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Congregational Church
United Church of Christ



Proverbs 31:25-26 She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.

North Haven, Connecticut
An Open & Affirming Congregation

**NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Sunday, May 12, 2024

9:30 a.m.

**Seventh Sunday of Easter
The Sacrament of Baptism
The Noisy Offering**

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: *Benedicimus Te* Nicolas le Begue

***OPENING HYMN:** “Arise, Your Light Is Come” V79

***CHORAL INTROIT:** “In the Garden” C. Austin Miles (1913)
Sung by the Basses & Tenors of the Chancel Choir

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Praise God, who has raised Jesus Christ to reveal new life.

PEOPLE: Praise God, who sends the Spirit to empower the church.

Leader: Praise God with trumpet sound,
praise God with flute and harp.

**PEOPLE: Praise God with tambourine and dance;
praise God with strings and pipes!**

ALL: Let everything that breathes sing praise.**

Ruth C. Duck

***LIGHTING THE CANDLE OF PEACE ~unison**

This is our prayer, O God; May our love flow outward
through the universe to its height and its depth.

A limitless love, without hatred or boundaries.

And as we stand or walk, sit or lie down...

As long as we are awake, let us strive for this love with one mind

And bring heaven to earth.## Amen

***THE GLORIA PATRI**

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:~unison

Great and loving God, we who come to worship are also persons who sometimes feel that you have abandoned us or left us to fend for ourselves. Although we rely upon your ever-presence, we suspect your absence. Encourage us, O God, when we doubt your promise to be with us always.

In our worship, grant us the gifts of discernment and hope. Enable us to recognize your workings in the commonplace and the everyday. Open us to faith and help us to perceive not only what is, but also what, by your grace, might be.

We offer this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ.** Amen.

Glen E. Rainsley

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*trespasses*)

Choral Amen

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE BAPTISM OF JAYDEN KENNETH DUBAR

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THE NOISY OFFERING

Karlee Etter

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 17:6-19

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“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

HERE ENDS THE READING. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

* **HYMN:** “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

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THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 24:44-53 Page 1235

Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised, so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

HERE ENDS THE READING. **THANKS BE TO GOD.**

GIFT OF MUSIC: “Christ, Be Our Light”

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Words & Music by Bernadette Farrell

Sung by the Chancel Choir & congregation

Please see insert in bulletin.

SERMON: “Protected, Sanctified, and *Powerful?*”

Scott Morrow

PASTORAL CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Choral Response

THE OFFERTORY

*Doxology

Tune: Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God above ye heavenly hosts

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

GREETING OF PEACE ~unison

May the peace of God in Jesus Christ be with you always!

***CLOSING HYMN:** “All Praise to Thee”

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***THE BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: Ab Major *Allegretto*

G. Vogt

arr. Carlo Rossini

*Those who are able, please stand.

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Deacon is Carol Amico. **Scripture Reader** is Cathy Welch. **Greeter** is Beth Anderson.

Today's flowers are given by Carol Mitchell. The flowers today are given in celebration of Mother's Day, May birthdays of family and friends, College graduations, and my granddaughter Riley who will graduate from High School in Tennessee on May 24th.

Today's flowers are also in celebration of Karlee Etter's first grandson, Alexander Wyatt Speaker, born last Sunday, May 5. Alexander's parents are Brianna Etter-Speaker and Dennis Speaker. Joyfully, Alexander shares the same birthdate with his Great Grandmother, Dorothy Turner.



In Our Prayers This Week are: Ellie Harple, Linda Rankin, Linda Shannon, Marlene Bellonio, Shirley Ryan, Joyce Bellonio, Meg Adams, David Gould, and Sarah.

Quote of the day: *Lynn spent the entire ride home from church inspecting the bottom of her shoe. She finally put it back on and told her mom, "I know why Reverend Ron told us to do some sole searching. I found gum, tape, and a bug on mine!"*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Sunday School

This year Summer Sunday school is scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month during July and August.

July 14 & 28

August 11 and 25

Priscilla Noriega has graciously agreed to coordinate the program. If you would like to learn more about the program or volunteer to help, please contact Karlee.

Mission Team Spotlight

This week's mission team spotlight is the Worship Team, focusing on Deacons and the Camera operators. The Deacons are Nancy Mahoney, Kathy Harple, Peter Hall, Joan Bennett, Jim Bennett, Carol Amico, Tim Peiffer, Dot Pierce, Doris Ferner, Cathy Welch, Larry Ballantyne, Sandy Carter and Abigail Klutse.

The Camera Operators are: Joan Bennett, Damon Quinn, and Jeff Hutchins

The Deacons facilitate Worship for all and assist Pastor Scott. The camera operators ensure those who are unable to join us for worship in our sanctuary, operate the camera for on-line viewing.

Deacons see to many details including setting up the communion table, preparing communion, lighting candles, making the bulletins available, unlocking and locking the sanctuary, turning on and off lights, clean up after worship and participate in the liturgy. They also assist Pastor Scott with weddings, memorial services and baptisms. They plan for special services, for example Christmas Eve with setting up special candelabras and set up the advent wreath. They see to many details and help in planning services, and reviewing requests received for baptisms.

Other Worship Team members are the Readers who read the scripture lessons during worship. Readers include all the Deacons as well as Sue Compton and Heather Mastracchio.

And there are Worship Greeters: Beth Anderson, Joan Bennett, Cheryl Bogert, Patience Benassi.

They greet worship attendees, provide the bulletins, facilitate the use of name badges as well as assist with the Sunday morning offertory.

Church Staff: All the Members, Ministers to the World

The Reverend Scott G. Morrow, Senior Pastor
Karlee Etter, Ministry Coordinator for Children
Jeffrey Hutchins, Director of Music
Heather Meachen, Organist
Julie Schweickert, Office Manager
Dave Nelson, Sexton

**THE SACRAMENT
OF
CHRISTIAN BAPTISM**

May 12, 2024

Jayden Kenneth Dubar



**THE NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
United Church of Christ
28 Church Street
North Haven, Connecticut 06473**

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The Reverend Scott G. Morrow, Minister

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptism is a moment in the Christian community when we recognize the grace of God living in each newborn creation.

INTRODUCTION

Minister: People were bringing little children to Jesus that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. But when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them:

PEOPLE: “LET THE LITTLE CHILDREN COME TO ME, DO NOT STOP THEM; FOR IT IS TO SUCH AS THESE THAT THE KINGDOM OF GOD BELONGS. TRULY, I TELL YOU, WHOEVER DOES NOT RECEIVE THE KINGDOM OF GOD LIKE A LITTLE CHILD WILL NEVER ENTER IT.”

Minister: And Jesus took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

PEOPLE: JESUS SAID; “UNLESS WE ARE BORN ANEW, WE CANNOT SEE THE KINGDOM OF GOD; UNLESS WE ARE BORN OF WATER AND THE SPIRIT, WE CANNOT ENTER GOD'S NEW ORDER”.

PRAYER AND BLESSING

QUESTIONS TO THE PARENTS AND SPONSOR

***QUESTION TO THE CONGREGATION**

(The Congregation will please stand)

Deacon: Jesus Christ calls us to make disciples of all nations and to offer them the gift of grace in baptism. Do you, gathered as family and friends, receive this child, Jayden Kenneth Dubar, into the Christian family of faith, giving thanks for his life? Will you offer heartfelt prayers that this family will convey him from the love of this congregation to a Christian congregation in their own community, where he may be loved and nurtured in the way of Christ? If so, please respond, "We do."

PEOPLE: WE DO.

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BAPTISM

NAMING OF THE CHILD AND THE BAPTISM

PRAYER OF PRAISE FOR THE BAPTIZED

BENEDICTION: (Unison) ... JAYDEN KENNETH DUBAR, MAY THE LORD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU. MAY THE LORD'S FACE SHINE UPON YOU AND BE GRACIOUS UNTO YOU. MAY THE LORD'S COUNTENANCE BE LIFTED UP UPON YOU AND GIVE YOU PEACE.

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We celebrate the baptism of:

Jayden Kenneth Dubar

Born: May 3, 2023

Parents:

Jason and Royette Dubar

Sponsor:

Karllen Lawrence

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Sunday	5/12	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP – (In-Person/Live Stream)
Monday	5/13	9:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m.	Music Together (DBL) FOOD PANTRY OPEN
Tuesday	5/14	9:30 a.m. 9:30 10:30 12:00 p.m. 12:00 3:30 6:00 7:30	Al-Anon (K) Music Together (DBL) Music Together (DBL) PLP (L) BUILDING & GROUNDS (H) United Girls Choir (CH, DBL, S) Bible Study (Zoom) Nutmeg Treasure Hunters (CH)
Wednesday	5/15	9:30 a.m. 10:00 5:15 p.m. 6:00 7:00	Music Together (DBL) FOOD PANTRY OPEN PASTORAL RELATIONS (Zoom) Girl Scout Troop 60071 (K) MLB (L)
Thursday	5/16	4:30 p.m. 5:00 7:00	Music Together: Ukulele 1 (DBL) Pierpont Hill (CH) CHANCEL CHOIR
Friday	5/17	9:30 a.m. 10:00 10:30 7:00 p.m.	Music Together (DBL) FOOD PANTRY OPEN Music Together (DBL) Al-Ateen (CH)
Saturday	5/18	7:30 a.m. 7:30 9:00 9:30 10:30 3:45 p.m. 4:00	CRAFT/TAG SALE SET-UP MENS BREAKFAST CRAFT/TAG SALE (LAWN, CH) Music Together (DBL) Music Together (DBL) Food Delivery WEDDING (SANCTUARY)
Sunday	5/19	9:30 a.m.	WORSHIP – (In-Person/Live Stream)

*Small print indicates non-Church function

Bold print starts new day.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Andrew Butterworth 05/13, Jack Corcoran 05/15, Drew Mastracchio 05/16, Todd Shea 05/17.

Descant

4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun-tains burst in song! Rise up! Rise

A D (A) D A E B7 E

1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey; show
 2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door; pro -
 3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born, bind
 4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun-tains burst in song! Rise

up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

A (E) D (A) Bm B7 E (A) D (A) Esus4 E7 A

forth the glo - ry of your God, which shines on you to - day.
 claim the cap - tive's lib - er - ty, good tid - ings to the poor.
 up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
 up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

MISSION

Our church's mission is to bind ourselves with Jesus Christ in:

- Worship together;
- Nurture of Christian discipleship; and
- Compassionate service to our community and beyond.

VISION

We are a hub for the larger community as a church of action:

- Conducting regular, robust worship in a responsible and relevant way in an ever changing and challenging world;
- Welcoming all people from different and diverse backgrounds to become a community of disciples together; and
- Involved in purposeful action and activities through the structure of self-directed Mission Teams.

VALUES

We:

- Pray together, encourage each other, and trust one another;
- Take personal responsibility for fellowship and our community; and
- Celebrate with honored traditions.

* HYMN: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

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1 All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels
 2 O seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race now ran - somed
 ♦ 3 Crown him, you mar - tyrs of your God, who from his
 4 Let ev - ery tongue and ev - ery tribe, re - spon - sive
 5 O that, with all the sa - cred throng, we at his

pros - trate fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem,
 from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace
 ♦ al - tar call; praise him whose way of pain you trod,
 to the call, to him all maj - es - ty as - cribe
 feet may fall, join in the ev - er - last - ing song,

Refrain

and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him Lord of all.

GIFT OF MUSIC: "Christ, Be Our Light"

insert



1. Long-ing for light, — we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
2. Long-ing for peace, — our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
3. Long-ing for food, — man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
4. Long-ing for shel-ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
5. Man - y the gifts, — man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



1. truth, — we turn to you. Make us your own, —
2. hope, — man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone —
3. wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread, —
4. warmth, — man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
5. hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



1. your ho - ly peo-ple, light for the world to see.
2. has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
3. bro - ken for oth-ers, shared un - til all are fed.
4. shel - ter - ing oth-ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
5. to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.

Refrain



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark-ness.



Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.

*CLOSING HYMN: "All Praise to Thee"

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Unison

1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine,
2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought;
♦ 3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou
5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord

didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine,
by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought,
♦ who wast a ser - vant that we might be free,
art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now,
in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord;

that in our trou - bled hearts thy grace might shine:
and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought:
♦ — hum - bling thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry:
and given the name to which all knees shall bow:
and God e - ter - nal be by all a - dored:

hal - le - lu - jah; hal - le - lu - jah!



North Haven Congregational Church

SPRING

Tag Sale

HOSTED BY THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Date: May 18th

Time: 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Set up: 7:30 am

Location: North Haven Congregational Church

28 Church St North

Haven, CT 06473 | 203-239-5691



SPACES AVAILABLE:

OUTSIDE ON THE CHURCH LAWN

\$30.00 (BRING YOUR OWN TABLE AND CHAIR)

INSIDE THE CHURCH

\$35.00 (TABLE AND CHAIR PROVIDED)

CALLING ALL VENDORS:

- COMMUNITY VENDORS WELCOME
- CHURCH MEMBERS CAN RESERVE SPACES TOO

DONATE & SELL:

THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP WILL HAVE A TABLE AND WELCOMES DONATIONS OF ITEMS TO SELL

LUNCH SPECIAL:

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP WILL COOK UP DELICIOUS HAMBURGERS & HOT DOGS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

ALL PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT:

- LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS
- CHURCH PROJECTS AND BUDGET

LET'S MAKE THIS YEAR'S TAG SALE THE BEST ONE YET!

FOR INQUIRIES AND RESERVATIONS, CONTACT CHURCH OFFICE (203) 239-5691



COME SHOP WITH US



Vendors Scheduled to Participate: Pampered Chef, Home Décor, Hand crafts