

Second Congregational Church of Winsted

(Baptist & Congregational)

Bible-focused • Christ-centered

Worship Service: 9:30 AM

August 2, 2026



"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters."

Genesis 1:1–2

Welcome, Greetings & Announcements

Prelude—We Partake - Garrett Parker

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Call to Worship From Psalm 103:1–14

Leader: Bless the Lord, my soul, And all that is within me, bless His holy name.

People: Bless the Lord, my soul, And do not forget any of His benefits;

Leader: Who pardons all your guilt, Who heals all your diseases;

People: Who redeems your life from the pit, Who crowns you with favor and compassion;

Leader: Who satisfies your years with good things, So that your youth is renewed like the eagle.

People: The Lord performs righteous deeds And judgments for all who are oppressed.

Leader: He made known His ways to Moses, His deeds to the sons of Israel.

People: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, Slow to anger and abounding in mercy.

Leader: He will not always contend with us, Nor will He keep His anger forever.

People: He has not dealt with us according to our sins, Nor rewarded us according to our guilty deeds.

Leader: For as high as the heavens are above the earth, So great is His mercy toward those who fear Him.

People: As far as the east is from the west, So far has He removed our wrongdoings from us.

Leader: Just as a father has compassion on his children, So the Lord has compassion on those who fear Him.

People: For He Himself knows our form; He is mindful that we are nothing but dust.

***Hymn #323** (green hymnal) "Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty"

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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—Aria on "Jewels" - Dale Wood

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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 #161 (green hymnal) "Breathe On Me, Breath of God "

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Scripture Readings

Matthew 3:13–17 (one of dozens of passages that present the three persons of the Trinity)

¹³ Then Jesus arrived from Galilee at the Jordan *coming* to John, to be baptized by him. ¹⁴ But John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I have need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?" ¹⁵ But Jesus answering said to him, "Permit *it* at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he permitted Him. ¹⁶ After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove *and* lighting on Him, ¹⁷ and behold, a voice out of the heavens said, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased."

Acts 5:1–6 (affirms that the Holy Spirit is God)

¹ But a man named Ananias, with his wife Sapphira, sold a piece of property, ² and kept back *some* of the price for himself, with his wife's full knowledge, and bringing a portion of it, he laid it at the apostles' feet. ³ But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and to keep back *some* of the price of the land? ⁴ "While it remained *unsold*, did it not remain your own? And after it was sold, was it not under your control? Why is it that you have conceived this deed in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God." ⁵ And as he heard these words, Ananias fell down and breathed his last; and great fear came over all who heard of it. ⁶ The young men got up and covered him up, and after carrying him out, they buried him.

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 Romans 8:10–14

¹⁰ If Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, yet the spirit is alive because of righteousness. ¹¹ But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you. ¹² So then, brethren, we are under obligation, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— ¹³ for if you are living according to the flesh, you must die; but if by the Spirit you are putting to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.

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 Trinity”

A sermon series on the Nicene Creed

***Hymn #118** (green hymnal) “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

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*Benediction

Musical Response

Postlude—Postscript on a Hymn Tune - Gilbert M. Martin

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Sermon Notes:

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Service Information

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Daniel Cote (Pastor Dan)
Monthly Deacon: Cassie Riberdy
Monthly Assistant Deacon: Bob Davis
Last Week's Attendance: 50
Last Week's Offering: \$1136.27 (\$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 2026**—The CE Board extends a heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported our Rainforest Falls VBS this summer. Many kids and families were impacted and blessed throughout the week. We trust that what was learned will stay with these children as they continue to grow strong in the faith of Christ.
- **Sunday School Coming in September!**—Sunday School will resume this fall with three classes available for grades K–12. If you're new to our church family, we'd love to have your children join us! Contact John C. for registration information and details. Stay tuned for the start date — we look forward to a great new year!
- **Youth Group Coming in September!**—Youth Group will also be returning this fall for students in grades 6–12! Each meeting includes Bible lessons, games, and snacks — plus field trips and junior mission projects throughout the year. Keep an eye on the weekly schedule for meeting dates and upcoming activities. Something great is on the way!

Men's and Women's Fellowship

- **The Men's Fellowship** will regroup and hold a meeting on September 20 after church. Please bring ideas for what you would like to see us do. Events? Service? Study? Activities? Retreats? The group is open to all men of the church. If you have any questions, see Pastor Dan.
- **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 opportunity. This retreat will take place from **Friday, October 16 – Sunday, October 18, 2026** at

Camp Monadnock (257 Dublin Rd, 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. Please let me know if you would like to attend (see the sign-in list on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall).

To register: Early Registration is open now with a \$10 discount. I registered already and the total cost is \$240 for a room with a bathroom. Here is the link to register:

<https://www.monadnock.camp/womensretreats>. You will need to set up a login (it's not difficult) and when you register, enter the start date. Choose "Retreat and Accommodations (In-Room bathroom)". There are several links for forms to complete. ON the "Housing Request Form" choose "Women's Retreat 1 and you will choose our church in the drop-down box (that will make sure that we are in a room together). I am not sure how long the discount will last, so please register soon and let me know if you have any difficulty (I can walk you through the registration). If you would like this information sent to your email, please let me know.

Other Important Information

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



**Celebrate
Recovery**
A CHRIST CENTERED Recovery Program

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

Director of Youth and Families: John Costa

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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.

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