

THIS WEEK*

Today 10:30 am, Coffee Hour
Tue. 10:00 am, Tuesday Gals
Wed. 6:30 pm, Choir Rehearsal
Thursday – Thanksgiving Day – Church Office Closed
Next Lord's Day, November 30 – First Sunday of Advent
8:30 am, Choir Rehearsal
9:30 am, Worship
10:30 am, Luncheon & Hanging of the Greens

IN OUR PRAYERS*

Congregation & Community: Sheila Babcock, Terri Bickford, Candy Burgess, Carol Davis, Sandra and Vince Golonka, Linda Lambrides, Steve Quentel, Lori Martin and Kaitlin Quentel, Holly and Charles Slonina, Susanellen Stearns, Nancy White.

Wider World: People recovering from natural disasters in the U.S. and around the world; Black Mountain Orphanage; Peace in Ukraine, Gaza, and elsewhere.

Staff

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Note: This service is recorded and streamed on YouTube.

If you are not receiving church emails and would like to, please send an email to nyarmouthccucc@gmail.com asking to be added to the list. Like the NYCC FB page and you will be notified of what is happening there, too!

Offerings can also be made online at <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1301940>.

*Please submit items for the Church Calendar or the Prayer List to Lyn Glassock by Tuesday in order to be included in the bulletin. Thank You.

First Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

3 Gray Road, North Yarmouth, Maine 04097

Organized in 1806



Whoever you are, and wherever you are on life's journey,
you are welcome here. – The United Church of Christ

**The Last Sunday After Pentecost
(Reign of Christ)**

Thanksgiving Sunday

November 23, 2025 ~ 9:30 a.m.

We Gather to Worship God

*Those who are able may stand.

Bold type indicates Congregational Responses

Prelude – Nun Danket by D. Schelat / **St. George’s Windsor** by Mary McDonald

Welcome and Announcements

Grounding Prayer & Lighting the Peace Candle

All Sing: Abbie Bentinis

Love, love, love. All we need is love, love, love.

All we need is... (repeat as directed)

Call to Worship – Philippians 4:4-7 (altered)

Pastor: Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice!

People: **May our joy be evident in kindness and compassion; for the Lord is near.**

Pastor: Do not worry about anything, but in everything offer your prayers and requests to God with thanksgiving.

People: **And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus.**

***Hymn – Come, Ye Thankful People, Come – CH # 718**

Come, ye thankful people, come; Raise the song of harvest home. All is safely gathered in Ere the winter storms begin. God, our Maker, doth provide For our wants to be supplied. Come to God's own temple, come; Raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field, Fruit unto his praise to yield, Wheat and tares together sown, Unto joy or sorrow grown. First the blade, and then the ear, Then the full corn shall appear. Lord of harvest, grant that we Wholesome grain and pure may be.

These to thee, our God, we owe, source whence all our blessings flow; and for these our souls shall raise grateful vows and solemn praise. Come, then, thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home; come to God’s own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

Invocation

The Book of Common Prayer

Almighty and gracious God, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray—

The Lord’s Prayer (in 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.

Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.

Amen.

***Passing the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you. — Response: **And also with you.**

Choir Anthem – All Good Gifts - Stephen Schwartz; arr. John Leavitt

Discipleship for All Ages (Children may be dismissed to Sunday School)

Scripture Readings

First Testament

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

The Gospel

John 6:25-35

The Good News: LOL, TYIA . . .

Pastor Paul Day

***Hymn & Prayer– Now Thank We All Our God**

CH # 715 & 716

Words: Martin Rinkart, 1636; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1858, alt.
Music: Johann Crüger, harm. Felix Medelssohn, 1840

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things has done, in whom the world rejoices,
who, from our mothers’ arms, has blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us,

and keep up full of grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God our Father and our Mother,
to Christ and to the One who binds us to each other,
the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore,
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Prayers of the People

+ The Offering of Our Gifts and Ourselves to God +

Offertory – Joy in Thanksgiving Words & Music by Marianne Axman
Kathy Whittier & David Myers-Wakeman

***Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.**

***Prayer of Dedication (in unison)** from *Worship Ways*
**Generous God, we share the bounty you have given us that others
may celebrate your goodness and love. With praise and thanksgiving,
we set these offerings before you. Use our treasure, time, and talent
to build your reign of love and grace; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn – *Let All Things Now Living **CH # 717**

Words: Katherine K. Davis, 1939, alt.
Music: Welsh folk melody; desc. Katherine K. Davis, 1939

Let all things now living a song of thanks-giving
to God our creator triumphantly raise;
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
by guiding us on to the end of our days.
God’s banners are o’er us, pure light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night:
till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished,
as forward we travel from light into Light.

By law God enforces. The stars in their courses,

the sun in its orbit obediently shine;
the hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We, too, should be voicing our love and rejoicing
with glad adoration, a song let us raise:
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving,
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise.

***Charge and Benediction** **Philippians 4:8-9**

Response: *Love, Love Love . . .

Postlude – *The Ash Grove* N. Bedford

We Go Forth to Serve God and Our Neighbors

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