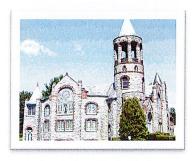
# Second Congregational Church of Winsted

(Baptist & Congregational) Bible-focused/Christ-centered

Worship Service: 10:00 AM January 12, 2025



"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." (Hebrews 10:24–25, NIV)

# Welcome, Greeting & Announcements

Prelude - "Tell Me the Old, Old Story" – arr. Robert J. Hughes

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# Call to Worship – (From Psalms 25:1-11)

Leader: To You, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

- People: O my God, in You I trust, Do not let me be ashamed; Do not let my enemies exult over me.
- Leader: Indeed, none of those who wait for You will be ashamed; Those who deal treacherously without cause will be ashamed.
- People: Make me know Your ways, O Lord; Teach me Your paths.
- Leader: Lead me in Your truth and teach me, For You are the God of my salvation; For You I wait all the day.
- People: Remember, O Lord, Your compassion and Your lovingkindnesses, For they have been from of old.
- Leader: Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; According to Your lovingkindness remember me, For Your goodness' sake, O Lord.
- People: Good and upright is the Lord; Therefore He instructs sinners in the way.
- Leader: He leads the humble in justice, And He teaches the humble His way.
- People: All the paths of the Lord are lovingkindness and truth To those who keep His covenant and His testimonies.
- All: For Your name's sake, O Lord, Pardon my iniquity, for it is great.

#### \*Hymn #2 (green hymnal) "How Great Thou Art"

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## **Prayer of Invocation and Confession**

Anthem - "Hear Our Prayers" - Willard Minton

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# A Prayer for Our Church (recited in unison)

Father, we praise you and glorify you. Help us to demonstrate our love for you through what we do and say. Draw this body of believers together in love, and let us be united in Christ. Give us a desire to conform all things to your Word. Grant us the presence and wisdom of your Holy Spirit. We pray that Your Word will be correctly preached from the pulpit, that lives will be changed, and many will believe in Jesus. Transform this church according to Your will. We pray that you would protect this church so the schemes of the evil one will not prosper against it. Father, use this church to proclaim the gospel to this community and the world and make us true disciples of Jesus Christ. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### Offertory – "Though I May Speak" – arr. Emma Lou Diemer

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#### \*Doxology #515 (red hymnal)

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.

#### \*Prayer of Dedication

**Children's Sermon** – (We invite all children to come forward for a short message. After the message, the younger children may go downstairs to Children's Church; however, we always encourage children to be in church no matter their age.)

### \*Hymn #325 (green hymnal) "'All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

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#### Scripture Reading – Exodus 20:8-11

8 "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

9 "Six days you shall labor and do all your work,

**10** but the seventh day is a sabbath of the Lord your God; in it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter, your male or your female servant or your cattle or your sojourner who stays with you.

**11** "For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day; therefore, the Lord blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.

## Prayers of the Church & Lord's Prayer (sins)

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin 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

# Musical Response Prayer of Illumination

# Sermon Text – Luke 6:1-11

**1** Now it happened that He was passing through some grainfields on a Sabbath; and His disciples were picking the heads of grain, rubbing them in their hands, and eating the grain.

2 But some of the Pharisees said, "Why do you do what is not lawful on the Sabbath?"

**3** And Jesus answering them said, "Have you not even read what David did when he was hungry, he and those who were with him,

**4** how he entered the house of God, and took and ate the consecrated bread which is not lawful for any to eat except the priests alone, and gave it to his companions?"

5 And He was saying to them, "The Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath."

**6** On another Sabbath He entered the synagogue and was teaching; and there was a man there whose right hand was withered.

**7** The scribes and the Pharisees were watching Him closely to see if He healed on the Sabbath, so that they might find reason to accuse Him.

**8** But He knew what they were thinking, and He said to the man with the withered hand, "Get up and come forward!" And he got up and came forward.

**9** And Jesus said to them, "I ask you, is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the Sabbath, to save a life or to destroy it?"

**10** After looking around at them all, He said to him, "Stretch out your hand!" And he did so; and his hand was restored.

**11** But they themselves were filled with rage, and discussed together what they might do to Jesus.

## Gloria Patri #513 (red hymnal)

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.

# Sermon – "The Lord of the Sabbath"

# \*Closing Hymn #595 (green hymnal) "Lead On, O King Eternal"

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#### \*Benediction

Please join us for refreshments in Fellowship Hall after our worship service.

## **Musical Response**

#### Postlude – "Hallelujah, Amen" – G. F. Handel

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Children's bulletins are available in the Main Street entry hall, located in the brochure holders attached to the wall on your right as you enter.

The two nursery rooms downstairs are clean, sanitized, and available should you need a place to change a diaper, feed your baby, or simply need a quiet place to take your child during the service. There is an audio speaker in the room so the service can be heard.

# **Service Information**

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Daniel Cote Monthly Deacon: Glen McMahon Fellowship Hosts: Music/Choir Members Last Week's Attendance: 48 Last Week's Offering: \$ 3,397.00 (\$3,300 is needed each week to meet our budgeted expenses.)

#### Important Notices:

- <u>The Annual Meeting</u> is scheduled for next **Sunday**, **January 19**, **2025**, immediately following worship. All reports from committees and boards should have been submitted to the office.
- <u>Adult Sunday School Class</u>—Every Sunday, 9:00-9:45 PM (in the parlor led by Pastor Dan and open to all)— Note: We are studying the Gospel of Matthew until further notice.
- <u>Wednesday Bible Study</u>—Every Wednesday, 6:00-7:15 PM (in the music room led by Pastor Dan and open to all) Note: Will resume on 1/15/25.
- <u>Prayer Chain</u> All prayers requested on Sunday and during the week are sent out to the church Prayer Chain. If you would like to be included on those for either personal prayers or to pray for others, please email Kathy (<u>info@sccwinsted.org</u>).

News from the Diaconate:
 IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN'S CONFERENCE
 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - March 22, 2025, 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM
 Rehoboth Church of God in Bloomfield
 16 Different Seminars to attend - \$59.00 per person group rate
 We will register and travel together as a group
 There is a sign-up sheet on the board in the Fellowship Hall
 Payment to SCCW by March 8 - See Jeff Liskin, Sr. with questions.



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 Diaper Bank help is needed – The 3-year comparison chart has been updated in Fellowship Hall. With all the generous donations received last year, the Diaper Bank was able to service <u>254</u> families (22 new), <u>275</u> children and distributed <u>15,091</u> diapers. That's the 2024 contribution given to the community to those in need and we could not do that without your help!

If you would like to donate to this cause, please leave them in the Diaper Bank box in our Fellowship Hall. We continue to ask for donations of non-perishable foods as well. Please see Kathy Craig if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.

- News From the Choir: Please consider joining us. Rehearsal is from 8:30 9:30 am and a brief time of fellowship with coffee and a snack is enjoyed by the choir before service begins at 10:00 am. We will be singing in the service three times a month unless otherwise noted.
- <u>Tithes, Offerings, and Donations may now be made online</u>. For those individuals that would like to give to the church online, simply go to the front page of our <u>church website</u> and click the link "Support Our Church and Ministries" or tap the tile shown to the left.



You may also download the Vanco mobile app on your smartphone. Be sure to select the app with the logo to the right. Search for churches in your area, and you will find "Second Congregational Church of Winsted." For more information on Vanco, visit their website: <u>vancopayments.com</u> See Paul Okraska for more information.

• Christian Education Updates:

**Sunday School:** Welcome Back! Sunday School classes have resumed today and will be every Sunday morning at 9:00 AM.

**Children's Church:** Available for younger children who want to join every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday following the Offertory.

Youth Group: The youth group will be held today downstairs following the service.

## **Other Announcements:**

- Food Bank We will be collecting non-perishable foods on the first Sunday of each month for the Interfaith Food Bank managed by the Salvation Army; however, you can always bring in your items and place them in the purple crates in Fellowship Hall at any time. The next collection date is today, February 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- The Fellowship Coffee Hour chart is posted for 2025. Please feel free to volunteer for any
  openings listed. We invite any new members that have joined the church to speak to Kathy Craig if
  you would like to volunteer for an open slot in 2025. A great way to begin volunteering with your
  church family.

# **Weekly Events:**

<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>Adult Sunday School Class –</b> (led by Pastor Dan, in the Parlor)
9:00-9:45 AM	Gospel of Matthew – all are welcome.
<i>Wednesday:</i>	Weekly Bible Study – (led by Pastor Dan, in the Music Room)
6:00-7:15	Resumes this Wednesday, Jan.15 <sup>th</sup> .
Thursday:	NWCT Homeschool 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

# SCC Online:

Church Email: info@sccwinsted.org

Church Webpage: http:/sccwinsted.org

Church Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/sccwinsted

Youtube Channel for Livestream Services: <u>www.youtube.com/channel/UCCW4dPY3yqt-GsjPZG-cHuQ</u> (Search for: Second Congregational Church of Winsted, CT)

Church Library & Media Center: <a href="http://www.librarything.com/catalog/sccwlibrary">www.librarything.com/catalog/sccwlibrary</a>

Pastor Dan's Apologetic Page: http:/multimediaapologetics.com

# Hours & Staff

#### Church Office Hours: Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday8:30 AM-Noon; 12:30 - 4:00 PMFriday only8:30 AM-Noon

#### Staff:

#### Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Daniel Cote

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Cell Phone: 203-217-7498
Office Hours: Sun. 8:15 AM-12:30 PM and Wed. 5:00-7:30 PM (Other days as needed or by appointment)

#### Director of Youth & Families: John Costa

Email: john.costa.jc@gmail.com Cell Phone: 413-854-7147 Office Hours: Sun. 8:00 AM-1:00 PM, Tues. 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, and Wed. 6:00-8:15 PM (Other days as required)

#### Office Administrator: Kathy Craig

Email: info@sccwinsted.org Phone: 860-379-4766

**Organist:** Christopher King

Sextons: Tom Doney & Cassie Riberdy



All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised. - Psalm 145:3



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Lead On, O King Eternal

If the Lord be God, follow Him . . . . — I Kings 18:21

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