

THIS WEEK*

Today 10:30 am, Coffee Hour
Tue. 10:00 am, Tuesday Gals
Wed. 6:30 pm, Choir Rehearsal / Thurs. Discipleship 1pm
Next Lord's Day, November 16 – Bible Sunday
8:30 am, Choir Rehearsal
9:30 am, Worship
10:30 am, Coffee Hour

The church is closed on Tuesday, Nov. 11th in observance of Veterans' Day.

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. **Note: Use of hymns and songs are licensed under One License #A-73187 and CCLI #48404708**

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 Twenty-second Sunday After Pentecost

Stewardship Sunday

Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church

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

We Gather to Worship God

*Those who are able may stand.

Bold type indicates Congregational Responses

Prelude – *O whither shall I fly* -JS Bach
Austria - arr. by T. Shaw

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 from **1 Thessalonians 2:13-17**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to God for one another, brothers and sisters,
beloved by the Lord and made whole through faith in Christ.

People: **God has invited us into New Life through the Spirit.**

Pastor: Therefore, stand firm and keep a tight hold on the Good News
of God’s grace and love in Christ Jesus.

People: **May this hope in Christ comfort our hearts, strengthen us
for every good work, and enliven our speech.**

Hymn – *Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken **CH # 709**

Words: John Newton, 1779, alt.; Music: Franz Josphe Haydn, 1797

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God;
God, whose word cannot be broken, formed thee for a blest abode. On the Rock
of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation’s walls
surrounded, thou mayest smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,
well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove,
Who can faint, while such a river ever flows their thirst to assuage? Grace, which
like our God, the Giver, never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear

for a glory and a covering, showing forth that God is near!
Thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day,
safe they feed upon the manna which God gives them when they pray.

Invocation – from **Psalm 17**

God, guard us as the apple of your eye and show us your steadfast peace.
Divine Spirit, hide us in the shadow of your wings and show us your
steadfast strength. Christ of Hope, may we behold your face and know your
steadfast love. We pray as you have 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 – *Alleluia! Alleluia!* - Roger Emerson

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

Scripture Readings
First Testament **Haggai 1:15b—2:9**
The Gospel **Luke 20:1-38**

The Good News: *God of the Living* **Pastor Paul Day**

Hymn – *My Hope Is Built **CH # 537**

Words: Edward Mote, 1834; Music: William B. Bradbury, 1863

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus’ blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus’ name.
On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil
On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found!
Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne!
On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

Prayers of the People

+ The Offering of Our Gifts and Ourselves to God +

Offertory – *Old 124th* - setting by I. Beethe

***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

**God of infinite love, through our treasures, time, and talents, may we
nurture your Realm, and provide for our neighbors who lack basic
necessities and who look for inclusion of their souls. With gratitude,
we celebrate our gifts from you and dedicate them to bring glimmers
of heaven on earth. Amen.**

Hymn – *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending CH # 606

Words: Robert L. Edwards, 1961

Music: Wyeth's Repository of Sacred Music, Part Second, 1813

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,
nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door:
gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up ourselves in praise;

thankful song shall forever, gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone;
born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.

Treasure too you have entrusted, gain thru powers your grace conferred;
ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel Word.
Open wide our hands, in sharing, as we heed Christ's age-less call,
healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

***Charge and Benediction**

Response: *Love, Love Love . . .

Postlude – *Nettleton*

- J. Wyeth

We Go Forth to Serve God and Our Neighbors