

**FCCO Mission Statement**

**FOLLOW. LOVE. SHARE.**

Our purpose is to glorify God by following Jesus, loving God and others, and sharing the Gospel.

**Elder Team**

Fred Burgher  
Jim Cooper  
Pete DeJager  
Eric Diamond  
Peter Eichling  
Drew Gentile  
David Glidden  
Dan Mitchum  
Marc Swenson

**Deacons**

Deb Agin  
Steve Agin  
Laura Buffett  
Dave Casto  
Val Custeau  
Yvette Eldridge  
Paul Ferguson  
Jillian Johnson  
Fred Holbrook  
Chris Major  
Kristi Thomas

**Staff**

Dan Mitchum,  
Lead Pastor  
Marc Swenson,  
Associate Pastor  
Sue Bolton,  
Pastor of Caring Ministries  
Lisa Goodwin and Brendan Davey  
Directors of Worship Arts  
Timothy Goodwin,  
Tech Director  
Joel Gill,  
Director of Student Ministries  
Sandy Stanard,  
Director of Kids' Ministries  
Stacey Farley,  
Asst. Dir. of Kids' Ministries  
Jenn Proulx,  
Communications  
Roger Proulx,  
Facilities Manager  
Joan Hodges,  
Administrative Assistant  
Joe Wilbur,  
Assistant Treasurer

next Sunday



Camp Sentinel in Tuffonboro has once again graciously offered the use of their beach, boats, and bonfire pit. Bring a picnic lunch, your swimsuits, and lots of energy to play! FCCO will provide the makings for s'mores. It will be an awesome day to deepen existing relationships, form some new ones, and have a boatload of fun!

looking ahead

**September 10 -- Pizza with the Pastors**



Pastors Dan, Marc, and Sue would love to get to know you!

Come meet others new to FCCO, learn about the vision and ministries of the church, ask questions, and enjoy some pizza and salad on us!

Childcare is provided.

**September 22-23 -- Men's Retreat**

We'll eat, play hard, worship, do guy stuff, and most importantly open God's Word together.

We live in a culture with numerous conversational landmines. How should we respond to those we differ with? How can we engage in a way that represents Christ and ultimately points others towards Him? Join us for a great 24 hours together!



**August 20, 2023**  
9:00 & 10:30AM

“Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you. In that way, you will be acting as true children of your Father in heaven.”

Matthew 5:44-45a

**Welcome and Highlights**

Marc Swenson  
Associate Pastor

**Call To Worship**

Majesty  
Be Exalted O God  
He Is Exalted  
I Exalt Thee

**Prayer**

**Receiving His Word**

Loving Like Jesus  
Mark 8:31-38 (pg.1601)  
Dan Mitchum  
Lead Pastor

**Communion**

**Contingency Offering**

Holy Holy Holy

**Blessing**



First Congregational  
Church of Ossipee

# { this week



## Stampin' Sisters -- 9:00AM Monday

Stampin' Sisters meets once-a-month to create beautiful, unique handcrafted note cards. We supply all the materials and a great time is had by all. (\$3/ card). Call Kate (515-1561) or Eva (205-3303) for info and directions.

## Outdoor Adventures -- Friday Kayaking at 10:00AM

Join us for kyaking fun on one of NH's beautiful waterways. For more info, contact Pat ([kpatty1022@yahoo.com](mailto:kpatty1022@yahoo.com)).

## Caring Hands Ministry

8:00AM TO NOON -- 4th Saturday each month  
Serving in the name of Jesus Christ those who otherwise would not receive help. Always eager to have folks join our team! For more info call: Wally (934-5559).



## Dinner Bell

Every Saturday at 4:45PM  
in the lower level dining room

Share fellowship and delicious food, Saturday evenings. You can join a team and help serve our community.

Email Jillian Johnson for info ([Jml1279@gmail.com](mailto:Jml1279@gmail.com)).



# { prayer

Please pray for comfort for Val Custeau and family on the passing of her father, James Spencer, on August 12. Cards may be sent to PO Box 78, Wolfeboro, NH 03894. Funeral services will be held at the Lord Funeral Home in Wolfeboro on Friday, August 25, at 2 PM, with Pastor Marc Swenson officiating.



## Parents: Join us on September 10 and be encouraged!

Learn how to come alongside your children at different stages of life to help them grow in their faith. Every age presents a different opportunity, whether it is sharing the gospel message of Jesus, teaching about baptism and communion, helping them gain a biblical worldview, guiding them through adolescence, teaching them their true identity in Christ, or making sure they're prepared to launch.



## Join a Growth Group this Fall

Growth Groups are the primary way we develop Christ-centered friendships at FCCO, meeting together weekly in homes or at the church.

Get info at the Connecting Center in the Atrium or visit [firstossipee.org/event](http://firstossipee.org/event).

## Starting Point Begins September 17

Are you curious about the Christian faith, new to it, or reexamining what it means to have a relationship with God? We'd like to invite you into a conversational group environment to explore faith, ask questions, and experience community.

## D6 Intergenerational Class Begins September 17 - Grade 9 & up

D6 helps families to be intentional about having faith conversations by allowing all family members, 0 – 99 to be going through the same Bible lessons, the same verses, the same topics, week in and week out in an age appropriate manner.

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## Opportunities to Connect, Equip, and Serve

### Sunday, August 20

9:00 & 10:30AM Worship Service  
(Childcare and Kids Ministry through 5th grade)  
7:00PM AA (book meeting)

### Monday, August 21

9:00AM Stampin' Sisters

### Tuesday, August 22

7:30AM Lakes Region Men's Fellowship

### Wednesday, August 23

### Thursday, August 24

### Friday, August 25

OFFICE CLOSED  
10:00AM Outdoor Adventures  
10:30AM AI-Anon

### Saturday, August 26

8:00AM Caring Hands  
4:45PM Dinner Bell

### Sunday, August 27

9:00 & 10:30AM Worship Service  
(Childcare and Kids Ministry through 5th grade)  
12:00NOON Family Beach Day  
7:00PM AA (book meeting)

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