



*“I will put my
spirit within you,
and you
shall live...”*

Ezekiel 37:14

*Second Congregational Church in Wilton,
United Church of Christ
Open and Affirming*

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Last Sunday after Epiphany
March 2, 2025

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** Philippians 4:4-7 *responsively*

L: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice.

P: Let your gentleness be known to everyone.

L: Do not worry.

P: **But in everything by prayer and supplication with
thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.**

L: Let us worship God.

All: **And the peace of God, which surpasses all
understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds
in Christ Jesus.**

***GATHERING HYMN**

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

No. 59

***PASSING THE PEACE**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

unison

God of hope, your breath brings new life to dry bones
and weary souls. Pour out your Spirit upon us, that we
may find new life in you, have renewed strength for the
journey, and love you by serving others all our days.
Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE

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

For the beauty of your world, for the people you have
given us to love, for the tasks you call us to do, we give
you thanks, O God. Bless these gifts we bring, and use
them for your purposes in our church, our community,
and the world. Amen.

ANTHEM

THE WORD OF GOD

The Hebrew Scriptures

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live."

I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

SERMON "Can These Bones Live?"
HYMN "Spirit of the Living God" No. 492

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

BLESSING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

SHARING THE MEAL

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 "All the Way My Savior Leads Me" No. 505

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

CHURCH PRAYER LIST

For the week of March 2, 2025

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

Jeff	John S
Jen	Darrel B
Lisa	Donna
Don K	Diane
Bernie & Rachel	Beckett
Bill and Olive D	Kanisha
Caitlyn	Carol K
Jim T	Noel
Krista	Emily
Charlotte	Mary Sue
Cassie W	Bob D
Sylvie	Joanne H
Tom B	Shawn D
Lorraine	Allison M
Regina K	Paul M
Courtney	Gail C

On The Calendar/Announcements

- Fidget Blankets, Tuesday March 4 - 9:00 AM
- Ash Wednesday Service, Wednesday March 5 - 7:00 PM

We plan on selling ads for our placemats - If you are able to help by reaching out to a few merchants/business owners, please speak with Dana or Cindy for more details.

Praising God's Glory
the flowers are presented by,
Christine Dobens in loving memory
of Joan Dobens -
Happy Heavenly Birthday



PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Rev. Dr. Gary Klingsporn, Pastor
Loretta Smith, Liturgist
Patricia Cauchon, Director of Music
All the Congregation, Ministers to the World

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