



Worship with us on Sunday at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

January 29, 2025

Dear Friends of Second Church,

I look forward to seeing you at church this Sunday, and then afterwards for our Annual Meeting, at which all members will be asked to vote on the 2025 Council and Deacons, as well as the budget.

You'll also hear from me, Barbara Zappavigna, and a few others about the State of the Congregation, much of which will be celebratory.

Do come. It's a particularly deflating comment on our prospects for vitality when people don't.

It is also true that a great deal of the love and dedication required to keep things running on Sundays, much less all the other days, remain largely invisible unless you particularly look for them.

Most people don't see Jenny arriving no later than 7:45 to set up Children's Chapel and the Nursery; Bob Willett turning on the coffee pot and preparing communion no later than 8; Alexander rehearsing soloists by 8:45; or the deacons looking for the bulletins and muscling the big flower arrangement into position by 9:30, just as the first little people for the Nursery are arriving.

After church, there are choir rehearsals, counseling appointments, Council working groups meeting, Pacific House meals to prepare, and flowers to deliver; then later, setting the chapel up for Confirmation class, then breaking it down at 8 p.m. and resetting it for AA at 7 a.m. on Monday morning.

And then another week begins.

If you think about it, our life together is sustained by so many quiet acts of faith.

Similarly, your presence and careful attention at the Annual Meeting are another such act, quiet perhaps but also utterly vital, as we join together as a



Annual Meeting

Sunday, February 2
after the
10:30 a.m. service.

All are welcome!

congregation to decide what we hope to offer our community and the world in the coming year.

We need your questions as well as your commitment, and we know you will be eager to express your thanks for so much of what we accomplished in 2024.

There's a lot to share, and always a lot to learn.

It will be good to have you there.

See you in church

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Sermons are always available online:
[2CCSermons](#)

If you can't make it in person, join us via [Livestream for our 10:30 a.m.](#) Sunday service.

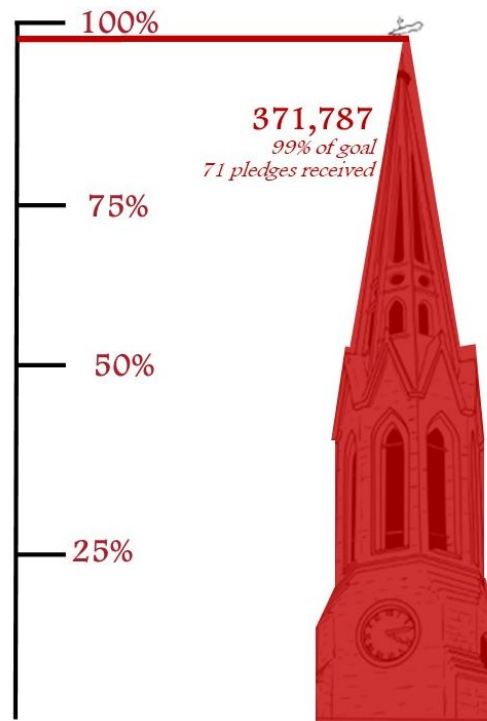
2025 Stewardship Campaign Update...

"As each received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10

As of January 29, 2025, we have received seventy-one (71) pledges totaling \$371,787.00 which is 99% of our \$373,646.00 goal. Thank you to all who have pledged for 2025. We are looking forward to receiving the remaining pledges to help us reach our goal.

Bob Willett, Chair

[Click here for more information about Stewardship](#)



Children's Chapel at 2CC

Infant and toddler nursery care is open 10:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m., and little ones are also welcome with their parents in the sanctuary. Families are encouraged to join in the worship experience as makes sense for each individual child.

Deacons can help direct you to our nursery room.

Children ages kindergarten and up are encouraged to start worship with their parents at 10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Those who wish may depart for Children's Chapel and Choir with Jenny at about 10:45 a.m. For more information please contact Jenny@2cc.org. Registration not required but helpful for us to best know and love your child

Register for Children's Chapel



Our children will be collecting candy or coffee gifts cards to accompany our handmade cards and crafts that will be delivered to VA services.

A little love goes a long way!

A collection bin will be left outside of the nursery room
February 2 - February 10

Email Jenny@2cc.org for more information

Mark your calendars...

**2CC Women's Fellowship
invites you for...**

**Chili & Chat
Tuesday, February 18
12:00 p.m.
Fletcher Hall**

**Enjoy a delicious bowl of chili and a
baked potato while we share our
favorite indoor entertainment for the
snowy, sedentary weeks ahead.**

**In a twist to our usual "Taste and Tell"
program, please think about a book, movie
or series you might recommend that you
think others will love as much as you did!**

Cost: \$10

RSVP: pam@2cc.org



Email Pam to RSVP for Chili & Chat



It's okay to take a break...

WINTER YOGA

January 10-February 14
Friday Mornings
9:00-10:00 a.m.

\$20 per week
drop ins welcome
Nursery care and scholarships
available upon request

Caring and certified instructors each week can modify for beginner to advanced
Nursery care and scholarships available upon request

Email Jenny@2cc.org for more information

Only a few more sessions of Winter Yoga - be sure to join us!





Teddy Bear Story Hour

ROLL OUT OF BED AND JOIN US IN YOUR PJ'S

SATURDAYS FROM 8:00 - 9:00 A.M.

FEBRUARY 1, MARCH 1, APRIL 5 & MAY 3



Coffee for Good - 48 Maple Avenue, Greenwich, CT

Email Jenny for more information about Story
Hour

Mom's Group Coffee

Saturday, February 22

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Come join us in the Chapel for some coffee, connection, and a little "Healing Touch"!

Healing Touch is a biofield therapy that uses gentle touch to balance your physical, emotional, and mental well-being.

Childcare available with advance RSVP.
Event is Free but donations greatly appreciated.



Please rsvp to Jenny@2cc.org by Friday, February 21

[Click here to learn more about Healing Touch](#)

Pacific House Update...

It was another busy Sunday in the 2CC kitchen!

Our participants were:

- Meat and veggie chef (plus clean-up): Gordon Ng.
- Noodle chef : Barbara Swartz
- Vegetable chefs; Carol Latanzio and Kathleen Perry (who never want to see another green bean).
- Cheese saucier: Paula Saunders
- Tomato saucier: Judy Weeks-Pagett
- Pastry chefs: Gail Covney, Lisa and Owen Wilson. Thank you for the delicious brownies!

Our dedicated team moved from one task to another quickly and with joy. The meal turned out beautifully—it cut into squares really well. (I hope one of you remembers what we did to accomplish this!)

The Monday serving team:

- Van driver (well done!) and floor server: Mark Dewing-Hommes
- Salad prep, line server and dessert distributor: Judy Weeks-Pagett

- Floor server and greeter: Mary Alice Schulte
- Salad prep and line server (first time with us and well done!) Sylvie Michelle
- Floor server and keen observer: John Perry

The "2CC signature casserole" was again well received. We cooked for 90 and served 56. We did not offer second helpings in order to leave enough food for the 8:30 serving. The portions were hearty, and no one left hungry, (except for the serving team). The Pacific House residents were gracious, respectful and appreciative.

Thank you for your support of this important and spiritual mission!





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