Walton First Congregational Church
United Church of Christ

Updates November 1, 2026

Celebrations

November

Birthdays

1st: Nora Kellogg
4th: Cookie Richards
15th: Nolan Evans
18th: Emily Richards
26th: Chris Ogden

Anniversaries

18th: Roy & Rosemarie Tiesler

Remembrances

November

Heavenly Birthdays

14th: John Meredith
25th: David Carroll

On the Calendar

Tuesday/Thursday, November 3 & 5: Chair Yoga 11:00 am-12:00 pm
Saturday, November 7: Chili Cook Off at Riverside Alliance Church
Sunday, November 8: Stewardship Sunday; Sanctuary Worship 10:15 am; Sunday School
Wednesday, November 11: Operations Committee Meeting 5:00 pm
Thursday, November 12: Ministry Committee Meeting 3:30 pm
Sunday, November 15: Sanctuary Worship 10:15 am; Sunday School; Prudential Board Meeting
Sunday, November 22: Thanksgiving Sunday; Sanctuary Worship 10:15 am; Sunday School; Hanging of the Greens, lunch provided
Tuesday, November 24: Community Thanksgiving Service at FCC/UCC 6:30 pm
Sunday, November 29: No Worship Service

Elijah's Closet

Fridays and Saturdays 10:00 am-2:00 pm

Board Updates

To honor loved ones that are no longer with us, we would like to add birthdate/memorial dates to our newsletter. If you would like to have a loved one included, please submit their names and dates to April.



Member Updates

We would like to thank Delaware Valley Hospital for the generous donation of non-slip, grippy socks for our Chair Yoga program!

Please place your non-perishable food and toiletry donations in the wagon located at the back of the sanctuary. Loraine Davila will drive donations to the food bank last Tuesday of each month.



If you have anything that you would like included in our bi-monthly Updates please contact April at 607-865-4066 or ***secretary@uccwalton.com***

Previous Sermons and Liturgy

- **October 18, 2026**
  - ►Sermon: Who's Coin?
  - ►Scripture Reading: Psalm 96:1-9
  - ►Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:15-22
- **October 25, 2026**
  - ►Sermon: Together in Love
  - ►Scripture Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8
  - ►Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:34-46

Devotionals from Pastor Janet

God of God, Lord of Lords by Talitha Arnold

For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. - Deuteronomy 10:17-18 (NRSV)

I almost wept when I read today's text. After months of political campaigns filled with greed and lies, and with one week until the midterms, I needed Moses's reminder to his people of who their God truly was—and is.

I needed his insistence that the God of gods and Lord of lords doesn't play favorites and takes no bribe. That God Almighty uses that power and might to execute justice for the most vulnerable. That God's great love extends to strangers and aliens, no matter what some politicians may say about people who don't look like "us," talk like "us," or come from the same place as "us."

And I definitely needed Moses's avowal that God makes such love tangible with food and clothing, regardless of what our government does or doesn't do.

Perhaps you need that reminder, too.

Years ago, as a young associate minister, I called often on an older woman living in a housing project. On one wall of her tiny apartment hung a black and white picture of a little girl clinging to a cross embedded in a rock as an ocean storm raged around her. Fresh out of seminary, I dismissed it as a reprint from some 19th century evangelistic tract. Fast forward to our time, I find myself clinging to Moses's description of God just as that little girl clung to her cross.

Prayer
God of gods, Lord of Lords, thank you for your steadfast Word—and for being the One who loves the strangers, seeks justices, and takes no bribes. Amen.

Lifted in Prayer

Lorraine Miller	Pastor Janet	Roy Tiesler
Courtney Tempel	Loraine Davila	Bruce Ellis
Betty Johnston	Nadene Kopetz	Dorothy Welch
Rosemarie Tiesler	Dana Baker	The family of Barbara Doyle
The family of Rachel Condon Robinson		The family of Nicole Gardner