

See, I am bringing you good *tidings* of great joy for all the people...Luke 2:10



TIDINGS

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GLANCING BACK, LOOKING FORWARD



NUMC Youth visited Give Kids the World in Florida — traveling by train to Orlando. They spent a week volunteering at this organization that helps seriously ill children realize their dreams. The Youth enjoyed helping so much, they plan to return in 2011 and provide much needed help, again.

At the beginning of a new year, many of us reflect on what has gone on in the past year and look forward to what us coming up in the year ahead. The three pictures on this page remind us of some of the things in which NUMC members were involved in the year 2010. The captions describe these events. We have more good things to look forward to. *..Welcome 2011!*



The old boiler had outlived its useful life. We put it to rest and got a new one.

The October Work Day saw needed repairs done and beautification of the grounds.



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Dear NUMC,

In this happy season of giving and receiving, as we open the gifts we have received from loved ones I would invite us to consider the gift of eternal life that we have received from God through our Lord Jesus Christ. As we consider the great love that God has for the world that generated the gift of Jesus Christ for the purpose of saving us, we wonder at God's love for us. We have done nothing to have deserved so great a love, but can do everything to return this great love.

In our activity of giving, we consider carefully the nature of the gifts we give to those we love. What color? What style? What gift says to this particular person, "I Love You", "I care about you", "You are valued"?

God has given us many gifts that express just these sentiments; that say to us: "You are precious", "You are valued", "I love you". So, *what can we give in return for such a great love? We can give back to God, through the church using the gifts we*

Letter from the Pastor's Desk



have been given. **The church has great needs.** Chief among those needs are persons to take the message to the world that God does indeed love the world. This need is met in several ways, all of which come together to accomplish this purpose.

- The church needs committed members to pass on the faith through bible study and prayer. God may have gifted you as a teacher/leader and is calling you to give back in this area.
- The church needs committed members to take an interest in children and youth and to pass on the faith to them.

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- NUMC has a vacancy for a Christian Education Director and for a post-High School /College Coordinator. If God has gifted you with a special love for children and youth, maybe this is your call. The church has a need and you have the gift. Maybe God is calling you to give back in this area.
- The church needs committed members to minister to the community as Eucharistic ministers, liturgists, communion stewards, and visitation ministers. If you have a curiosity about the sacrament of Holy Communion and would love to know more and participate at another level of this Holy Mystery, there are opportunities to give back in this way as a Eucharistic Minister or Communion Steward. If you love worship and would like to lead the people in praising God and are so gifted consider giving back to God's church in this way. If you like bringing joy to those who are ill or homebound, there are plenty of opportunities to give back to God by bringing comfort and hope to this population.
- The church needs committed members in administrative support areas, such as Staff Parish Relations, Finance, Trustees and Administrative Council. These are the members who work, mostly in the background, to keep the lights on, the sanctuary heated in the winter and cooled in

the summer, the grounds beautifully manicured in summer and driveway and parking lot clear in the winter, to pay the bills on time, to deploy and compensate staff so that they give their best to their tasks. If you have been given the gift of administration and management, consider giving back this gift to God through the church.

There are many other gifts that we have received from God and just as many ways that we can give back.

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North United Methodist Church is the channel through which you can work with God and return thanks for the many ways you have received his blessings. Share those blessings. Pass them along. I am waiting for your call to hear how you will give back to the church of God in 2011.

Have a Blessed and Holy Christmas and wonderful New Year.

Blessings,

Pastor Laurel

OUTREACH MINISTRIES

The **MACC Food Pantry**
We especially need: meat soups, beef stew, canned meat, pasta sauce, cereal, corn, peas, tomatoes, baked beans, baking mixes and coffee, diapers sizes 4 & 5, corned beef hash, chili with beans, canned white potatoes, juice, rice/pasta mixes, jelly, mixed vegetables, spinach, clam chowder, peanut butter, canned pasta (ravioli, spaghetti & meatballs, etc.), condiments, tuna, dry boxed potatoes, dry red kidney beans, mayonnaise, gelatin/pudding mixes, ramen noodles, sugar, green beans, beets, beans (black, white, pinto, etc.), chicken soup, yams, snacks, hot chocolate, pasta, carrots.

Thanks to all who have been faithfully donating!

"Every Sunday we are asked to remember those who are in need of food by contributing food to the MACC Food Pantry. Every week the Timbrells take the groceries left in the cart to MACC and Marlene heads off to the store to purchase needed food items for the pantry. These small endeavors add up over the course of a year. In 2010, this congregation donated food valued at \$5,142! Many thanks to everyone who makes sure no one goes hungry in Manchester."

Marlene



A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

Grace and Peace in the Name of our Lord,

Well...it's happened again...Christmas is only a few days away. Do you remember when you were a young child how long it seemed until Christmas? As we age Christmas seems to catch some people "off guard."

When I was at church this morning during coffee fellowship I could hear several folks saying things like: "I can't believe Christmas is less than a week away"...."I haven't even begun my shopping""your presents are all wrapped?"...."I don't even know what to buy for presents"...."I'm never ready for Christmas."

Ready or not....that's the way God breaks into our world. It's always been that way...at least everyone involved in the story of Jesus' birth seem surprised...terrified....in awe.

Zachariah was "paralyzed with fear at the sight of angel". Mary was "thoroughly shaken." Joseph was "afraid." The shepherds were "terrified."

Whether you are ready or not, Christmas is coming. Ready or not...that's the way God breaks into our world as well. You and I can plan some things. We can design a worship service. We can make sure our gifts are wrapped. But God WILL break into "our world" in God's time. Then our sense of needing to have everything "ready" in our own way will catch us off guard... we too will then be filled with awe. For in experiencing the mystery and majesty of the "good news" - like the shepherds and all who found themselves standing in the presence of "the holy" - life is never the same.

This is my prayer. May God break into our lives and churches in new ways this Christmas that surprise us and fill us with "awe." Emmanuel – God IS with us! Watch! Wait! Pray! Praise!

Expect the unexpected....and in the meantime...live the mystery!

Ready or not.....God is about to do a new thing.

Always has....always will.

Christmas Blessings,

Heidi, Rev. Heidi N. Chamberland

THAT CHRISTMAS

Heaven was a lonely place that Christmas,
When out of love for us God sent His Son.
The angels did their best to make Him happy,
As silently they prayed, "Thy Will be done."

The joy that beams throughout celestial mansions,
The peace that passes understanding, too,
Had descended from the realms of glory,
To be born at Bethlehem for me and you.

Ironically enough, we almost missed Him;
Thank God for the stable warm that night.
The best we could give Him was a manger,
While in return He brought us heaven's light.

And so the years have brought us to this moment,
When once again around His crib we bow,
Searching for that love and joy we've longed for,
And dreamed of, and awaited, until now.

O Little Child, sleeping here so soundly,
"Do not leave us," fervently we pray!
Help us open up our hearts to find You;
Be born in us again this Christmas Day.

**NUMC YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE!
AN ACT OF KINDNESS GIVES THE GIFT OF LIFE**



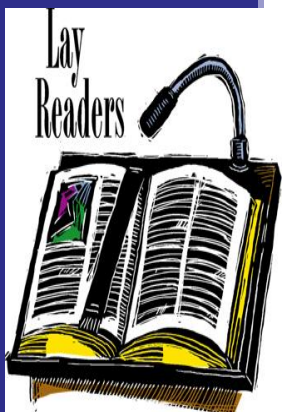
Through the action of opening our doors to the American Red Cross Blood Drive in Manchester in the year 2010, NUMC has helped give the gift of life to 1,824 Connecticut hospital patients.

608 units of blood were collected during the past year and the Red Cross, hospitals, families and individuals across the state are grateful.

When the American Red Cross faced a crisis in the summer and did not have a regular place to collect blood NUMC responded and opened the doors so that this critical operation could continue. This also provided us an opportunity to Leap into Mission, a program of the Annual Conference, in which each congregation was asked to participate within its own community. NUMC provided over 60 volunteer hours to this project. Thanks to all those who sat during blood drives and who returned time and again to lock up the building and re-position furniture. A special thanks to our sextons Ron and Judy Starkweather for their patience and cooperation in this project.

What has come into being in him was **life** and the **life** was the **light** of all people
John 1: 3b, 4





LITURGISTS

9:00 am

2nd Lorrie Rowe
 9th Bev Saunders
 16th Judy Morton
 23rd Wayne Canipe

10:30 am

2nd Tony Adamczyk
 9th Elaine Law
 16th Caleb Cadman
 23rd Becky Harris

We welcome anyone interested in serving as a liturgist to contact Diana Custer at 875-9805.

Responsibilities of the liturgist: lead responsive readings, read the scripture lesson, and assist with communion if assigned on the first Sunday of the month.

FIFTH SUNDAY * JAN. 30

One Service—10:30 am
 Judy Morton



USHERS/GREETERS

9:00 am

2nd John Chadwick
 Jack Bertrand
 9th Wayne Canipe
 Curt Whatley
 16th Glenn Law
 John Chadwick
 23rd Linda Gates
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10:30 am

2nd Roger Edinger
 Paula Smith
 9th Pam Craparotta
 Bob Pelletier
 16th Paula & Tony
 Adamczyk
 23rd Cindy Lepack
 Becky Harris

We welcome anyone interested in serving as an usher to contact Paula Smith at 643-6597.

Responsibilities of Ushers/Greeters: Welcome members and visitors at the door, hand out bulletins, count attendees, collect the offering, and direct people to the altar table on Communion Sunday.

Be available to answer questions of visitors, show them to classrooms for Church School.

Ushers/Greeters should arrive 30 minutes prior to the start of service.

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One Service—10:30 am
 Roger Edinger, Judy Starkweather



Fellowship

FELLOWSHIP TIME

Individuals or groups are invited to please volunteer and sign-up in the Memorial Room to provide Fellowship between and after services on Sunday mornings. Thank you!



Responsibilities of providing Fellowship: Bring a quart of whole milk for use with coffee and tea, and a healthy snack to share.

North Church is a NUT FREE zone.

Set aside a plate of snack for the pastor on the kitchen island. Set-up coffee to brew, hot water for Tea and Hot Chocolate, a pitcher of juice, 2 containers of milk, and sugar/sugar substitute, napkins, and plates if needed. Fellowship is served after the service. Clean-up after fellowship time (approx. 11 am) includes washing out pots and containers and returning them to their place in the kitchen, and wiping down tables in the Memorial Room. **If you are interested in volunteering or have questions, please speak with Angela McCartney at 860-533-0413.**

COUNTERS

OFFERING
COUNTERS

<u>16th</u>	Jan Miller Judy Starkweather
<u>2nd</u>	Tim LePore Harry Arendt
<u>9th</u>	Collins Judd Les VanDine
<u>23rd</u>	Liz Twarkins Kris Pelletier
<u>30th</u>	Barbara Judd Jane Hopkins

Responsibilities of Counters: Counters work in teams of two and are responsible for counting the offering on Sunday morning directly following the 10:30 worship service.

Any interested in volunteering should contact Jim Glass, Finance Chair, at 643-9201.

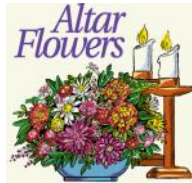
Over 50's Fellowship

The Over 50's will not meet during the winter months. Our next meeting will be in April, 2011.

Questions may be directed to
Linda Gates
860-647-9756



Senior Fellowship



Flowers are a wonderful way to acknowledge the Memory of a Loved One or to Celebrate a special person or occasion. Forms are available in the Memorial Room to make such requests. If you have any questions or prefer to order by phone, please contact our Flower Steward, Doris Timbrell at 860-649-6494.

Calling All Old Dolls!

Patricia Hale of "Guardian Angel" in Manchester is asking for donations of old dolls. She uses parts of the dolls to make puppets for children who are ill. If anyone has any old dolls that you would be interested to donate, please contact Patricia at either:

Home Phone 860-649-6348
Cell Phone 860-559-2856

**The Tale of Two Fuels One for the body and one for the home.**

It is the best of times for The Community Food Pantry that feeds 600 families each month from the Towns of Bolton and Manchester. The consistent support of money, food and paper products allows MACC to feed a family for just \$11.00 a week!

It is the worst of times for the MACC Fuel Bank. A harsh winter is predicted and federal and state officials have already announced that the funding for heating fuel will drastically cut this winter. In addition to this alarming news, the economy has not recovered enough for struggling families to adequately heat their homes, so the need is expected to be greater than the availability of fuel.

What can we do as a community? We can plan now to give the literal gift of warmth to our neighbors. Will you join me to help fund MACC Charities **Warm Gifts Program**? If you answer yes, we will stand ready to respond to the emergency fuel needs of our community. If we all do what we can, it will be the best of times our two fuels.

All gifts are 100% tax deductible – especially good at year's end and/or is the perfect gift for someone who has everything. Give a donation in his/her name to the 2010-11 Warm Gifts Program and we will send an acknowledgement card for you.

Make Checks out to: MACC Charities and put "**Warm Gifts Program**" in the memo section of the check.

Mail to: MACC Charities, P.O. Box 3804, Manchester, CT 06045-3804

Or give on line: www.macc-ct.org under the tribute type choose in honor of and write warm gifts.

Warmly,
Beth Stafford, Executive Director/CEO
MACC Charities, (860) 647-0440, www.macc-ct.org





Thank you to Carolyn Gimbrone for the plant delivery, and to the congregation for the lovely Mum plant.

Etta Miner

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Thank you for the beautiful Mums. They were perfect for Thanksgiving time. Thank you, also, to Paula Smith for bringing them to me.

Judy Desautell

North Church Family and Friends,
Charlene and I would like to thank everyone who participated in this year's Christmas Pageant. Not only were there those who memorized lines and learned music but the many who worked behind the scenes before, during, and after the presentation. It appeared everyone was especially pleased with the end result.

Wishing you all a very happy 2011,
Tim & Charlene



**NORTH UMC will host BLOOD DRIVES
JANUARY 13 AND 27**

DONORS URGENTLY NEEDED. CALL 1-800- GIVE LIFE (1-800-448-3543) to schedule an appointment. Volunteers are needed to monitor the building during the drives. Please sign-up in the Memorial Room to help out.

Questions may be directed to Pastor Laurel.



***REMINDER**

Please wear name tags every Sunday.
Anyone in need of a name tag, please note it on the back of your attendance slip on Sunday morning and one will be made for you.

Next Issue of **TIDINGS** is **FEBRUARY**
All articles for the December Issue are due on **FRIDAY JANUARY 14**

RELIEVE EDITORIAL STRESS:
TURN IN YOUR ARTICLES EARLY!
RE M I N D E R :
DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES IS FRIDAY, JAN. 14



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Ministry meetings are the first and third Monday of each month.
JANUARY 3 AND 17

We thank all our members for their work. We have a nice supply of prayer shawls, and a good head start on lap rugs for the VNA Hospice Christmas baskets. We have made baby blankets, hats and booties for MMH birthing center, and red bed blankets for the MMH ICU. This fall we will be considering some additional charities to which we may donate. New members are always welcome as are items from those who prefer to work at home.

For more information contact: Paula Adamczyk 860-646-6609;
Sue Derby 860-643-4589; Diana Custer 860-875-9805.



SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

FEBRUARY 6, 2011

The MYF of North Church will once again prepare food and snacks for sale on Sunday, February 6 with proceeds to go to the MACC Food Pantry.

Sub sandwiches will be made to order, and there will be a selection of additional foods and desserts for sale.

Please plan to support this annual fundraiser to help feed those in need in our community. As always, non-perishable donations are always accepted.

THANK YOU!

Questions may be directed to Tim and Charlene.



The MACC Church Mouse Thrift Shoppe needs seasonal clothing:



Fall and winter clothes (for all ages and sizes) including shoes and boots.

Please call Candy, store manager, at 860 647-0800 if you have questions.

Store hours:

Wed – Friday 10:00 – 4:00 P.M.

Saturday, 8:00 – 2:00 P.M.



Thank you to everyone for observing the following requests at all worship times.

Please set cell phones to **off/silent** during worship services.

Food and beverages are to remain in the Memorial Room.

Please, water only allowed in the sanctuary.



Food and Beverages in Memorial Room only



FELLOWSHIP OF CONCERN

Judy, Bob (friends of Jim Glass)

Jim (Sue Derby's father)

Barbara Witham

Judy Starkweather Doris Ernst

James Lapenta Ruth Ralph

Mikayla Gaboury

Vicky Ladabouche

Marian (friend of Grace Didan)

Pam Craparotta , Joan Hopkins

Prayers for those suffering with-Cancer:

Sheila, Ann, Beth, Elliot, Betty,

Nick, Rachael, Charlotte, Janet,

Muriel, Miriam, Anita, Garry,

Lena, Karin, Jane, Kathryn

MACC has a Prayer Cycle in which there is a specific church designated for each Sunday throughout the year. Please include the appropriate church and congregation in your prayers. Thank you.

January 2 St. James Church

January 9 St. Mary's Episcopal Church

January 16 First Baptist Church (of Manchester)

January 23 The Salvation Army

January 30 First Korean Presbyterian Church (of Greater Hartford)

February 6 North United Methodist Church

February 13 Center Congregational Church UCC

February 20 Lutheran Church of St. Mark (Glastonbury)

February 27 Avery Street Christian Reformed Church

March 6 Church of the Assumption

March 13 First Hispanic Baptist Church (of Manchester)

March 20 South United Methodist Church

March 27 Church of the Living God

FELLOWSHIP AND FUNDRAISING



An Evening of **Fun Fellowship** for the whole family. Come with family, friends, and neighbors to join in some interactive musical fun as we watch and sing-along to the "*Sound of Music*".

The movie will be presented on a large projection television and lyrics are included at the bottom of the screen for each song so we can sing-along!

FREE ADMITTANCE

Concessions available

SATURDAY, JANUARY 22 AT 6 PM

(snow date: Friday, January 28 at 6 pm)

You are invited to sign-up in the Memorial Room.

Let's make this a BIG and FUN event!

FUNDRAISING EVENT

An evening of Dinner Theater is in the planning.

Mark your calendars for
FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 2011

An interactive theater experience awaits you while you dine at the Manchester Country Club.

Ticket prices and time is yet to be determined. Updates in future issues of Tidings. Save the date and invite family and friends to join you!



Good Clean Fun

Planning has begun for a series of Friday evening gatherings for children and youth ages 8—15. GCF evenings are open to the children and youth of North Church and their friends.

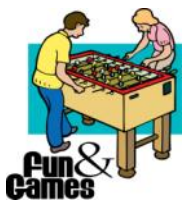
Cost is a mere **\$10 per child** and will include adult supervision of the following:
Games, Activities, DJ music, and refreshments.

Call your friends and come join an outrageously fun night!

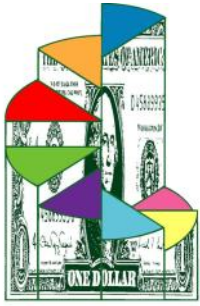
Friday, February 4 ~ 7:00 pm—9:30 pm

Questions? Want to Volunteer to help or chaperone?

Call Anita at 860-712-9991



2011 ALL-CHURCH BUDGET MEETING MONDAY, JANUARY 3 * 7:00 PM



Budget Meeting

There will be a meeting concerning the 2011 Budget on Monday, January 3 at 7 pm. We encourage all members to attend. This meeting is *critical* to reconciling the budget.

We invite you to pick up a copy of the 2011 proposed budget which can be found in the Memorial Room. Please review this document in preparation of the meeting. You will see that we are in need of help with ideas and constructive input for balancing the budget.

*Prayerfully consider the future of North Church
for it is your church, our church, and the church of
those yet to come to our doors.*

Scrip is Fundraising
While You Shop!™



SCRIPS

Gift Card sales were up significantly in November and December. Thank you to everyone who purchased. Please pass along to others

how easy it is to participate, and that you are donating to the church at the same time! We're not asking anyone to spend money that they are not already spending.

Please do NOT focus on the individual store percentages and base decisions on that. Simply check the SCRIP list for participating stores, and please plan to purchase a gift card before your next visit to that store.

Some FAQ's (Frequently Asked Questions) with answers:

Are these the only companies to choose from:

No. There are approximately 550 different companies that participate in this program. **The list is available at the Scrip table after services.** You can also go online to www.shopwithscrip.com to take a look at the different companies. While online you can enroll in the program, keep reading for details.

What's the catch? There is no catch. These companies offer gift cards and pay a percentage of the purchase price as a donation to non-profit organizations. The only thing you must remember is that the gift cards are available in certain denominations. We have a print-out at the Scrips table so that it can be looked up.

Does it cost me any more? Absolutely not. I keep telling people this is "giving without giving" because you get the full price of what you are paying on the gift card. If you purchase a ShopRite card for \$25.00 then the card is worth \$25.00 at that establishment. We take your check for \$25 and deposit it and they debit our account for each gift card less each percentage that each company offers. So, we are not only getting the percentage, but we don't have to wait for the money to be sent back to us!

Do we have any gift cards available for immediate purchase? Yes! We are now carrying some inventory for instant gratification.

How do I pay for the gift cards? You write a check for your entire purchase to North United Methodist Church. You may want to write "scrips or gift cards" in the memo for your own record keeping.

Can I pay with a credit card? No. I'm sorry, but we aren't able to accept credit or debit cards for the Scrip program.

Can I order on-line: Yes!!!! Please visit www.shopwithscrip.com and enroll your family and use the following code: 34ECFECDD22752 when enrolling. You can order your gift cards in your home and Anita Haynes will add them to the weekly order. You will owe the money when you pick up your cards. Anita orders the gift cards Monday mornings so that we will receive the shipment for the next Sunday.

If anyone has any additional questions, please do not hesitate to talk to Anita Haynes in the Memorial Room after each service or call 860-712-9991.

I would like to thank all the "regulars" for using the Scrip gift card program.

Your planning and involvement has made this a real success for our church!



This is your invitation to sign up for our next trip to **Slidell/New Orleans** which will be for the week of **February 27th - March 5th**. That's only two months away so you need to put on your "thinking caps" and consider becoming part of the first 2011 Team. This will be the first team for us under the new program known at The Epworth Project. Some important changes have been made because the 5 year grant through UMCOR has ended. This does not come as a surprise, as we have always known it was coming. However, it was also hoped that the task of getting families back into their homes would have been completed. However, **"There Is Much More To Be Done"** and you are urged to be an important

part of this new venture. We would invite you to access "The Epworth Project" website and read about this program as we look forward to February and beyond. Dale Kimball is still the heart, soul, and mind behind the ministry, and he has kept some of his staff in place to help us all continue. Some new staff have been discovered and at least one of them is already up and running. The name of the program, "The Epworth Project" was chosen for several reasons, not the least of which is that "The Epworth Center" in Slidell will be the main facility used by volunteer teams. Many of us have already found this to be a place to meet, to eat, to sleep, to fellowship, etc., and it is located next to The Aldersgate UMC in Slidell. More about all of this at a later date.

We are planning to have a volunteer team of 40 persons, which means you will need to get your dibs in ASAP as possible. Your reservation to be part of this team needs to be received by us prior to December 31st. On Jan. 1st we will be sending a notice to members and clergy of The New England Conference. The facility will hold more volunteers, however, we have found that about 40 works quite well. We will welcome volunteers of all ages, and will put to good use whatever skills you have. We always discover that those willing to learn can do so with the help of others on the team. As usual, you will need to get yourselves to and from New Orleans, and we are asking you to plan for flight schedules so that you land at MSY (New Orleans Airport) between 11:00am and 4:00pm on Sunday, 2/27/2011. Also flights home on Saturday, 3/5/2011 should not be before 9:00am. The plans for picking you up and returning you to the airport will be sent later, and if you need to know about this now, just give us a call. OK? See below for contact information.

Under this new program our costs per person have changed. The food for all meals will be \$50.00, plus \$35.00 for the meal at The Red Fish Grill. "The Epworth Project" asks us to provide \$225.00 for Construction costs. This will cover all materials needed for the week, plus costs for program staff, etc. We will be renting vans for our use, and buying gas and this will be \$75.00. We will use a figure of \$25.00 for contingency, and as we all know this fills in the blanks. So the total /person will be \$410.00. This is somewhat more than the \$250.00 we asked for in the past, and we certainly would encourage each of us to share this information with members of our congregations, and invite them to take part in this important mission by helping to fund your costs. The work to be done will be pretty much what we have been doing in the past, and whatever your skill level might be you will be put to good use. There will be an orientation meeting prior to our heading South and the date/time/ and place will be determined later. You are certainly urged to invite others from your church, neighborhood, friends, etc. to become part of this Volunteer Team, and if you have any questions please use the information below to get in touch with us.

Grace and Peace,

Mary Ann and Skip Danforth

Contact information: Phone 1-508-430-0778 (home)

Email kitesky@comcast.net



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Epiphany Sunday 9:00 Traditional Worship 10:30 Contemporary Worship 6:30 Bible Study	1 pm Knitting Ministry		CHOIR Rehearsal 6 pm PrISM 7 pm Chancel	7 pm Trustees		New Year's Day
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Fourth Sunday after Epiphany FIFTH SUNDAY ONE SERVICE 10:30 Worship 6:30 Bible Study		7:30 pm Meditation				

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*Worship the Lord in the splendor
of his holiness!*

1 Corinthians 16:29

NURSERY

8:30 am - 12:00 pm

WORSHIP

9:00 am Traditional
10:30 am Contemporary

FELLOWSHIP

10:00 & 11:30 am

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children attend the beginning of the service at 10:30 am and then proceed to class following the Children's Time. Classes dismiss at 11:45 am.

COMMUNION
SUNDAYS

The first Sunday of each month is Communion Sunday, at which time the children will begin in Sunday School classes and then attend church with their families in corporate worship at the time for communion and will remain until the conclusion of service.

FIFTH SUNDAYS

When there are five Sundays in a month, that fifth Sunday will be one service at 10:30 am.

For over 200 years, North UMC has proclaimed the good news of Jesus Christ to the people of Manchester CT. We invite you to join us for worship on Sunday mornings.

*A warm welcome awaits
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Sunday, January 30
FIFTH SUNDAY
One Service—10:30 am

