



*North Haven Congregational Church, UCC*

# The Window

July/August 2024

*FROM THE*  
*PASTOR* 

## Summer Fun

Summer brings the opportunity for special activities. Camping trips, canoeing or kayaking, and water-skiing are activities I enjoyed growing up with my family. One of my favorite summer activities was sailing. Our family kept a small boat – a 22-foot Flying Scot – on a trailer at a sailing center on the shore of Galveston Bay. My parents enjoyed sailing together in college, and they wanted our family to sail together. My brother and I had done some sailing at summer camp, and we all took a short introductory course offered by the Coast Guard Auxilliary. We developed a family routine of loading the car with a picnic lunch and drinks along with the sailbags and rigging. We'd drive to the sailing center on Saturday morning and wash down the boat and rig her up. We'd launch the boat and walk out the long gangway to raise the sails and set off. The sailing center held races, and we became a good crew – watching the water, trimming the sails, and leaning out over the edge to keep the boat more level in a strong breeze. It was wonderful to be out on



the water in the breeze and the spray, watching the fish jump and the birds dive. After the races and the picnic lunch, there was the work of stowing the sails and the gear and washing the boat down. There was usually time for a swim in the afternoon. Whatever special memories the summer brings for you –or whatever memories you set out to make - I wish you a joyous, relaxing, and adventurous summer!

Scott Morrow

## “The Church Never Sleeps”

As you are reading this, some of you are busy making summer vacation plans, booking cruises or airline flights, or maybe reserving a little quiet time at a favorite hideaway removed from your day to day routines.

At the church, however, Scott, and Julie, and Dave have their usual tasks to perform. Sermons must be written and pastoral visits scheduled; weekly bulletins must be put together, monthly newsletter collated, and phone calls answered or properly directed; and our church's Sanctuary, Carroll Hall, kitchen, and many other rooms must be regularly cleaned. The church never sleeps.

And with these assigned tasks come the required compensation, while other costs associated with running any property continue (electric, water, insurance, office expenses, grounds maintenance, repairs, etc.). So even if you plan to take the summer off from regular, in-person Sunday worship, please recognize the importance of maintaining your regular pledge payments. The church never sleeps.

On another subject, I became involved in the Food Pantry Council (the body which coordinates the holiday food drives and oversees the day-to-day operations of the food pantry) last fall and have been very impressed by the dedication of these volunteers, who represent many of North Haven's churches. The subject was raised at a recent meeting that whereas the Community Services Food Bank has regular articles published in the local papers concerning specific items it is in need of, our food pantry has been remiss in this regard. We are determined to correct that situation.

Additionally, for as long as I can remember, we encouraged church members to bring in non-perishable foodstuffs on the first Sunday of every month, with filled baskets brought to the front of the Sanctuary during the offering. We seem to have gotten away

from that tradition. What I would like to propose is that members of the Food Pantry Council from this church promote to the congregation the weekly donation of several specific items in the monthly Window that are in particular need. For example, they could ask congregants to bring in mayonnaise and peanut butter in July, and to donate pasta and soups in August. Just an idea, but I hope we'll try it.

2024 has the potential to be a very good one for North Haven Congregational Church. We have a wonderful staff in place, complemented by a committed and talented choir and a small but dedicated core of church members willing to perform the necessary weekly worship tasks and significant mission team responsibilities.

What will make 2024 an even better one will be YOUR personal involvement in church affairs going forward, be it as a Deacon, a Greeter, a Coffee Hour Host, or a Mission Team Member (you pick your interest). As you enjoy your summers, please pledge to return to NHCC in September committed to becoming more involved in the activities of the church. In the interim, please keep your pledges current. Thank you.

Jim Bennett  
MLB Member and Clerk of the Church

### Ministry Coordinator for Children **Family Sunday's during July and August**

During the months of July and August, the first and third Sundays will be a Family Sunday. There will be lectionary-based Children's Worship Bulletins (or leaflets) available for use by the children during each worship service. The worship bulletins utilize child-friendly language to provide engaging activities, such as puzzles, games, coloring, and word searches which encourage the children's active listening during worship. Each bulletin reinforces the day's scripture and/or church seasons.

Each week's scripture are as follows:

- 7/07 - Mark 6: 1-13; Jesus Sends the Twelve
- 7/21 - Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56; Jesus Heals the Crowds
- 8/4 - John 6: 24-35; Bread of Life
- 8/18 - Ephesians 5:15-20; Make Melody to the Lord

This year, **Summer Sunday School** days are scheduled for July 14 & 28; and August 11 & 25; the

second and fourth Sundays of each month. The focus this year will be one hero, and four heroines of the Bible: Miriam and Moses (July 14); Esther (July 28); Dorcas (August 11); and Lydia (August 25). Miriam and Moses', and Esther's stories are found in the Old Testament; Dorcas' and Lydia's stories are found in the New Testament. Each lesson about the day's hero or heroine will include various activities such as handcrafts, songs, rhymes, or a skits. Priscilla Noreiga, Sara Gannon and Jackie Jennings will team-up to teach Church school. THANK YOU to all three for providing a fun and enriching Summer Church School program for our children.

### **Summer Bible Reading Bingo**

This summer, each family has been given a Summer Bible Reading Bingo packet to provide some quiet, but valuable family time while motivating the children to read their Bibles during the summer and stay connected with God. It proves to be a fun, valuable resource to help the children learn how to use their Bibles, learn more Bible stories, learn more about God, and help with their reading skills.

Each family packet includes Summer Bible Reading Bingo cards for selected stories found in both the Old and New Testament, for either preschool (Ages 4/5) and/or elementary (K-7th grade), depending on the age of the children in each family. Each age-level packet includes a total of 24 Bible stories for each part of the Bible (for a total of 48 stories). The children may read as much of the Bible as they want, but for this game of Bingo, it is suggested that they read only one story each day. When they have read their selection of the story for the day, they may mark off the story read using the multi-colored stickers provided.

**On Rally Day (September 8th)**, the official start of the new church school year, we will acknowledge all the children who completed a portion of, or their entire Summer Bible Reading Bingo cards. A special gift will be provided for each child in celebration of his or her summer Bible reading. After Church NHCC will celebrate the start of a new school year with an ALL-CHURCH luncheon. It's a time to re-connect with friends and church family, enjoying casual conversation, and family games.

Karlee Etter, Ministry Coordinator for Children.



**Church Family News**

**Birthdays:** Susan Guckert 06/27,

Robert Tait 07/04, Susan Tibor 07/04, Karen Linsky 07/06, Karen Silk 07/06, Onalee Collins 07/06, Kayla DeLuca 07/07, 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, Kristine Powers 07/15, Thomas Jennings 07/15, Jennifer Goldfuss 07/20, Megan Kundrath 07/20, Rich Baldino 07/20, Masako Miller 07/22, George Silk 07/24, Heather Mastracchio 07/24, Vivian Shipley-Harris 07/26 James Shea 07/27, Kristin Lynch 07/29. Kathleen Harple 08/04, Brie Rose 08/06, 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, Mary Ellen Adams 08/15, Eleanor Harple 08/17, Phyllis Kaercher 08/17, Adam Schweickert 08/21, Alexis Dubail 08/24, Ella Tolisano 8/27, Catherine Welch 08/28, Ben Purcell 08/28, Barbara Massey 08/29.

**Anniversaries:** Denise & Gerard Adinolfi 07/03, Bob & Barbara Scheidecker 07/05, Adam & Julie Schweickert 07/05, Bette & Bob DeMayo 07/07, Tom & Wendy Glynn 07/07, Damon & Gressa Quinn 07/07, Rich & Susan Baldino 07/09, Kim & Rob Natoli 07/18, Elaine & Sonny Burr 07/18, Rich & Jody Gallagher 07/22. Jim & Leslie Dockendorff 08/01, Rebecca & Alan Conley 08/04, Barbara & Richard Massey 08/05, 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, Scott Morrow & Carol Amico 08/22.

**Baptisms:** **Graham David Rios**, son of Alex Rios and Haley Battista Rios, born February 18, 2023, was baptized on June 13th. Haley was a member of the Youth Group at NHCC. The family lives in South Carolina. Joy!

**Deaths:** **Donald Mark Peterson**, the younger brother of Steve Peterson, died on June 5, following a long struggle with multiple sclerosis. We give thanks

to God for the precious life of Donald Mark, and ask God's comfort and strength for his wife, Carol; his children Andrew and Brooke, and all the family.

**David Gould** died on Tuesday, June 18, after a long illness. David was a long-time resident of North Haven and a member of the Men's Fellowship. We give thanks to God for David's life, and ask God's tender comfort for his wife, Virginia, and his children, David and Karin, and his brother Kenneth.

**LECTIONARY READINGS**

**July 7<sup>th</sup> (Seventh Sunday after Pentecost)**

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10	Psalm 48 or
Ezekiel 2:1-5	Psalm 123
2 Corinthians 12:2-10	Mark 6:1-13

**July 14<sup>th</sup> (Eighth Sunday after Pentecost)**

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19	Psalm 24 or
Amos 7:7-15	Psalm 85:8-13
Ephesians 1:3-14	Mark 6:14-29

**July 21<sup>st</sup> (Ninth Sunday after Pentecost)**

2 Samuel 7:1-14a	Psalm 89:20-37 or
Jeremiah 23:1-6	Psalm 23
Ephesians 2:11-22	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

**July 28<sup>th</sup> (Tenth Sunday after Pentecost)**

2 Samuel 11:1-15	Psalm 14 or
2 Kings 4:42-44	Psalm 145:10-18
Ephesians 3:14-21	John 6:1-21

**August 4<sup>th</sup> (Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost)**

2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a	Psalm 51:1-12 or
Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15	Psalm 78:23-29
Ephesians 4:1-16	John 6:24-35

**August 11<sup>th</sup> (Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost)**

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33	Psalm 130 or
1 Kings 19:4-8	Psalm 34:1-8
Ephesians 4:25-5:2	John 6:35, 41-51

**August 18<sup>th</sup> (Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost)**

1 Kings 2:10-12, 3:3-14	Psalm 111 or
Proverbs 9:1-6	Psalm 34:9-14
Ephesians 5:15-20	John 6:51-58

**August 25<sup>th</sup> (Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost)**

1 Kings 8:(1,6, 10-11), 22-30, 41-43	Psalm 84 or
Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18	Psalm 34:15-22
Ephesians 6:10-20	John 6:56-69

## Music Under the Stars Summer Concert Series 2024

The North Haven Department of Recreation, in conjunction with the North Haven Business Community, presents a series of free outdoor concerts for the enjoyment of town residents. All concerts will be held on Tuesdays at \*7:00 P.M. on the Town Green, unless otherwise noted. Parking is available at the Town Hall Annex and Town Pool lots.

Tuesday, July 2	Carrie Ashton ICON	Celebrating Legendary Woman in Music
Tuesday, July 9	Classics	Doo Wop/50's/60's
Tuesday, July 16	Eagles Experience	Tribute to the Eagles
Tuesday, July 23	Timmy Maia	Motown/Today's Music
Tuesday, July 30	The Foreigner – Journey	Experience Foreigner & Journey Tribute
Tuesday, August 6	Jukebox 45 Show Band	Songs of Yesteryear
Tuesday, August 13	Heavy Hitters	Pop/Classic Rock
Tuesday, August 20	Rhythm City (Deep Pocket)	Pop/Top 40/Rhythm & Blues
Tuesday, August 27	Raise Your Hands	Bon Jovi Tribute Band
Tuesday, Sept 3	Avenue Groove	Rhythm & Blues/Funk/Pop

Please assume the concert will be on the Green, no matter what the weather is. If you become concerned about the weather, you should call the Recreation Center Info-Line 203-672-0541 after 5:00 P.M. If the recording under “Special Events” says there are no cancellations or changes, then you should assume the concert is on the Green regardless of the weather. If the concert is moved to the Middle School, the Info-line will clearly give you that information. Please be advised, there is limited seating at the Middle School. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Food and beverage (including water) will not be allowed in the Middle School.

### NHCC Celebrates Heritage Sunday



First row, L to R: Eleanor Harple, Merrilee Gladkosky, Carol Mitchell, Elfie Hummel, Linda Lacobelli, Ann Schneider, Lillian Flodquist. Back row L to R: Bernie Hummel, Bryant Munson, Betsey Reid, Rev. Scott Morrow, Doris Ferner, Jeanne Reardon, Lynn Reardon, Victoria Struk

### Congratulations To Heritage Members!

We celebrated with those who have been members of the North Haven Congregational Church for 50 years or more on June 9. It is a joy to celebrate and congratulate this wonderful group of members!



Curtis Andrews, 1948  
Joyce Bellonio, 1946  
George Coulston, 1964  
Flo Coulston, 1964  
Ann Dubar, 1962  
Nancie Estep, 1963  
Doris Ferner, 1965  
Lillian Flodquist, 1965  
Carl Flodquist, 1965  
Richard Gherlone, 1953  
Joy Gillen, 1971  
Merrilee Gladkosky, 1960  
Nancy Gutowski, 1971

Eleanor Harple, 1960  
Bernard Hummel, 1954  
Elfie Hummel, 1965  
Roberta Juliano, 1971  
Linda Lacobelli, 1956  
Kathleen Mickolyzck, 1970  
Carol Mitchell, 1973  
Lorraine Morehouse, 1954  
Bryant Munson, 1956  
Stephen & Mabel Peterson, 1973  
Jeanne Reardon, 1969  
Lynn Reardon, 1971  
Betsey Reid, 1971

Jane Romans, 1961  
Gloria Santamauro, 1973  
Ruth Scelzo, 1952  
Robert Scheidecker, 1966  
Barbara Scheidecker, 1966  
Ann Schneider, 1970  
James Shea, 1970  
Charlotte Shea, 1970  
Victoria Struk, 1969  
Audrey Tilley, 1957

**Congratulations to Graduates:**

**Riley Colleen Mitchell**, granddaughter of Carol Mitchell graduated from Independence High School, Thompson Station, Tennessee on May 23, 2024. Riley earned her CNA while in high school and will attend The University of Tennessee, Knoxville with hopes to enter the medical field. Congratulations!



**Sam Gott**, son of Heather Rowe and Christian Gott, graduated from North Branford High School with honors and distinction in June. Sam ran on the track team all four years. He broke several school records and was ranked 2nd in the state in the 100m in this, his Senior year. Sam's favorite course in high school was

Investing, which he said was eye-opening and gave him ideas for his future. His favorite teacher was his Freshman Math teacher, who was particularly understanding and helpful. Sam will attend the University of Rhode Island in the fall to study ocean engineering. He will be busy working this summer at the Pine Orchard Country Club.



**James Studley**, son of Kevin Studley and Heather Tolisano, graduated from North Haven High School in June. He played football all four years, and was on the track team his sophomore and junior years. James was a captain of the track team his senior year, competing in shotput, discus, and javelin. His favorite course in high school was TV Sports Production his sophomore year. It sparked his interest – he took two more courses and helped to



produce the video announcements for the high school. James will attend Central Connecticut State University in the fall to study sports journalism. This summer he will stay busy working at Jersey Mikes and lifeguarding in Wallingford.

**Jason Petrucci**, son of Laura Alden and step-son to Patrick Alden, graduated from North Haven High School in June. Jason served on the Student Council all four years, and was President of the class his freshman year. Jason played baseball all four years in the Town league and on a travel team, and he played basketball with the Town Recreation program. Jason's favorite courses in high school were U.S. History and Media. Jason has always wanted to write, and he has started his own company centered around a website that provides sports updates, reports from the bleachers, and video highlights. Jason worked with James Studley on the video announcements at school each morning. They became close friends after meeting at church! Jason will attend St. John's University in New York City to study Sports Journalism. This summer he will be working with the Town's Recreation Department Summer Camp.



**Attention 2024 Graduates!!**

We don't want to miss anyone! If you are graduating from vocational school, high school, or college, please let the church office know! We'd like to share your accomplishment with the church in the newsletter. Let us know about your graduation and your plans for this summer and the fall.

**Beginning .....A New Job, New School, New Adventure??** If you are starting a new job, or heading off to college, or beginning your military service, or any other new adventure this summer or this fall, let us know. We'd like to let the church know about it in the newsletter. Call and give us the information and we'll put it in for you. Be sure to let us know how we can keep in touch!

## Mission Team News

### Thanking the Choir!

The dedication and generosity of the Chancel Choir in their singing in the sanctuary is a source of great inspiration and joy in our worship. We are grateful for Heather Meachen, our Organist, and for the skill and talent of Jeff Hutchins, Director of Music, in leading the Chancel Choir and the children, and occasionally the whole congregation! We offered deep thanks to the Choir, to Heather, and to Jeff in worship on June 2nd, and we say it again here!

### A Communion of Voices:

We celebrated Choir Sunday on June 2 this year, and while we celebrate the musicianship and dedication of the choir that day, we also had the work extra hard!



## Choir Appreciation Sunday



Since it was a Communion Sunday, the choir sang “Taste and See” by James Moore during the offertory. The harmonies in that special refrain were compelling! At the normal “Gift of Music” spot, the choir sang an intergenerational and multi-lingual piece, “Peace I Leave With You”, a canon by Mozart arranged by Donald Moore. The piece has three voices: A flute, a

choral ensemble, and American Sign Language. The children’s choir provided some voices and sign language! The Chancel Choir provided the choral music. Friend of the program and piano tuner extraordinaire, Debra Mason, provided the flute! Of course, Heather Meachen provided the piano accompaniment and Jeff Hutchins directed. It was a gorgeous musical offering of many voices and many generations. Special thanks to Steve Simonson for teaching us the sign language! The Choir also offered the classic Choral Benediction, “God be with You till We Meet Again”.

In the bulletin that day was written the following Thank You’s:

Special thanks today to the Chancel Choir, the Children's Choir, Deb Mason, Jeff, Heather, and all who seek through art and music to perfect the praises offered by God's people on earth. Thanks also to the congregation, staff, families, and volunteers of the North Haven Congregational Church. Glory to God!

Jeffrey Hutchins  
Director of Music  
North Haven Congregational Church



### Summertime Service Music

In the summertime, we occasionally honor requests from the congregation and/or feature choir/congregation members who wish to offer a Gift of Music. If you have an instrumental or a vocal solo that you wish to share with the congregation on a Sunday morning, please be in touch with Jeff Hutchins or Heather Meachen. Along with Pastor Scott, they will find a good Sunday to feature this music.

Further, if you have any hymns you are “itching” to hear, please see the following slip of paper:

#### GIFT OF MUSIC

##### Summer Special Hymn/Song Request

Name of Hymn/Song: \_\_\_\_\_

Found in (circle) Voices United, or Pilgrim Hymnal, or Outside of those hymnals

Number:

Leave this Slip in Collection Plate or Email Information to [music@NorthHavenUCC.org](mailto:music@NorthHavenUCC.org)

### Organ Chimes To Be Repaired

When the organ was tuned for Christmas in December of last year, it was discovered that the chimes assembly connected to the organ had detached from the ceiling of the organ chamber and fallen to the ground. There was damage to the chimes assembly and to some organ pipes.

After much discussion, it has been agreed that the organ tuners, Foley-Baker Inc., will replace the chimes in the organ chamber, as well as the damaged pipes. The chime assembly, which had been originally installed in the 1940s, was repaired by church member Peter Struk. Our insurance will cover almost all of the cost of reinstallation. The work will begin on July 8, and Martin Benassi will oversee the project. Special thanks to Jeff Hutchins, Martin Benassi, Peter Struk, and the Building & Grounds Mission Team and the Ministry Leadership Board for their assistance.

### OPT-IN for Email ‘Blasts’

If you would like to continue to receive emails from the church, please follow the directions in the email you received from [no-reply@servantkeeper.com](mailto:no-reply@servantkeeper.com). We send emails to the whole congregation each week with the Invitation to Worship, and on other occasions when

there is important news to share. All church members and friends who wish to receive these emails from the church need OPT-IN and say that you want them. This is done through two emails: one to which you reply that you want to receive the emails; and a second email to verify your email address for this purpose. Please look for an Opt-In email received on June 7 (it could be in your spam folder). If you cannot find the email, no worries, we can send you a new one. Please call Julie for assistance with this process.

### Smile and say Hello, Read, Pour

**Lemonade!** Let’s join together to offer a warm and genuine welcome to all who come to worship this summer. Part of our welcome will come through the Greeters, the Deacon, the Scripture Reader, and the host or hostess for lemonade outside in the shade. Another part of our welcome will come from those who gather for worship. A smile and a cheerful introduction will help everyone feel they have a place in church. Please consider helping to offer hospitality and fellowship on Sunday morning. Sign up through the Church website or talk with Scott or Sandy Carter.



### NEED SOME FREE BOXES?

We have some boxes for you! We received a donation of boxes for the Food Pantry distributions that are too large. We have flat cardboard boxes (need to be assembled) at are 24” X 16” X 9.5”. They are perfect for moving, storage, or transport.



### Southern New England Conference UCC Annual Meeting

The 5th Annual Meeting of the Southern New England Conference of the United Church of Christ was held on Friday and Saturday, June 21-22 on the campus of the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, MA. There were some advance events on Friday, including a tour of the Ancestral Bridges Exhibit celebrating the history of Black and Indigenous people in Western Massachusetts at Frost Library on the UMASS campus, and a screening of the 2022 documentary “It Takes a Village” recounting the design and construction of the Village at West Jefferson in Louisville, KY. The Village offers 30,000 square feet of social services, businesses, a bank branch, and more, located in a former church parking lot! The theme for the Annual Meeting was “Growing the Church”. The keynote speaker was the Rev. Dr. Courtney Stange-Tregear, Chief Relationship Officer at the Cornerstone Fund of the UCC. She spoke about “God Math” and shared inspiring stories of churches that have grown their ministries – and more greatly affected their communities – with the assistance of the Cornerstone Fund and the UCC Church Building Loan Fund.. Dr. Erica Dollhopf, Director of the UCC Center for Analytics, Research & Development and Data (CARDD) will give a presentation on recent research on congregational vitality in the UCC and beyond.

It was inspiring and invigorating to be among the gathering of delegates from over 475 churches. The worship and music were particularly energizing, and the Rev. Dr. Darrel Goodwin, Executive Minister of the SNEUCC, was a captivating preacher.

Moderator Sandy Carter and Scott Morrow attended in person, and Kerry Stewart attended virtually. We brought back the new board game developed by Dr. Erica Dollhopf and others, “Grow Your Church”. We will offer opportunities to play the game together!



### Celebrating North Haven PRIDE Day

North Haven celebrated its second PRIDE Day on the Town Green on Saturday, June 8. The event was carefully planned and very-well-attended. There were lots of child- and family-friendly crafts and vendors. The Town Green was filled with booths and balloons and music – it was much larger than last year. The PRIDE organizers asked if we could open the church and provide a “safe space” for anyone attending the event who



might have a difficult emotional response. Thanks to Patience and Martin Benassi, Beth Anderson, Steve Simonson, and Sandy Carter, who volunteered to greet any visitors. We did have a number of visitors, both children and adults, who enjoyed the opportunity to visit the Church and use the facilities. We welcomed a woman who was married in the Church some years ago and stopped in to see the sanctuary and cherish her memories. There were many appreciative comments about the PRIDE signs on the church grounds by the sidewalk and the rainbow welcome banner inside.



## THANK YOU for your GENEROSITY!

Our Church is engaged in cheerful and vital mission in our community. Through the Wider Church, our gifts and mission extend around the world. Your generous gifts provided \$1,173 for the Christmas Fund to aid retired clergy and church workers, and \$1,504.40 for One Great Hour of Sharing to provide disaster relief and community development around the globe. Thank you!

## Beward of Scams!

We live in a time when there are many efforts made through email and text messages to persuade people to send money in response to a face emergency. Please note: **Pastor Scott Morrow will NEVER ask for money or gift cards from church members or anyone else, by email or text message.** Do not respond to such messages – delete them!!

## Spaces Available for 2024 Summer Conferences at Silver Lake!

Registration continues for 2024 summer conferences at Silver Lake Camp. Family Camp sessions are June 30-July 3 and July 3 – 6.

For more information about the Summer Conference Schedule, check out the website [www.silverlakeect.org](http://www.silverlakeect.org), or talk with Karlee Etter or Scott Morrow

In addition, Silver Lake still needs kitchen workers and Camp Nurses! If you can't work at camp all summer, consider volunteering for a week. More information at <https://www.silverlakeect.org/campsession/18183659>.

## Regional Youth Event at Silver Lake Conference Center July 28-31

The Southern New England Conference UCC will sponsor a Regional Youth Event at Silver Lake Conference Center Sunday – Wednesday, July 28-31. This event will bring together teens from the Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont Conferences, as well as SNEUCC. The Regional Youth Event is open to youth currently in grades 6-12 and their adult leaders. The cost is \$345 per person, which includes lodging for three nights (Su, M, Tu) and 9 meals beginning with dinner on Sunday evening. Scholarship funds are

available on a needs basis to those who fill out an application. Watch a 50-second video at [https://sneucc-email.brtaapp.com/files/ct+documents/youth+and+young+adult/rye\\_i.mp4](https://sneucc-email.brtaapp.com/files/ct+documents/youth+and+young+adult/rye_i.mp4)

For more information, go to <https://www.silverlakeect.org/newsdetail/learn-more-about-eastern-regional-youth-event-18354479>



## NHCC Online Fundraising Auction

Thank you to those who are donating items for the 5th annual on-line fundraising auction. Please bring your items to the chapel after worship on Sunday July 21 until 11:45 a.m. Please include a note with pertinent information about the item that could be used in the on-line description for the auction.

The auction schedule is as follows:

Monday July 22 and day following, auction managers will photograph and catalog the items.

The following week(s) the auction website is being set up for our auction.

August 5, on-line auction goes live.

August 12, auction closes

August 17 or 18 - TBA - specific pick up times/day will be determined prior to August 5 for the winning bidders. The pick up times will be set up and announced and bidders will need to agree to the pick up times in order to bid on items.

If you know of any friends or relatives who may be downsizing, see if there's anything they may like to donate to the church. More items are needed such as musical instruments, books published around or before 1900, teak items, small occasional table, legos, geodes, antiques, MCM mid-century modern items, sterling silver, new unused items, anything unusual.

Thank you to the following for their donations:

SueBeth Higgins, Dottie Pierce, The Struks, Joyce & Ted Manzo, Benassi's, Peterson's, Lynn Reardon, Carla Hill, Cheryl Bogert, Carol Amico, Sue & John Tibor, Priscilla Bradford, Heather Meachen, and Women Fellowship.

**Tuesday Evening Bible Study ZOOM on Summer Pause.** The weekly Bible Study ZOOM gatherings at 6pm will take a summer break in July and August. We've just completed a comparison of the Last Supper, Betrayal, Arrest and Crucifixion, Burial and Resurrection of Jesus. Tuesday Evening Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 3. All are welcome! Please tell Scott or Julie you're interested and we'll send you the ZOOM link!

**Ministry Leadership Board Meetings During Summer**

The MLB will meet on Wednesday, August 7, at 7pm. The MLB will not meet in July.

**Community Suppers at St. John's Episcopal Church Pause for Summer**

The North Haven Rotary Club has sponsored monthly community suppers at St. John's Episcopal Church on the last Friday of the month at 5:30pm. Supper was served in March, April, and May. These suppers will pause during the summer. The next Community Supper will be in September.



We are already planning for the fall activities. We will be hosting a Military Whist Card Game on Friday, September 20. Doors will open at 5:15 p.m. and the game begins at 6:00 p.m. Singles and couples welcome. Tickets must be purchased in advance. \$12.00 per person. Please call Carol Mitchell 203 668-0608 or email: [cdmitchell60@yahoo.com](mailto:cdmitchell60@yahoo.com). Refreshments will be served and there will be a 50/50 raffle! It's fun and easy to play! Come join the fun! Bring a friend!!

Looking ahead to The Women's Fellowship Fair of 2024 .....

As summer begins, it's time to begin thinking about how you can help with the 2024 Fair which will be held on Saturday, November 2nd, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Please mark your calendars and save the date.

What can be done now? Work on sewing projects. Find items to donate to Grandma's Attic and to the Nearly New Room. Work on hand crafted items. Making jam or relish? Save some for the fair. Think about what area you would like to help with. It is our hope that there will be many helpers to make the preparation, running, and cleanup of the fair go smoothly. Sign up to help on sign-up sheets that will be circulating through the summer.

Watch for dates of workshops in the Sunday Bulletin which will be held during July and August. The Fair is organized by the Women's Fellowship. Everyone is encouraged to participate in whatever way they can. Men, women, and youth are all needed to help make the fair a success. This is one of our biggest fund

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**Women's Fellowship**

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Summer is here and Women's Fellowship celebrated at Gouveia Vineyards for the 11<sup>th</sup> year.



raisers and the proceeds will allow the Women's Fellowship to continue to support our church's needs and many organizations locally and nationally.

The Fair is an opportunity to work together, share our talents with others, and open our doors to the community. We hope you will be part of this event!



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### Men's Fellowship

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Two Men's Breakfasts were held in June, both of which attracted just five men each. Jim Bennett, Stephen Simonson, and John Tibor were present at both gatherings, while Bernie Hummel, Rev. Scott, and Peter Struk made one breakfast each.

I was pleased to learn that the church's participation in this year's Memorial Day Parade was greater than last year's, although I also learned that such participation would not have been possible had not John Tibor (singlehandedly) assembled the trailer's side rails, lifted (with assistance from non-church members) our miniature church on to the trailer, and drove Paul Powers' truck. Kudos to you, John!

We determined at our June 15th breakfast to suspend things for July and August and to re-assemble next on Saturday, September 7th. Hopefully, our group will return from its summer recess refreshed, reinvigorated, and re-motivated.

Jim Bennett

### SAVE THE DATE!!

**Tuesday, July 4 –**

Holiday, Church Office closed

**Sunday, July 21 –**

Drop off items for Church auction

**Wednesday, Aug 7 –**

MLB Meeting

**Saturday, August 17 or August 18 –**

Church Auction Pick-up

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### PASTORAL VISITS

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Pastoral Visits in Hospital – Please contact Julie or Scott if you anticipate a trip to the hospital or unexpectedly find yourself hospitalized, so that Scott can visit if you wish. Hospitals and nursing facilities may be limiting the number of daily visits and visitors with individual patients.

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### HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

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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.

**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**  
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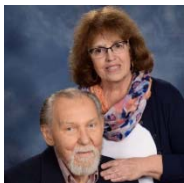
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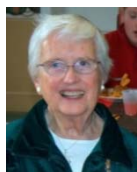
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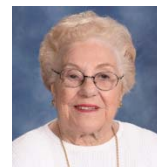
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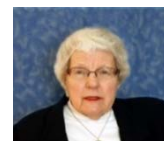
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Ramage 227 B  
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# July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
	9:30am AA (K)	9:30am Al-Anon (K) 12:00pm PLP (Library)	10:00 Food Pantry Open	<b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	10:00 Food Pantry Open	7:30am Mens Fellowship
	1:00pm Food Pantry Open	6:00 BIBLE STUDY	7:00pm Lions Club (CH)			
	1:00 Retired Federal employees (CH)	7:00 Music Under The Stars (Green)				
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
9:30am Worship (In-Person & On-line)		9:30am Al-Anon (K) 9:30 Music Together (DBL) 12:00pm PLP (Library) 12:00 Building & Grounds	9:30am Music Together 10:00 Food Pantry Open	9:30am Music Together 3:30pm NHE CH&M (L)	10:00am Food Pantry Open	9:30am Music Together
	1:00pm Food Pantry Open	6:00 BIBLE STUDY	6:00pm Lions Club Training (CH)		7:00 Danish Brotherhood (K)	
		7:00 Music Under The Stars (Green)	7:00 MLB (L)			
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
9:30am Worship: (In-Person & On-line)	1:00pm Food Pantry Open	9:30am Al-Anon (K) 9:30 Music Together (DBL) 12:00pm PLP (Library) 6:00 BIBLE STUDY	9:30am Music Together 10:00 Food Pantry Open	9:30am Music Together	10:00 Food Pantry Open	7:30am Mens Fellowship 9:30 Music Together (DBL)
	6:00 CT Record Club (K)	7:00 Music Under The Stars (Green)				
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
9:30am Worship (In-Person & On-line)		9:30am Al-Anon (K) 9:30 Music Together (DBL) 12:00pm PLP (Library) 6:00 Bible Study (Zoom)	9:30am Music Together 10:00 Food Pantry Open	9:30am Music Together	10:00am Food Pantry Open	9:30am Music Together
	1:00pm Food Pantry Open	7:00 Music Under The Stars (Green)				
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			
9:30am Worship (In-Person & On-line)		9:30am Al-Anon (K) 9:30 Music Together (DBL) 12:00pm PLP (Library) 6:00 Bible Study (Zoom)	9:30am Music Together 10:00 Food Pantry Open			
	1:00pm Food Pantry Open	7:00 Music Under The Stars (Green)				

# August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				9:30am Music Together 6:30pm Mothers of Twins (CH)	10:00 Food Pantry Open	7:30am Mens Fellowship 9:30 Music Together (DBL)
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9:30am Worship (In-Person & On-line)	1:00pm Food Pantry Open 1:00 Retired Federal employees (CH)	9:30am Al-Anon (K) 9:30 Music Together (DBL) 12:00pm PLP (Library) 6:00 BIBLE STUDY 7:00 Music Under The Stars (Green)	9:30am Music Together 10:00 Food Pantry Open 6:00pm Lions Club (CH)	9:30am Music Together 3:30pm NHE CH&M (L)	10:00am Food Pantry Open 7:00 Danish Brotherhood	9:30am Music Together
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9:30am Worship: (In-Person & On-line)	1:00pm Food Pantry Open	9:30am Al-Anon (K) 9:30 Music Together (DBL) 12:00pm PLP (Library) 12:00 BUILDING & GROUNDS (H) 6:00 BIBLE STUDY 7:00 Music Under The Stars (Green)	9:30am Music Together 10:00 Food Pantry Open	9:30am Music Together	10:00 Food Pantry Open	7:30am Mens Fellowship 9:30 Music Together (DBL)
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9:30am Worship (In-Person & On-line)	1:00pm Food Pantry Open 6:00 CT Record Club (K)	9:30am Al-Anon (K) 12:00pm PLP (Library) 6:00 Bible Study (Zoom) 7:00 Music Under The Stars (Green)	<b>WINDOW DEADLING</b> 10:00 Food Pantry Open		10:00am Food Pantry Open	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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## The Window

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Julie Schweickert

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Dave Nelson

### **WINDOW DEADLINE**

**August 21, 2024**



### **Summer Office Hours**

The church office will be open from 8:00am to 12:00pm beginning Monday, July 1 through Friday, August 23.

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### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

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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:** Ellie Harple, Linda Rankin, Linda Shannon, Marlene Bellonio, Shirley Ryan, Joyce Bellonio, Meg Adams, Sarah, and The family of David Gould.

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