

North Haven Congregational Church, UCC

# The Window

February 2023

## **Constant Prayer**



Prayer is surely one of the greatest gifts of the Christian faith. It offers a means of expression of our thankfulness for God's presence and blessings, and our praise for God's power and work in creation. Prayer alsooffers a channel for us to seek God's help and guidance, to open our hearts and souls and acknowledge our sins and our faults and ask God's forgiveness. Through prayer we can be comforted and restored by God's abundant and steadfast love.

Prayer is the foundation of our worship, and a sustaining rhythm in our daily lives. In the concluding verses of his first letter to the Thessalonians, Paul urges the faithful, "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." (1 Thess. 5:16-18)

**Pray without ceasing** – that is a challenge! A wonderful small book, <u>The Practice of the Presence of</u> <u>God</u> by Brother Lawrence, describes the effort of this lay brother to develop a habit of unceasing prayer. Brother Lawrence was a lay brother among the Carmelite religious order in Paris in 1666. He was assigned to work in the kitchen. Brother Lawrence became widely known for his calm and gentle demeanor, his humility and simplicity, and his constant sense of devotion.

Here are a few of Brother Lawrence's suggestions for practicing the presence of God:

- Feel and nourish our souls with high notions of God, which yield great joy in being devoted to God;
- Establish ourselves in a sense of God's presence by continually conversing with God...speaking to God frankly and plainly, imploring God's assistance in our affairs just as they happen.
- The trust we put in God honors God much, and draws down great graces.

The challenge of constant prayer may seem impossible outside the walls of a sheltered monastery. The practice of such simple, focused prayer – even once or twice a day for some minutes, will have a transforming influence! Whether your prayer is focused on the mission and ministry of this church, or on the tasks before you, a regular and steady attitude of prayer will place everything in God's presence and open your efforts to God's grace.

Brother Lawrence was able to say, humbly and simply, "The time of business does not with me differ from the time of prayer, and in the noise and clatter of my kitchen, while several persons are at the same time calling for different things, I possess God in as great tranquility as if I were upon my knees at the blessed sacrament."

That is the promise of constant prayer!

Scott Morrow

# "From Bread and Cup To Faith and Giving"

As we prepare for our church's Annual Meeting on January 29<sup>th</sup>, it is appropriate that we reflect on what has transpired in both our church and personal lives over the past year.

All of us had to continue to make adjustments for COVID to our work and at-home schedules as 2022 began, and we were all soon hit with escalating prices in all areas of consumption thanks to Russia's invasion of Ukraine and overzealous government spending.

Our church was similarly impacted. Having enjoyed some wonderful in-person celebrations in December 2021 (Advent Night, Christmas Pageant, and Christmas Eve Worship), January's increased number of Covid cases in town caused the Re-Opening Mission Team to close up the church to in-person worship and activities for the first seven weeks of 2022. We were able to recommence using the Sanctuary on February 20<sup>th</sup>, but parishioners were required to sign-in and wear masks. Restrictions were gradually eased thereafter, as coffee hours (when hosts stepped forward) started up on March 6<sup>th</sup>, and wearing masks became optional in April.



All of these developments severely restricted the activities of our Mission Teams last year, but of equal significance, many congregants found other things to do on Sunday mornings and haven't come back to church. Not only that, they haven't maintained the level of financial support to the church as in prior years, leaving this year's Ministry Leadership Board with an impossible task as it struggled to develop a workable budget for 2023.

The Generosity Team (Joan Bennett, Priscilla Bradford, Mabel Peterson, and Scott Morrow) worked overtime to inform church members of the financial needs of the church and were completely honest in their several communications regarding where the money received comes from (more than two-thirds of it is pledge-driven) and how it is distributed (more than two-thirds of it is earmarked for staff salaries and benefits).

Nevertheless, their efforts have received a lukewarm reception and response by the congregation, and the results are not good for this year's proposed budget, as the downward trend in pledge monies continues. In 2020, for example, the church experienced a shortfall of nearly \$3,000, with \$227,000 budgeted for pledge receipts and \$224,176 received; in 2021, the shortfall was nearly \$12,000 (\$220,512 budgeted, \$208,781 received; and while 2022 found us nearly meeting our pledge goal (\$207,557 was budgeted and \$207, 054 received, we have received just \$196,000 in pledges for 2023 nearly three months after Stewardship Sunday was celebrated on October 30<sup>th</sup>.

Consequently, the MLB will be presenting a deficit budget at the January 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting for your consideration, as even tapping the Endowment Mission Team for additional funds and increasing the Building Contributions, Fundraising, and Past Due Pledge line items couldn't bring projected income in balance with anticipated expenses, most of which are fixed. At the church's September 17<sup>th</sup> Threshold Event, group discussions focused on three main topics: Mission Teams (what's worked, what hasn't, and what changes do we recommend); COVID-19 (its personal impacts and its effects on our church life); and our church going forward (how do we motivate more people to get involved).

Better communication was the overwhelming answer to query #3. We need to reach out to our congregants and let them know what we need from them (some personal time, their special talents, and their financial gifts). Our September 17<sup>th</sup> Threshold Workshop wrapped up by asking the participants how each of them might share our talents, gifts, and time to meet the needs of the church going forward. The answers given: increase personal asking, maintain personal commitments, go outside your comfort zone, learn new things, pray, and bring a friend to church or to a church activity.

As a committed member of the Ministry Leadership Board, I sincerely ask each 2023 pledging unit to please prayerfully consider increasing your weekly, monthly, or annual gift, and I humbly beseech the more than one hundred potential pledging units who have not yet filled out and returned a 2023 pledge card to please make the decision to do so now. Your church needs you, this year more than ever.

Jim Bennett Church Clerk

#### The Window



The Season of Generosity Mission Team thanks the following members and friends who have pledged their support to the mission of NHCC for 2022 by completing a pledge card.

Join us as we thank God with glad and generous hearts.

Meg Adams Elizabeth Anderson Sue & Rich Baldino Larry & Lori Ballantyne Joyce Bellonio Martin & Patience Benassi Jim & Joan Bennett Mark & Laurel Bessette Cheryl Bogert Priscilla Bradford Elaine Burr Marc & Martha Butterworth Sandy Carter Ed & Mary Ellen Collett Susan Compton Kim & Tom Coughlin George & Flo Coulston AnnMarie & Gary Czajkowski Lisa & Joe DeGrand Carmen & Melissa Deluca Bette & Bob DeMayo Paula Diehl Jim & Leslie Dockendorff Ken & Ann Dubar **Doris** Ferner Carl & Lillian Flodquist Gail Fulop Rich & Jody Gallagher Merrilee & George Gladkosky

Tom & Wendy Glynn Annette Grant Susan Guckert **Betsy Gumbart** Nancy Gutowski Kathy Harple **Eleanor Harple** Vivian & Ed Harris Susan Beth Higgins Carla & Michael Hill Bernie & Elfie Hummel Mary Johnston Robbie & Bruno Juliano Linda Lacobelli Dan Lafleur Suzanne & Nigel Light Nancy & Ken Mahoney Ted & Joyce Manzo John & Rhonda Masnato Barbara & Richard Massey Michelle & Michael McBride Jeanne & Bill Mecca Kathi & Robert Mickolyzck Masako Miller Carol Mitchell Lorraine Morehouse Scott Morrow & Carol Amico Bryant & Sarah Munson Lori & Michael Murphy

Lynne & Rob Nielsen David & Joanne Nottingham William Olmstead Sally & Anthony Pallatto **Tim Peiffer** David & Stephanie Perkins Stephen & Mabel Peterson **Dot Pierce** Paul & Elizabeth Powers Jeanne Reardon Lynn Reardon **Betsey Reid** Jane Romans Heather Rowe **Bob & Barbara Scheidecker** Herb & Ann Schneider Adam & Julie Schweickert Jim & Charlotte Shea Linda & George Silk Stephen & Linda Simonson Anthony & Cheryl Solecki Kerry & Eben Stewart Peter & Victoria Struk John & Sue Tibor Audry Tilley **Doris Vigliotto** Tracy & David Weiss Cathy Welch as of 1/23/2023



# Ministry Coordinator for Children

# February Church School Calendar

- **February 8<sup>th</sup>** Communion Sunday; children begin in Chapel, then to Church school, then to worship for Communion.
- **February 12<sup>th</sup>** Regular Sunday; *Noisy Offering* collection; children begin in worship, then to Church school.
- **February 19<sup>th</sup>** *Family Sunday* (no Church school). Children remain in worship with their families.
- **February 26<sup>th</sup>** Regular Sunday; *Noisy Offering* collection; children begin in worship, then to Church school.

*NOISY OFFERING* will resume during worship, beginning February 12. As pre-Covid, the Noisy offering will be collected by the children during worship on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays (unless otherwise noted) of each month.

## CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Our Christmas pageant for 2022 was presented on Christmas Eve at the 4:30 Family Service. The pageant, entitled MARY'S SONG, was narrated by the older children of our Church school and included children between the ages of 18 months through and 14 years old.

Although the script strayed slightly from the traditional Christmas pageant, it was based on the first Christmas story from Luke. Based on the faces of the congregation and the many comments afterwards, all enjoyed it tremendously.

It appeared that all participants, too, enjoyed the experience and will have many fond memories for years to come.

Thanks to all who helped make this year's Christmas Pageant a success. From the numerous members of our church family who took time away from a busy December morning to help set up the stable and manger, and the animals; to those who helped distribute costumes. And of course, thanks to the parents for taking time out from their busy schedules so their children could participate.



Thank you all for your support of North Haven Congregational Church School!





#### SAVE the DATES.....

Easter Sunday/Easter Egg Hunt: April 9, 2023 immediately after worship Youth Sunday worship: May 21, 2023

Karlee Etter Ministry Coordinator for Children

# **Church Family News**



**Birthdays** Sophie Grant 02/04, 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 a Peiffer 02/13, Richard

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, Laura Miller 02/20, Kathleen Mickolyzck 02/21, Jesse Morrow 02/22, Amy Morrow 02/22, Sean Carter 02/22, Eben Stewart 02/23, Florence Klemenz 02/24, Doris Vigliotto 02/27, Mark Butterworth 02/28.

Anniversaries: Linda & Willliam Tosetti 02/14.

## Deaths:

#### The Rev. Dr. Thomas Stiers, 1938-2023

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Stiers died on January 10. Rev. Stiers served as the twenty-second pastor of the North Haven Congregational Church from 1967 to 1973. A memorial service was held in Boulder, CO, where Tom was living, on January 16. A recording of the service can be viewed at <u>https://youtu.be/kfj4qswGmLU</u>. There will be a memorial service at the First Congregational Church of Greenwich on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 11am. Rev. Stiers' obituary can be found at

https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/greenwichtime/n ame/thomas-stiers-obituary?id=38651806 Tom's daughter Gretchen, sent us this note:

The Reverend Dr. Thomas Lowell Stiers, 84, of Boulder, CO, died peacefully at home on Tuesday, January 10th in Boulder, CO, surrounded by his family. Tom's wife Brenda sadly passed away in 2013. Tom's second Wife Judy Schilling lives in Boulder. Condolences can be sent to the family at Stiers@icloud.com.

We give thanks for the precious life and distinguished ministry of the Rev. Dr. Thomas Stiers, and we ask God's comfort and strength for all of his family.

#### The Rev. Dr. Richard C. Diehl, 1935-23

The Rev. Dr. Richard C, Diehl, 87, formerly of Wallingford, died on January 13. Rev. Diehl served as the twenty-third pastor of the North Haven Congregational Church from 1974-1984. Dick was a graduate of Heidelberg College, Andover-Newton Theological School, and Hartford Seminary. A highlight of his ministry in North Haven was his work with the youth in the church. Rev. Diehl's obituary can be viewed at

https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/richarddiehl-obituary?id=38664985.

All services will be private and at the convenience of the family.

**Confirmation Class** The Confirmation Class will meet on Sundays February 5 and 12. We will shift to a later meeting time. Please watch your email!



**OASIS Youth Group News** 

The OASIS Multi-church Youth Group meets weekly and we encourage NHCC youth 7<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>

grade to join the fun! The Youth Ministry Coordinator is Emily McKenna (youth@SpringGlenChurch.org)

#### Please watch your email for program

**announcements!** If you would like more information contact Scott Morrow.

Here is the schedule for February: All February meetings at **Spring Glen United Church of Christ** unless otherwise noted. **Sun. Feb. 5** – Werewolf Marathon – 12-2pm **Sun. Feb 12** – Escape Room – 4-6pm **Sun. Feb 19** – Lent Kick-off Party – 4-6pm **Sun. Feb 26** – Storytelling – 4-6pm

## Are You New to the Church? Hold these dates!

A series of three gatherings for newcomers to our church will be held on two Sundays in February: on **Feb 5th and 12th from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m**. in the Library. These occasions, hosted by the Worship Team, will offer an opportunity to learn about ways to get connected in the church, as well as to meet some of the members. All who are interested in joining, or simply in learning more about the church, are invited. If you have any questions, please speak with Scott Morrow. Mark the dates on the calendar; more information will be forthcoming!

## Joining the Church

If you are interested in becoming a member of North Haven Congregational Church, we would like to invite you to do so on Sunday, March 5. We welcome new members during our regular worship service, and then receive Communion together. If you would like to join the church, or have any questions, please speak with Scott Morrow.

## Worship is In-Person and Online

In January and early February 2022, we moved to online worship only due to a spike in COVID cases. Now, in 2023, there is a spike in COVID cases again. This year we have continued with in-person worship. For the most part, people who get COVID are not having dangerous symptoms. We are glad to continue our in-person worship services and masks are optional. We are enjoying Coffee Hour following worship, and we encourage volunteers to sign up to host. We will continue to livestream the worship service through the church website for those who cannot attend in-person by choice or circumstance.

If you are not feeling well or you have had a COVID exposure, consider staying at home. Please wear a mask if you must come into the church.

# **Mission Team News**

# Jazz Concert: February 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

February 11, 2023! The Concerts return! The February Concert will feature the super-talented North Haven High School and North Haven Middle School Jazz Ensembles. This concert and reception will be the first of a new line up of performances by local groups.

Tickets will be available for purchase online through the church website, through the church office, and at the door. We appreciate your support and welcome guests from the community. Save the date –February 11, and the time, 7:00pm. The concert will be followed by a reception. Join us for an evening of music. For more information call the church office 203 239-5691, Concert Tickets: \$10.00, Students \$5.00, children under 12 free.

Since this great event is also a benefit concert for the High School musicians' travel fund, we will also accept online donations toward this cause. You can give securely at this link:

https://northhavenucc.org/online-giving/ choose "Benefit Concert" from the drop down list.

Such a donation is quite appreciated from supporters who may be far away and want to watch the concert via YouTube Livestream.

To view the concert via livestream, you can either follow the regular Sunday morning link from the NorthHavenUCC.org website or check: <u>https://www.youtube.com/@northhavencongregational</u> <u>ch7775</u> and we will be doing our best to stream high quality video and audio from the sanctuary that night!

Thank you all for your support of this North Haven musical COMMUNITY event at church!

## The Bond of Love

I give you a new commandment...love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. John 13:34

This past year with only 10-12 participating members, the NHCC choir is strong in both music and fellowship. Choir members are some of the greatest and most dedicated people in any church, often serving in multiple committees, mission teams, and in various forms of outreach.

We miss the voices of those who are unable to be with us at this time, but we carry on, making music to the Glory of God, on behalf of the congregation of North Haven Congregational Church.

> We are one in the bond of love, We are one in the bond of love; We have joined our spirit with the spirit of God, We are one in the bond of Love.

Text: Otis Skillings (1935-2004) © 1971, Lillenas Publishing Company Gift of music offered on Sunday, January 29, 2023 Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany Annual Meeting of North Haven Congregational Church

Jeffrey Hutchins, Director of Music



## **Clothing Bin at NHCC**

Bring you gently used clothing and shoes. We now have a clothing bin at the exit by Linsley Street. The think inside the BOX clothing bin program offers an easy way for NHCC to receive a residual income while promoting recycling and

diverting textiles from the landfill to someone less fortunate. The Box accepts: Clothing, Shoes (& Sneakers), Handbags, Linens, Belts, & Accessories. This box will provide residual income for the church at \$75 per month.

The bin is fully insured and will be emptied a minimum of two times per week to ensure proper cleanliness.

# Update From The Organist Search

**Committee** Gail DeBoer has continued her wonderful accompaniment as our substitute organist in January. Heather Meachen returned on January 22. The Committee has completed a ZOOM interview with a new candidate on January 20, and is scheduling an inperson audition. Scheduling is under way for an interview with another candidate as well. The Search Team efforts have paused during the holidays. Work will resume in January. Cathy Welch is the chairperson of the Search Committee, and other members include Martin Benassi, Carol Mitchell, Barbara Massey, and Carla Hill. Jeff Hutchins and Scott Morrow assist the group.

# Donate Food Items On Sunday With The

**Offering** We gladly receive donations of nonperishable food items on Sunday mornings. Please bring canned soup or vegetables, juice or shelf-stable milk, tuna fish or canned chicken, tea, coffee, peanut butter or jelly and place them in the basket in the Narthex. We will bring your contributions forward as a generous part of our offering on Sunday morning. Thank you!

## Assistance with Snow Removal<u>:</u> ATTENTION TEENAGERS AND ADULTS!!

We haven't needed to clear any snow yet – but it's only February! The Board of Building & Grounds asks your help with clearing snow from the entranceways to the church. This is a 7-day per week need in our current situation. Julie and Scott need dependable access to the office during the week 8am – 2:30pm. Food Pantry clients come on Wednesdays and Fridays, community groups use our building on most weekdays, and our worship service is on Sunday. The sidewalks and exits need to be clear for the building to be open. Todd Swarney, the Church Sexton, has limited availability to help with snow removal. Cleaning and room set-up and take-down are his primary responsibilities.

We would like to set up a "call-out list" of people who are willing to clear snow (up to 6") from the sidewalks and stairwells at the church. The church has a snowblower and an electric shovel which are available for use. The Church will pay for this service. If you would like to be on the Snow Removal Call-Out List, please contact Julie in the Church Office.



## Weekly Bible Study ZOOM on Tuesday

**Evening.** The weekly Bible Study gathers on Tuesday evening at 6pm on ZOOM. Have you met Hosea? We will begin our reading journey through the minor prophets. If you would like to visit, tell Scott or Julie you're interested and we'll send you the ZOOM link!

## **Scout Sunday In February**

We will observe celebrate the Scouting program for boys and girls on **Sunday**, **February 12**. 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 Service

Ash Wednesday falls on February 22 this year. There will be a service at 7pm on Ash Wednesday. We will share more information as our planning comes together.

**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 (<u>www.northhavenucc.org</u>), 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.

# Planning is underway for 2023 Summer Conferences at Silver Lake

The Staff and Board of Directors at Silver Lake Conference Center expect to release information about 2023 summer camp programs soon. Rev. David Camphouse has been hired as the new Director of Silver Lake Conference and Retreat Center. Learn more about Rev. Camphouse and explore options for summer employment or volunteering at the website www.silverlakect.org, or talk with Karlee Etter or Scott Morrow.

# Women's Fellowship

In the January Window article, it was stated that the Women's Fellowship would be hosting some activities in the New Year and "to be on the lookout for announcements." In addition to remembering our homebound members with Valentine Cards this month, some thinking and planning has been done by the Women's Fellowship Executive Board (Kathy Harple, Nancy Mahoney, Cheryl Bogert, and Carol Mitchell) to put a schedule of events together for the winter and spring. We are pleased to announce that on Saturday, February 11, we will host the Meet & Greet Reception after the first concert to be held since 2020. If you would like to help with this event, consider baking cookies, brownies, or bars for the refreshments. The Jazz performers will be middle and high school students. If you can help set up before the reception, serve, or clean up after, your help will be appreciated. Please let a member of the Executive Board know how you will help. One month later, it is our plan to have a St. Patrick's Dinner on Saturday, March 11. Again we will be asking for help. We will need cooks, servers, and set-up and clean-up crews. This has always been a fun and well-attended evening. This year we plan to offer take-out meals and a limited number of reservations for dinner in Carroll Hall. The Pandemic has changed the way we do some things, but it hasn't stopped us! Both of these activities are fundraisers, and we encourage our congregation, friends, and members of the community to attend. A "Words on Wood" craft night in April and a Military Whist in May are being planned. Dates and details will be available soon. If you would like to be more involved in the Women's Fellowship, we welcome you!

The Executive Board

## **PASTORAL VISITS IN HOSPITAL**

Hospitals and nursing facilities may be limiting the number of daily visits. Please contact Julie or Scott if you anticipate a trip to the hospital or unexpectedly find yourself hospitalized, so that Scott can respond.

## **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:** Merrilee & George Gladkosky, Linda Rankin, Linda Shannon, Marcia Foulds, Marlene Bellonio, Shirley Ryan, Joyce Bellonio, & Ellen Robert.

#### **HOMEBOUND MEMBERS**

We are livestreaming our worship services on Sunday mornings. We continue to celebrate Communion on the first Sunday of the month, encouraging those at home to participate with their own bread and juice.

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

## Save The Date

- Sundays Feb 5 and 12 Newcomer discussions Church Library, 11 am
- Sunday, Mar 5 Welcoming New Members, during Sunday Worship
- Saturday, May 20 Memorial Service for Rev. Dr. Thomas Stiers, First Congregational Church of Greenwich, 11am.

**WINDOW DEADLINE!** The deadline for the March WINDOW will be Wednesday, February 15. The March WINDOW will be mailed on Wednesday, February 22. Thank you for getting your articles and announcements to Julie promptly.

**<u>Students wanted</u>**: beginner flute or piano players or just learn how to read music.

Cleveland Institute of Music flute performance major to offer beginner flute lessons by virtual learning mode. Learning how to read music is also offered. Lessons are conducted via zoom and are 30 -45 minutes in length.

\$20 per lesson. Contact Joshua H. Peiffer at joshuahyuk213@att.net to book your lessons.

# 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.

#### Meg Adams

67 Sackett Point Rd., Apt. 408 North Haven, CT 06473





#### **Marlene Bellonio**

West Haven Center For Nursing & Rehab 310 Terrace Ave, W146D West Haven CT 06516

Merrilee & George Gladkosky 145 N. Ridgeland Road Wallingford CT 06492





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

**Ellie Harple** 176 Pool Road North Haven, CT 06473



**Phyliss & Walter Kaercher** 5 Tennyson Ave. North Haven, CT 06473



**Betty Martin** 22 Canterbury Rd. Hamden CT 06514

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





Linda Rankin 22 Masonic Ave, Room 502a Wallingford, CT 06492

**Ellen Robert** The Golden Hill Rehab Pavilion 2028 Bridgeport Ave., Room 202 Milford, CT 06460





**Shirley Ryan** 5 Shepard Hill Road Hamden CT 06514

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





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

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





Audrey Tilley 1211 Ashlar Village Wallingford, CT 06492

**Jeff Whipple** 5124 Avalone Haven Drive North Haven, CT 0647



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			6:00pm Girl Scout 60071(K)	7:00 CHANCEL CHOIR		
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TBD CONFIRMATION	5:30pm Country Line Dancing (CH)	3:30 United Girls Choir (CH, DBL, S)		7:00 CHANCEL CHOIR	7:00pm Danish Brotherhood (K)	7:00pm NHHS & NHMS Jazz Ensembles
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Storytelling (SGC)		12:30pm PLP (Library)				
		1:00 Danish Sisterhood (K)				

3:30 United Girls Choir (CH, DBL, S)

6:00 Bible Study (Zoom)

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#### LECTIONARY READINGS

 February 5<sup>th</sup>
 (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 12th(Sixth Sunday after Epiphany)Deuteronomy 30:15-20 or Sirach 15:15-20Psalm 119:1-81 Corinthians 3:1-9Matthew 5:21-37

**February 19<sup>th</sup> (Transfiguration Sunday)** Exodus 24:12-18 2 Peter 1:16-21

**February 22<sup>nd</sup> (Ash Wednesday)** Joel 2:1-2, 12-17 or Isaiah 58:1-12 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10

**February 5<sup>th</sup> (First Sunday in Lent)** Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7 Romans 5:12-19 Psalm 2 or Psalm 99 Matthew 17:1-9

Psalm 51:1-17 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

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