

WEEKLY NEWS - September 18, 2024



**Please keep
the following people
in your prayers**

Sheila Babcock, Pet Pantry Patron

David and Michelle Bickford

Terri Bickford

Candy Burgess

Carol Davis

Louisa and Karl Gerstenberger

Sandra & Vince Golonka

Nolan, Soph and Zeb Green

Blanche Mays

Steve Quentel, Lori Martin

& Kaitlin Quentel

Rey and Ellen Medrano

Susanellen Stearns

Cindy & Bill Tompson

Nancy White

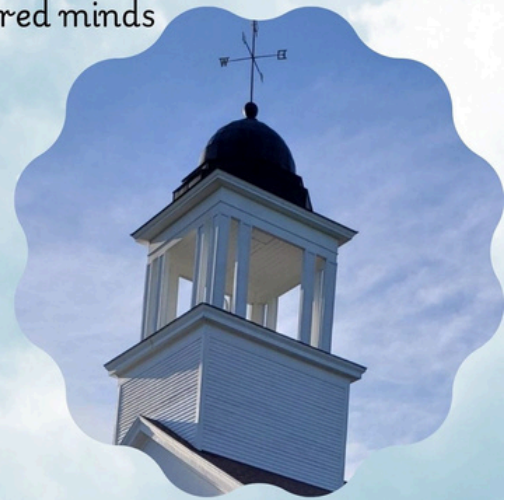
HOMEcoming SUNDAY

September 29, 2024

Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christain love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.

I Pray that your love
may abound yet more
and more.

Pillippians 1.9



Help fill the Grocery Cart in the Gathering Space

The Grocery Cart in the Gathering Space has been the collection spot for much needed food for our neighbors. Communion Sunday has been our Sunday for food collection, but additions to the cart are welcome at all times. The last cartful of food was delivered to the Community Food Pantry in Cumberland where they are now helping over 90 families every other week.

Thank you for your generosity. You are helping many families in our area put food on the the table.

Dear Beloveds of God,

I hope you are all doing well. I missed you on my vacation. A week up in the Northwoods can do wonders for the spirit. Nolan and Soph definitely appreciated the family time.

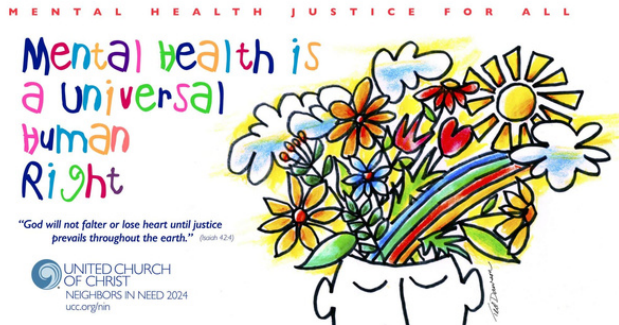
Homecoming Day is fast approaching at the end of the month. I am looking forward to celebrating with you. Gathering together at the close of summer and embarking on a new church year feels just like what we need. We will rejoice in our fellowship, recommit to our mission of the church, and work to deepen our spiritual practices. I'm looking forward to a day of renewal and celebration. Homecoming Day is not a tradition that I've grown up with, and I would love to hear some of your favorite memories from years past to make sure we celebrate it right.

This coming Sunday, we have both a Council Meeting and a New Members gathering. The council meeting will be important as we will appoint trustees and a moderator to serve in the church until the annual meeting in the new year. If you have a desire to learn more about the working of the church this is a great time to step up and see without having to make a multi-year commitment. Everyone is welcome at the Council meeting to share their thoughts and provide guidance to the council about who should be appointed to these roles. The new member gathering will begin around 12:30. Lunch will be provided. It will be a small group format where those attending will be asked to share their faith journeys, what led us to NYCC, and what we seek for our spirits. The primary audience is those considering joining the church, but if you are a newish member or would relish getting to know new members better, you are more than welcome. Please let me know if you would like to attend so we can get a good headcount for lunch.

Our scripture readings for this Sunday are James 3:13-4:3, 7-8 and Mark 9:30-37. Jesus teaches a great paradox that the path of humility, self-sacrifice, and service to others is the way to be greater in God's eyes.

Many Blessings,
Pastor Zeb.

Neighbors in Need



Neighbors in Need Special Offering

In 2024, the Neighbors in Need theme is “Mental Health Justice For All!” This year’s focus is on Mental Health Justice. In 2015, the General Synod of the United Church of Christ passed a resolution to become WISE (Welcoming, Inclusive, Supportive, and Engaged) for mental health.

A just world for all is a world where the human rights and well-being of people with mental health challenges are respected, no matter who you are or where you are in life’s mental health journey.

One-third of the offering supports Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds are used by Justice and Witness Ministries to provide grants to UCC churches and organizations as well as supporting a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects.

We will collect the offering on October 6, 2024, as part of World Communion Sunday. We thank you for your support and generosity.

September Meetings

Council will be meeting on Sunday, September 22 following worship.

New Members Meeting - Sunday, September 22 following the Council meeting.

Tuesday Gals meet at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Bylaws Committee will meet on October 8 at 10:45am in the Community Room.

Men’s Club meets on the third Saturday of the month at 7:30 a.m. at Toddy Brook

Pet Place Pantry is open on the second Saturday of each month from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:30a Worship 11a Diaconate Meeting	2 Labor Day Labor Day-Office Closed	3 10a Tuesday Gals (FH) 10:45a Bylaws Committee Mtg 6p Paley's Men's Group	4 6:30p Choir Rehearsal 7p AA	5	6	7
8 9:30a Worship 10:30a Congregational Mtg 11a Faith Formation	9	10 10a Tuesday Gals (FH) 6p Paley's Men's Group 7p Trustees	11 Patriot Day 6:30p Choir Rehearsal 7p AA	12	13	14 9a Pet Place Pantry
15 8:30a Choir 9:30a Worship Rev. Paul Day 11a Council	16 6:30p Mission Meeting (Via Zoom)	17 10a Tuesday Gals (FH) 10:45a Bylaws Committee Mtg 6p Paley's Men's Group	18 6:30p Choir Rehearsal 7p AA	19	20	21 7:30a Men's Club Breakfast (Toddy Brook)
22 8:30a Choir Homecoming Sunday 9:30a Worship	23	24 10a Tuesday Gals (FH) 6p Paley's Men's Group	25 6:30p Choir Rehearsal 7p AA	26	27	28
29 8:30a Choir 9:30a Worship 5p Youth Group	30	Pastor Zeb will be on vacation from 9/9-9/15.				