



North Haven Congregational Church, UCC

The Window

July- August 2020

FROM THE
PASTOR 

Prayer in the Midst of Worry

Worry has its place in life – it is a marker for our deepest loves and greatest desires. Anxiety, too, has a place. We are anxious when we trying to do our best; perhaps especially when we are trying to do our best for someone else. Anxiety is more intense - distilled, concentrated worry. Both worry and anxiety live around the horizon of our control, the boundary beyond which our influence wanes and we are at the mercy of outside forces.

Worry and anxiety have been a part of the COVID19 shutdown for many people – much of our familiar routine turned upside down. All kinds of things that usually happen somewhere else have been happening in our homes, and lots of other things (and people) have been beyond our reach.

Prayer in the midst of worry and anxiety invited honest reflection and acknowledgement of the limits of our abilities and our control. Anxiety is an obstacle to our best efforts, because it distracts us and narrows our vision. Worry prompts us to frown and sigh and slump. Anxiety leads us to clench our teeth, to clench our fists, to hunch our shoulders. Anxiety is tightness.

Prayer in the midst of worry and anxiety begins with trusting that God loves us and will help us. Remembering that Jesus has promised to be with us always. Recalling that the Holy Spirit brings gifts of power beyond our own. The next step is acknowledgment: “I can’t do everything,” “I’m not in control,” “I am not God.” Hold these acknowledgments quietly and attentively in your mind and heart. Breathe deeply.

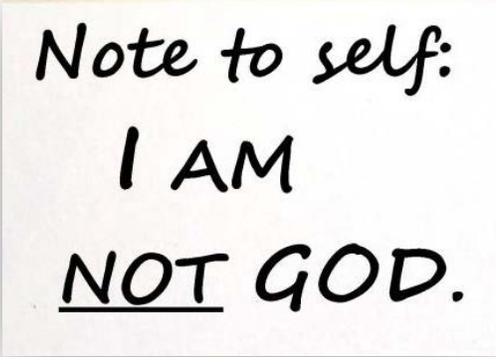
It may seem silly to even say “I am not God:”, yet there are stories of saints and teachers and missionaries of deep faith and commitment who made

the acknowledgement daily, or more often, in prayer. “I am not God” written on a card and taped on the bathroom mirror.

This acknowledgement, seemingly silly and awkward, turns out to be of key importance. It opens our awareness to a contrast. I can’t do everything ... but God can. I’m not in control ... but God is. *God* is God. This contrast enables a final step – asking God to do something. Prayers asking God to *Lead me ...* or *Show me ...* or *Help me ..* are vulnerable, trusting, and powerful, Surrender and anticipate that God or Jesus will respond. Prayers that ask God or Jesus to help *us* to do something may still be hanging on to a desire for control.

The fruit of such prayer in the midst of worry and anxiety, of surrender and anticipation of Jesus’ action, is great peace, and renewed hope, and release of all that has been clenched.

Scott Morrow



Note to self:
I AM
NOT GOD.

The Ties That Bind

We celebrated Heritage Sunday on June 14, honoring 50-plus year members of our church. Many historic events have occurred during the last fifty, but nothing like the historic events we are witnessing today; a sudden, dramatic economic downturn, the worst since 1929, the largest civil rights upheaval since the 1960s, and a frightening global pandemic, unlike any since 1918. These are still ongoing and their outcomes are as yet unwritten. We may not fully understand the implications of this tumultuous time for another 50 years.

During these uncertain times, the joy and comfort of worshipping together in-person is not available. Yet the pillars of community, connectedness, and faith in God that have supported our church and its members during many difficult times over the past 304 years continue today. But our definition of what it means to be connected has evolved. Today we are connecting virtually – through MS Teams, Zoom, Face Time, Skype, Google Meet, or any of the many platforms designed to help bridge the (social) distance that keeps us apart.

While these platforms have been a great resource, they can't replace the genuine human interaction we enjoy when attending an in-person worship service. That's not to say that the Livestream Worship Services managed by Mark Bessette and others are not valuable and very much appreciated. But it is difficult to virtually recreate the church-going experience through an internet connected laptop. We miss being in the sanctuary, sharing the worship service with our church family and enjoying lemonade and iced tea outside under the oak tree, catching up with friends after the service.

While the worship service is central to our connectedness, we are grateful for all of the other ways we remain in contact – a quick text message, phone call or email, or sharing celebrations and concerns on Facebook. It is comforting to know that we can count on each other during these difficult times. We know that social distancing is an unwelcome necessity, and Connecticut has seen declines in cases and deaths due to this measure. We may be anxious to get back to normal and look

forward to in-person church services resuming. But the ties that bind us together are strong and the connectedness that persists in the face of the current uncertainty is comforting. I look forward to the time when we are back together, worshipping, singing, praying, shaking hands, hugging and being in God's presence together.

Respectfully submitted,
Christopher Corcoran

Re-Opening Team Preparing Plan To Resume In-Person Activities

A new Re-Opening Team is meeting to develop plans for the gradual resumption of in-person worship and other activities, as well as building use by outside groups. Members of this group include Carol Amico, Sue Compton, Paula Diehl, Julie McGarry, Damon Quinn and Bill Rose.

This Team will develop the criteria for gradual re-opening, and the precautions and procedures that will be needed. They will also respond to questions about safe in-person gathering, and requests from members and community groups. The Re-Opening Team will report to the Ministry Leadership Board and inform the congregation at each step in the process.

If you have questions regarding the resumption of in-person worship and activities, please contact Julie or Scott.

Meanwhile, online worship services, cancellation of in-person church groups and activities, and closure of the Church building will continue until further notice

Worship Services to Continue Online

As we move forward in the planning stages for reopening the church the question was raised whether the livestreaming will continue. Our plan, prior to the pandemic, was to make our services available via livestreaming in addition to in person worship. Worship services will continue to be live streamed indefinitely on Sunday mornings at 9:30am through our website (www.northhavenucc.org). Recordings can also be viewed through the church website. If you are not able to watch the service online for any reason, please call the church office and let us know.

Deacons Will Help With Online Worship

Deacons, members of the Worship Team, will assist Scott with the online worship service on Sundays. Karlee Etter is off for the summer, and will return in August.

Ministry Coordinator for Children



**MARK YOUR
CALENDARS**
September 13, 2020.

CHURCH SCHOOL

The warmer days of summer have arrived. As the Covid19 restrictions begin to decrease, take advantage of, appreciate and enjoy the slower-paced days of God's season.

As we are all aware, the Covid19 restrictions, although decreased, will remain in place for the summer months, including Social Distancing. Therefore, until further notice, worship will continue to be live-streamed and there will be no in-person Summer church school, at least through Labor Day.

I am off for the summer, through August 12. I will return to work August 13. During my time to renew and refresh my faith, Kerry Stewart, along with members of the Faith Formation Team will be providing numerous opportunities for families, but especially the children, to enjoy virtual church school fun and activities. Kerry will be in touch with each family as she plans various activities.

I look forward to September, when perhaps we can once again see each other in-person; to worship together, to enjoy one another and to celebrate a new Church year. On September 13, I hope we can enjoy a new-normal Rally Day, in whatever form it takes. It would be wonderful to see everyone once again, and celebrate together the start of a new school year. Although, as expected HOW and what FORM Rally Day takes will also be determined by the current Covid19 guidelines at that time.

However, although there is no in-person worship or Church School, we will continue to recognize

children's birthdays for July and August. Julie always lists birthdays in the weekly worship bulletin, and as I have done every month since last September, I will continue to recognize each child's birthday. Since March, I have been and through August, will continue to do so by hand-delivering (in-person but at a safe distance) the children's goodie bags. I will call or text first. If you're not home, I will leave the bag(s) on your front step. But, I would be excited to see all your faces once again, to say hi and to catch up.

Have a blessed and restful Summer!
Karlee Etter,
Ministry Coordinator for Children

Summer Sunday School at Home

Happy Summer Break! Just like everything else this year, our children and youth summer programming will be a bit different. We are launching a "Be the Church" program for our children and youth. Kerry Stewart is back and heading up the program! Emails will be sent to our Sunday School families (if you want in and are not already on the email list, email Kerry at kerry@stewartclan.net or Julie in the Church Office) weekly with a challenge for the whole family! A way to Be the Church when we are unable to be together during this time. Each week will contain a family devotion, a family activity and a coloring or activity page. There will also be a couple of opportunities to connect over Zoom Look for the first email by the end of June. And we'd love to see pictures as you do the activities!

Kerry Stewart,
Faith Formation Mission Team



Church Family News

Birthdays: Robert Tait 07/04, Susan Tibor 07/04, Kaitlyn Mulvey 07/04, Skye Gallagher 07/06, Karen Linsky 07/06, Karen Silk 07/06, Onalee Collins 07/06, Kayla DeLuca 07/07, Todd Jokl 07/08, Ellen Robert 07/08, Jessica McKosky 07/09, Logan Stewart 07/10, Marlene Bellonio 07/11, Sue Beth Higgins 07/11, Michael McBride 07/12, Carmen DeLuca 07/12, Leslie Dockendorff 07/13, Mary Ellen Collett 07/14, Tina Vallone 07/15, Kristine Munck 07/15, Thomas

Jennings 07/15, Don Geissler 07/17, Rose Monaco 07/19, Jennifer Goldfuss 07/20, Megan Kundrath 07/20, Masako Miller 07/22, Lindsay Grant 07/22, Kristen Creston 07/24, George Silk 07/24, Heather Mastracchio 07/24, Martina Benassi 07/25, Vivian Shipley-Harris 07/26 James Shea 07/27, Heidi Wayne 07/28, Kristin Lynch 07/29, Erin Mahoney 08/01, Caitlin Elizabeth Thalken 08/02, Jennifer Lucibelli 08/03, William Adams 08/05, Brie Rose 08/06, Ian Crowther 08/07, Linda Rankin 08/08, Tim Peiffer 08/10, Michele Lynch 08/10, Daniel Kirk 08/11, Priscilla Bradford 08/12, Robert Scheidecker 08/12, Emma Nottingham 08/12, Cole Purcell 08/12, Jeanne Mecca 08/13, Michael Goldfuss 08/13, Carolanne Geissler 08/14, Mary Ellen Adams 08/15, Eleanor Harple 08/17, Phyllis Kaercher 08/17, Cindy Luedee 08/17, Lucy Mickolyzck 08/18, Philip Cooper 08/18, Christopher Wayne 08/18, Adam Schweickert 08/21, Alexis Dubail 08/24, Catherine Welch 08/28, Ben Purcell 08/28, Cheyanne Leyerzapf 08/28, Barbara Massey 08/29, Robert Grant 08/29, Bryan Cretella 08/29, Talia Gallagher 08/30.

Anniversaries: Denise & Gerard Adinolfi 07/03, David & Virginia Gould 07/03, Todd & Paige Jokl 07/05, Bob & Barbara Scheidecker 07/05, Adam & Julie Schweickert 07/05, Bette & Bob DeMayo 07/07, Tom & Wendy Glynn 07/07, Rich & Susan Baldino 07/09, David & Marlene Bellonio 07/10, Tom & Shirley Ryan 07/12, Craig & Laura Miller 07/12, Elaine & Sonny Burr 07/18, Rich & Jody Gallagher 07/22, Stephen & September Baraquin 07/23, Jim & Leslie Dockendorff 08/01, Rebecca & Alan Conley 08/04, Barbara & Richard Massey 08/05, LaVala & Kevin Rossi 08/07, Michele & Richard Lynch 08/12, Jeanne & Billy Mecca 08/18, Nancy & Ken Mahoney 08/18, John & Sue Tibor 08/19, Walter & Phyllis Kaercher 08/20, Tim & Jennifer Harris 08/21, Scott Morrow & Carol Amico 08/22, Wendy & Richard Russo 08/30.

Deaths: **Richard Quinn**, father of Damon Quinn, died unexpectedly on June 1, 2020. We give thanks to God for the precious life of Richard, and pray God's comfort and strength for all the family and friends.

<https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/nhregister/obituary.aspx?n=richard-w-quinn&pid=196293287&fhid=18544>



Births: **Millie Elena Purdy**, Daughter of Kevin and Alicia Purdy, Grand-daughter of Wendy & Tom Glynn, born 6/9/20 at 8:27pm 7 lbs 4 oz 20 inches.

New Beginings:

Lauren Campos graduated from Amity High School. She is the daughter of Cynthia Campos Boerma and Martin Boerma.

Lauren's biggest challenge in this unusual Senior Year was staying motivated toward the end of the year and feeling like she was missing out on making fun memories. She is most proud of winning the state championship with her volleyball team, and keeping high honors throughout

high school. Lauren will attend Hanze University of Applied Sciences in Groningen, Netherlands beginning August 2. She plans to study international business. She is excited to travel and learn about other cultures.



Evan Schweickert graduated from North Haven High School. He is the son of Adam and Julie Schweickert. Evan feels the biggest challenge of finishing high school during a pandemic is having to be isolated and not studying, working, or having fun with friends. He is proudest of his work as a facilitator in Project Adventure, helping other students to confront their fears and overcome challenges. Evan will attend American University



in Washington D.C. He plans to study criminal justice. He is most excited about studying criminal justice and the law in the nation's capital! He will be playing division 1 soccer in the Patriot League (same league as his brother at West Point).

Congratulations to College Graduates:

Jenna Volpe graduated last Spring from Salve Regina University in Rhode Island with a BS in Nursing degree and is working as an RN at Yale-New Haven Hospital. Jenna works in the Surgical Trauma unit and she has worked through the COVID shutdown. It has been exciting to work with her patients, and she has enjoyed helping them communicate with family through ZOOM and Facetime. It has also been stressful and exhausting! She was just accepted to the Family Nurse Practitioner program at Fairfield University. She is the grand-daughter of Bob & Barbara Scheidecker.

Marissa Volpe graduated from the Yale-New Haven Ultra Sound program in February and is working as an Ultrasonographer at Yale-New Haven Hospital. She is the grand-daughter of Bob & Barbara Scheidecker.

OASIS Youth Group to Continue The OASIS Youth Group concludes its second year this month. The OASIS Youth Group is a collaboration among three UCC churches: Spring Glen Church, United Church on the Green, and North Haven Congregational Church, as well as First Presbyterian Church. OASIS continues to be supported by the Youth Ministry Institute at Yale Divinity School and member churches. It includes youth from 7th to 12th grade, as well as a middle school group 5th-7th grade. We want to continue to build participation among the youth of NHCC! If you would like more information contact Scott Morrow. The coronavirus shutdown moved OASIS programs to online gatherings. Planning for the coming year is in progress. We will keep you posted!

Joint Confirmation 2020-21 In conjunction with the OASIS Youth Group, confirmation program for NHCC will be part of the Joint Confirmation program. The two-year confirmation program will be primarily for 8th and 9th graders. There are three confirmands who completed their first year this year. The Joint Confirmation Program will begin in September. We will reach out to potential confirmands and families in the coming weeks. If you are interested in confirmation, or have questions

about the new program, please contact Scott Morrow. We will share information as the program scheduling progresses.

New Oasis Intern Leadership Program

A new Intern Leadership Program began last fall, in conjunction with the OASIS Multi-Church Youth Group. It will continue next year. This is a leadership training and development program open to youth in grades 9-12. OASIS Intern Leaders will help with planning, set-up and take-down, and program coordination. There is an increasing level of responsibility through high school. This program is intended to provide fellowship and community, and training that will be something to note on your resume and college applications. If you are interested or want more information, speak with Scott.

How About Summer Camp At Silver Lake

The in-person summer camp program at Silver Lake Conference Center this summer has been cancelled, due to concerns for COVID19. There ARE virtual programs planned. There will be cabin group programs by age group – grades 4-6, 7-9, and 9-12 – from July 6-31. Groups will meet twice a week by ZOOM. There is also a virtual Mission Trip, and there will be ZOOM events with mission partners Simply Smiles and Church World Service. The time to register is NOW! Registration and more information at www.silverlake.org.

A Reminder About Summer Pledges

The Ministry Leadership Board would like to sincerely thank all the Church members and friends for their generous support for our Church this year, and to wish you a wonderful, adventurous, and invigorating summer. For those who provide support regularly each week or month, your continued support over the summer months would be greatly appreciated to facilitate with the cash flow of our Church budget.

Please try to keep your pledges current!

Summer Music

In the weeks and months ahead, it is exciting to think of the creative musical opportunities that exist in our music-making church community! As we continue with pre-recorded music, we welcome you to contact either Gary Snowbeck, Organist, or me, the Director

of Music, to discuss your musical offerings. You can record vocal solos, family music, or instrumental solos (etc.) “remotely”. Your recordings will be sent to me for mixing and mastering and then sent to Pastor Scott for sharing during worship. It is an exciting time! While we have done primarily audio-only musical offerings thus far, we can now also include a video if you prefer. We will look forward to hearing from you!

Thanking the Choir! The wonderful music of the Chancel Choir is one of the hallmarks of our Church, and a particularly joyful element of our worship. During this period of when we have gathered for worship only online, outside the sanctuary, their singing has been particularly reassuring. The talent and dedication of Gary Snowbeck, Organist, and Jeff Hutchins, Director of Music, has been on prominent display in the music recorded for the livestreamed worship services. We offered deep appreciation and tremendous thanks to the Choir, to Gary, and to Jeff in worship on June 14th, and we say it again here!



Choir Members 2019/2020

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| Carol Amico | Susan Tibor |
| Martin Benassi | Cathy Welch |
| Elaine Burr | |
| Susan Compton | New and |
| Doris Ferner | <u>Returning members</u> |
| Susan-Beth Higgins | Peter Hall |
| Joyce Manzo | Tim Peiffer |
| Ted Manzo | Lisa Phillips |
| Barbara Massey | |
| Carol Mitchell | |
| Rose Monaco | |
| Stephanie Perkins | Gary Snowbeck |
| John Rankin | Organist |
| Linda Rankin | Jeffrey Hutchins |
| John Tibor` | Director of Music |



Congratulations To Heritage Members!

We recognized those who have been members of the North Haven Congregational Church for 50 years or more on June 14. We offer special congratulations to the new Heritage Members: **Ann Schneider, Jim and Charlotte Shea, and Linda (Scheidecker) Tosetti.**

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| Doris Adams | 1961 | John Taylor | 1966 |
| Curtis Adrews, Sr. | 1948 | Audrey Tilley | 1957 |
| Joyce Bellonio | 1946 | Linda Tosetti* | 1970 |
| Mary Cestaro | 1966 | | |
| George Coulston | 1964 | | |
| Flo Coulston | 1964 | | |
| Ann Dubar | 1963 | | |
| Nancie Estep | 1963 | | |
| Doris Ferner | 1965 | | |
| Joyce Ferrucci | 1967 | | |
| Lillian Flodquist | 1965 | | |
| Carl Flodquist | 1965 | | |
| Richard Gherlone, Jr. | 1953 | | |
| Merrilee Gladkosky | 1960 | | |
| Ellie Harple | 1960 | | |
| Bernie Hummel | 1954 | | |
| Elfie Hummel | 1965 | | |
| Linda Lacobelli | 1957 | | |
| Eleanor Lianos | 1954 | | |
| Joan Melillo | 1957 | | |
| Lorraine Morehouse | 1954 | | |
| Bryant Munson | 1956 | | |
| Eleanor Norback | 1963 | | |
| Lawrence North | 1944 | | |
| Jeanne Reardon | 1969 | | |
| Ellen Robert | 1957 | | |
| Jane Romans | 1961 | | |
| Ruth Scelzo | 1952 | | |
| Ann Schneider* | 1970 | | |
| Barbara Scheidecker | 1966 | | |
| Robert Scheidecker | 1966 | | |
| Charlotte Shea* | 1970 | | |
| Jim Shea* | 1970 | | |
| Victoria Ann Slack | 1969 | | |

*New 50-year member this year



Summer Office Hours

The church office will be open from 8:00am to 12:00pm beginning Monday, July 6 through Friday, August 28.

The Food Pantry is Open by appointment Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 10-11am. Anyone who needs food during these uncertain times can simply call the Church Office.

Tuesday Night Bible Study goes ZOOM! Join Us!

Weekly Bible Study on Tuesday Evening will continue in an online ZOOM format! We continue with a weekly Bible Study on Tuesday evenings at 6pm. We will meet for an hour for study and prayer. Interested in joining? Contact Scott Morrow at pastorscott@northhavenucc.org)

Ministry Leadership Board Meetings During Summer

The MLB will meet on Tuesday, July 7, at 7pm by ZOOM. It hasn't yet been decided if the MLB will meet in August also.

Church Fundraiser (On-Line Auction)

COVID-19 has caused much disruption and distress, including requiring our church to cancel planned fundraisers included in our 2020 budget. In order to help meet our budget for 2020, we will hold an on-line fundraising auction. This on-line auction will be held without buyers spending time in our building. And there would be minimal effort on our part and we already have the volunteers: Priscilla Bradford, Martha Butterworth, Patience and Martin Benassi. Thank you very much to everyone who has already committed to donating items, making this on-line fundraising auction possible. Items being donated include fur coats, leather coats, antiques, Tiffany champagne flutes, Hummel figurine, Coach handbags, china, power tools and more. The items put up for auction will be photographed and cataloged by an auction manager and posted on-line for

competitive bidding for approximately a week. Winning bidders will be given a specific time frame to pick up their items with only minimal interaction with the auction manager. The auction manager's buyers are from across Connecticut as well as New York and Massachusetts. The auction manager would coordinate and manage the buyer's pick up of items.

Instructions – Dropping Off Items For The Auction

Items for the church fundraising auction should be dropped off at church on Friday, July 3 between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Please wear your face mask and pull your car up to the Carroll Hall entrance in the parking lot. Do not come into the church. This will be a drive-through drop-off. Someone will assist by bringing your items into the church. For any items that would be better coming in via the elevator, pull your car up to the sidewalk leading to the elevator entrance. This will be a drive-through drop-off. Please wear your mask. If possible, attach a note to your item with a description of your item that would be helpful to note in the auction listing and include information, i.e. is it an antique, or brand new or only used once or something special about the item. Please also note any condition issues we should disclose to potential bidders. For items that plug in or have motors, indicate if the item is in working condition. Please feel free to call or text 203-605-8568 with any questions or clarification needed. Additional items that can be donated and brought to church on Friday July 3 between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.: rugs, outside patio furniture, lawn decorations, working lawn mower, home decor, crystal, china sets, 78s with colorful covers, LPs, 45s, old radios, turntables or receivers, cameras, "mid-century modern" items, old corning ware with designs, bar ware, mirror, china tea cups and saucers, unique and funky items, old signs, old comic books, antique toys, games in original boxes that are complete and in good condition, unused new kitchen equipment gifts you may have received, Kitchen Aid mixer, anything name brand, Hummel, Lladro, Dooney&Bourke, Coach, colorful maxi dresses from the 60s-70s, Tiffany, Waterford, Limoge, small furniture items, occasional tables, small bureau or bookcase, chairs, art glass items,

sterling items, interesting bookends or door stops, foreign currency. Items we would NOT be interested in: large furniture items, plastic ware, trinkets, clear drinking glasses, books, clothing, mugs. Any questions, please call 203-605-8568.

Window Deadline! The deadline for the September WINDOW will be Wednesday, August 19. The September WINDOW will be mailed on Wednesday, August 26. Thank you for getting your articles and announcements to Julie early!

An Appeal from the Women's Fellowship

The article in the June Window made it clear that the activities of the Women's Fellowship, which would have generated funds for our budget, have been canceled because of the Covid-19 threat and the uncertainty of circumstances going forward this year. Better to be safe than sorry, I guess, which leads me to the following question: How are we going to support the organizations we have donated to each year as well as give support to our church both in the form of dollars and help with projects that improve the appearance and safety of the building? Expenses for projects from last year and the beginning of this year, which include a new window, an air conditioner for the Koinonia Room, helping to pay for the painting of Carroll Hall, and new furniture for the Church Library, have left our available funds much lower than usual. Knowing there will be no fundraisers for the rest of this year, the WF has donated some items to the On-line Auction from our collection of "Grandma's Attic holdovers" from last year's Fair as a way of helping the church meet its fundraising goal in this year's budget. We have always counted on the income from our fundraisers to make the donations from the Women's Fellowship. This year we are asking you to consider a donation to the Women's Fellowship of what you might have spent at the Fair, or on making a craft or baked item to sell at the Fair. It will not be our typical summer, fall, and winter of activities and socialization this year. We will miss that and will wait for things to "get back to normal" before planning a major

fundraiser. Until they do, we will do what we can to make possible our WF's ability to contribute to our church and to the many organizations we support. If you wish to help with a donation, please make your check out to NHCCWF, write "Women's Fellowship" on the memo line and mail to the Church Office. Thank you!

Carol Mitchell
Treasurer, Women's Fellowship

Men's Fellowship

The men's group held a Zoom Meeting on Saturday, June 6th at 8:00 a.m. with eight gentlemen participating: Mark Bessette, Joe DeLuca, Rev. Scott Morrow, Bryant Munson, Rob Nielsen, Tim Peiffer, Steve Simonson, and John Tibor. Another one will be conducted on June 20th, and we hope even more men will choose to log-in. And breaking with tradition, we will continue to hold virtual get-togethers throughout the summer on the first and third Saturdays of each month, so please mark your calendars now

It's great being able to stay in touch with each other, and we are grateful to Joe D. for using his Yale Zoom Account to keep us connected. I would again ask everyone to please connect to each Zoom Meeting via your computer, laptop, or tablet (rather than phoning in) so that we see as well as hear you.

There was a lot of talk on June 6th regarding holding a "Movie Night" at the church parking lot, but I don't have any firm details on it to report yet. Once they are available, I'm sure that Julie would be more than pleased to post them on the church's new website.

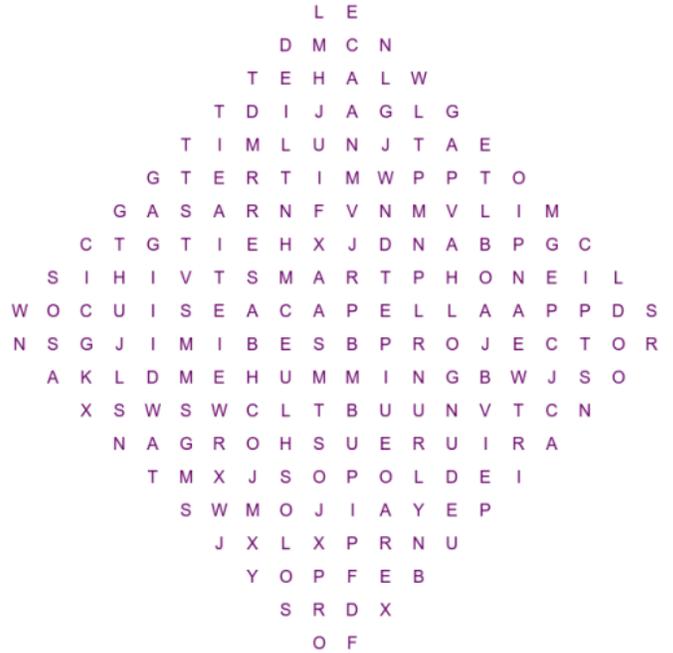
Lastly, I again thank the many men in our church family, be they active members of our men's group or not, who have made monetary donations to support the Food Pantry. Despite very limited pantry hours, the church is giving away more foodstuffs than ever before, so each and every contribution received is greatly appreciated.

Jim Bennett
Secretary, Men's Fellowship



Creative Musical Opportunities

While it is very likely that singing anthems, hymns, and songs of praise will be limited in the months to come, there are other ways to express ourselves creatively and musically while in church. Please enjoy this challenging word search and uncover just a few of these creative musical opportunities!



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.

In Our Prayers This Month are: Heather Purcell, Ona & Sam Gott, Ben & Cole Purcell, Heidi Welch, Mary Cestaro, Tim Peiffer, David Bellonio, Marlene Bellonio, Stefan McKosky, Rose Monaco, Sabrina Selmer, and Linda Shannon.

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| ACAPELLA APP | APPS | BAND |
| CHIME CHOIR | CHIMES | DIGITAL |
| DRUMS | GUITAR | HUMMING |
| LISTENING | MASKS | MEDITATION |
| ORGAN | PIANO | PROJECTOR |
| SCREEN | SMARTPHONE | SOLO |
| VIRTUAL | YOUTUBE | |

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS



We are livestreaming our worship services on Sunday mornings, which allows us to worship together even though we cannot gather in the sanctuary. We continue to celebrate Communion on the first Sunday of the month, encouraging members to participate from home with their own bread and juice, or substitutes.

If you are unable to watch the Church service online, we will be happy to celebrate this Sacrament with you over the telephone. Please call the church office at 203-239-5691 to make an appointment that would be convenient for you.



CARDS & LETTERS

Below are some of our church members who are not always able 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 invite you to send them a card and include them in your prayers.



Marlene Bellonio
Advanced Nursing & Rehab
169 Davenport Ave. Unit S2,
Rm 205a
New Haven, CT 06519

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

Lorraine Morehouse
65 Masonic Ave. Apt. 206
Wallingford, CT 06492



Eleanor Norback
7 Adeline Drive
North Haven, CT 06473



Ellen Robert
520 Pool Rd. Apt. 101
North Haven, CT 06473

Lorraine Burdge
18 Cricket Lane
North Haven, CT 06473



Gloria Santamauro
67 Sackett Point Rd, #401
North Haven, CT 06473



Mary Cestaro
c/o Marilyn Odell
21 Marion Lane
Brewster, MA 02631



Bob & Barbara Scheidecker
59 Grove Road
North Haven, CT 06473

Betsy Gumbart
150 Cook Hill Rd. Unit 7311
Cheshire, CT 06410



Linda Shannon
165 Clintonville Rd, #214,
North Haven, CT 06473



Ellie Harple
176 Pool Road
North Haven, CT 06473



Audrey Tilley
1211 Ashlar Village
Wallingford, CT 06492

Betty Martin
22 Canterbury Rd.
Hamden CT 06514



Jeff Whipple
5124 Avalone Haven Drive
North Haven, CT 06473



The Window

July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10:00 Food Pantry Open 11:00 Staff Mtg (Zoom)	2 7:00 Chancel Choir (Zoom)	3 Office Closed	4 4th of July
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LECTIONARY READINGS

July 5th 2020 (Fifth Sunday after Pentecost):

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 Psalm 45:10-17 or
Song of Solomon 2:8-13; Zech 9:9-12 Psalm 145:8-14
Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

July 12th 2020 (Sixth Sunday after Pentecost):

Genesis 25:19-34 Psalm 119:105-112r
Isaiah 55:10-13 Psalm 65:(1-8), 9-13
Romans 8:1-11 Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 19th 2020 (Seventh Sunday after Pentecost):

Genesis 28:10-19a Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24
Wisdom of Solomon 12:13, 16-19 or Isaiah 44:6-8 and Psalm 86:11-17
Romans 8:12-25 Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 26th 2020 (Eighth Sunday after Pentecost):

Genesis 29:15-28 Psalm 105:1-11, 45b or Psalm 128
1 Kings 3:5-12 Psalm 119:129-136
Romans 8:26-39 Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

August 2nd 2020 (Ninth Sunday after Pentecost):

Genesis 32:22-31 Psalm 17:1-7, 15 or
Isaiah 55:1-5 Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
Romans 9:1-5 Matthew 14:13-21

August 9th 2020 (Tenth Sunday after Pentecost):

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b
1 Kings 19:9-18 Psalm 85:8-13
Romans 10:5-15 Matthew 14:22-33

August 16th 2020 (Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost):

Genesis 45:1-15 Psalm 133
Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 Psalm 67
Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28

August 23rd 2020 (Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost):

Exodus 1:8-2:10 Psalm 124
Isaiah 51:1-6 Psalm 138
Romans 12:1-8 Matthew 16:13-20

August 30th 2020 (Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost):

Exodus 3:1-15 Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b
Jeremiah 15:15-21 Psalm 26:1-8
Romans 12:9-21 Matthew 16:21-28



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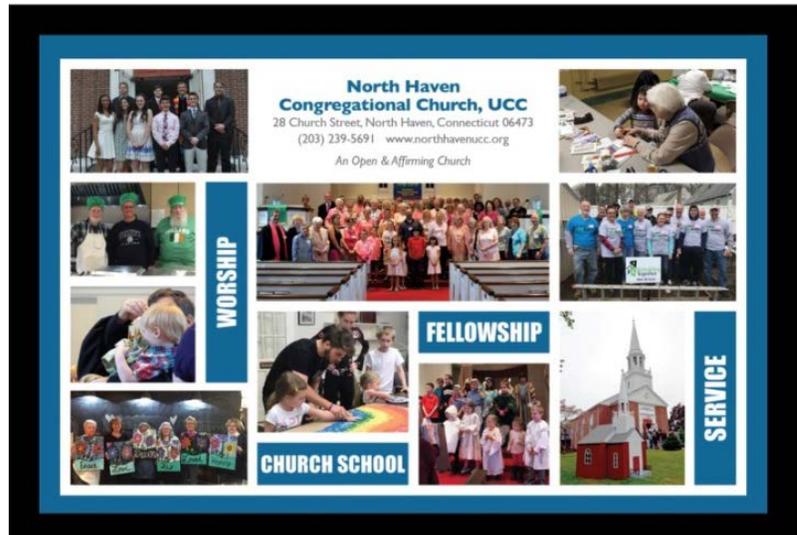
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