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At the First Congregational Church, UCC of Wallingford, CT, we have discerned the following vision and mission for our faith lives together:

Vision

Our faith – rooted in the compassion and teachings of Jesus Christ – is the foundation of our love for one another and service to the world around us.

We offer a home for those seeking deeper meaning or purpose in their lives through the exploration of Jesus Christ's teachings. The love and compassion found in those teachings commit us to up lift each individual and celebrate our shared humanity.

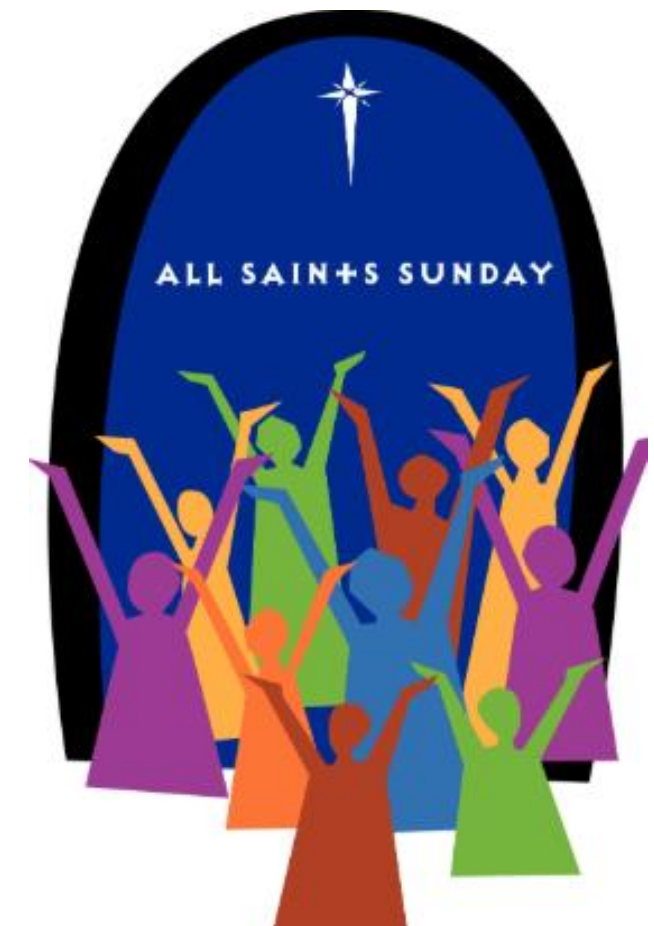
Mission

We will foster spiritual growth, loving communication, and mutual care, thereby empowering us to confront issues that impact our community and the world, including poverty, isolation, and exclusion.

We commit to developing a nurturing environment where all are loved, valued, and inspired to meaningful participation in the life of the church. Through our Christian faith, compassion, and service, we will dedicate ourselves to making a positive impact on the lives of people in our community and beyond.

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First Congregational Church Wallingford, CT



November 2, 2025

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER
 PENTECOST**

CELEBRATION OF ALL SAINTS DAY

+ Please rise in body or in spirit
NCH = New Century Hymnal (Black)

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

People: With grateful hearts, we lift our voices in praise and thanksgiving. Amen.

PRAYER OF REFLECTION

SILENT REFLECTION

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S LOVE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANTHEM *Saints Today, Saints of Old*
Words & Music by John D. Horman

READING FROM SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:3-10

THE MESSAGE

HYMN You Are the Salt of the Earth, O People NCH #181

CALL TO GENEROSITY

+DOXOLOGY NCH #779

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Christ, all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit, Comforter;
One God, Triune, whom we adore. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN Let us break Bread Together NCH #330

COMMUNION

This is the Table of the Lord and all who wish to receive here are welcome! You will receive first the bread and then the juice. You are asked to hold each until all are served so we might partake together.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

+HYMN For All the Saints NCH # 299

COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION

RESPONSE *Go in Peace*
Words, Barber Waters; Music, Kenneth White

POSTLUDE *Fanfare on Sine Nomine*
Tune: R. Vaughan Williams/Setting John West

Welcome to the First Congregational Church of Wallingford, an Open and Affirming Church of the United Church of Christ! No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here! Please join us for refreshments and conversation downstairs in Congregational Hall immediately following the service.

The flowers on the altar are given in loving memory of Betty Monbleau by the Voelker Family.

If you would like to become a member or associate member of First Church, **New Members will be received November 9**. Please speak to Pastor Meredith for more information. (914)255-1690 or pastormeredith@firstchurchwlfld.org

Join us for our **Thanksgiving Potluck Sunday, November 23** following worship. Bring your favorite Thanksgiving Side Dish or Dessert. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall or call the Church Office with Name, # of People and what you will be bringing. 203-265-1691

The Youth Group will be conducting their **Annual Thanksgiving Scavenger Hunt** on Sunday, November 23rd from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Please set aside items to be picked up and fill out the information form to drop collection plate or drop at office. Thanks from Faith Formation Ministry & Monthly Donation Drive Team.

Crafting Workshops: Please join us in Congregation Hall as we prepare for our Christmas Fair. After church today & Thurs. Nov. 6 at 10am See the Spire for more dates. Materials and instruction will be provided.

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