

CELEBRATIONS and PRAYERS

January 19, 2025

Please Help Us Celebrate:

Milestone birthdays, anniversaries, births, or other celebratory events. Let us know and we'll post yours here:

- All who are celebrating birthdays in January.
- Congratulations to **David Neiweem** and **Greg Popa** who got married in early January. David served First Church well as Music Director and Organist for many years.
- **Jackie Wintersteen's newest great grandchild, William Wintersteen** (named for his great grandpa Bill) who was born to Alex and Abby Wintersteen on January 8, 2025.

This Week We Hold in Prayer:

- Her daughter Jane Allen, and the family and friends of long-time member **Elaine Ross**, who died on January 2, 2026. A *Celebration of Life* will be held for Elaine in the spring.
- **Becky Davis** as she recovers from surgery.
- The family and friends of **Windsong Young** who died on December 29, 2024
- **Carol Sherburne Hauke** and family as they mourn the December 31, 2024 death of her father **Alan Sherburne**. At 94 years old, Alan passed away just four days before his 72nd wedding anniversary. Carol invites prayers of comfort for her mother, siblings and family as they grieve Alan's death.
- **Elliot Douglas** who is recovering well after surgery.
- **Rob Backus** who is receiving treatment for a lymphoma reoccurrence.
- **Mark Oettinger** who is recovering from cardiac surgery.
- **Our community, country, and the world** for the building of bridges of peace and understanding – a voice for love and equality – a voice of peace.
- **Friends, family, and world community** facing natural and manmade disasters including racism, discrimination, epidemics, famine, earthquakes, tornadoes, forest fires, floods, hurricanes, volcanoes, harsh government policies, gun violence, acts of terror, world conflict, evacuations, resettlements, cyberattacks, and food and housing insecurity.
- **For all military personnel.**
- **Our community and all who** continue to experience the impacts of COVID-19 directly or indirectly. Healing for all who are afflicted with COVID-19 and its aftermaths.

We continue to hold in prayer:

Anonymous Individuals, Martha Pinkham, Jan Jackson, Jean Barr Koch, Priscilla Carr, Caroline Edmunds, Maggie Trombley, Carol Ann Wooster, Theresa Mazza, Heather Ashline, John Goodell, Sarah, Margaret Remick Ryan, Janice Claypoole, the Browne-MacDonald Family, Simon, Donna Hall, Lincoln Safran and the Safran-Knauer family; Austin, Rick and Yasuko; Beverly Tanguay, Barbara Newman, Maria Stebbins, and those facing mental illness and memory loss.

If you wish to request prayers, please complete a prayer request online or phone the church office. Prayer requests are included on our Prayer Tree and Worship Bulletin, unless other specific instructions are written. Prayers will be listed for 4 weeks.

Please Note: To add someone other than yourself to the list, you must have that person's permission.