DUE TO THE SNOWY FORECAST, NO 8:30 A.M. SERVICE WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY FEBRUARY 16.

THE 10:00 A.M. SERVICE **WILL BE HELD** AND LIVE-STREAMED.

FAITH EXPLORERS, TEAM AND TEEN ISSUES WILL NOT MEET THIS SUNDAY (2/16)

THE CHILI CONTEST IS POSTPONED TO NEXT SUNDAY, FEB. 23



A FEW MORE BEATITUDES

Blessed are those who walk in wonder, for they shall be surprised by joy.

Blessed are those who stop to see a snowdrop, or to pick up a heart-shaped stone, for they will find eternity in little things.

Blessed are those who listen to the birds at sunrise, for they have heard the echoes of heaven.

Blessed are those who sing when they are alone, for they will always have music in their hearts.

Blessed are those who treat strangers gently, for they will find love's door open to them.

Blessed are those whose silence is a prayer, for their hearts will be life's nesting place.

Blessed are those who are hopeful in hard times, for they will be a flame to light the world.

Blessed are those with a childlike spirit, for God will dance in their dreams.

--Timothy Haut, February 17, 2019



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH DEEP RIVER, CONNECTICUT THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY February 16, 2025

As we enter the sanctuary to praise God and the prelude begins, please observe a respectful silence for the sake of those who use this time for prayer and meditation.

PRELUDE Organ Sonata #6 (Andante) Mendelssohn
Dennis Raley, Music Director

BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENTS
INTROIT Let All the World in Every Corner Sing Herbert/Routley
GATHERING WORDS Deb Brown, Lay Reader
*OPENING HYMN #160 Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

YOUTH MESSAGE "Walk with Jesus" Clergy
*HYMN OF DISMISSAL #2164 Sanctuary (Sing 2times)

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 1 (p 738, Red Hymnal) *RESPONSE Gloria Patri

Glory Be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

THE JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

*RESPONSE Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

ANTHEM Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing Gordon Young

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD
OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jeremiah 17:5-10 (p. 705)
GOSPEL LESSON Luke 6:17-26 (p. 939)
SERMON "Blessed..." Rev. Timothy E. Haut

*CLOSING HYMN #730 O Day of God Draw Nigh BENEDICTION CHORAL RESPONSE Danish Amen

As the postlude begins, please remain in your seats and enjoy the special music as you reflect on this morning's service.

POSTLUDE Allegro Moderato Peeters *Please stand, if you are able.

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The flowers are given by the Bugbee family in loving memory of David Bugbee.

Flowers are also given in celebration of Evie Grohs's 93rd birthday tomorrow. Happy Birthday Mom! Love, Dan, Nancy and Keryn.

Our Ushers this morning are Kathy & Gary Savona.

Thank you to Jim Caronna for doing the live stream today.

Deacons on Duty for February 2025 Anne Bartlett is Deacon on Call, Eric Brown is Sanctuary Rep., and Kelley Frazier is arranging for Lay Readers and Flowers.

Birthdays This Week

Deb Campbell, Dayle Larson, Jennifer McNealy, Sam Paulson, Tim Ressler (Today); Evie Grohs (93 years young), Arianna Smith, Brook Greer (17); Robyn Lane, Nancy Warner, Judy Roberts (19); Erica Anderson, Katie Roberts, Alys Albrecht (101 years young); Mya Roig (20); Katie Munsell, Sue Morrell (21); Chelsea Ehmke (22).

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Thank you for coming this morning! These winter days may be cold and dark, but we hope you find the light of God's love here in church today. You are invited to place your weekly offerings in the plate as you exit the church.

