

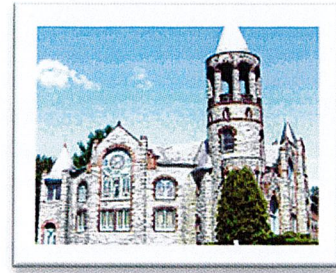
# Second Congregational Church of Winsted

(Baptist & Congregational)

*Bible-focused/Christ-centered*

**Worship Service: 10:00 AM**

**April 26, 2026**



*"In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of His glory." (Ephesians 1:13–14)*

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## Welcome, Greetings & Announcements

### Prelude – Meditation on "Converse" – John S. Dixon

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### Call to Worship – (From Acts 2:17-21)

Leader: "And it shall be in the last days," God says,

**People: "That I will pour forth of My Spirit on all mankind."**

Leader: "And your sons and your daughters shall prophesy."

**People: "And your young men shall see visions."**

Leader: "And your old men shall dream dreams."

**People: "Even on My bondslaves, both men and women."**

Leader: "I will in those days pour forth of My Spirit, and they shall prophesy."

**People: "And I will grant wonders in the sky above and signs on the earth below."**

Leader: "The sun will be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood."

**People: "Before the great and glorious day of the Lord shall come."**

**All: "And it shall be that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."**

### \*Hymn #588 (green hymnal) "In the Garden"

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## Prayer of Invocation and Confession

### Anthem – "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken" - arr. Dick Bolks

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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 – “How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds” – arr. G. Winston Cassler**

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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.*)

**\*Hymn #143** (green hymnal) **“The Comforter Has Come”**

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**Scripture Reading - Acts 2:36–39**

<sup>36</sup> “Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ—this Jesus whom you crucified.” <sup>37</sup> Now when they heard *this*, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brethren, what shall we do?” <sup>38</sup> Peter *said* to them, “Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> “For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself.”

**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 Corinthians 6:12–20**

<sup>12</sup> All things are lawful for me, but not all things are profitable. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be mastered by anything. <sup>13</sup> Food is for the stomach and the stomach is for food, but God will do away with both of them. Yet the body is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the body. <sup>14</sup> Now God has not only raised the Lord, but will also raise us up through His power. <sup>15</sup> Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take away the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? May it never be! <sup>16</sup> Or do you not know that the one who joins himself to a prostitute is one body *with her*? For He says, “The two shall become one flesh.” <sup>17</sup> But the one who joins himself to the Lord is one spirit *with Him*. <sup>18</sup> Flee immorality. Every *other* sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body. <sup>19</sup> Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? <sup>20</sup> For you have been bought with a price: therefore, glorify God in your body.

**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 Indwelling Power of the Spirit”**

**Walking as Disciples Sermon Series (first of three parts)**



- **Film Viewing Opportunity: *The Story of Everything: The Science that Reveals a Mind Behind the Universe*** – Join Pastor Dan and the Bible Study group for the viewing of a new film about the Creator of the Universe: Thursday, April 30, 6:00 PM. We will meet at the AMC Plainville 20 Theater at 5:30 PM. Pastor Dan is in seat C7. Purchase your tickets in advance online at this link: <https://www.amctheatres.com/showtimes/141318858/seats>

**About the film:** The Story of Everything is a cinematic exploration of the cosmos that reveals the hidden hand behind our universe. From the precise laws that govern the stars to the intricate patterns found in every living cell, the film traces evidence of intentional design throughout nature. Whether examining distant star-forming clouds or the spiral structure of DNA, we discover a consistent signature woven into the fabric of existence.

- **Sunday Morning Adult Study** - 9:00 AM-9:45 AM each Sunday morning, all are welcome.
- **Prayer Group and Bible Study** - 5:30 PM and 6:00 PM – every Wednesday, all are welcome.
- **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 in those for either personal prayers or to pray for others, please email Kathy at [info@sccwinsted.org](mailto:info@sccwinsted.org).
- 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. Audio of the service can be heard.

### Upcoming Events This Week

- **Sunday**            **Youth Group** – 11:30 AM (led by John Costa, downstairs)
- **Monday**        **Celebrate Recovery** – 7:00 PM (led by Jeff Liskin, Sr., downstairs)
- **Wednesday**    **Prayer Group** – 5:30 PM;  
                         **Bible Study** – 6:00 PM-7:15 PM (led by Pastor Dan)
- **Sunday**        **Bible Study** – 9:00 AM-9:45 AM (led by Pastor Dan)

### Men's and Women's Fellowship

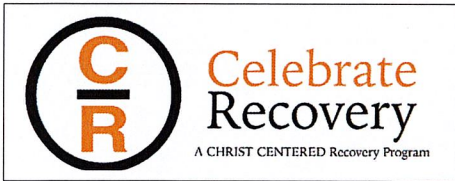
- **Women's Fellowship:** We have a wonderful group of supportive Christian sisters and this was so evident at our breakfast on 4/11. 12 women gathered, engaged in a discussion on serving God and growing in our faith (grasping God's Word and grasping God's Hand). We prayed together, read Scripture and had a wonderful breakfast with some meaningful conversation. We encourage you all to consider joining us. This group is open to all of the women of the church and we encourage you to join us when you are available. Signup sheets and additional information will be posted in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Cochren and Company Christian Concert** - Sunday, May 3, 2026 from 6-8 p.m.
- **Church Grounds Beautification:** This event is TBD. We need to reschedule due to a church conflict.
- **Women's Fellowship Mini Retreat and Picnic:** Saturday, June 6, 2026 from 10-1:30 p.m. People's State Forest, Barkhamsted CT.

## Christian Education and Youth Events

- **Youth Group:** Meets today! following the worship service (11:30am in basement fellowship).
- **Teacher Appreciation (5/17):** Youth and children will show their appreciation through small project for their teachers. We hope that all the kids can participate.

<b>Youth Group Calendar – April – May</b> Youth Group is open to grades 6 + -We Welcome you to Join Us! Meetings typically include Bible lessons games activities & snacks			
Day	Date	Time	Event
Sunday	April 26	9:00am – 9:45am	Highschool Class – Teacher Appreciation (project planning for 5/17)
Sunday	April 26	11:30am - 12:45pm	Youth Group – VBS Leadership Training (reschedule)
Sunday	May 3 May 17	9:00am – 9:45am 11:30am - 12:45pm	Youth Group – Bible verse/Mother’s Day project Youth & Kids – Teacher Appreciation
Sunday	May 24	11:30am - 12:45pm	Youth Group – VBS Outreach Projects Hot Snacks!
Sunday	June 7	-----	Children’s Sunday – Youth Service Participation/Completion Awards

### Other Important Information



**Meetings are held on Monday evenings at 7 PM – downstairs  
(doors to open at 6:30 PM).**

- We have partnered with **The Interfaith Food Bank** managed by the Salvation Army - We will be collecting non-perishable foods on the first Sunday of each month; however, you can always bring in your items and place them in the purple crates in Fellowship Hall. The next collection date is **Sunday, May 3, 2026**. They are also requesting personal care items.
- **The Fellowship Coffee Hour** chart for 2026 is posted, and there are vacancies if anyone wants to sign up.
- **Tithes, Offerings, and Donations** may now be made online. For those who 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.” You may also download the Vanco mobile app on your smartphone. Search for churches in your area, and you will find “Second Congregational Church of Winsted.” For more information on Vanco, see Paul Okraska.



## Second Congregational Church Online

Church Email: [info@sccwinsted.org](mailto:info@sccwinsted.org)

Church Webpage: <http://sccwinsted.org>

Church Facebook Page: [www.facebook.com/sccwinsted](http://www.facebook.com/sccwinsted)

YouTube Channel for Livestream Services: [www.youtube.com/channel/UCCW4dPY3yqt-GsjPZG-cHuQ](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCW4dPY3yqt-GsjPZG-cHuQ)

(Search for: Second Congregational Church of Winsted, CT)

Church Library & Media Center: [www.librarything.com/catalog/sccwlibrary](http://www.librarything.com/catalog/sccwlibrary)

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

### Church Office Hours

**Wed.** – 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**Thurs.** - 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

**Fri.** - 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

### Church Staff

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**Organist: Christopher King**

**Sextons: Tom Doney & Cassie Riberdy**

## In the Garden

And they heard the voice of the Lord walking in the garden. . .

C. Austin Miles

— Genesis 3:8

GARDEN  
C. Austin Miles

1 I come to the gar - den a - lone, While the dew is still on the  
 2 *He speaks, and the sound of His voice* Is so sweet the birds hush their  
 3 I'd stay in the gar - den with Him Though the night a-round me be



1 ros - es; And the voice I hear, fall - ing on my ear, The  
 2 *sing - ing, And the mel - o - dy that He gave to me* With -  
 3 fall - ing, But He bids me go; through the voice of woe, His



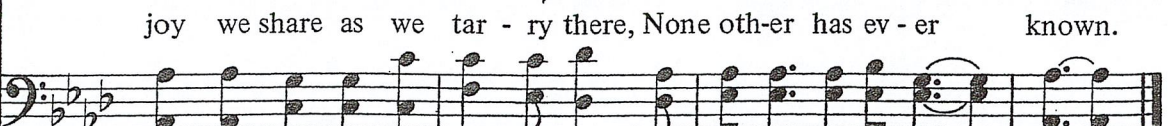
1 Son of God dis - clos - es.  
 2 *in my heart is ring - ing.* And He walks with me, and He  
 3 voice to me is call - ing.



talks with me, And He tells me I am His own; And the



joy we share as we tar - ry there, None oth - er has ev - er known.



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## The Comforter Has Come

*I will pray the Father and He will give you another Comforter. — John 14:16*

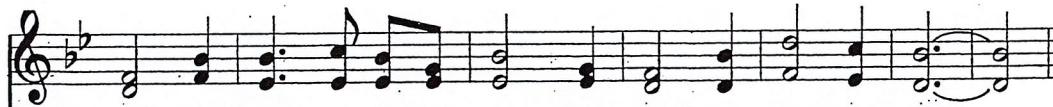
Frank Bottome

COMFORTER  
William J. Kirkpatrick

- 1 O spread the ti-dings 'round wher - ev - er man is found, Wher-
- 2 *The long, long night is past, the morn - ing breaks at last, And*
- 3 Lo, the great King of kings, with heal - ing in His wings, To
- 4 *O bound - less love di - vine! How shall this tongue of mine To*



- 1 ev - er hu - man hearts and hu - man woes a - bound; Let ev - ery Chris - tian
- 2 *hushed the dread - ful sound and fu - ry of the blast, As o - ver gold - en*
- 3 ev - ery cap - tive soul a full de - liv - erance brings; And through the va - cant
- 4 *won - dering mor - tals tell the match - less grace di - vine— That I, a child of*



- 1 tongue pro - claim the joy - ful sound: The Com - fort - er has come!
- 2 *hills the day ad - vanc - es fast! The Com - fort - er has come!*
- 3 cells the song of tri - umph rings: The Com - fort - er has come!
- 4 *hell, should in His im - age shine? The Com - fort - er has come!*



The Com - fort - er has come, the Com - fort - er has come! The



Ho - ly Ghost from Heaven, the Fa - ther's pro - mise given; O spread the ti - dings



'round wher - ev - er man is found—The Com - fort - er has come!

## I Know Who Holds Tomorrow

Fear ye not . . . ye are of more value than many sparrows . . . — Matthew 10:31

Ira F. Stanphill

I KNOW  
Ira F. Stanphill

1 I don't know a - bout to - mor - row, I just live  
2 *Ev - ery step* is get - ting bright - er As the gold -  
3 I don't know a - bout to - mor - row, It may bring

1 from day to day; I don't bor - row from its sun - shine,  
2 *en stairs I climb;* *Ev - ery bur - den's get - ting light - er,*  
3 me pov - er - ty; But the one who feeds the spar - row,

1 For its skies may turn to gray. I don't wor - ry o'er the  
2 *Ev - ery cloud* is sil - ver - lined. *There the sun* is al - ways  
3 Is the one who stands by me. And the path that is my

1 fu - ture, For I know what Je - sus said; And to - day  
2 *shin - ing,* *There no tear* will dim the eye; *At the end -*  
3 por - tion, May be through the flame or flood; But His pres -

1 I'll walk be - side Him, For He knows what is a - head.  
2 *ing of the rain - bow,* *Where the moun - tains touch the sky.*  
3 ence goes be - fore me, And I'm cov - ered with His blood.

Man - y things a - bout to - mor - row I don't

seem to un - der - stand; But I know who

holds to - mor - row, And I know who holds my hand.