



Campton Congregational Church
Thanksgiving 2018

Dear Friends,

Here at the Campton Congregational Church we have designated November as a Season of Thanksgiving. Each Sunday has been filled with our recognition of all we have that is a gift from God.

On the first Sunday of the month we celebrated and gave thanks to God Almighty for the Gift He gave us when He sent his only Son Jesus Christ to live as an example of the way all of God's Children should live their lives. More than this, we thanked God that He gave His only Son as a Sacrifice for our sins. Jesus died in order that all who believe in Him may have an everlasting life with God in Heaven. We are further thankful for the gift of the Holy Spirit, sent to walk alongside us as we travel through life striving to live as God would have us live. Thus, we began the service with Communion and ended with contemplation on how we are to tithe to God. The Bible is clear and as we prayerfully consider all that God has given us, His tithe should come from us back to Him fully and easily.

On the second Sunday of Thanksgiving we gave thanks for the Veterans who have kept us safe and free over the centuries since our country's birth. As November 11th was the 100th anniversary of the end of WWI, we spent time contemplating the road our nation has traveled since the "War to end all wars" concluded in peace.

On the third Sunday of Thanksgiving we celebrated God's blessings to us, with the unison response, "Thank You Lord." We shared our thankfulness for our community and our love for our neighbors. This culminated in packing Thanksgiving Baskets for those we have been able to discern had need of a celebratory dinner. We are thankful to be a part of a caring community and will continue, as a Church to offer programs for the community. We also offer our love and care to all.

On the fourth Sunday of Thanksgiving Pastors Russ and Cindy will be on vacation; a time of reflection and Thanksgiving. Though we will not be preaching that Sunday, we will be celebrating our love for each of you. We continue to be honored to serve Christ with you in this wonderful town of Campton. The history is rich and the love and care that each of you brings to this Meeting House is an inspiration to us.

For those of you whom we have not seen in a while; you are loved, and always included in our prayers. There is much to be done as we continue our ministry. May we, the Campton Congregational Church Family, find reasons to thank God for each and every moment of our lives.

We do realize that thanksgiving is the response of a grateful soul to a gracious Savior. May our daily prayer in the year ahead include the words of the Psalmist, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits."

With Love we give Thanks for you
God bless you,
Pastors Russ and Cindy



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