading: Isaiah 55:1-5 (NRSV)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 14:13-21 (NRSV)

Reader: The Word of God for the People of God

All: Thanks be to God!

Invocation

Congregational Sing-Along *(seated)* “Be Thou My Vision”

HFG 468, vs. 1& 4

Passing the Peace of Christ *(if you feel comfortable doing so)*

***Singing of The Lord’s Prayer** *(see screen)*

Our Father, 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Announcements

Offering

Offertory Anthem (*voice choir lead with seated congregation joining*)

“My Lord, What a Morning” HFG 316

***Doxology** (*see screen*)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below,
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

***Sermonic Hymn** (*see screen*) “It is Well” NCH 438, vs. 1, 2 & 4

Message “Remember your Password”

1st Corinthians 16:22 and 2nd Thessalonians 3:16 (*see screen*)

²² Let anyone be accursed (Anathema) who has no love for the Lord. Our Lord, come! (Maranatha)

¹⁶ Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in all ways. The Lord be with all of you.

Responding to God’s Word Video (*see screen*)

“The Feast of Life” by Evan Shelton

Prayers of the People

Service of the Lords Supper (*see insert*)

Benediction

Postlude





***Please join us for a wonderful coffee hour
downstairs after Sunday Service.
ALL ARE WELCOME!***



****HAPPENINGS & REMINDERS****

- ***THE PARISH HELPERS TREASURE SHOP is now open
Wednesdays & Saturdays from 9am – 12pm!***
- ***HYMN REQUESTS are needed and can be placed in the
offering plates!***
- ***8/8 Parish Helpers Fair! See SV!***
- ***8/9 Harriet Wilson's 80th Birthday Party 2-5pm!***
- ***8/29 FCCW Yard Sale! See SV!***

*****See Steeple Views & Happenings Emails for Updates & Details*****

- CareGivers Support Group: 1st & 3rd Mon @ 9:30 am
- Finance Ministry Meeting: 3rd Mon @ 1 pm
- Adult Faith Formation: Tues @ noon (*summer pause*)
- Ukulele Club: 2nd & 4th Tues @ 6 pm
- Chair Yoga w/ Pam: Wed @ 10 am
- Diaconate Meeting: 1st Wed @ 5 pm
- End 68 Hours of Hunger Volunteer Meeting: Thurs @ 10 am (*summer pause*)
- Evening Bible Study: 1st & 3rd Thurs @ 5:30 pm (*summer pause*)
- Outreach Meeting: 2nd Thurs @ 11 am
- Parish Helper's Meeting: 2nd Thurs @ 1 pm
- BLPOA Meeting: 2nd Thurs @ 6 pm
- Leadership Council Meeting: 8/16 following fellowship

Prayers

Jan S, Gerard B, Lois B, Nancy B, Brian T, Cindy E, Our UCC Sister Church in Zimbabwe, Richwood LA Detainees:
Arezoo Mostafavi- Iran
Brkti Zerabouk Kahsay- Ethiopia
Selam Gebre Haile- Eritrea
Haben Haile- Eritrea - and the many who's names we do not yet know.



Credits

1. Our songs are covered under our music license, One License #742268-A
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3. "The Feast of Life" by Evan Shelton, <https://youtu.be/JSrQv78p4s?is=YCXsBLQmd6yPTOnI>



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