

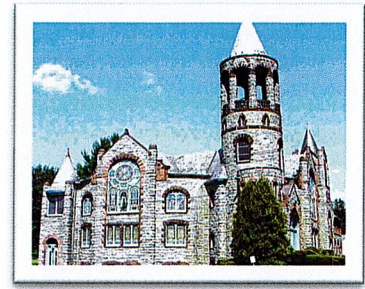
Second Congregational Church of Winsted

(Baptist & Congregational)

Bible-focused/Christ-centered

Worship Service: 10:00 AM

February 16, 2025



“For this you know with certainty, that no immoral or impure person or covetous man, who is an idolater, has an inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.” (Ephesians 5:5)

Welcome, Greeting & Announcements

Prelude – “Since Jesus Came into My Heart” – arr. R. Kevin Boesiger

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Call to Worship – (From Psalm 95)

Leader: Come, let’s sing for joy to the Lord, Let’s shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation.

People: Let’s come before His presence with a song of thanksgiving, Let’s shout joyfully to Him in songs with instruments.

Leader: For the Lord is a great God And a great King above all gods,

People: In whose hand are the depths of the earth, The peaks of the mountains are also His.

Leader: The sea is His, for it was He who made it, And His hands formed the dry land.

People: Come, let’s worship and bow down, Let’s kneel before the Lord our Maker.

All: For He is our God, And we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.

*Hymn #341 (green hymnal) “Come, Thou Almighty King”

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Prayer of Invocation and Confession

Anthem – “God is There” – Jay Althouse

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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.

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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 – “The Solid Rock” – arr. Tracey Craig McKibben

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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**

***Hymn #283 (green hymnal) “What Wondrous Love Is This”**

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Scripture Readings –

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

4 Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant,
5 does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered,
6 does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth;
7 bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Exodus 20:17

17 “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife or his male servant or his female servant or his ox or his donkey or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

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 – 1 Kings 3:16–28

16 Then two women who were harlots came to the king and stood before him.
17 The one woman said, “Oh, my lord, this woman and I live in the same house; and I gave birth to a child while she was in the house.
18 “It happened on the third day after I gave birth, that this woman also gave birth to a child, and we were together. There was no stranger with us in the house, only the two of us in the house.
19 “This woman’s son died in the night, because she lay on it.

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- 20 “So she arose in the middle of the night and took my son from beside me while your maidservant slept, and laid him in her bosom, and laid her dead son in my bosom.
- 21 “When I rose in the morning to nurse my son, behold, he was dead; but when I looked at him carefully in the morning, behold, he was not my son, whom I had borne.”
- 22 Then the other woman said, “No! For the living one is my son, and the dead one is your son.”
”But the first woman said, “No! For the dead one is your son, and the living one is my son.”
Thus they spoke before the king.
- 23 Then the king said, “The one says, ‘This is my son who is living, and your son is the dead one’; and the other says, ‘No! For your son is the dead one, and my son is the living one.’ ”
- 24 The king said, “Get me a sword.” So they brought a sword before the king.
- 25 The king said, “Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one and half to the other.”
- 26 Then the woman whose child was the living one spoke to the king, for she was deeply stirred over her son and said, “Oh, my lord, give her the living child, and by no means kill him.” But the other said, “He shall be neither mine nor yours; divide him!”
- 27 Then the king said, “Give the first woman the living child, and by no means kill him. She is his mother.”
- 28 When all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had handed down, they feared the king, for they saw that the wisdom of God was in him to administer justice.

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 – “Discerning Love and Covetousness”

***Closing Hymn #520** (green hymnal) **“Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”**

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***Benediction**

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

Musical Response

Postlude – “Let All Things Now Living” – arr. Darcy Stanley

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Children's bulletins are available through all Sunday school teachers.

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: John Costa

Monthly Deacon: Colleen Gundlach

Fellowship Hosts: Diaconate

Last Week's Attendance: (no service due to snowstorm)

Last Week's Offering: \$ none (\$3,300 is needed each week to meet our budgeted expenses.)

Important Notices:

- **Pastor Dan is away this Sunday, and will return on Sunday, February 23rd. In the event of pastoral care, you may still contact him by phone or email.**
- **There will be NO BIBLE STUDY on Wednesday, February 19th but will resume on Wednesday, February 26th.**
- **New Member Class** – Will begin at the end of February. If you are interested in joining the church, please contact Pastor Dan.
- **Second Congregational Church Inclement Weather and Snow Cancellation Policy** - We try not to cancel Sunday Worship, though with moderately bad weather we could have a late opening, where there will only be the worship service at 10:00 AM. If there is a cancellation or late opening, it will be posted on Channel 3-WFSB and 8-WTNH, the church's webpage, and an email notification will be sent to the congregation.
- **Church renovations in the Sanctuary have begun** - For the next few weeks, Sunday worship will be held downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Due to scaffolding, the sanctuary area is off limits to everyone.

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- **Adult Sunday School Class—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.
- **Wednesday Bible Study—Every Wednesday, 6:00-7:15 PM (in the music room led by Pastor Dan and open to all)** **Note:** We are studying the Gospel of John until further notice. (See note above about 2/19/25 Study.)
- **Prayer Chain** – 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 (info@sccwinsted.org).

- **News from the Diaconate:**

IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN’S CONFERENCE

25th 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.



- **Diaper Bank help is needed** – 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.
- **Tithes, Offerings, and Donations may now be made online.** For those individuals that would like to give to the church online, simply go to the front page of our [church website](#) 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: vancopayments.com See Paul Okraska for more information.

- **Christian Education Updates:**

Souper Bowl of Caring: Collection TODAY! Although we all know who won the Super Bowl, you can still make donations into the Souper Bowl Pots. If you were rooting for the Chiefs, be brave and maintain your loyalty, otherwise, Go Eagles! Remember, the real support is to our local soup kitchen, which all the proceeds will go. Look for our youth with the Super Bowl Pots and pitch in if you can!

Cheer Bags: Please help our Sunday school classes collect items for some of our beloved homebound congregants. We will be collecting today and next week. The bags will be assembled next Sunday 2/23.

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Thank you for your support of this outreach opportunity as a way for our children to show their love for others, while also helping our people to know that each one is loved and thought of.

Youth Group: As we unfortunately had to cancel our group last week, youth members are asked to find John C to touch base for follow-up and upcoming plans.

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, **March 2nd**.
- 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:

Sunday:	<u>NO ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS WEEK:</u> Adult Sunday School Class – (led by Pastor Dan, in the Parlor) 9:00-9:45 AM Gospel of Matthew – all are welcome.
Tuesday:	Church Council Meeting – 7:00 PM
Wednesday:	<u>NO STUDY THIS WEEK</u> Weekly Bible Study – (led by Pastor Dan, in the Music Room) 6:00-7:15 Gospel of John – all are welcome.
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: www.youtube.com/channel/UCCW4dPY3yqt-GsjPZG-cHuQ
(Search for: Second Congregational Church of Winsted, CT)

Church Library & Media Center: www.librarything.com/catalog/sccwlibrary

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

Hours & Staff

Church Office Hours: Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday 8:30 AM-Noon; 12:30 – 4:00 PM

Friday only 8:30 AM-Noon

Staff:

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Daniel Cote

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Director of Youth & Families: John Costa

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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

Come, Thou Almighty King

Until the Ancient of Days came . . . and . . . the saints possessed the Kingdom.

— Daniel 7:22

ITALIAN HYMN
Felice de Giardini

Anonymous

1 Come, Thou Al - might - y King, Help us Thy
2 *Come, Thou In - car - nate Word, Gird on Thy*
3 Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, Thy sa - cred
4 *To Thee, great One in Three, The high - est*

1 name to sing, Help us to praise: Fa - ther, all -
2 *might - y sword, Our prayer at - tend: Come, and Thy*
3 wit - ness bear In this glad hour: Thou who al -
4 *prais - es be, Hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - reign*

1 glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic - to - ri - ous, Come, and reign
2 *peo - ple bless, And give Thy word suc - cess; Spir - it of*
3 *might - y art, Now rule in ev - ery heart, Nev - er from*
4 *maj - es - ty May we in glo - ry see, And to e -*

1 o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
2 *ho - li - ness, On us de - scend.*
3 us de - part, Spir - it of power.
4 *ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore. A - men.*

4 To Thee, great One in Three, The high - est

prais - es be, Hence-ev - er more! Thy sov-ereign

maj - es - ty May we in glo - ry see, And to e -

ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore. A - men.

What Wondrous Love Is This?

*We all like sheep have gone astray . . .
and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all*

- Isaiah 53:6

American Folk Hymn

WONDROUS LOVE
Southern Harmony

1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, What
2 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing, To
3 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, And

1 won - drous love is this, O my soul! What won-drous love is
2 God and to the Lamb I will sing; To God and to the
3 when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; And when from death I'm

1 this that caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dread-ful curse for my
2 Lamb, who is the great "I Am," While mil-lions join the theme, I will
3 free, I'll sing and joy-ful be, And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing

1 soul, for my soul, To bear the dread-ful curse for my soul!
2 sing, I will sing, While mil-lions join the theme, I will sing!
3 on, I'll sing on, And through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on!

THE ATONEMENT, CRUCIFIXION AND DEATH OF JESUS CHRIST

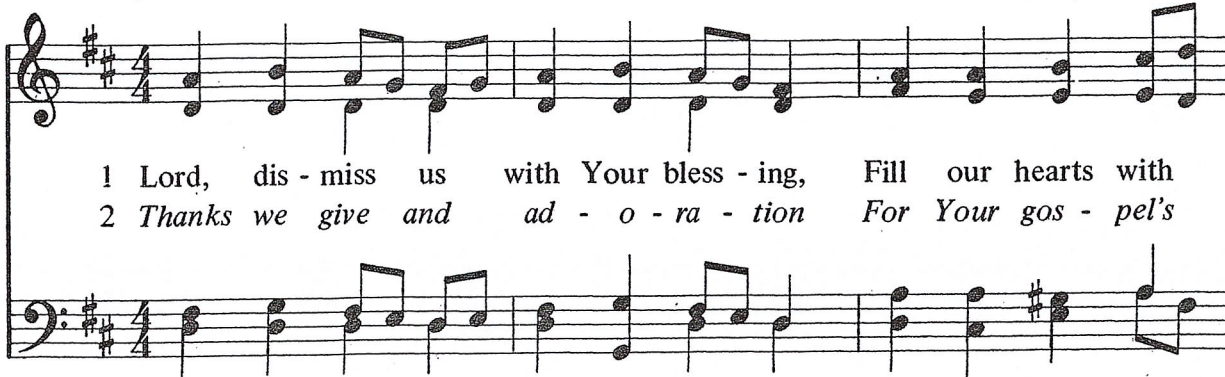
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Salvation belongeth to the Lord; Thy blessing is upon Thy people.

— Psalm 3:8

SICILIAN MARINERS
Tattersall's *Psalmody*

John Fawcett



1 Lord, dis - miss us with Your bless - ing, Fill our hearts with
2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion For Your gos - pel's



1 joy and peace; Let us each, Your love pos - sess - ing,
2 joy - ful sound; May the fruits of Your sal - va - tion



1 Tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O . re - fresh us,
2 In our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,



1 O re - fresh us, Trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.
2 ev - er faith - ful To the truth may we be found. A-men.

CLOSING HYMNS