

Christmas Memorials

It is the tradition of our Church to collect memorial contributions to decorate the Meeting House for the Advent and Christmas season, honoring the angels that have been or are currently among us.

Our memorial options include poinsettias as well as alternative memorial options that will provide food to our neighbors in need in Washington or room at the Winchester Shelter in Winsted, CT.

The contributions given for food will be combined with donations from others in town to help fill many of the holiday baskets assembled by community volunteers. Wrapped boxes representing this food will decorate the platform at the front of the church, along with any poinsettias requested. The gifts of shelter are symbolic of the shelter given for the birth of the Christ child. You can add this in any increment you like – providing a day, a few days, or a week or more of safe, clean transitional housing.

In order to meet the Town Hall’s deadline for donations to be included in Christmas baskets, **all contributions must be received in the office by Sunday, December 2.** Thereafter, any food memorials will be given to another food-related charity. The final cutoff for memorials is Monday, December 10 to be included in the Christmas bulletins.

To remember your loved ones, please indicate the item you wish as a memorial and the text in the space provided. Return, with payment, to the church office.

Qty	Item	Amount
_____	Pointsettia	\$ 25
_____	Lg Wreath	\$ 35
_____	Sm Wreath	\$ 18
_____	Full Food Gift Box	\$ 50
_____	1/2 Food Gift Box	\$ 25
_____	Grocery Gift Bag	\$ 15
_____	Night(s) of Shelter	\$ 10 each



Gifts of Food



Please print my information as follows:

- In Memory of
- In Honor of

Given by

**Return, with check, to:
First Congregational Church, PO Box 1285, Washington, CT 06795**