



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

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Day of Pentecost

June 8, 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** *responsively*

L: Jesus said, "You will receive power when the
Holy Spirit has come upon you."

P: **Come, Spirit of the living God,
renew and restore us.**

L: Come, Holy Spirit, make our weakness strong.

P: **Come, Spirit of truth, teach us
all things in the light of eternity.**

L: Come, Spirit of gentleness, bring us peace and comfort.

All: **Come, Holy Spirit, fill our hearts with love.**

***GATHERING HYMN**

"Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song" No. 327

***PASSING THE PEACE**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

unison

Gracious God, on the day of Pentecost you sent your Holy Spirit, filling the disciples with boldness to proclaim the gospel. Send your Spirit into our hearts, that we may show your love in all we say and do. May the power of your Spirit transform us. May the gentleness of your Spirit encourage us. May the gifts of your Spirit be our strength to serve others, now and always, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER RESPONSE

HYMN

“Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

No. 134

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

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Gracious God, with these gifts we offer ourselves. Here we are, your hands and feet in the world. By your Spirit, help us reach out and serve others with the love you have shown us in Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM

THE WORD OF GOD

John 14:25-27

Jesus said, "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

Acts 2:1-6, 12-18

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.... All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "People of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and the young people shall see visions, and the old people shall dream dreams. Even upon my servants, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.'"

SERMON

“Come, Holy Spirit”

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 “God of Grace and God of Glory” No. 569

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Praising God’s Glory
the flowers are presented by
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On The Calendar/Announcements

- **Summer Fair Meeting** today following our worship service
Also, a meeting to plan our Worship in the Park service
- **Craft Night for Summer Fair**, Monday, June 9 - 6:00 PM
in Parish Hall. Do you have an idea for a craft that we can
make and sell at the Summer Fair? Speak with Loretta
We do have plans for one craft to put together that evening -
more would be welcome.
- **Linus Project**, Tuesday, June 10 - 10:00 AM
- **Lay Visitation Group**, Tuesday, June 10 - 12:00 Noon
- **Time of Quiet Reflection**, Wednesday, June 11, 1:00-3:00 PM

Today we will receive the UCC offering:

Strengthen the Church

The Strengthen the Church offering supports the expansion of ministry and growth of UCC local congregations. Your support of this offering will help the UCC fulfill its commitment to creating a just world for all by investing in new ministries and practices that meet the emerging needs of local communities. As God calls our congregations to be the church in new ways, your generosity will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches and develop the spiritual life in our youth and young adults.

A Time of Quiet Reflection

We are offering A Time of Quiet Reflection. The Church will be open Wednesdays 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 (6/11, 6/18, 6/25)

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.

CHURCH PRAYER LIST

For the week of June 8, 2025

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

Donna S
Family and Friends of
Rev. Dr. Rhonda MacLeod
The Thomas Family
Mary Sue
Ellen V
James P
Roxann
Marsha
Isaac
Jerry S
Heather
John H
Bob M
Bonnie
Matt S
Mary Ellen
Jen
Don K

Caitlyn
Jim T
Krista
Sylvie
Lorraine
Courtney
Darrel B
Donna
Diane
Carol K
Bob D
Shawn D
Gail C
Amanda
Kathy & Dennis F
Janet
Shawna

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

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

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