



Remember

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

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**May 25, 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**                      Psalm 100                      *responsively*

L: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

P: **Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come into God's presence with singing.**

L: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us.  
We are God's people, and the sheep of his pasture.

P: **Let us enter God's gates with thanksgiving,  
and God's courts with praise.**

L: Give thanks to the Lord; bless God's name.

All: **For the Lord is good;  
God's steadfast love endures forever  
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

**\*GATHERING HYMN**

"God of the Ages, History's Maker"

No. 78

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*unison*

Eternal God, help us always to remember and give thanks for our daily food, drink, and shelter; for the blessings of family and friends; and for those whom we have known and loved who are no longer with us. As we remember your faithfulness to us, lead us to serve you faithfully by serving others all our days. Amen.

**MISSION POSSIBLE OFFERING**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**HYMN**

“We Praise You, O God”

No. 726

**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 these gifts we now offer. Use them to care for this church, and to bring hope, help, and healing to those who are in need in our community and beyond. Amen.

**ANTHEM**

## THE WORD OF GOD

### Deuteronomy 8:7-18

For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive oil and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the Lord your God for the good land that he has given you.

Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes that I am commanding you today. When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them and when your herds and flocks have multiplied and your silver and gold is multiplied and all that you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock. He fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you and in the end to do you good.

Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today.

SERMON

"Remember"

**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**

"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

No. 84

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

Praising God's Glory  
the flowers are presented by  
Cindy and Mike Broderick  
in memory of loved ones



## On The Calendar/Announcements

- Memorial Day, Monday, May 26 - Church Office Closed
- Linus Project, Tuesday, May 27 - 10:00 AM
- Deacons Meeting, Wednesday, May 28, 7:00 PM - In Person
- Time of Quiet Reflection, Wednesday, May 28, 1:00 - 3:00 PM
- Summer Fair Meeting, today, following Worship, please join us and see where you may be able to help.

**You are invited to a potluck dinner,**  
sponsored by the Missions group, on Thursday, June 12.  
Come early to play a game of cribbage or scrabble.  
The church hall will be open from 4:30 to 7:00 PM  
Bring a dish to share. Dinner begins at 5:30 PM  
For more information, please see anyone on Church Missions.

**New Member Sunday - June 22**  
Are you interested in joining our Church?  
We will be having a new member Sunday on June 22.  
If you are interested or would like more information,  
please speak with Rev. Gary or any Deacon.

**A Time of Quiet Reflection**  
Beginning Wednesday, May 28, we will be offering A Time of  
Quiet Reflection. The Church will be open from 1:00- 3:00 PM.  
In this very busy uncertain world, we thought folks may want a  
place to come and have some quiet time to reflect.  
We will try this each Wednesday  
(5/28, 6/4, 6/11, 6/18, 6/25)

### CHURCH PRAYER LIST

For the week of May 25, 2025

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

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Roxann                        | Charlotte        |
| Marsha                        | Sylvie           |
| Family and Friends of Nancy A | Lorraine         |
| on her recent passing         | Courtney         |
| Isaac                         | Darrel B         |
| Jerry S                       | Donna            |
| Heather                       | Diane            |
| John H                        | Carol K          |
| Bob M                         | Noel             |
| Bonnie                        | Bob D            |
| George Jr                     | Shawn D          |
| Belle                         | Gail C           |
| Matt S                        | Amanda           |
| Mary Ellen                    | Kathy & Dennis F |
| Jen                           | Janet            |
| Don K                         | Barbara K        |
| Bill and Olive D              | Shawna           |
| Caitlyn                       | George B         |
| Jim T                         |                  |
| Krista                        |                  |

## **PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE**

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

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