

## **DIRECTIONS TO FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT**

From Interstate 95 North or South use the exit 8 ramps. If driving north on I-95, turn left at the bottom of the Exit 8 ramp onto Atlantic Street (going under the highway). If driving south on I-95, go straight ahead at the bottom of the ramp and continue two long blocks on the access road (keeping I-95 on your left), then turn right onto Atlantic Street (going away from the highway). Continue north on Atlantic Street. Atlantic Street becomes Bedford Street (one way north) at the intersection of Broad Street (the Ferguson public library will be ahead of you on the left and a McDonalds will be ahead of you on the right.). Go straight ahead on Bedford Street for two blocks, staying in the right hand lane. The church is just beyond a park where Bedford and Prospect Streets intersect Continue north alongside the church (keeping the church on your right).. The entrance to our parking lot is between the church building and the William Pitt Real Estate office building to our north.. Turn right into the church driveway and drive around the church building to the parking area on the east side. There you will see the entrance to the parking lot. The gate is usually open. Feel free to park there. In addition, visitor parking spaces are located on the driveway outside the parking lot just beyond the gate.

From North Stamford or the Merritt Parkway: Long Ridge Road from the west or High Ridge Road from the east are the two main connections from the Connecticut - New York state line into downtown Stamford. There are exits to these roads from the Merritt Parkway (Exits 34 and 35) . Follow either High Ridge or Long Ridge road south. They intersect at Bedford and Summer Streets. Bedford Street is one way north and Summer Street is one way south. Continue south on Summer Street about one mile to North Street (you will see a Dairy Queen store at the corner). Turn left onto North Street and proceed across Bedford Street until North Street ends at its intersection with Prospect Street. Turn right onto Prospect Street. At the next stop sign you will see the church on your right. Turn right at the stop sign and right again at the next stop sign onto Bedford Street.. Continue north alongside the church (keeping the church on your right). The entrance to our parking lot is between the church building and the William Pitt Real Estate office building to our north. Turn right into the church driveway and drive around the church building to the parking area on the east side. There you will see the entrance to the parking lot. The gate is usually open. Feel free to park there. In addition, visitor parking spaces are located on the driveway outside the parking lot just beyond the gate. [If you miss the turn onto North Street from Summer Street, you can go one block further south and turn left onto Spring Street, go one block, then turn left onto Bedford Street and drive north to the church as above.]

There are several entrances to the church buildings. The sanctuary may be entered directly by using the southern entrances. The basement and dining hall are reached through the entrance to the left of the parking gate as one faces the building. There is an elevator which is approached through the entrance to the right of the gate as one faces the building. The northern entrance (up a short flight of steps) leads to the McGown Chapel. There is also a ramp into the chapel area at the northernmost Bedford Street entrance.