



“For  
everything  
there is a  
season...”

Ecclesiastes 3:1

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

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
October 19, 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 95:1-7                      *responsively*

L: O come, let us sing to the Lord;  
let us make a joyful noise  
to the rock of our salvation!

**P: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;  
let us make a joyful noise to God  
with songs of praise!**

L: For the Lord is a great God.  
In God's hand are the depths of the earth;  
the heights of the mountains are his also.

**P: The sea belongs to God, who made it,  
and the dry land, which his hands have formed.**

L: O come, let us worship and bow down,  
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

**All: For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.**

#### **\*GATHERING HYMN**

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

No. 40

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

*unison*

God of our life, God of all our days and years, we trust in you. Give us eyes to see your love at work in the world. Grant us hearts to know your presence in every season of our lives; and give us hands to serve you each day, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**PRAYER RESPONSE**

**HYMN**

“He Leadeth Me”

No. 499

**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*

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

**ANTHEM**

## THE WORD OF GOD

### Ecclesiastes 3:1-8

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

a time to be born, and a time to die;  
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;  
a time to kill, and a time to heal;  
a time to break down, and a time to build up;  
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;  
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;  
a time to throw away stones,  
and a time to gather stones together;  
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;  
a time to seek, and a time to lose;  
a time to keep, and a time to throw away;  
a time to tear, and a time to sew;  
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;  
a time to love, and a time to hate;  
a time for war, and a time for peace.

SERMON      “For Everything There Is a Season”

### 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 the Ages, History’s Maker”

No. 78

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*POSTLUDE



Praising God's Glory  
the flowers are presented by

Kevin & Sue Jean in loving memory  
of Priscilla Jowders

Cindy Chalmers in honor  
of grandchildren Lily and Jack

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Today we celebrate the Baptism  
of Lily Grace Zeien,  
granddaughter of Cindy Chalmers.

Lily is the daughter of  
Emily and Russell Zeien,  
and sister of Jack Zeien.

As a church community we celebrate  
with this family on this special day.

## On The Calendar/Announcements

- **Church Council Meeting**, Tuesday, October 21, 7:00 PM via Zoom Important\* Please have reports to Del by **Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>**.
- **Our Administrative Assistant**, Del, will be on vacation the week of October 19<sup>th</sup>.
- **Fall Dinner Plays**, November 7 & 8. Help Needed sign-up sheets in link

A Service of the Celebration of Life for Becky Kennedy will be held on Saturday morning, November 1, at 10 am. Following the service there will be a time of fellowship and light refreshments in the Parish Hall.



## CHURCH PRAYER LIST

For the week of October 19, 2025  
Please keep the following persons  
in your thoughts and prayers this week:

Barbara	James P
Henry L	Marsha
Abby	Jerry S
Levi	John H
Mary Ellen	Bob M
Dottie & Dick	Matt S
Diane	Jen
Lauren	Don K
Karen	Caitlyn
Malcom	Jim T
Ginny D	Sylvie
Ted W	Lorraine
Ryan	Courtney
Sandy B	Diane
Leslee S & Ashley C	Carol K
Martha & Lou	Amanda
John S	Kathy & Dennis F
Donna S	Janet
Mary Sue	Shawna



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

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

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