



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

November 5, 2025

Dear Friends of Second Church,

Now that we're on the other side of Daylight Savings Time, here it is 3 p.m., and I'm feeling like dinner must be pretty soon (which, to be clear, it isn't).

I suppose it's a reminder of how creaturely we all are, because despite our many comforts, we're still so grounded in light and darkness, warmth and cold, and all the other natural rhythms of a world we control so closely in some ways, and so weakly in others.

It also means we're starting the season of Thanksgiving, which I always mean to celebrate more slowly (and gratefully) than I typically do.

I greet the reemergence of my winter coat as a mostly happy reunion: "hello, old friend." But do you ever check your coat pockets and suddenly remember that final cold you had in early April — because here are the balled up tissues and that linty cough drop to prove it?

Well, I'm trying to be grateful for them, and not just grateful that I clearly recovered from that cold because, all these months later, I'd completely forgotten about it.

It says in Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians, "Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" (5:18).

So I'm trying to lean into that.

Good thing I have a few weeks to get into the swing of things, maybe.

This coming Sunday, we will welcome "The Haiti Project," (formerly, the Vassar Haiti Project) for a small sale of Haitian handicrafts and other items after church. I hope you'll take a look!

The November calendar is also full with opportunities for our community to gather and to serve — please be sure to join us when you can.

See you in church,

Max

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.

In Memorium

Longtime church member, Pen James, died on Wednesday, October 29, 2025. Funeral services will be held at the church on Saturday, November 8th at 11:00 a.m.

Children's Chapel Updates

Infant and toddler nursery care is available from 10:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m., and little ones are welcome to stay with their parents during Worship. 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 to 5th grade are encouraged to start worship with their parents at 10:30 a.m. Those who wish, may depart for Children's Chapel with Jenny at about 10:45 a.m.

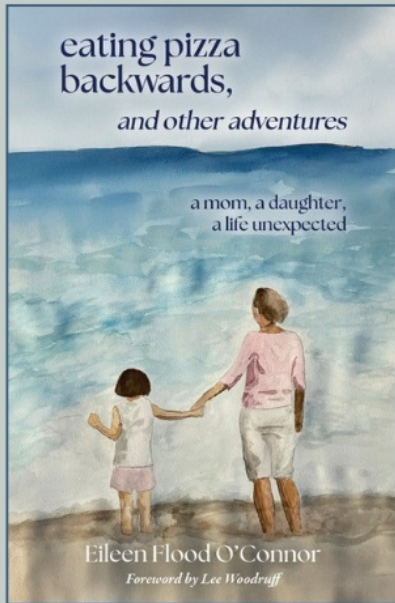
Registration not required but helpful for us to best know and love your child.

For more information please feel free to email Jenny@2cc.org

[Register for Children's Chapel](#)

Mark your calendars...

2CC Moms' Group Book Discussion



Second Congregational Church Moms' Group invites you to a night with the author of Eating Pizza Backwards, Eileen Flood O'Connor.

Thursday November 6

7:00-8:00 p.m.

Coffee For Good

48 Maple Avenue, Greenwich, CT

Eileen will share stories and wisdom from her book, sparking a conversation about parenting. Her book is a wonderful collection of essays about love, loss and doing life differently.

Event is FREE. Copies of Eating Pizza Backwards are available for purchase at Coffee for Good. Eileen is generously donating 100% of sales to Coffee for Good.

RSVP's are encouraged: Jenny@2cc.org

2CC Women's Fellowship invites you to lunch with Diane, from Diane's Books of Greenwich, who will share her top picks for winter reading

Tuesday, November 11

Book talk with Diane starts
at 11:00 a.m. followed by lunch in
Fletcher Hall

\$20 for lunch

RSVP to Pam@2CC.org or call the office
203.869.9311 x123

Your RSVP is important for planning the food



RSVP to Pam for Diane's Books Lunch



Teddy Bear Story Hour

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

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22
& DECEMBER 20
AT 8:00 A.M.**



Coffee for Good
48 Maple Avenue, Greenwich, CT

Looking ahead to Thanksgiving...



Thanksgiving Food Drive

Benefitting the Food Bank of Lower Fairfield County

November 9-23

Collection bins will be outside the 2CC childcare room

Please bring in the following items:

- Breakfast Cereal
- Instant Oatmeal
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Dried Beans
- Rice
- Canned Protein
- Laundry and dish detergent
- Tooth brushes
- Tooth paste
- Personal Hygiene items
- Gift cards to local grocery stores for produce and perishable items

For more information on how you can help, contact Jenny@2cc.org

Children's Chapel is collecting non-perishable food for local families this Thanksgiving. Your donation, no matter the size, makes a meaningful impact. I encourage you to involve your children directly in the act of giving.

- **Empower Their Giving:** Instead of just purchasing an item for them, see if they'd like to use their own tooth fairy money or earn money through a chore to buy a canned good.
- **Pray and Reflect:** Use this as a time to talk about gratitude and our call to love and serve our neighbors.
- **Connect to Faith:** Share the story of how Jesus fed the 5,000, and discuss how our small offerings can be part of a miracle for someone else.

Hands big and small can make a big difference!



JOIN US FOR A
Friendsgiving
POTLUCK

November 16
11:30 a.m.

Please join us for some time of food, fellowship and
a chance to love one another!

It's never too early to sign up (link below), and please know
there is zero shame in canned cranberry...

For more information contact Community Life Chair:

Alli Hawes at allihawes1@gmail.com



FLETCHER HALL



[Click here to sign up to bring something to the
Potluck](#)

More great things happening at 2CC...

*Thank you to everyone that participated in the Interfaith Blood Drive
last Saturday...*



Another successful Vacation Bible School yesterday...









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