



North Haven Congregational Church, UCC

The Window

February 2020



Maintaining Focus

Where is the best place to focus our attention as a congregation in the coming months? What should we be looking at, or looking for?

When driving a car, one usually looks out ahead, where one is going. Frequent and quick glances to the rear- and side-view mirrors give a sense of place in the midst of traffic. The main focus of attention, though, is out ahead.

The same is true for riding a bicycle, or skiing. The focus is out ahead. We learned a long time ago that balancing on the bicycle was easier if we focused our attention on where we were trying to go. In skiing, it is easier to steer through the bends and the bumps if our attention is out ahead of us.

When waltzing, though, attention should be directed only briefly where one is headed (and only if one is leading). Looking out ahead while waltzing round and round the hall only leads to dizziness. The best focus for attention while waltzing is the face of your partner!

We have a strong, guiding statement of the mission, vision, and values of our church. We are called to worship together, nurture our Christian discipleship, and engage in compassionate service in our community. This mission will lead us to join in regular, relevant and robust worship, to welcome all people from different and diverse backgrounds, and to be involved in purposeful action through the church's Mission Teams.

Our focus, for the most part, should be on where we're going: worshipping in joy and gratitude, reaching out in mission and compassion through the soup kitchen, the food pantry, and Habitat for Humanity; and supporting each other. Some of our focus, though, should be on those who worship and

welcome and reach out with us. This is a time to be particularly attentive and responsive to needs in our congregation and our town. Finally, our focus must return regularly to the One who loves us and calls us to discipleship. We follow Jesus Christ, blessed by grace and love. We worship a God who has guided us and sheltered us through the ages.

The exciting blessing in the midst of our uncertainty is knowing we aren't alone.

Shalom, Scott Morrow



Report of the Moderator

As a member of the Generosity Mission Team, our campaign for 2020 was concluded, and the MLB began preparation of a proposed budget. We received 108 pledges for 2020, totaling \$213,386.00. Our endowment will add \$26,188 of income. Together with contributions from building use, fundraisers, and other gifts, we anticipated a total income of \$264,601.00.

The preliminary requested budget included expenses totaling \$286,128.00. These expenses

include fixed expenses such as utilities and insurance, program funds, and payroll and benefits. This left a deficit in the requested budget of \$21,527.00. A deficit of this magnitude would require significant cuts to church programs, primarily our outreach missions.

An e-mail from Pastor Scott asked all pledging units and all members and friends of NHCC to consider increasing their pledges by \$200. This increase represents the fair share of each pledging unit to make up the budget shortfall. A \$200 increase to every pledge would erase the deficit in the budget and allow us to support the requests from all programs and Mission Teams. An increase of \$200 to an annual pledge works out to an increase of \$3.83 per week.

This appeal was delivered on Sunday, January 11th, asking all members and friends to pledge an extra \$4 per week, so that we would be able to approve the requested budget, and the programs and missions it represents, with confidence and gratitude. We asked all congregants to give their sincere and prayerful consideration to this request.

I am so thankful and proud to report that as of this date, we have received many additional pledges, enabling us to eliminate a large portion of the projected deficit and provide funds for our Outreach Missions. Hopefully, additional pledges will continue to be received and the MLB will be able to present a balanced budget to the Congregation at our Annual Meeting on February 2nd.



We are moving toward this goal, and want to thank these members who made a new pledge and increased their 2020 pledge in response to the appeal. (as of 1/21/20):

New:

*Cynthia Boerma-Campos
Bette Demayo
Eleanor Norback
Larry North*

Increased:

*Laura & Pat Alden
Beth Anderson
Larry & Laurie Ballantyne
Jim & Joan Bennett
Cheryl Bogert
Priscilla Bradford
Lorraine Burdge
Sandy Carter
Chris & Kristen Corcoran
AnnMarie & Gary Czajkowski
Leslie & Jim Dockendorff
Fran & Cheryl Dutko
Doris Ferner
Gail Fulop
Merrilee & George Gladkosky
Betsy Gumbart
Carla & Mike Hill
Carol Mitchell
Barbara & Rick Massey
Scott Morrow & Carol Amico
Bryant & Sara Munson
Rob & Lynne Nielsen
Sally & Anthony Pallato
David & Stephanie Perkins
Stephen & Mabel Peterson
Tom & Shirley Ryan
Herb & Ann Schneider
Adam & Julie Schweickert
Stephen & Linda Simonson
Cheryl & Tony Solecki
John & Sue Tibor
Cathy Welch*

If you have any questions, please call Julie Schweickert at the office and one of us will gladly

answer them. Thank you for your prayerful response to these requests, and join us as we thank God with glad and generous hearts for our wonderful church and the year ahead.

The Ministry Leadership Board (MLB) provides guidance and oversight for the ministries, activities and property of the Church. It is responsible to the Congregation and functions only within the authority granted to it by the Congregation. The MLB consists of the Moderator, the Clerk, the Treasurer, and the Financial Agent, plus five at-large members. Additionally, our Pastor, Scott Morrow, serves as an ex officio member of the Board. Our five at-large members are elected by the Congregation at the Annual Meeting. If you are interest in submitting your name to join the MLB, please contact either Scott or me, as there will be one or two slots to be filled in on February 2nd.

On behalf of the MLB, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of other Mission Teams, be they Buildings and Grounds, Collections and Counting, Covenant to Care, D.E.S.K., Endowment, Faith Formation, Finance, Food Closet, Fundraising, Member Care, Music, Men's and Women's Fellowship, Youth Groups, Sunday School, and Worship. Our greatest blessings come from those who offer their time, talents, treasures and concerns for others. I wish you all a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Joan Bennett
Moderator

Ministry Coordinator for Children

Sunday School Calendar: February



Feb. 2 Communion Sunday; children begin the morning in Chapel, then to Church School; then back to worship; Annual Meeting, child-care provided during meeting

Feb. 9 Regular Sunday; children begin in worship and Noisy Offering, then Church School; Children's Choir will rehearse during Church School

Feb. 16 Family Sunday; long weekend for President's Day

Feb. 23 Regular Sunday; children begin in worship and Noisy Offering, then Church School; Children's Choir will rehearse during Church School

Heifer Project International

As most of you are aware; this is the second year the Church School children are collecting offering specifically for Heifer Project. During Chapel in October 2019, the children chose chickens, pigs and tree saplings from a list of approximately a dozen animals or things (such as fresh water or trees).

In an effort to reach this monetary goal, during the second and fourth Sundays of each month, the congregation contributes to the Church School's mission project through our special collection as "Noisy Offering"; which does indeed makes our "joyful noise unto the Lord". So far this year, we have more than \$300.00! Thank you all for your kind and generous support of our children and their Church school mission project this school year (2019-2020).

On the second and fourth Sundays of each month, four children gather together with glass jars and collect the Noisy offering from the congregation.

In an effort to give as many children as possible an opportunity to help collect the offering, various children are invited or volunteer. The remaining dates for Noisy Offering this school year are:

Feb. 9 and 16

Mar. 8 and 22

Apr. 26 (Easter is April 12; no Noisy Offering)

May 10 and 24

Save the dates: February 26-first day of Lent (Ash Wednesday); April 1-first Sunday in Lent; April 5-Palm Sunday (no Chapel that day); April 12-Easter Sunday (no Church School)

Karlee Etter
Ministry Coordinator for Children

Church Family News



Birthdays: Sophie Grant 02/04, Erin Malone 02/05, Walter Kaercher 02/06, Emma Alden 02/08, David Gould 02/09, Tom Glynn 02/09, Daniel Mickolyzck 02/10, Hunter Conley 02/11, Mattison Mondene 02/11, Joshua Peiffer 02/13, Richard Gherlone 02/14, Joy Gillen 02/14, Shayna DeLuca 02/14, Jim Bennett 02/16, Aidan Nottingham 02/17, Virginia Gould 02/17, Victoria Hummel 02/19, Doris Adams 02/20, Laura Miller 02/20, Kathleen Mickolyzck 02/21, Jesse Morrow 02/22, Amy Morrow 02/22, Eben Stewart 02/23, Florence Klemenz 02/24, Doris Vigliotto 02/27, Mark Butterworth 02/28.

Anniversaries: Linda & William Tosetti 02/14.

Welcome to our New Members!

We extend a friendly and warm welcome to the four new members who joined our church on January 5:

Rich and Susan Baldino, and Peter and Cheryl Hall. We invite all of our members to greet and welcome them, and to get to know them.

Susan and Rich Baldino and their daughters



Saydee and Sienna recently moved to North Haven from Orange. Susan grew up in Orange and attended the Orange Congregational Church. She is a teacher, currently teaching preschool. She enjoys spending time with her family and being outdoors.

Rich grew up in East Haven, where he attended St. Vincent De Paul Roman Catholic Church. He has worked in various sales jobs and currently works for FedEx. He works hard to be sure his schedule allows for quality family time. Rich enjoys watching all sports and going to amusement parks with his kids. The family loves to travel together! **Peter and Cheryl Hall** live in Wallingford. Peter grew up in Farmington, where he attended the Congregational Church of Farmington. Some years ago Peter belonged to a spiritual group called SUBUD, focused on greater self-understanding. He is honored to be welcomed by the community of the church. Cheryl grew up in Fairfield and attended the United Congregational Church in Bridgeport. She moved to Hamden and attended the Whitneyville and Mount Carmel Congregational



Churches. She has two sons, Christopher and Jonathan, from a previous marriage. Cheryl married Peter in 2009, and moved from Hamden to Wallingford last year. She works as a pharmacy technician at Yale-New Haven Health Services, and is glad to be close to the church!

Shirley Ryan and Jeff Whipple



joined the church in December.

The Worship Mission Team (Deacons) kindly requests that **no food or beverages be taken into the Sanctuary.** Water bottles are an exception.

2020 Has many opportunities for you to participate in Worship. Please sign up in the Narthex to assist with our worship service.

February 2nd 2020 (Fourth Sunday after

Epiphany): Deacon is Joan Bennett. Serving Communion are Carol Amico, Cathy Harple, Jim Bennett, & Joan Bennett. Co-Celebrant is Nancy Mahoney. Prayer Reader is Carol Amico. **Scripture Reader is Needed. Flowers are Needed. Coffee Hour host is Needed.** Children begin in Chapel then go to worship to share in Communion.

February 9th 2020 (Fifth Sunday after

Epiphany): Deacon is AnnMarie Czajkowski. Co- Deacon is Doris Ferner. Prayer Reader is Carol Amico. **Greeters are needed. Scripture Reader is Needed.** Flowers are provided by Dot & Greg Pierce. **Coffee Hour host is needed.** Children begin in worship, collect the Noisy Offering, then go to Church School, Children's Choir rehearsal.

February 16th 2020 (Sixth Sunday after

Epiphany): Deacon is Jim Bennett. Co- Deacon is Sue Compton. Prayer reader is Jim Bennett. Greeters are Fran Dutko and Cheryl Dutko. Scripture Reader is Barbara Massey. Flowers are provided by Jim & Joan Bennett. **Coffee Hour host is needed.** Children remain in church, No Church School, Family Sunday.

February 23rd 2020 (Transfiguration): Co-Deacon is Sally Pallatto. **Greeters are needed. Scripture Reader is needed. Flowers are Needed. Coffee Hour hosts are needed** Children begin in worship, collect the Noisy Offering, then go to Church School, Children's Choir rehearsal.



Oasis Multi-church Youth Group will meet regularly on Sunday afternoon from 5-6:30. Occasionally the time will shift for special activities. The Confirmation Class will meet twice a month on Sunday afternoon - once from 4-5pm, and once a month for a service or learning activity. Here is the schedule for February:

All February meetings at **North Haven Congregational Church!!**

Sat. 1/31 - Sun Feb. 2- OASIS Youth & Confirmands Winter Retreat at Holmes Retreat Center, Holmes, NY. A Presbyterian place!

Sunday, Feb. 9 – OASIS True Colors Planning

Sunday, Feb. 16 – OASIS Improv Night

Sunday, Feb. 23 – OASIS & Confirmation Dinner & Racial Justice Training 4-7pm

Mission Team News

Abraham's Tent

Our Church is participating in Abraham's Tent. We will be providing overnight hospitality at NHCC during the week of **February 3** –

February 10, from dinner on February 3 through breakfast on February 10th. Priscilla Bradford and John Tibor will serve as the overall coordinators for our efforts. Please contact Priscilla, John, or Julie to let them know your availability to stay overnight, help with meal preparation, and provide grocery items. For those who enjoy baking, the men appreciate all sorts of cookies and brownies.

You will find a special joy in participating in this undertaking.



Youth Ministry Mission Team Is

Working! We will host the February events for Oasis and the Joint Confirmation Class. The Oasis Multi-church Youth Program is an exciting, collaboration among several churches serving youth from grades 7-12. The program now involves youth in grades 5-7 on a monthly basis. The Youth Ministry MT helps provide adult support for planning, supervision, assistance with refreshments, transportation, shopping, and communication. The Oasis Program and Joint Confirmation are coordinated by Emily McKenna and the pastors of the member churches. Sign-ups for volunteer needs connected with the Youth and Confirmation programs are done online.

If you are interested in working with the Youth Ministry MT please speak with Scott or Julie.

Snow-Angels Needed!!!

The Board of Building & Grounds asks your help with clearing snow from the entranceways to the church on weekends. There is a "Snow Angel Lottery" sign-up on the bulletin in the hallway outside the church office with Saturday/Sunday dates. Please sign up with the understanding you will clear snow from the walks and entryways (either by shovel or snowblower) on the indicated Saturday and Sunday. If it doesn't snow, you're off the hook! Experience has shown that hiring snow-shovelers can be expensive, particularly since no plowing is involved. We are also interested in developing a list of youth who would like to be paid to shovel on weekdays particularly. However, we have agreed to hire outside contractors for snowfalls greater than 6". We have a snowblower and an 'electric shovel' at the church for use by angels!

Sign up to try the new snowblower!

10th Anniversary of Open & Affirming at NHCC!

This year marks the 10th anniversary of our congregational study and vote to adopt our Open and Affirming Policy. Our Open & Affirming Policy proclaims our welcome to participation and membership in the Church of "women and men of all ages, tongues, races, abilities, circumstances,

and sexual orientations who confess Jesus Christ as Lord and declare their commitment to the purposes and ministries of this congregation."

This is an occasion for celebration! We will gather a Mission Team to plan a celebration of our Open & Affirming commitment in the coming year. Such a celebration might include worship services, public displays, education for the congregation and the public, and consideration of how to increase the visibility and influence of our ONA welcome.

If you are interested in helping to plan and coordinate some of these events, please contact Pastor Scott or Julie Schweickert.



On February 22, 2020, we are delighted to welcome back Ken Tedeschi, Sarah Gothers, and the North Haven High School Jazz & Vocal Ensembles.



The North Haven Congregational Church's Pierpont Concert Series continues with an annual treat from the stellar music department of North Haven High School. The award winning Jazz and Vocal Ensembles will entertain the local community with their musical talents. Adult tickets are \$10 at the door and will benefit both the school musicians and the Pierpont concert series; children under 12 free.

The church is located at 28 Church Street, North Haven CT 06473



The award-winning North Haven High School Jazz & Vocal Ensembles always put on a fabulous show, and we are grateful to have them back again this year. This concert has become a wonderful tradition that benefits all the North Haven community. We hope you can make it!

Pre-Pierpont Concert Dinner to be held Saturday February 22, 2020

A Pre-Concert Dinner will be held before the North Haven High School Choral and Jazz Pierpont Concert. Please join us on Saturday February 22, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in Carroll Hall. The Men's Fellowship and the Women's Fellowship will prepare a delicious turkey dinner with all the fixing. The cost with a reservation: \$12.00 adults and children under 12 years old \$5.00 (\$14.00 for all without a reservation). Please call the church Office (203 239 5691) to make a reservation. Join us for an evening of fellowship followed at 7:00 by the concert. All are welcome!



Weekly Bible Study on Tuesday Nights—Join Us! Weekly Bible Study on Tuesday Evening – Join us! We continue with a weekly Bible Study on Tuesday afternoons at 6pm. We will meet for an hour for study and prayer in the Heath Room. Stop in on your way home from work, or just before supper!



7th Annual Chili Bowl set for Feb. 1

Sleeping Giant Build, our local Habitat for Humanity Volunteer organization, will hold its 7th Annual Chili Bowl on Saturday, Feb. 1, 5-7:30pm at the Amity Teen Center, 10 Selden Street, in Woodbridge. The event will feature live music, billiards, a children's corner, and a silent auction to enjoy while sampling chili. Chefs will compete with their best meat, seafood, chicken, and vegetarian chili. Admission is \$20 (children under 12 free). Tickets and more information available at bit.ly/sbcchili20. Aspiring chili cooks should email sgbhili@gmail.com for entry details.

Scout Sunday in February— We will observe celebrate the Scouting program for boys and girls on **Sunday, February 9**. We encourage all Scouts, current and former, to attend and be recognized. Scouts, and particularly current Scouts, are encouraged to wear their uniforms.



Ash Wednesday Soup Supper & Service

The Worship Team invites you to our Ash Wednesday service, preceded by a simple supper of soup and bread on Ash Wednesday, February 26. There will be a selection of delicious soups provided by Church members, accompanied by hearty bread. The supper will begin at 6:00 p.m., and conclude by 7:00. (The Choir is invited to come early and eat before their rehearsal) The Ash Wednesday worship service will begin at 7:00. Come and enjoy the meal and the fellowship! If you would like to make a soup, please contact Carol Mitchell 203-668-0608 or cdmitchell60@yahoo.com.

Fri., March 6 – Sun., March 8, 2019

COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING at Silver Lake Conference Center. If you've thought of being a counselor at Silver Lake in the summer, this weekend is for you! Learn how to lead games, how to quiet a roomful of campers, and how to keep them safe. Successful completion of this training qualifies you to be a counselor or CIT during summer 2020. Must be 15 years old by June 15, 2019. For more information go to www.ctucc.org or speak with Scott Morrow. Registration is limited – don't wait!

Super Saturday is March 14!

On Saturday, March 14, lay leaders and clergy will gather in Wilbraham, MA, for a day of worship, wonderful workshops, and networking. This event is sponsored by the Southern New England Conference of the United Church of Christ. **Let's take a big group!** The keynote speaker is the Rabbi Elan Babchuk. He is the founding director of GLEAN Network, an incubator and network for faith leaders reimagining the role of faith in an ever-changing world. Rabbi Babchuk also serves the Director of Innovation at CLAL, a think-tank focused on the future of faith in America.

There are over 50 great workshops touching on every area of church leadership and program – Ministries of Governance/Administration, Social Justice, Church Vitality, Wellness, Children and Youth, Creation Care, Leadership, Preaching and Teaching, and Digital Media Ministries. You can read about Super Saturday and view brochure and workshops at www.macucc.org – search for Super Saturday.

Please put this exciting event on your calendar! Registration deadline is February 29, and workshop attendance will be limited. For more information, or to carpool, talk to Scott.

Storm Closings

If church programs or activities should need to be cancelled due to bad weather, this information will be broadcast on WTNH TV channel 8 and WFSB TV channel 3. It will also be listed on our website (www.northhavenucc.org), and on our outgoing telephone message.

It is church policy that afternoon and evening activities for youth are cancelled if school is cancelled or there is an early dismissal.

If church programs or activities should need to be cancelled due to bad weather, this information will be broadcast on WTNH TV channel 8 and WFSB TV channel 3. It will also be listed on our new website at (www.northhavenucc.org), and on our outgoing telephone message. It is church policy that afternoon and evening activities for youth are cancelled if school is cancelled or there is an early dismissal.

Summer 2020 is coming to Silver Lake!!

Silver Lake Conference Center is a beautiful and exciting place in Sharon, CT. Registration for Summer 2020 opened on Jan. 15! The summer camp offers week-long conferences from June 28 – August 15 for youth in grades 4-12. Enjoy games, swimming, crafts, a ropes adventures course, delicious meals, and singing around the campfire. Watch for the 2020 Camp Brochure! There is a half-week session for 4th grader plus adult, "My Loved One & Me" June 28-July 1, and there are two half-week Family Camp sessions August 2-5 and August 9-12. The "Hammer & Nail" mission trip conference for 10th-12th graders will work at H.O.M.E. in Orland, ME July 19-25. You can look at the schedule on the bulletin board outside the Church office, or you can look online at www.silverlakeect.org. Costs for the sessions vary. There may be limited scholarship assistance available through the church. Please contact Karlee Etter, Kerry Stewart, Scott Morrow or Julie Schweickert with questions. Find the Parent Guide and more information at www.silverlakeect.org/summercamp. Youth ages 15-16 can attend a Counselor-In-Training weekend March 6-8, and a Counselor Retreat is scheduled for April 3-4. There is also a pre-camp Pioneer week for 9th-12th graders June 21-27. For more information, go to the website – www.silverlakeect.org, or talk with Karlee Etter, Kerry Stewart, or Scott Morrow.

Women's Fellowship

It may be cold outside, but Women's Fellowship is not letting the weather get in the way of plans for the next few months!

A meeting with 20 women in attendance was held at Lynn Nielsen's home in late January to discuss and plan for upcoming events.

Monday, February 10, 6:30 p.m. in Carroll Hall, Women's Fellowship will hold our Annual Valentine Pot Luck dinner! We will be sending our homebound members Valentine cards. Come enjoy some good food and fellowship. Please watch your email for details.

Saturday, March 7, 6:00 p.m. is the annual St Patrick's corned beef and cabbage dinner! Details will be available soon. Save the date; tickets sell quickly!

Women's Fellowship has taken on a new and exciting project that hopefully will be completed by early March (or sooner)! The church Library is getting a makeover! Yes, new paint, carpets cleaned, and new furniture! It is very exciting to be able to help to make improvements to our church home, with the help of Building and Grounds. This could not be possible without everyone's help with our fund-raising efforts! This includes the Fair, tag sale, church dinners, and Military Whist parties to name just a few!

Women's Fellowship works hard during the year to raise funds to meet our obligations to different charities and, when possible, to help make needed improvements. Please join us when you can and have some fun. We need your help!

Respectfully submitted,

Dot Pierce, Lynne Nielsen, Carol Mitchell, Kathy Harple, Cheryl Bogert Executive Board



Men's Fellowship

Our numbers stayed consistently high for our twice monthly breakfast gatherings. Our last meeting on January 18th had nineteen (19) men in attendance. They were Martin Benassi, Jim Bennett, Mark Bessette, George Coulston, Peter Hall, Bernie Hummel, Rev. Scott Morrow, Bryant Munson, Rob Nielsen, Tim Peiffer, Paul Powers, Ed Reinholt, Adam Schweickert, Brad Schweickert, Paul (a friend of Brad's and a fellow Cadet), Evan Schweickert, Steve Simonson, Peter Struk, and John Tibor.

- It was announced that the Dinner/Mystery Night has been re-scheduled to **Saturday, January 25th** due to weather concerns;
- Both Jim & Scott put in pleas for people to please sign up for the "Snow Angels" lottery;
- Jim pointed out that new sign-up sheets have now been posted in the Narthex for the following weekly worship needs: Coffee Hour Hosts; Flowers, Greeters, and Scripture Readers;
- It was announced that the congregation has responded very positively to last week's plea made prior to the worship service encouraging members to please increase their 2020 pledges by at least \$200 to offset a projected budget shortfall of some \$18,000. More than twenty pledging units have increased their pledges so far, and it is hoped (and anticipated) that more units will follow suit;
- **Our church will be hosting Abraham's Tent from February 3rd-10th**. If you are willing to be an overnight chaperone to our guests, please let Priscilla Bradford know; if you'd like to help prepare dinner on either February 7th, 8th, or 9th, please see John Tibor;
- **Scott's Report:** Habitat's most recent house project, located at 631 Ferry Street in New Haven, will be dedicated next weekend; a fundraiser for Sleeping Giant Build, a Chili Cook-off, will be held on February 1st at the Amity Teen Center. Tickets to it are \$20; the new Choir Room floor has been installed and

polished, and the room is now slowly filling up with furniture; Women's Fellowship has designated a Library re-do as its next project; and Scott announced that he will be on retreat next weekend, so a substitute preacher will be arranged for;

- and Mark Bessette informed everyone that the kitchen's fire suppression system was recently inspected and brought into compliance.

We will next meet for breakfast on **Saturday, February 1st**, beginning at 7:00 am, give or take a few minutes. See you all then.

Jim Bennett

President, Men's Fellowship

Hold These Dates

February 2 (Sunday) NHCC Annual Meeting following worship.

February 3-10 NHCC will host Abraham's Tent

February 22 (Saturday) Pierpont Concert: NHHS Jazz and Choral Groups

Wednesday, Feb 26 – Ash Wednesday Soup Supper and Worship Service

March 14 (Saturday) Super Saturday

April 25 (Saturday) Rebuilding Together New Britain, Day of Mission

May 2 (Saturday) Pierpont Concert: Mark Platt

May 31 (Sunday) Confirmation Sunday NHCC

June 20 - 22 2nd Annual Mtng of the SNE Conference at Bryant College in RI

PRAYER REQUESTS

In this month's *Window* we continue to list the names of persons for whom we pray in our worship each Sunday. Please add these special people to your prayers at home. Watch the *Window* each month for changes in this list.

In Our Prayers This Month are: Heidi Welch, Mary Cestaro, Tim Peiffer, David Bellonio, Marlene Bellonio, Stefan McKosky, Rose Monaco, Francis Dutko, Sabrina Selmer, Dot Pierce, Kathie Gant, and Linda Shannon.

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



If you are unable to receive Communion on the first Sunday of the month in church, we would be happy to bring this Sacrament to you, whether you are at home or in the hospital. Please call the church office at 203-239-5691 to set a time that would be convenient for you.

Cards & Letters

Some of our church members who are homebound are unable to be present for worship on Sunday mornings. We keep in touch with them through visitation such as home Communion and gifts of holiday flowers. We also include names and addresses for members in each copy of the *Window*. We invite you to send them a card and include them in your prayers.

Mary Cestaro
c/o Marilyn Odell
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Audrey Tilley
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Marlene Bellonio
Advanced Nursing & Rehab
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Rm 205a
New Haven, CT 06519

David Bellonio
Masonicare Health Center
Ramage 6, Rm 616
Wallingford, CT 06492



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7:00 Cub Scout Pack Committee (L)	12:15pm Retired Federal Employees (CH)	7:00 MLB (L)			1:30pm Staff Meeting (H)	
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LECTIONARY READINGS

February 2nd 2020 (Fourth Sunday after Epiphany):

Micah 6:1-8

Psalm 15

1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Matthew 5:1-12

February 9th 2020 (Fifth Sunday after Epiphany):

Isaiah 58:1-9a, (9b-12)

Psalm 112:1-9 (10)

1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (13-16)

Matthew 5:13-20

February 16th 2020 (Sixth Sunday after Epiphany):

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Psalm 119: 1-8

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Matthew 5:21-37

February 23rd 2020 (Transfiguration):

Exodus 24:12-18

Psalm 2 or Psalm 99

2 Peter 1:16-21

Matthew 17:27-9

February 26th 2020 (Ash Wednesday):

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isa 58:1-12

Psalm 51:1-17

2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

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