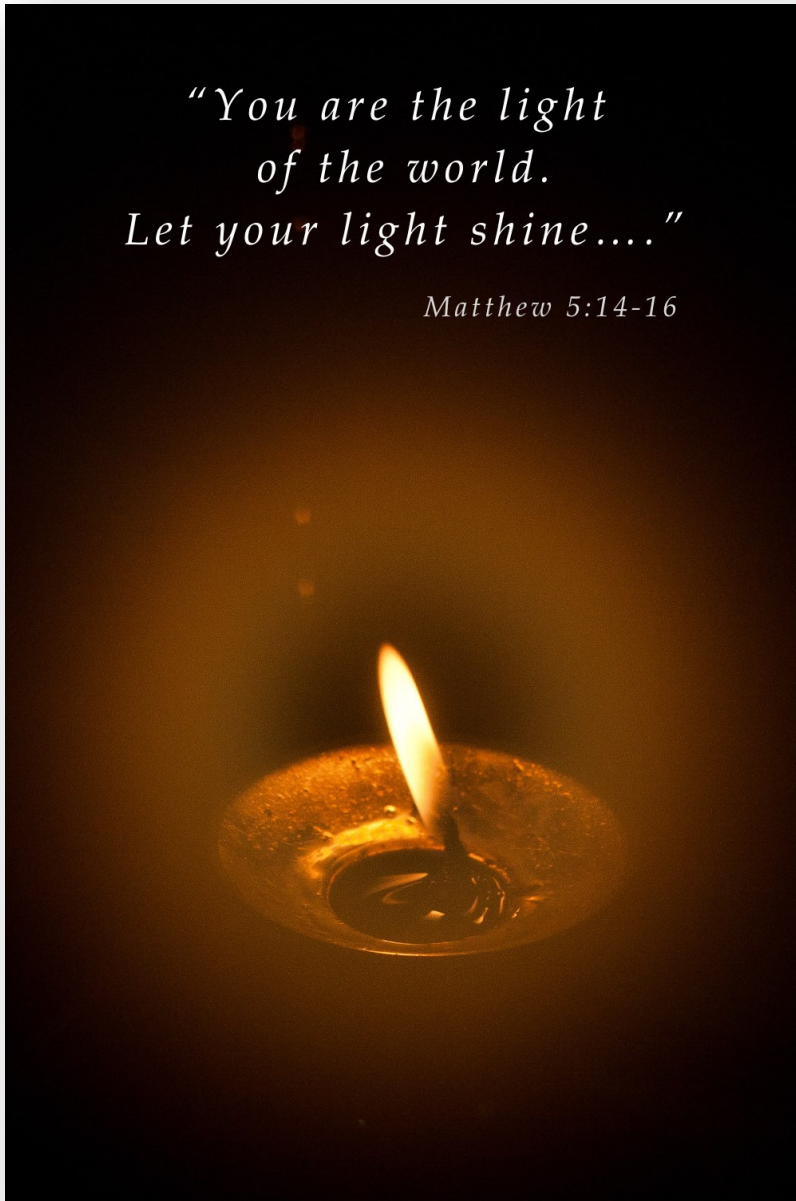


*"You are the light  
of the world.  
Let your light shine...."*

*Matthew 5:14-16*



*Second Congregational Church in Wilton,  
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Open and Affirming*

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
November 10, 2024

Welcome to the worship of God at the  
Second Congregational Church in Wilton,  
United Church of Christ.

We are glad you are here today!

**Bold print means congregational participation.**  
An asterisk (\*) indicates to please stand, if you are able.

**OUR LIFE TOGETHER**  
Words of Welcome and Announcements

**PRELUDE**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**                  Psalm 27                  *responsively*

L: The Lord is my light and my salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

P: **The Lord is the stronghold of my life;  
of what shall I be afraid?**

L: For God will shelter me in the day of trouble,  
and will conceal me under his tent;

P: **God will set me high on a rock.**

L: Teach us your way, O Lord.

P: **Lead us on a level path.**

All: **Wait for the Lord; be strong  
and let your heart take courage.  
Wait for the Lord. Let us worship God.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN**  
"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"                  No. 59

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*unison*

Eternal God, you have given us the blessings of family and friends, abundant food, shelter, and clothing. Give us glad and generous hearts, that we may share the blessings of our lives with others by giving the gifts of our financial resources to support our church and our ministries in the world. Amen.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**HYMN**      “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant”      No. 391

**CALL TO OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

**\*DOXOLOGY**      (tune: Old Hundredth)

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.

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**      *unison*

Gracious God, bless our offering that it may reach and touch those who hunger, who hurt, who seek new hope. Use these gifts and us, we pray, so that your will may be done on earth, even as it is done in heaven. Amen.

**ANTHEM**

## THE WORD OF GOD

**The Gospel Reading** Matthew 5:14-16

Jesus said, "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

**The Epistle Reading** 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work.

**SERMON** "Let Your Light Shine"

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER** *unison*

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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory, forever.  
Amen.

**\*SENDING HYMN** "We Are God's People" No. 547

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

## On The Calendar

- Linus Project, November 12, 10:00 AM
- Lay Visit Group Meeting, November 12, Noon

## Upcoming Events

- Church Council Meeting, November 19, 7:00 PM via Zoom
- We will be decorating the Church for Christmas on Sunday November 24 after worship service - lunch will be provided after we decorate

Praising God's Glory,  
the flowers are presented by  
Jason Markaverich  
in loving memory of his mother Pat



## CHURCH PRAYER LIST

For the week of November 10, 2024

Please keep the following persons in your thoughts  
and prayers this week:

Janey  
Jeff  
Jen  
Lisa  
Don K  
Bernie & Rachel  
David V  
Bill D  
David  
Caitlyn  
Deb and Mike  
Jim T  
Cindy C  
Brentton  
Jeff C  
Krista  
Charlotte  
Cassie W  
Sylvie  
Tom B  
John & Lydia

**PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

Rev. Dr. Gary Klingsporn, Pastor  
Stephanie Ouellette, Liturgist  
Patricia Cauchon, Director of Music  
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