

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

Second Congregational Church of Attleboro,
United Church of Christ
February 8, 2026



UNOFFICIAL SOUVENIR GAME PROGRAM AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Pep Talk

Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl Football game, help us to be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat. Amen.

RPO Play "Sunshine in My Soul" Gospel hymn, arr. Mark Hayes

Pre-game Commercials (announcements)

Pump Up Worship Jam

WHEN THE *(insert the name of your favorite team)* GO MARCHING

Refrain Oh when the _____, go marching in, Oh when the _____, go marching in....
 Oh Lord I want to be in that number, when the _____ go marching in.

1. Oh, when that light, begins to shine, etc. (refrain)
2. Oh, when the sun, refuse to shine, etc. (refrain)

The First Quarter

The Team takes the Field: (*Hymn) "This is the Day" (Sing twice) No. 652

A kickoff for Worship (Matthew 5:1-12) Fred Saunders, Offense (Liturgist)

Kicker: Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, and he began to teach them.

Offense: Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Defense: Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Offense: Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Defense: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Offense: Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Defense: Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Offense: Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Defense: Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

The Whole Team: Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me.

Kicker: Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

The Second Quarter

*An Audibles (song)

WILL THE CIRCLE BE UNBROKEN

I was standing by my window, On one cold and cloudy day
When I saw that hearse come rolling, For to carry my mother away

[Chorus]

Will the circle be unbroken, by and by, Lord, by and by
There's a better home a-waiting, in the sky, Lord, in the sky

I said to that undertaker, Undertaker please drive slow
For this lady you are carrying, Lord I hate to see her go [Chorus]

Oh, I followed close behind her, Tried to hold up and be brave
But I could not hide my sorrow, When they laid her in the grave [Chorus]

I went back home Lord, my home was lonesome, Missed my mother, she was gone
All of my brothers, sister crying, What a home so and lone [Chorus x 2]

Stoppage of Clock for Official's Replay and Review (Micah 6:6-8)

The Whole Team:

With what shall I come before the Lord and bow down before the exalted God?

Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of olive oil?

Shall I offer my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you?

To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

May we act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with our God!

Two Minute Warning to the Half (invitation to the offering)

Time Out: Offertory/Doxology (for thanksgiving, and giving thanks)

End of the Half kneel down - SANCTUARY

Lord prepare me, to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living, sanctuary, for you.

Half-Time (and the Half-Time show)

Mini Commercial: The Sunday School Update

The Pep Squad (Praise Band) "On the Field "

Bad Strummy (The Second String Strummers) "Amazing Grace"

Our Cheerleaders (Adult Choir) "Walk in the Light" Gospel hymn, arr. André Thomas

The Punt, Pass and Kick Results The All-Star Rookies

The Third Quarter

X's and O's: A Pastoral Prayer

From the Playbook:

Old Testament: Psalm 112:1-9a

New Testament: Matthew 19:16-24

The Fourth Quarter

4th and Long- Punting: What is a Moral Victory? (yes, a sermon)

***A couple more Audibles**

***Hymn "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" No. 80**

Praise Band Sing-a-long "I'll FLY AWAY"

Some bright morning when this life is over, I'll fly away
To that home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away

[Chorus]

I'll fly away, oh glory, I'll fly away in the morning
When I die, Hallelujah by and by, I'll fly away

When the shadows of this life have gone, I'll fly away
Like a bird from these prison walls I'll fly, I'll fly away [Chorus]

Oh, how glad and happy when we meet, I'll fly away
No more cold iron shackles on my feet, I'll fly away [Chorus]

Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away
To a land where joys will never end, I'll fly away [Chorus]

2-minute Warning for the Game: A Time FROM the young and young at heart

"Peace Like a River"

Hail Mary: -yes, folks- due to contractual obligation its... RELIGIOUS EDELWEISS

May the Lord, mighty God, Bless and keep you forever
Grant you peace, perfect peace, Courage in every endeavor
Lift up your eyes and see God's face, Trust God's grace forever
May the Lord, mighty God, Bless and keep you forever

The Final Whistle:

"Wide Receiver"

John Williams

Postgame

Everyone is invited to attend the post-game tailgate party here at the Hall
after the service today!

Announcements for February 8, 2026

Coach Will wants to thank everyone who gave 110% and made this worship service special. Thanks!

Don't forget the **Tailgate Party** (Fellowship Hour) following the service today. All are welcome.

Souper Bowl of Caring works to mobilize those looking to fight hunger and poverty in their own communities around the time of the Super Bowl football game.

In the weeks leading up to or on Super Bowl Sunday, young people take up a collection (many use a soup pot), asking for one dollar or one item of food for people in need. They give 100% of their donation directly to the local hunger-relief charity of their choice.

Started by a youth group in 1990, Souper Bowl of Caring has since grown all over the world, collecting more than \$100 million donated back into their own community.

We believe:

- The idea for Souper Bowl of Caring is a gift from God.
- Young people have the ability to serve and should be given opportunities to lead their communities in helping others.
- Every dollar collected through Souper Bowl of Caring should be donated directly to a charity selected by each participating group.
- People of all backgrounds and beliefs can work together.
- Hunger and poverty have a negative impact on individuals and the communities in which they live, yet there is joy in serving and giving to those in need.
- The excitement and energy surrounding the Super Bowl can be used to engage young people in service while producing lasting hope for all people.

More about the Souper Bowl of Caring:

A simple prayer: "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those who are without a bowl of soup to eat" is inspiring a youth-led movement to help hungry and hurting people around the world.

This prayer, delivered by Brad Smith, then a seminary intern serving at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Columbia, South Carolina, gave birth to an idea. Why not use Super Bowl weekend, a time when people come together for football and fun, to also unify the nation for a higher good: collecting dollars and canned food for the needy? Youth could collect donations at their schools and churches in soup pots and then send every dollar DIRECTLY to a local charity of THEIR choice.

That was 1990. Since then, ordinary young people have generated an extraordinary \$100 million for soup kitchens, food banks and other charities in communities across the country. In addition, hundreds of thousands of youth have experienced for themselves the joy and satisfaction of giving and serving, inspiring people of all ages to follow their generous example.

The Lead Deacon this month is Carissa Johnstone assisted by Ed McCarthy

Meetings and Activities

Sunday, 8 th Souper Bowl of Caring	8:30 am 10:00 am 11:15 am	O&M Committee Meeting Worship/Sunday School Uke Group
Wednesday, 11 th	10:00 am 6:30 pm 6:30 pm	Communion Visitation Meeting 'The Chosen' Discussion Group Cub Pack 33 Meeting
Thursday, 12 th	6:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	J&J Valentine's Dance Scout Troop 34 Meeting Bell Choir Rehearsal Adult Choir Rehearsal
Friday, 13 th	2:30 pm 6:00 pm	Color Our World & Crafternoon Young Adult Open Mic
Saturday, 14 th	9:00 am 6:00 pm	Sacred Dance Practice Valentine's Day Coffee House
Sunday, 15 th	10:00 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm	Worship / Sunday School Mardi Gras Pancake Breakfast Confirmation Class
Monday, 16 th	2:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry J&J Directors Meeting Facilities Committee Meeting
Wednesday, 18 th	6:00 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm	Ash Wednesday Service 'The Chosen' Discussion Group Cub Pack 33 Meeting

**Please don't forget about our amazing community building Open Mic and Coffeehouses happening this coming weekend...*

Friday, February 13, for Teen Performers Only- tell all the young people in your life- there is a coffeehouse and open mic just for them—ALL are invited to attend. Only the teens will perform. Most towns or schools have their own—but we would like this Open Mic to bring them all together. 6-8 pm (the Second Friday at Second Church- easy to remember)

Saturday, February 14—a Valentine's Open Mic and Coffeehouse. 6-8 pm. Okay, maybe it's not the most romantic option—but it will be the most inexpensive! Treat the love of your life to a night of love songs and light refreshment at the Second Saturday Coffeehouse and Open Mic. ALL are welcome! Always! Yes, this open to all ages: so teens could perform at both (sorry old-timers- we'll let the teens have their own on Friday).

This Is the Day

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Unison

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made, that the
 Lord has made; we will rejoice, we will rejoice and be
 glad in it, and be glad in it. This is the day that the
 Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.
 This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made.

WORDS and MUSIC: Les Garrett (1944-); para. Psalm 118:24
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He's Got the Whole World in His Hands 80

(D = E)

Unison

C7 F Gm7 F/A Gm7 F Gm7 Am

1 He's got the whole world in his hands, he's got the
 2 He's got the wind and the rain in his hands, he's got the
 3 He's got the ti - ny lit - tle ba - by in his hands, he's got the
 4 He's got you and me, broth-er, in his hands, he's got

Gm7 Bb/C C7 F Gm7

whole world in his hands, he's got the whole
 wind and the rain in his hands, he's got the wind and the
 ti - ny lit - tle ba - by in his hands, he's got the ti - ny lit - tle
 you and me, sis - ter, in his hands, he's got all of us to -

F/A Gm7 F Am7(b5)/Eb D7 Gm7 C7 F

world in his hands, he's got the whole world in his hands.
 rain in his hands, he's got the whole world in his hands.
 ba - by in his hands, he's got the whole world in his hands.
 geth-er in his hands, he's got the whole world in his hands.

WHOLE WORLD
Irregular