

PRAYER LIST

PRAYER LIST Our prayer list is a network of love and faith in the power of prayer. We receive these names from members and friends of our church who hold these individuals up in their own prayer life for God's healing and strength upon them.

IMMEDIATE NEEDS: Pam Berryhill, Jeff Buxton, C.J., Connie Manukka, Carlene Kasuba, Phil Stack, Shawn and Becky; Jessica Smith, David Stack, Joe Verga, Rick Hall, Dave & Joby Mallory.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DRIVE-THROUGH MEAL to benefit Slate Valley Cares, Saturday, September 27. Along the west side of the Park, \$15, 11am till gone.

BIBLE STUDY will begin next Sunday, September 28, 2025

SUPPER and THE CHOSEN will be held on **Friday, October 3rd & October 17th beginning at 4:00 PM.** We hope you will join us for this fun evening in our new "living room"!

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING will be held on **Wednesday, September 24th** at 5:30 PM.

PET BLESSING will be held on **Saturday, October 4, 2025 at 10:00 AM** in front of the church.

**WE ARE OPENING THE CHURCH FOR
FELLOWSHIP AND FREE LUNCH.**

Want to play a board game, do a jigsaw puzzle, sew something new, knit, crochet, play a game of cards, and of course, enjoy a **FREE LUNCH.** Come anytime from 11 AM – 2 PM on **WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 8, 2025. ALL ARE WELCOME!**

First Congregational Church of Fair Haven
~ALL ARE WELCOME HERE! ~
~September 21, 2025~
Jane LoBrutto, Pastor



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September 21, 2025
Order of Service

PRELUDE *St. Anthony's Choral (Johannes Brahms)*
Sharon Pinsonnault

WELCOME Lisa Fenwick

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES & RINGING OF THE BELL
John Fenwick

One: What is our church's mission?

Many: To embody God's powerful love...

- **welcoming all people, with a vision and message of hope,**
- **weaving deep relationships with Jesus and each other,**
- **working, praising and playing in our towns and world.**

OPENING HYMN *For the Healing of the Nations (Chalice # 668)*

*1 For the healing of the nations, Lord, we pray with one accord;
for a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords;
to a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word,
help us rise and pledge our word*

*2 Lead us forward into freedom; from despair your world release,
that, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
fear will die and hope increase,
fear will die and hope increase.*

*6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee,
ever, only, all for thee*

BRINGING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

CHORAL BENEDICTION *This Little Light of Mine*

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POSTLUDE *Little David (American Spiritual)* Sharon Pinsonnault

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Thought of the day:
God's Love is "Like when you sit in front of a fire in winter
— you are just there in front of the fire.
You don't have to be smart or anything.
The fire warms you."
-Desmond Tutu

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We're so glad you are here today. Please stay and
join us for coffee and fellowship after the service!

*THANK YOU to the many individuals
who helped with worship today!*

DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CLOSING HYMN *Take My Life and Let It Be* (Ch. #609)

*1 Take my life, and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

*2 Take my hands, and let them move
at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be
swift and beautiful for thee,
swift and beautiful for thee.*

*3 Take my voice, and let me sing;
unto God my praise I bring.
Take my lips, and let them be
filled with messages from thee,
filled with messages from thee.*

*4 Take my silver and my gold;
not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use
every power as thou shalt choose,
every power as thou shalt choose.*

*5 Take my will, and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne,
it shall be thy royal throne.*

*3 All that kills abundant living, let it from the earth be banned;
pride of status, race, or schooling, dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice may we hallow life's brief span,
may we hallow life's brief span.*

*4 You, Creator God, have written your great name on humankind;
for our growing in your likeness bring the life of Christ to mind,
that by our response and service earth its destiny may find,
earth its destiny may find.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We have gathered to worship the Living God,

People: to direct our gratitude to the source of all life and goodness,

Leader: to open our hearts to the good gifts that enfold our days,

People: and to direct our attention to the steadfast love of God.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the creator and sustainer of all things.
Amen

INVOCATION

Debbie Pratt

PRAISE & WORSHIP VIDEO Spirit Speak

*Spirit speak, when I don't have words to say
Spirit lead, when I forget my way
Strengthen my knees, when I'm too weak to pray
Spirit speak to me*

*Spirit sing, when I cannot find a song
Spirit breathe, Your life into my lungs
Comfort my fears, when they feel too strong
Spirit sing to me*

*Ohh-oh-ohhh, ooh-ooooh
Ohh-oh-ohhh, ooh-ooooh
Spirit speak to me*

*Spirit speak, and command the pain to flee
Spirit teach, what this moment really means
Lift up my eyes and help me through the grief
Spirit speak to me
Oh-oh-ohh, lift up my eyes and help me through the grief
Spirit speak to me*

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, forever. Amen.*

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.*

TIME WITH THE YOUNG

Debbie Pratt

SCRIPTURE LESSIONS

John Fenwick

Lamentations 3:22-23, Luke 17:11-19

SERMONIC HYMN *I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me (Ch. #614)*

*1 I'm gonna live so God can use me
any time and anywhere.
I'm gonna live so God can use me any time and anywhere.*

*2 I'm gonna work so God can use me
any time and anywhere.
I'm gonna work so God can use me any time and anywhere.*

*3 I'm gonna pray so God can use me
any time and anywhere.
I'm gonna pray so God can use me any time and anywhere.*

*4 I'm gonna sing so God can use me
any time and anywhere.
I'm gonna sing so God can use me any time and anywhere.*

MESSAGE Making Lists

Lisa Fenwick

OFFERING

Brass Plate:	Weekly Offering
Wooden Plate:	50% Deacon Fund; 50% Groceries for Community Meals

