

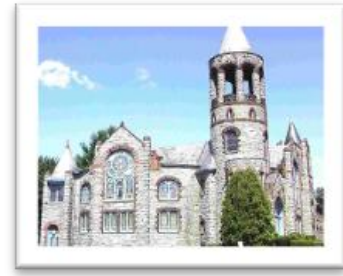
Second Congregational Church of Winsted

(Baptist & Congregational)

Bible-focused • Christ-centered

Worship Service: 9:30 AM

July 26, 2026



"Then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to the God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power. For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet."

(1 Corinthians 15:24–25)

Welcome, Greetings & Announcements

VBS Adventure Recap

Prelude

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Call to Worship—From Hebrews 7:23–28

Leader: The former priests, on the one hand, existed in greater numbers because they were prevented by death from continuing,

People: But Jesus, on the other hand, because He continues forever, holds His priesthood permanently.

Leader: Therefore He is able also to save forever those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

People: For it was fitting for us to have such a high priest, holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners and exalted above the heavens;

Leader: Who does not need daily, like those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for His own sins and then for the sins of the people, because this He did once for all when He offered up Himself.

People: For the Law appoints men as high priests who are weak, but the word of the oath, which came after the Law, appoints a Son, made perfect forever.

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

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Prayer of Invocation and Confession

Nicene Creed (recited in unison)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us men for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified

also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*catholic means universal

Offertory

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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 #336 (green hymnal) "O Worship the King"

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Scripture Reading Ephesians 1:18–23

¹⁸ *I pray that* the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. *These are* in accordance with the working of the strength of His might ²⁰ which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly *places*, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²² And He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church, ²³ which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

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 Psalm 110 (A Psalm of David)

¹ The Lord says to my Lord: "Sit at My right hand Until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet."

² The Lord will stretch forth Your strong scepter from Zion, *saying*, "Rule in the midst of Your enemies." ³ Your people will volunteer freely in the day of Your power; In holy array, from the womb of the dawn, Your youth are to You *as* the dew. ⁴ The Lord has sworn and will not change His mind, "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek." ⁵ The Lord is at Your right hand; He

will shatter kings in the day of His wrath. ⁶ He will judge among the nations, He will fill *them* with corpses, He will shatter the chief men over a broad country. ⁷ He will drink from the brook by the wayside; Therefore He will lift up *His* head.

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 **“He Is Reigning Now, and Will Suddenly Return”**
A sermon series on the Nicene Creed

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

Musical Response

Postlude
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Sermon Notes:

Service Information

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Daniel Cote (Pastor Dan)
Monthly Deacon: Colleen Gundlach
Monthly Assistant Deacon: Jeff Stannard
Last Week’s Attendance: 58
Last Week’s Offering: \$1585 (\$3300 budgeted)

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Important Notices

- **Would you like to sing in the choir** without making a long-term commitment? August 16 is a Summer pick-up choir date. Please join us to learn a simple anthem! Rehearsal begins at 8:30 am.
- **Anyone wishing to provide music** for the service while the choir is taking a break this summer is asked to speak to Chris King.
- **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 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

- **Monday Celebrate Recovery** – 7:00 PM (led by Jeff Liskin, Sr., downstairs)
- **All Bible studies and Sunday School will return in September.**

Christian Education and Youth Events

- **VBS Adventure Recap:** The VBS Team prepared a video slideshow presentation of the kids' Rainforest Falls Vacation Bible Spectacular week. We hope you are blessed as we share a peek into the kids' experience and gospel effectiveness this year!
- **VBS Team Thank You!** Special thanks to the VBS volunteers and youth leaders who made our event a blessed week. We also appreciate the support and contributions of our SCCW family.

Men's and Women's Fellowship

- **Upcoming opportunities:**
 - **Planning Meeting:** We will host a planning meeting after church on **Sunday, September 20, 2026**. Please bring ideas for fall and winter activities.
 - **Fall Retreat:** There is information posted in the fellowship hall about a fall women's retreat. This will take place from **Friday, October 16 – Sunday, October 18, 2026**, at Camp Monadnock in Jaffrey, NH. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to worship God together in a beautiful place. We will meet other Christian women and build on our relationships with each other while we worship the Lord. There will be guest speakers, music, a biblical program, and time to enjoy the camp. The cost is \$250 and covers lodging, food, and the program. We hope that you will consider this opportunity. Please add your name to the list. Space has been reserved for our group, so please let us know early if you are able to attend by adding your name to the sign-up list. Registration will be online under our group name (Second Congregational Church, Winsted).

Other Important Information

- **Celebrate Recovery Meetings are held on Monday evenings at 7 PM – downstairs (Opens at 6:30 PM).**



Dealing with life's hurts, habits, and hang-ups is not a solo endeavor. Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-centered 12-Step program that helps you heal from what life has put you through in a safe, confidential environment. Whether it is substance abuse, procrastination, mental and physical abuse, overeating, fear, anxiety, or any other issue, Celebrate

Recovery is for you. The Winsted chapter meets every Monday at 7 (doors open at 6:30) right in our church. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Dan or the CR Ministry Leader, Jeff Liskin, Sr.

- **We are 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, August 2, 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](http://sccwinsted.org) 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.



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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>

Church Office Hours

Thurs. 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM (Sharon will be covering the office in the interim)

Church Staff

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Daniel Cote

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Cell Phone: 203-217-7498 (feel free to call or text Pastor Dan)

Summer Office Hours: Sunday, 8:30 AM-12:30 PM (Other days needed or by appointment)

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Summer Office Hours: Sunday, 8:00 AM-1:00 PM, Mon. 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM (Other days as required)

Administrative Assistant: This position is open—please see Paul Okraska if you are interested.

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Phone: 860-379-4766

Organist: Christopher King

Sextons: Tom Doney & Cassie Riberdy

Second Congregational Church—Winsted

Statement of Faith

- 1. We believe there is only one living and true God, Creator of all things, infinite in wisdom, goodness, and love, eternally existing in three persons, The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit.**
(Ex. 20:1–6; Deut. 6:4; Ps. 96:4–5; Mt. 28:19; Jn. 1:1; 2 Cor. 13:14)
- 2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the inspired Word of God and that they are the supreme authority in faith and life and absolutely trustworthy.**
(Ps. 119; Mk. 13:31; Jn. 10:35, 17:17; 2 Pet. 1:21; 2 Tim. 3:16–17; 1Thess. 2:13)
- 3. We believe that God, in His goodness, created only two distinct and complementary genders, male and female, which is defined by one's biological sex at birth. These two genders together reflect the image and nature of God, and rejection of one's biological sex is a rejection of God's created order and the image of God within that person.**
(Gen. 1:26–28,31; 2:2–24; Lev 18:22–23; 20:10–21; Deut 22:5; Is3:12; Rom 1:24–27; 1Cor 6-9; 11:7; 1Tim 2:11–15)
- 4. We believe that man and woman sinned and thereby incurred not only physical death but also spiritual death, which is separation from God, and that we are all born with a sinful nature that mars God's image in us.**
(Gen 1:26–27; 2:7; 3:1–24; Ezek 13:23; Rom 5:12; Eph 2:1–3; James 3:9)
- 5. We believe that Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of God conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, and is truly God and Man.**
(Is 7:14; Matt 1:18,23; Luke 1:30–35; 2:6–7,40; John 1:14; Phil 2:6–7; Heb 1:2–5; 2:14)
- 6. We believe that, out of love for us, the Lord Jesus Christ died to atone for our sins according to the Scriptures and that all who repent of sin and place their faith in Him alone are reconciled to God by His shed blood.**
(Is 53:4–6; Mark 1:14–15; John 14:6; Rom 5:8; 8:3; 1John 4:10; 1Pet 2:24–25)
- 7. We believe that Christ rose from the dead and ascended into heaven to sit at the right hand of the Father to reign over all things.**
(Luke 24:1–7; John 2:19–21; Acts 1:9; Heb 4:14,10:11–13; Rev 1:17–18)
- 8. We believe that all who repent of sin and receive the Lord Jesus Christ, which is by grace alone through faith alone, are born of the Holy Spirit and thereby become the children of God and shall not come into condemnation and that the Lord Jesus Christ gives them everlasting life.**
(John 1:12–13; 3:16–18,36; 5:24–29; 10:27–29; Acts 4:12; Rom 8:1,9–12,15–17; 10:9–11; Gal 4:24–29; Eph 1:5; 1 John 5:12–13)
- 9. We believe that Christ has called all Christians into universal fellowship in His church. This church is made up of local congregations where members worship through Word and sacrament, are trained in discipleship and are called to evangelize the world in charity.**
(Matt 16:18–19; 18:17; John 17; Acts 2:42; 6:1–6; 20:28–32; 1Cor 10:1–14:40; Eph 5:21–32; 1Thes 5:12–13; 1Tim 3:1–16; 5:17–22; Heb 10:25; 1Pet 5:1–4)
- 10. We believe that God created marriage to be a holy and lifelong covenant union, which can only be between one man and one woman who are not closely related, and that the only lawful place for intimate relations is marriage.**
(Gen 2:22–24; Ex 22:16–17; Deut 22:14; Mal 2:16; Matt 19:4–6; Eph 5:5,21–6:4; Col 3:18–21; 1Tim 1:8–10; Heb 13:4)
- 11. We believe that at The Last Day, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will return according to His promise and that He will judge the world, and the saved will receive the blessing of life in His eternal kingdom and that the lost will be eternally separated from God.**
(Matt 25:31–46; Rom 8:35–39; 1Thes 4:13–17; Rev 20:12–15, 21–27)