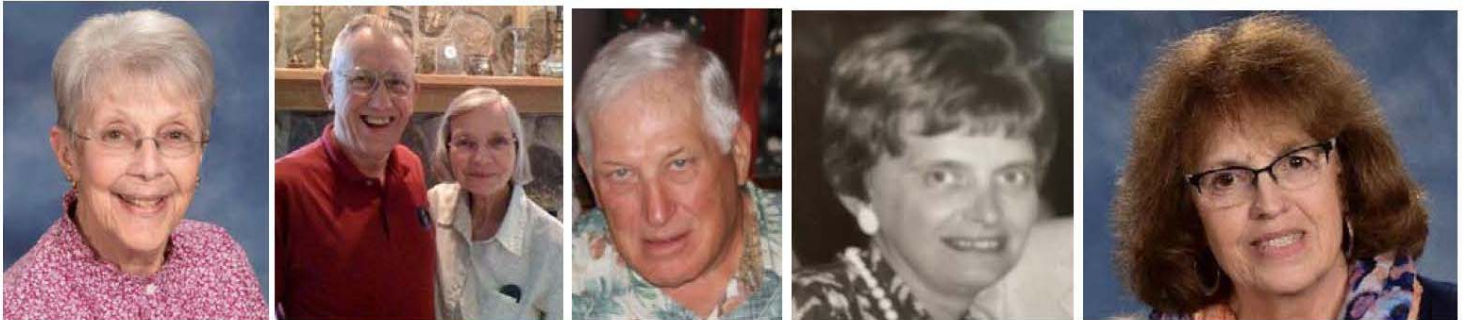


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**NORTH HAVEN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**

Sunday, June 1, 2025

9:30 a.m.

Seventh Sunday of Easter
Heritage Sunday
The Sacrament of Communion

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: *Orgelstuck* Justin Heinrick Knecht

***OPENING HYMN: “Crown Him with Many Crowns”** V211

***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.**

***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

Amen.

***THE GLORIA PATRI** **P513**

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 CONFESSION:*~unison*

Keeper of heaven and earth, guardian of our coming and going forth, of our times of tender reflection and our moments of turmoil, our life is fragile, and we sometimes fray the fabric of life.

Sharpen our sensitivities. Teach us to prefer listening to speaking, tenderness rather than aggression, community in a world of alienation. Deepen for us the meaning of resurrection, that we not only speak words of transformation but embody those words in our life. Healer, Renewer, Sustainer, Source of Hope and Joy, we offer our thanks and praise. Alleluia, Alleluia, Amen.**

~ silence ~

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ALL: Thanks be to God

CELEBRATING HERITAGE MEMBERS

Scott Morrow

Sheree Alexander, 1975

Curtis Andrews Sr., 1948

George Coulston, 1964

Flo Coulston, 1964

Paula Diehl, 1975

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

Bryant Munson, 1956

Stephen Peterson, 1973

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

Cheryl Solecki, 1975

Victoria Struk, 1969

THE FIRST 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.

* **HYMN:** “Softly and Tenderly” Insert

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON:

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 Page 1404

“See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone’s work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.”

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

“It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.”

And let everyone who hears say, “Come.”

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.”

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

HERE ENDS THE READING. THANKS BE TO GOD.

GIFT OF MUSIC: In Remembrance of Me Words by Ragan Courtney
Music by Buryl Red (1936-2013)

Sung by the Chancel Choir

In remembrance of Me, eat this bread. In remembrance of Me, drink this wine. In remembrance of Me, pray for the time when God's own will is done. In remembrance of Me, heal the sick. In remembrance of Me, feed the poor. In remembrance of Me, open the door, and let My people in, let them in.

Take, eat, and be comforted.
Drink and remember too
that this is My body and precious blood shed for you, shed for you.
In remembrance of Me, search for truth. In remembrance of Me
always love.

In remembrance of Me, don't look above, but in your heart, in your heart, look in your heart, look for God.
Do this in remembrance of Me.
Do this in remembrance of Me.
In remembrance of Me.

MEDITATION: “Gratuity” 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

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Hymn of Preparation: “As We Gather at Your Table”

V457

Invitation and Consecration

The Lord’s Prayer

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.

Distribution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

GREETING OF PEACE ~*unison*

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

***CLOSING HYMN:** “For All the Saints”

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*THE BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: *Voluntary* [in D Major]

Samuel Jackson

*Those who are able, please stand.

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Deacon is Peter Hall. **Scripture Reader** is Susan Compton. **Greeter** is Beth Anderson. **Fellowship Hour** is immediately following service, we will celebrate our Heritage Members. Please join us.

Today’s flowers are given by Joyce & Ted Manzo in celebration of their anniversary and the 30th birthday of our Best Nephew Ever, Jeremy Petzel.

In Our Prayers This Week are: Linda Rankin, Linda Shannon, Marlene Bellonio, Meg Adams, Herb & Ann Schneider.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Jeanne Reardon 06/02, Thomas Mickolyszck 06/02, Susan Compton 06/03, David Nottingham 06/04.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Mark & Martha Butterworth 06/06.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, June 7th, 6 p.m. B I N G O

is coming to NHCC Carroll Hall for an evening filled with great prizes—6 designer handbags or \$100 gift cards. Door prizes, raffle gifts, 50/50 raffle, and lots of fun! All proceeds will be donated to the Parking Lot Paving Project!

Reservations for BINGO can be made at coffee hour TODAY!!

Please see Dot Pierce! You may pay by cash or check without signing up on-line, or you can reserve a ticket and pay at the door on Saturday!!

Sunday, June 8 is Confirmation Sunday

We will celebrate the Rite of Confirmation on Sunday, June 8. This is a very special occasion for the Confirmands, their parents and families, and for our congregation. It is customary to celebrate the sacrament of communion on Confirmation Sunday.

North Haven PRIDE Day will be Saturday, June 14, from Noon-4pm. We anticipate opening up the Church once again as a calm space. We want to gather a group of members to sit outside the Church, share our new brochure and information about the Parking Lot Campaign, and welcome visitors. Please speak with Patience Benassi, Sandy Carter, or Scott Morrow if you'd like to join us.

Sunday June 15 is Choir Appreciation Sunday

We will celebrate our choirs – the Chancel Choir, the Children's Choir, and the Chime Choir – and our talented and dedicated music staff – Organist Heather Meachen and Director of Music Jeffrey Hutchins, on Sunday, June 15. This will be our opportunity to thank all of these fine people for their commitment, their generous spirit, and their great work!

Sunday June 15 will be a Celebration of the Church!

We will celebrate the last 30 years of the church. We have installed an elevator, a new steeple, and drainage in the parking lot. There have been mission trips for youth, and for adults! We have joined ecumenical services at Thanksgiving and in celebration of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in January. There have been Pierpont Concerts, an expanding Food Pantry, and Abraham's Tent. Committees have become Mission Teams and the Church Council is now the Ministry Leadership Board! What do you remember and celebrate? Do you have some pictures to share?

6th Annual On-Line Fundraising Auction

Sunday June 22 is the date for bringing items to church to donate to our 6th annual On-Line Fundraising Auction.

After worship on June 22, items can be brought to the chapel. The auction will go live on-line on July 7 and close July 14.

We have already received generous donations including 14 karat gold rings, necklaces and bracelets, Lenox cake plates, a lovely set of china, a Hitchcock rocking chair, a kayak and two paddle boards!

In preparation for the auction, please send photos of items you could donate to Patience. Items needed include mid-century modern items, just about anything teak, record albums, receiver, lift chair in good condition, sterling silver items, kayak, antiques, small occasional table, anything unusual. Items that have done very well in our first five auctions includes a canoe, Thule car-top carrier, antique license plate, fur coats, fly rods, turntable, liftchair, Karastan rugs, antique wagon, sought-after pyrex, turquoise, unique large dollhouse, ceramic Christmas tree, fine jewelry, oil painting, captain's chairs. If you know a neighbor or relative downsizing, please ask if they have something they would donate. Funds raised go to this year's church budget as voted at our annual meeting (fundraising income). Contact a member of the B Team with any questions: Patience Benassi, Martin Benassi, Priscilla Bradford, Martha Butterworth.

Food Pantry – Items needed – Please bring canned vegetables and canned fruit and mayonnaise and place them in the basket in the Narthex.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

Sunday	6/1	9:30 a.m. 10:45 5:30 p.m.	WORSHIP: Seventh Sunday of Easter, HERITAGE SUNDAY FAITH FORMATION MT (K) CONFIRMATION CLASS (CH)
Monday	6/2	9:30 a.m. 10:30 1:00 p.m. 4:30	Music Together (DBL) Music Together (DBL) FOOD PANTRY OPEN Ukulele (DBL)
Tuesday	6/3	9:30 a.m. 9:30 10:30 12:00 p.m. 3:30 5:30 6:00 7:00	Al-Anon (K) 10-11:30 Music Together (DBL) Music Together (DBL) PLP (Library) United Girls' Choir (CH, K, Sanct) Girl Scout Troop 60071 (RR) BIBLE STUDY (Zoom) Music Under the Stars (Green)
Wednesday	6/4	 9:30 a.m. 10:00 10:30 2:30 p.m. 6:00 7:00	WINDOW MAILING Music Together (DBL) FOOD PANTRY OPEN Music Together (DBL) CHURCH SAFETY (L) Leos Club (CH) Lions Club (CH)
Thursday	6/5	5:30 p.m. 6:30 7:00	Girl Scout Troop 60151 (K) Mothers of Twins (CH) CHANCEL CHOIR
Friday	6/6	9:30 a.m. 10:00 10:30	Music Together (DBL) FOOD PANTRY OPEN Music Together (DBL)
Saturday	6/7	7:30 9:30 10:30 11:30 7:00 p.m.	MENS FELLOWSHIP (CH) Music Together (DBL) Music Together (DBL) Rhythm Kids (DBL) BINGO NIGHT (CH)
Sunday	6/8	9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	WORSHIP: Seventh Sunday of Easter, CONFIRMATION SUNDAY FOOD DELIVERY (Catholic Church)

*Small print indicates non-Church function

Bold print starts new day.

*OPENING HYMN: “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

V211

Descant

4 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,
Eb Cm Ab Eb (Bb7 Eb) Bb

1 Crown him with ma - ny crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne:
2 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave,
3 Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scep - tre sways
4 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,

rich wounds yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied. All hail,
Eb Cm Eb F Bb (F7 Bb) Eb Fsus4 F Bb

hark, how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own!
and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise.
rich wounds yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.

Re - deem - er, hail! Thou hast died for me; thy praise
Eb Ab C7 F Bb

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
His glo - ries now we sing who died and rose on high,
His reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! for thou hast died for me;

shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

and hail him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 who died e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 fair flowers of Par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
 thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

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:

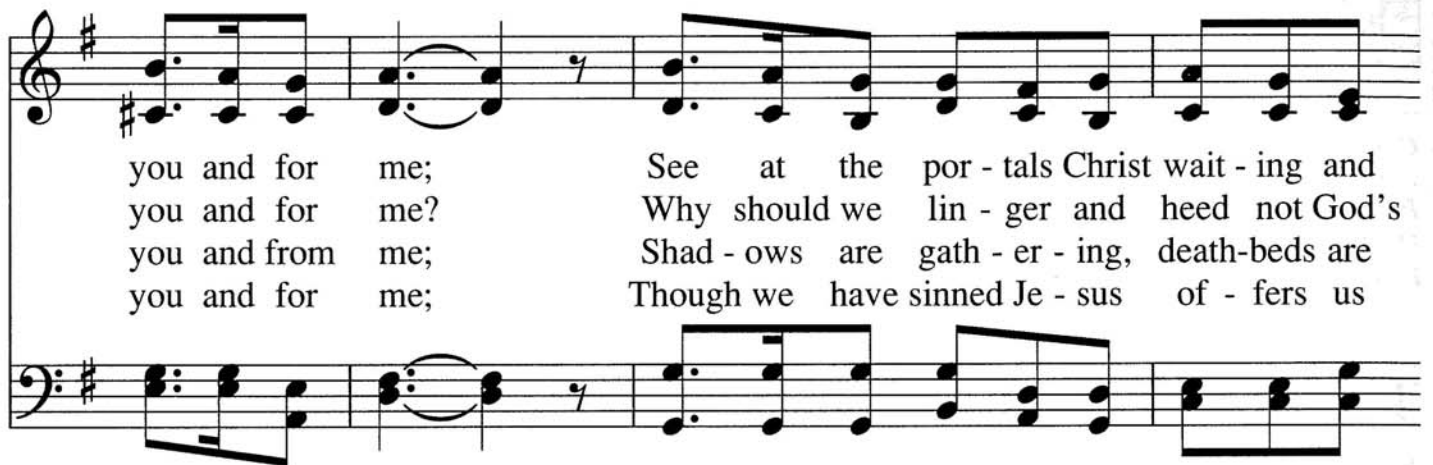
- Pray together, encourage each other, and trust one another;
- Take personal responsibility for fellowship and our community; and
- Celebrate with honored traditions.

* HYMN: "Softly and Tenderly"

Insert



1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
 2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
 3 Time is now fleet - ing, the mo - ments are pass - ing, pass - ing from
 4 O for the won - der - ful love Je - sus prom - ised, prom - ised for



you and for me; See at the por - tals Christ wait - ing and
 you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not God's
 you and from me; Shad - ows are gath - er - ing, death - beds are
 you and for me; Though we have sinned Je - sus of - fers us



watch - ing, watch - ing for you and for me.
 mer - cies, mer - cies for you and for me? Come home, come
 com - ing, com - ing for you and for me. Come home,
 par - don, par - don for you and for me.



home, All who are wea - ry, come home;
 come home,



Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing— call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

Hymn of Preparation: "As We Gather at Your Table"

V457

F Gm7 F Dm Bb C

1 As we gath - er at your ta - ble, as we list - en
 2 Turn our wor - ship in - to wit - ness in the sac - ra -
 3 Gra - cious Spir - it, help us sum - mon oth - er guests to

Bb F Gm7 F Dm

to your word, help us know, O God, your pres - ence;
 ment of life, send us forth to love and serve you,
 share that feast where tri - umph - ant Love will wel - come

Dm Bb C7 Bb F C

let our hearts and minds be stirred. Nour - ish us with sa - cred
 bring - ing peace where there is strife. Give us, Christ, your great com -
 those who had been last and least. There no more will en - vy

Dm Am F Bb C Dm

sto - ry till we claim it as our own; teach us through this
 pas - sion to for - give as you for - gave; may we still be -
 blind us nor will pride our peace de - stroy, as we join with

Dm7 Gm7 Bb F Gm7 Am Gm Gm7 F

ho - ly ban - quet how to make Love's vic - tory known.
 hold your im - age in the world you died to save.
 saints and an - gels to re - peat the sound - ing joy.

*CLOSING HYMN: “For All the Saints”

V705

Unison

1 For all the saints, who from their la - bours rest,
2 You were their rock, their for - tress, and their might:
5 But lo! there breaks a yet more glo - rious day
6 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast,

all who by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, your
you were their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;
the saints tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray: as
through gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,

name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
you, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
God to glo - ry calls them all a - way.
sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah!
(verses 3 and 4 follow)

Harmony

3 O blest com-mun-ion, fel-low-ship di-vine! We fee-bly struggle,
4 The gold-en eve-ning bright-ens in the west; soon, soon to faith-ful

they in glo-ry shine; yet all are one with-in your great de-war-riors comes their rest; sweet is the calm of par-a-dise the

sign. Hal-le-lu-jah, hal-le-lu-jah!
blest. Hal-le-lu-jah, hal-le-lu-jah!

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