



North Haven Congregational Church, NCC

The Window

October 2025



“We love because God first loved us.”

1 John 4:19

Dear Gentle People,

In these waning days of Summer, I am grateful for cooler nights and crisp mornings and a return to the rhythm of the program year. The scriptures I have been studying lately have stirred fond memories of the blessings of the time in my life, in my early forties, when I first experienced the warmth and nurture of being welcomed into a church family.

There I began to learn about the importance of spiritual practices such as engaging in prayer, acts of service, worship and hospitality in bringing us closer to God. Early on I was invited to serve the church by pitching in at Coffee Hour and teaching Sunday School. Eventually, I learned about the practice of tithing. As a former Roman Catholic, I was used to dropping five dollars in the collection plate every Sunday and while I had heard about tithing, I had never practiced setting aside a percentage of my income to give to the church. It seemed like a daunting commitment.

During my first experience of Stewardship Season, I listened to the testimony of our church members, many of whom I had grown to admire for their grace-filled way of being in the world. I began to understand that stewardship is so much more than helping the church pay its bills. I was persuaded that stewardship is better framed as both generosity and gratitude. A first step toward practicing generosity is to remember how a gracious God of abundance provides for us and that our pre-existing condition is always God's overflowing blessing and love. Responding with gratitude is simply giving back.

That year I pledged 5% of my income to my church and committed to increasing the percentage year by year. It would involve some sacrifice, but I believed

that an important step toward living a life of greater integrity meant that I must make room in my budget for this commitment to my church family. One of my fondest memories is sitting alone in my Sunday School classroom in the brief moments between dismissing the children and heading for worship. I would take a deep breath and say a prayer of gratitude for my deepening faith and write the check for my pledge. That weekly ritual brought me much joy!

May all our faith practices bear fruit and bring us closer to the God who so dearly loves us!

Joyfully,

Rev. Cindy

From Your Moderator

Dear Fellow Members,

This year our Church is experiencing changes. The biggest change was the retirement of Pastor Scott and his leaving at the end of July. From his announcement at the beginning of March through July 31st, there was packing, cleaning, meetings on transition, good-byes and decisions on responsibilities.

The biggest announcement was the hiring of a bridge minister, Rev. Cindy Stasko and the passage of one minister to another. It was a smooth transition and Rev. Cindy has been welcomed into our Congregation. We are pleased and fortunate to have her leading us.

The Parking Lot Campaign Team and Building & Grounds Team have been working hard raising funds for the parking lot and meeting with contractors for the paving. The existing parking lot filled with potholes, broken and uneven pavement and big puddles will pass. We are looking forward to the paving this fall with new curbing, striping and signs.

In addition to the new parking lot, the front steps and portion of the sidewalk will be repaired and replaced.

The front doors and side doors of the Church will be repainted the same color and the front façade of the Church will be painted. Lastly, the Church sign will be refurbished and list Rev. Cindy as our pastor. The front of the Church will reflect the change that is occurring within the Congregation.

We have a bright, refurbished Peace Pole in front of the Church. It will be dedicated after service on Sunday, October 5th. It is a symbol for world peace in a time when there are wars and turmoil around the world. We pray for the passage of hate and destruction to love and rebuilding and hope for all people around the world.

In our Church, we see the Church Safety Team and Social Conduct Policy Teams working on making our Church building safer and all congregants feeling safer and comfortable within our building. They have transitioned from beginning their work to implementing their responsibilities.

The Pastoral Transition Team is very busy completing the Short Form Church Profile required for the search for the Interim Pastor. Rev. Cindy is scheduled to be with us until the end of January 2026. We are striving to have an Interim Pastor by this date. The Congregation will be informed as we continue on this journey.

Our Church continues to thrive each day with staff and volunteers performing their duties and following Jesus in his teachings of helping others and caring for his people. The Food Pantry is busy each week collecting, sorting and distributing food. Members of the Congregation and community contribute to the Food Pantry. Volunteers from the town churches work at the Food Pantry to help the greater community.

The Ministry Leadership Board will discuss a project for the fall in community work as we did last year with Columbus House in the collection of underwear and socks.

Our Congregation will continue to work on its Mission, Vision and Values. These include binding ourselves with Jesus to worship together and render compassionate service to our community and beyond. We welcome people from different and diverse backgrounds. We work with our Mission Teams to help others in our Church and beyond. Lastly, we pray

together, encourage each other, and trust one another, take personal responsibility and celebrate with honored traditions. These are quotes from our Mission, Vision and Values Statement which are read at each meeting of the Ministry Leadership Board.

I thank everyone in our Congregation who contributes to help support our Church financially, volunteering on a team, helping with Sunday service, and giving of your time to help others. We will continue our journey and passage this year and pray to Jesus to guide us and to help us serve others.

With blessings,

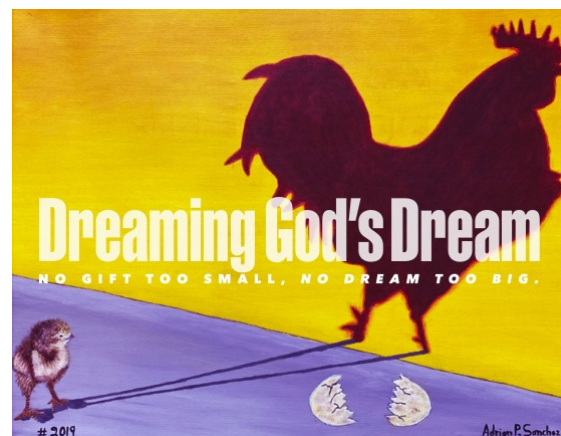
Sandy Carter
Moderator

Season of Generosity

What do you dream when you dream God's dream for the world, your family or your church? This year we are asked to dream about how we can be generous with our time, talents and treasures.

We are generous in many ways. We are generous when we hold the door for the person behind us, pack and deliver food, serve with a group that coordinates a project-think paving a parking lot, cook a meal for our family, read a bedtime story or coach a team. We share our time and talents.

This time of the year at our church we are asked to think how we can use the financial gifts we have been given to support our dreams. As we 'Dream God's Dream', join in worship on October 12, 19 and 26 to dream with others. On November 2, you will be asked to make a financial commitment to support the dreams of everyone for 2026.



Ministry Coordinator for Children

Church School Calendar - October

Oct. 5 - Communion Sunday. CHAPEL SUNDAY. Children begin in chapel, then to their classrooms, then to worship for Communion with their families.

Oct. 12 - FAMILY SUNDAY; *Noisy Offering collection*; children remain in worship with their family. Children's Worship Bulletins will be available.

Oct. 19 - Regular Church school. Children begin in worship, then to their classrooms.

Oct. 26 - Regular Sunday. *Noisy Offering collection*. Children begin in worship and participate in a Gift of Music. Bible Sunday, 4th Graders receive their Gift Bibles.

Rally Sunday and Church Luncheon

Back to Church and Church School. Regathering day (Rally Day) to kick off the Fall season. The Lord blessed NHCC with fabulous weather. There were lots of adult folks attending worship as well as most of our children.

After worship we all gathered downstairs for sandwiches, chips, salads and desserts. Thanks to all who contributed to the marvelous meal and to the Faith Formation Team. Special thanks, however, to Bernie and Elfie Hummel and Beth Anderson for their diligent effort at overseeing the kitchen and their extraordinary assistance in making things run so smoothly!

BIBLE SUNDAY is October 26

The Bible is the central source book for all people of faith. Through the Bible, children come to know God through stories about people of faith, the teachings of Jesus, the history of the Bible, passages for help, comfort, and a guide in times of sorrow. By fourth grade, children recognize the Bible as a building block of faith and thereby recognize its relevance for daily life.

Therefore, as has been the tradition for many years at North Haven Congregational Church, on October 26, each of our fourth-grade children will be receiving their own Bible. This year three children will be presented Gift Bibles during worship.

Save the Dates

December 7 Advent Night celebration sponsored by the Faith Formation Team

December 21 (tentative) Christmas Pageant

Blessings,
Karlee Etter, Ministry Coordinator for Children



NHCC CHANCEL CHOIR THURSDAYS 7:00PM

Choir Room & occasionally Chancel.

Practice is only 60-75 minutes most nights.

As we approach Christmas, we might go 90 minutes. *Occasional treats provided!* Ask Jeff, Heather, or any choir member for a tour! We are blest with wonderful church music facilities here at NHCC. Now welcoming 7th grade and above - with parental participation.

Email or call the church Music room to discuss any scheduling needs.

If Thursdays are difficult, perhaps...

“MUSIC OFFICE HOURS” continue!

Mondays & Wednesdays

3:00 - 6:00

Thursdays 2:00-4:30

(Choir at 7:00)

Or by appointment.

Please come chat about music or sound, vocalize, warmup, or learn some basic chord progressions on the piano. Learn to read music/hymns better! Any music requests?

Call/text Jeff at 203-508-2108 to setup this informal fun musical appointment.

If you have an instrument you'd like to share, please feel welcome!



A Steinway Upright Grand!

This past June a wonderful piano was “debuted” in worship at NHCC for the choir’s final anthems of the season, “10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)” arranged by Heather Sorenson (ASCAP). The piece has a fabulous piano line which was played masterfully by Heather Meachen. We will soon give the piano more music in worship this fall. We are blest to have the Wicks pipe organ, the Chapman Yamaha keyboard, and now this wonderful Steinway upright that fits perfectly in our space both acoustically and aesthetically. We do remain grateful for our “pre-2020” piano which was given by Audrey Tilley and was soulfully played for many years in the sanctuary.

Today, we would like to thank Mabel and Steve Peterson for connecting us with this wonderful Steinway upright grand piano which was available for donation if to a special place. Mabel and Steve’s beloved friend Kathryn Feidelson has given North Haven Congregational Church a very special gift, and we are truly grateful! The piano was moved professionally and was given proper platform and wheels for this function along with a full tuning. Mabel and Steve were very generous in ensuring it was all done properly and professionally.

We look forward to taking great care of this instrument for years to come.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Hutchins, Heather Meachen, the Chancel Choir and Music Mission Team of North Haven Congregational Church.

Pierpont Concert News

Help is needed for our December 6 Brass concert! If you haven’t heard the sounds of a brass ensemble in a lovely space such as ours, the Christmas season in your beloved sanctuary is the time to do it! Please mark your calendars for a very special occasion in early



December. BRASS (the inaugural group of the entire Pierpont Concert Series and NHCC “fan favorites”) will be returning to host an evening of their spectacular harmonies and musical arrangements! One that comes to mind is the Paul McCartney “Simply having a wonderful Christmas time” with horns mimicking the 1980s “computerized” echoing synth sounds of that strange yet totally classic modern Christmas tune! The concert is at 7:00PM on Saturday, December 6. We need help with promotion (invite your friends and like and share the upcoming Facebook event!)

See this promotional photo from well over ten years ago with added correct date for 2025! The personnel might be a tad different from 2003 but the young North Haveners, Drew Mazurek (all the way to the left in the photo) will be bringing his 2025 lineup!

Stay tuned for a new poster and Facebook/Instagram events so you can invite your friends. From 2003-2023 the cost was \$10 for adults - so the Music Mission Team of NHCC decided to move to \$15 more recently, with students at \$10 and children under 12yo, free. This special evening benefits the concert series, the church, and enriches the North Haven community with tremendous home-grown musicianship for the holidays.

Special thanks to the artists and to all the church volunteers who make these concerts happen safely and joyfully! We welcome as many volunteers as possible so that we can have ushers, ticket takers, hospitality, reception, safety team, and friendly faces helping audience find rest-rooms, elevator, etc. Thanks for your support!

Jeff Hutchins, Music Director



Church Family News

Birthdays: Robert Nielsen

10/01, LaVala Rossi 10/03, Linda Nielsen 10/04, Nancie Estep 10/09, Kayla McKosky 10/09, Olivia Scoppetto 10/09, Jeff Whipple 10/11, Barbara Joslyn 10/14, Gary Czajkowski 10/16, Kerry Stewart 10/17, Isabelle Meachen 10/18, Kim Natoli 10/18, Nancy Mahoney 10/19, Elizabeth Anderson 10/20, Kevin Studley 10/21, Cynthia Miller 10/22, Gracie Kirk 10/24, Betsey Reid 10/28.

Anniversaries: Gus & Lisa VanDerMaelen 10/02, Rebecca & Edward Bogaert, Scott & Kim Footit 10/07, Ray & Cynthia Geissler 10/14, Curt & Carolyn Thalken 10/16, Scott & Beth Kandrath 10/21, Lynne & Rob Nielsen 10/22.

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: The Rev. Deb Ruotolo, Lee Guckert and her Family, Linda Rankin, Linda Shannon, Marlene Bellonio, Meg Adams, Herb & Ann Schneider, and Charlotte Shea.



Jesus & Women Bible Study

"For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them". Matthew 18:20

On Monday September 15th three women gathered in the Library to begin a Bible Study using the book "Jesus & Women In the First Century and Now". This study uses seven video teaching sessions and seven follow up discussion sessions. The videos sessions were recorded at a presentation by Kristi McLelland, a speaker, teacher and college professor who has completed her Masters of Arts in Christian Education at Dallas Theological Seminary. She has dedicated her

life to discipleship, to teaching people how to study the Bible themselves, and to writing about how God is better than we ever knew by explaining the Bible through a Middle Eastern lens.

We will meet in the Library at 4:00 on Mondays and watch the videos together on a laptop followed by a brief discussion. The following Monday we will meet to discuss the video we saw using questions from the book. With the purchase of the book you will have access to the videos which then can be viewed at your convenience. The book has readings, study guide questions and pages for notes. Ladies are still welcome and encouraged to join in this study. If anyone is interested but would prefer to join by Zoom, please contact Priscilla Noriega, Carol Mitchell or Cathy Welch and we will get them the link.

Weekly Bible Study ZOOM

Our Bible Study has resumed its weekly meetings on Tuesday at 6:00 pm. The group meets by Zoom each Tuesday for approximately one hour each session. We will continue our study of the letters of Paul, resuming with 2 Corinthians. If you are interested in joining, please contact John Tibor at john.tibor@snet.net so that we can include you on our Zoom link. We look forward to seeing you there!

2025-2026 Connecticut Energy Assistance Program Starting in SOON! Starting in October 2025, the Town of North Haven's Community Services office will begin conducting residents' appointments for the CT energy assistance program (CEAP). Appointments are conducted by phone on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9am-11:15am.

If you heat with oil:

Call Community Services in October 2025.

If you heat with gas or electric:

Call Community Services in January 2026.

If your heat is included in your rent:

Call Community Services in January 2026.

Note: Your original lease that shows your heat is included in the rent will be required

For further explanation, to see if you qualify or to schedule your phone appointment, call Community Services at (203) 239-2566

9:00am-4:00pm, Monday through Friday



Neighbors In Need Offering set for

Oct. 5 On Sunday, October 5, we will receive the Neighbors In Need Offering for 2025.

Gifts to Neighbors in Need (NIN) support the United Church of Christ's ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). The other two-thirds of the offering support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, direct service projects, and grants. Neighbors in Need grants are annually awarded to UCC churches and organizations doing justice work in their communities.



Prescription Drug Take-Back Day – Saturday, October 25 10:00am-2:00pm

the Town of North Haven and the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) will be teaming up once again to give the public the opportunity to prevent pill misuse and theft by ridding

their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs. This event is open to any residents from any town. Visitors are asked to bring medications for safe disposal to North Haven Fire Headquarters located at 11 Broadway. The service is free and anonymous, with no questions asked. This is the 32nd National DEA Takeback Day, with collection events taking place every April and October.

This is a drive-through drop-off event. Visitors simply need to pull down the driveway of Fire Headquarters and drive around to the back of the building, where they will be greeted by staff to accept the medications. Visitors will be asked to remain in their vehicles and to hand the medications through the window to the staff. Visitors are discouraged from exiting their vehicles or walking up to the disposal tables.

Vapes and other e-cigarette devices or cartridges are also now being accepted; please remove the batteries

before dropping these items off for safe disposal. Items that will not be accepted include syringes, needles or other sharps, inhalers, such as those for asthma, aerosol cans, mercury thermometers, iodine-containing medications and illegal drugs or substances (including marijuana which is still a schedule 1 drug under federal law).

Please leave all medications in their original containers if possible. Cross out the person's name with a black marker to ensure privacy.

For more information, please contact Carla Picard in Community Services at 203-239-5321 x504.

Celebrating Bible Sunday! –

We celebrate Bible Sunday annually the last Sunday, in October which will be October 26th this year. We will present bibles to church school youth in the fourth grade during worship.

Community Suppers at St. John's Episcopal Church

The North Haven Rotary Club sponsors monthly community suppers at St. John's Episcopal Church on the last Friday of the month at 5:00pm. The next Community Supper will be Friday, October 24th at 5:00. Donations are accepted gratefully but not required. Fellowship is the goal of these suppers, as well as providing an affordable meal. Please consider attending this supper for good food and good conversation!

All Saints Observance

We will observe All Saints Sunday during our worship service on November 2nd, when we will read the names of church members, and church members' family, who have died in the past year. If you would like someone's name included on All Saints Sunday, please call the church office.



Fall Cleanup November 8th from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Come join us on **Saturday morning,**

November 8th to help with our **Annual Fall Cleanup.** Bring whatever tools you may have around the house - leaf blowers, trimmers and rakes.

A Community Conversation: Protecting our Multiracial Multifaith Democracy

Congregation Mishkan Israel and CONECT are co-hosting a community conversation with guest speaker Eric K. Ward on November 11, 2025, from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM at Congregation Mishkan Israel in Hamden. Mr. Ward, a nationally recognized expert on hate violence, anti-semitism, racism, and authoritarian movements, will deliver his talk followed by a facilitated Q&A session with him.

Below is the Save the Date flyer. The event is free, open to the public, and expected to draw 200 attendees (with room for more). We hope you'll mark your calendar to attend and share the flyer with others.

We're inviting leaders and members of Greater New Haven's community and faith groups to Mr. Ward's talk and we are planning a follow-up session a few weeks later for attendees to discuss his remarks and explore both the opportunities and difficulties in engaging (and re-engaging) across race and religious lines to address current threats to democracy.

For more information, contact Karen Baar (karen.baar@gmail.com)

Holiday Food Drive

The Churches of North Haven



Please help a North Haven family celebrate Thanksgiving and Christmas

The Holiday Food Drive 2025 Has Begun!

The Food Pantry Council met recently to begin the planning for the 2025 Holiday Food Drive. The Council consists of members of churches and civic groups in North Haven which support the Food Pantry and the Holiday Food Drive. We expect an increased need for the Holiday Food Drive and we are planning for the maximum capacity of assistance once again. Volunteers shop regularly for items that have run out. We work in partnership with Connecticut Food Share, through the leadership of John Tibor, which allows us to shop for the Food Pantry at greatly reduced prices. This is a very important resource since we shop so frequently. There is great support from the churches of North Haven. We will also resume the collection of non-perishable food on Communion Sundays beginning this month. Here are the dates for this year's Holiday Food Drive:

THANKSGIVING -- Pack boxes: Nov. 21 & 22
Pick-up & Deliver: Nov. 23
CHRISTMAS -- Pack boxes: Dec. 19 & 20
Pick-up & Deliver: Dec. 21

SAVE THE DATE

**A Community Conversation:
Protecting our Multiracial,
Multifaith Democracy**



FEATURING
Eric K. Ward,
Executive Vice
President of
RACE FORWARD

Mr. Ward is a nationally recognized expert on authoritarian movements, antisemitism, and hate violence. His talk will focus on white nationalism and its threat to multiracial and multifaith democracy.

This event aims to:

- Foster understanding of how white nationalism weaponizes antisemitism, Islamophobia, and anti-Black racism to sow division
- Address growing threats to our communities
- Bolster our multifaith and multiracial collaborations to protect the rule of law and preserve our democracy

11 NOVEMBER 2025
7 - 8:30 PM | CONGREGATION MISHKAN ISRAEL
785 RIDGE ROAD, HAMDEN, CT

TO RECEIVE UPDATES, EMAIL [KAREN.BAAR@GMAIL.COM](mailto:karen.baar@gmail.com) WITH SUBJECT LINE: ERIC WARD UPDATES

PRESENTED BY




REGISTRATION
Free and open to the public. More details will be available Fall 2025.



SCAN THE QR CODE TO VIEW ERIC'S VIDEO ON WHITE NATIONALISM.

Mission Team News

Ten Commandments –

According to Betsy Gumbart

1. **Speak to people.** There is nothing as nice as a cheerful greeting.
2. **Call people by name... not names.** Sweetest music is to hear one's name called.
3. **Have humility.** There is something to be learned from every living thing.
4. **Be friendly.** If you want to have friend, be one.
5. **Be cordial.** Speak and act as if everything you do is a pleasure.
6. **Be interested in others.** You can like almost everybody if you try.
7. **Be generous with praise,** cautious with criticism.
8. **Give your work;** then keep it.
9. **Be considerate** of the feeling of others.
10. **Be alert to give service.** What counts most in life is what we do for others

Food Pantry Needs

The Food Pantry is in need of canned meals: Beefaroni, Spaghetti's, Beef stew, Chili, Chili with beans, and Canned Soup (no Chicken Noodle). Also Fruits and Vegetables: AppleSauce, Canned Fruit, Green Beans, and Baked Beans. Please bring to the church.

Parking Lot Capital Campaign Update

The Committee met last week and it was determined that we would start winding down the campaign, as all but \$450 in congregant pledges have been fulfilled. MidState Paving will begin its work on September 29th or October 6th. The project will take 2 – 3 weeks including milling, placing sub structure, paving and line striping. We plan to celebrate this successful fundraising campaign sometime in October, we will share details soon.

With Deep Gratitude,

Jim Bennett,
Parking Lot Capital Campaign Chairperson

North Haven Encourages Residents to Sign up for Free Prescription Discount Card

North Haven – The Town of North Haven is stepping up to make medication more affordable and want YOU to be part of it. North Haven has partnered with the State of Connecticut Comptroller to spread the word about a free prescription savings card for anyone living in Connecticut. No cost. No insurance needed. Just real savings and better access.

ArrayRx is a free prescription discount card program offered by the State of Connecticut. It helps people in our communities save money on their medications, no matter their age, income, insurance, or immigration status. Anyone who lives part- or full-time in Connecticut can sign up online or over the phone and begin using it right away. There are no fees, no applications, and no eligibility requirements. Just real savings on the medications people need to stay healthy.

Not sure if you would like to sign up? You can search for the price of any of your medications online before enrolling if that makes you more comfortable. The tool shows real-time prices at pharmacies near you, so you can compare and save.

For more information or if you would like assistance in signing up, you can call the ArrayRx Enrollment Line at 1-800-913-4146 (Monday–Friday, 10:30 AM–8:30 PM), contact Carla Picard in Community Services at 203-239-5321 x8504 or visit ArrayRxCard.com.

Women's Fellowship



PINK SUNDAY is October 12! October is Breast Cancer Awareness month. The Women's Fellowship will have a Pink Bake Sale during Fellowship Hour in Carroll Hall on October 12 to support "After the Storm," which is an organization with the mission "to assist cancer survivors heal physically, emotionally,

and spiritually from the aftermath of their diagnosis and treatment and help restore balance to their lives.” Funds are provided to help survivors with the cost of integrative treatments that insurance may not cover. All donations will go to “After the Storm.” Join us in Carroll Hall after worship to enjoy pink baked treats. Thank you for your support!



New

England Harvest Fair: November 1

It's almost time for the Fair! There are lots of ways you can help—before, during, and after the Fair. Watch for emails, sign-up sheets, and information in the Sunday Bulletins. It takes many hands to make a successful Fair. All are encouraged to participate in some way. Join us on Saturday, November 1, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For children, we will have face painting and craft activities and games. You will find a wide variety of items available, including hand-crafted items, baked and other delicacies, the Cookie Walk, treasures in Grandma's Attic and the Christmas Room, RADA Knives, and bargains in the Nearly New Room. Have lunch in Grandma's Café and do some early Christmas shopping. You may find just what you've been looking for! See you at the Fair.

Military Whist Game Night to be held

Friday, November 7 The Lion's Club and our Women's Fellowship will work together to sponsor a Military Whist. This is a fun evening for anyone who has played the game before or would like to learn. It is a good way to meet new people while supporting both the Lion's Club and the Women's Fellowship. The game is fun and easy to play. The winning and losing tables win prizes. There will be light refreshments beginning at 5:45 when the doors open. Raffle Prizes and a 50/50 Raffle add to the excitement of the evening. Singles as well as couples and groups are welcome to fill the tables in teams of four. The games begin at 6:30. Tickets cost \$12 and payment in advance is appreciated. Text or call Carol Mitchell at 203-668-0608 to reserve your seat.

Men's Fellowship

The men have returned to a normal 1st and 3rd Saturdays schedule. We will meet on Saturday October 4th and Saturday October 18th at 7:30am. All men are welcome.



SAVE THE DATE!!

Saturday, Oct 4 - Men's Fellowship Brkfst 7:30am
Sunday, Oct 12 – Pink Sunday
Saturday, Oct 18 - Men's Fellowship Brkfst 7:30am
Friday, Oct 24 – Community Supper (St. Johns) 5pm
Saturday, Oct 25 – Prescription Drug Take Back 10-2
Sunday, Oct 26 – Bible Sunday
Sunday, Nov 1 – Harvest Fair 9:00am-2:00pm
Sunday, Nov 2 – All Saints Sunday
Friday, Nov 7 – Military Whist 5:45pm
Saturday, Nov 8 – Fall Clean-up 8:00am – 12:00pm
Sunday, Nov 9 – Generosity Sunday

PASTORAL VISITS

Pastoral Visits in Hospital –Please contact Julie or Rev. Cindy if you anticipate a trip to the hospital or unexpectedly find yourself hospitalized, so that Rev. Cindy can respond.

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.

CARDS & LETTERS

Below are some of our church members who are not always able to be present for worship on Sunday mornings. 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



Linda Rankin

22 Masonic Ave, Room R504b
Wallingford, CT 06492

Betsey Reid

79 Washington Ave
P.O. Box 2040
North Haven, CT 06473

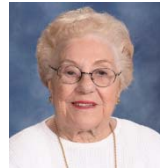


Marlene Bellonio

310 Terrace Ave, W146D
West Haven CT 06516



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



Gloria Santamauro

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

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



Ellie Harple

1350 Whitney Ave., Apt.247
Hamden, CT 06517



Herb & Ann Schneider

150 Cook Hill Road, Apt. 6106
Cheshire, CT 06410

Walter Kaercher

5 Tennyson Ave.
North Haven, CT 06473

Linda Shannon

165 Clintonville Rd, #122,
North Haven, CT 06473



Betty Martin

22 Canterbury Rd.
Hamden CT 06514



Jeff Whipple

5114 Avalone Haven Drive
North Haven, CT 0647

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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LECTIONARY READINGS

October 5th (17th Sunday after Pentecost)

Lamentations 1:1-6; 3:19-26	Psalm 137 or
Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4	.....	Psalm 37:1-9
2 Timothy 1:1-14	.....	Luke 17:5-10

October 12th (18th Sunday after Pentecost)

Jeremiah 29:1; 4-7	.....	Psalm 66:1-12 or
2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c	.....	Psalm 111
2 Timothy 2:8-15	.....	Luke 17:11-19

October 19th (19th Sunday after Pentecost)

Jeremiah 31:27-34	.....	Psalm 119:97-104 or
Genesis 32:22-31	.....	Psalm 121
2 Timothy 3:14-4:5	.....	Luke 18:1-8

October 26th (20th Sunday after Pentecost)

Joel 2:23-32	.....	Psalm 65 or
Sirach 35:12-17 or		
Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22	Psalm 84:1-7
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18	Luke 18:9-14

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