

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

# TIDINGS

Special points of interest:

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# FREE YOGA: Wednesday July 21, 2021

#### **OPTIONS:**

2:00 PM and/or 6:00 PM (try one or both)

Indoor (Sanctuary) – still safely distanced, those vaccinated and at ease may go mask-less (not vaccinated please still masked).

Outdoor (Patio) - weather and consensus permitting.

What you'll Need to Bring:

Openness and humor (it has been a while!)

Water Bottle

Yoga Mat and/or Blanket(s) - (we have a limited number of mats and blankets at Church to loan)

Comfortable clothing (or whatever you wear during Zoom meetings)(pants, yes, please!) A friend (willing, preferably!)

Contact Tony Adamczyk if you would like to attend! :)
Anthony.adamczyk@snet.net

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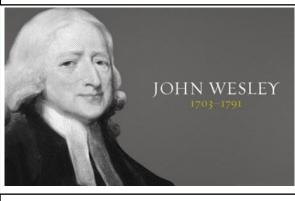
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# Sermon Series July 4-August 8

Pastor David Martin will be presenting a series on John Wesley's sermons. Come and join us and refresh your faith as we learn more about Methodism straight from the founders mouth rephrased for modern ears.

# IMPORTANT information regarding in person worship!!!

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Infection rates have dropped in Connecticut, and many people have been vaccinated. We are pleased to announce that we are once again be offering in person worship; we will still be broadcasting worship on zoom as well. There is limited seating because the chairs have been spread out, but most who want to come should be able to find a seat. We encourage those without vaccinations to wait until they have received theirs before venturing out to in-person worship. If you really want to be at worship but are uncomfortable being indoors with others just yet, we will have 6 outdoor worship Sundays this Spring/Summer.

Many of you undoubtedly miss corporate worship (as do I), and it feels like forever since we have been together. We are reentering worship within the building at North church with an abundance of caution. This is for the safety of everyone present, AND everyone to whom you will go home to after worship. As we seek to balance the needs of the church to worship together, and the need to act responsibly towards our neighbors, we

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Office Hours
Pastor Dave
Monday & Tuesday
8:00-5:00ish
Office Manger Makayla
Monday & Thursday

9:00-12:00

#### LITURGISTS

# **USHERS**



## July

Consider Volunteering When We Can Meet Again We welcome
anyone interested
in serving as a
liturgist to contact
Barbie Turley.

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

#### Ushers Needed!

Responsibilities include:
Welcoming Members and
Visitors at the door,
Handing out bulletins,
Record a count of
attendance, Collect the
offering, and guide people to
the altar on Communion
Sundays.

Please prayerfully consider this important ministry!

If you have any questions please speak with

Roger Edinger

Sign up in the Memorial Room

#### Responsibilities

of Ushers: 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 should arrive 30 minutes prior to the start of service. Please be in touch with Roger Edinger 860-646-8984 if you would like to serve.

#### July

Regular Schedule Will Resume When Possible



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

Any member interested in volunteering for this task should contact the church office or talk to any of the counters.



CHURCH

**SUNDAY** 

**CLOSING:** 

TRUSTEE

Members

# OFFERING COUNTERS

# FELLOWSHIP TIME

Individuals and groups are invited to please volunteer and sign-up in the Memorial Room to provide fellowship refreshments after service 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-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. 11:50 am) includes washing out pots and containers and returning them to their place in the kitchen, and wiping down tables in the Memorial Room.

#### **MACC Services**

The Community Kitchen is open, giving out hot lunches on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays.

Bag lunches are available on Mondays, Fridays & Saturdays

Lunch is served between 11:30am & 12:45pm each day (no appointment necessary)



You can reach the kitchen @ 860-647-8003 x 21

The Community Emergency Food Pantry provides groceries by appointment only. Please call 860-647-8003 x 28

The Community Threads Thrift Shoppe hours are Mon through

Fri 10am - 2pm and Sat 10am - 1pm

860-647-8003 x 29

For Community Outreach and Emergency Services

Please call  $860-647-8003 \times 31$ 

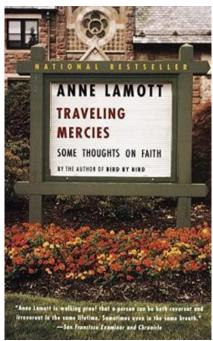
Food donations can be dropped off at the Community Emergency Food Pantry, located at 460 Main St. in Manchester, CT Monday through Thursday 9am-4pm and Friday 9am-2pm (or call to schedule a time).

For all other donations, please call 860-647-0440.

# MACC EMERGENCY NEEDS ITEMS

The following are always in need and your donations are welcomed.

- •Beans (Canned, All Beans: Black Brown, Red)
- •Beef Stew (Canned)
- •Chili (Canned)
- •Cleaning Supplies
- •Condiments: ketchup, mustard, mayo, salad dressing, etc.
- •Cooking Oil
- •Flour
- •Fruit (Canned)
- •Ground Coffee (Regular, Decaf, Instant)
- •Hygiene Products for adults and children: Soap, shampoo, body wash, deodorant, wipes etc.
- •Instant Potatoes (Not Mashed)
- •Jellv
- •Mac & Cheese
- •Pasta
- •Produce (Fresh Produce Mondays Thursdays ONLY)
- •Soups (Canned, All)
- •Stuffing (Boxed)
- •Sugar
- •Vegetables (Canned)

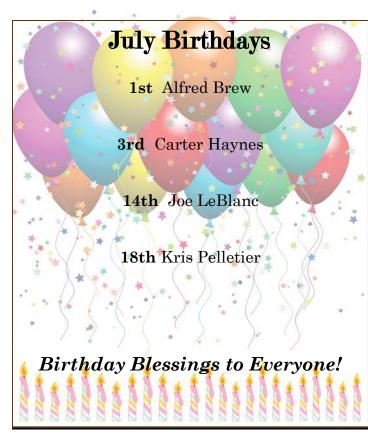


#### The North Church Readers

The North Church Readers: Our next reading selection is *Traveling Mercies by Anne Lamott*. It's a chronicle of faith and spirituality that is at once tough, personal, affectionate, wise, and very funny. With an exuberant mix of passion, insight, and humor, she takes us on a journey through her often troubled past to illuminate her devout but quirky walk of faith. Whether writing about her family or her dreadlocks, sick children or old friends, she shows us the myriad ways her faith sustains and guides her, shining light on the darkest part of ordinary life and exposing surprising pockets of meaning and hope.

Discussion will take place July 25, 2021.

See Jackie if you have any questions.





## FELLOWSHIP OF CONCERN

<u>Crystal</u> Price, <u>Dottie</u> Allen , <u>Jean</u> Derby, <u>Jenna & Patty</u>, Nellie, <u>Ruth</u> Mancell <u>Mary, Marian</u>, <u>Mike & Dorothy</u> Thompson, <u>Liz</u>, <u>Sarah & Friends</u>, <u>Ray</u> Johnson, <u>Austin</u>,

<u>Decency</u> Wins, <u>Sue</u> L. <u>Alisa</u> Smith, Nichols Family, <u>Joan</u> & <u>Charles</u> Nichols, <u>Mark</u> Fitzgerald, <u>Carol</u> Haviland, <u>Judy</u> Parlee, <u>Jack</u> Stroup, <u>Stephanie</u> Oppon-Kunty, <u>Sara</u> Miller, <u>Florence</u>. <u>Gary</u> Chappell, <u>Ron</u> Starkweather, Wayne Zorger Sr. <u>Melissa</u> Lepack, <u>JanMarie</u>, <u>Robert, Kevin</u> Saint Hilaire, <u>Susan</u> Fenn, Jack Benton, <u>Diana</u> Custer, <u>Walter</u> Johnson, <u>Lisa</u> Roman, <u>Olivia</u> Roman, <u>Matt</u> Turkington

Prayers for Cancer: Sheila, Ann, Beth, Elliot, Betty, Nick, Rachael, Charlotte, Ted, Janet, Muriel, Miriam, Anita, Garry, Lena, Jane, Jennifer, Judy, Joan, Myia, Tracy, Jean, Deb, Jenn, Rose, Jeffrey, Jackie, Diane, Ray, Cindy, Terry, Robin, Sheena, Geoff, Tricia, Marilyn, Dave, Henriet, Tom, Brenda, Ella, Sue, Deb C.



# NORTH UMC will host BLOOD DRIVES July 1st and 15th

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.

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Please sign-up in the Memorial Room to help out.



Questions may be directed to Rev. Martin.



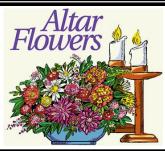
# \*REMINDER Please wear name tags <u>every</u> Sunday.

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.



Ad Council Meeting

TBD



Flowers are a wonderful way to acknowledge the Memory of a Loved One or to Celebrate a special person or occasion. Consider what you may have to offer, fresh and seasonal are especially nice. Forms are available in the Memorial Room to make such requests.

If you have any questions or prefer to order by phone, <u>please contact</u> Susan Fenn 860-729-6446

## WAMS (Wellness And Multiple Sclerosis)!

WAMS is a positive and affirming group that focuses on living well with MS using the Overcoming MS program and is co-led by North Members Heidi Lenhardt and Vickie Hadge.

If you are newly diagnosed, have been living with MS for years, or are an MS care partner WAMS welcomes you! WAMS is a friendly, non-judgmental and safe place where privacy is protected. No matter where you are on your MS wellness journey we encourage our members to "do whatever it takes" to live well to be the healthiest they can. WAMS typically meets on the third Sunday of the month  $4:30~\mathrm{PM}$  -  $5:30~\mathrm{PM}$  ET (we will meet in person or on Zoom - details will be sent prior to each meeting).

Please reach out via email to Vickie at vlhadge@vahoo.com or Heidi wellnessandms@yahoo.com for more details!



#### **Knitting Ministry**

The Knitting Ministry continues to be prolific in their creation of hats, shawls and blankets to donate.

We meet on Mondays at 1:00 pm on ZOOM.

The link is:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88513484753

Password: 1234

Our group is open to all with or without yarn skills. Contact: Paula Adamczyk anthony.adamczyk@snet.net or Susan Derby susanderby@cox.net with questions.



# Online Giving

Online giving is available at: http://www.simplechurchgiving.net/northumc or scan the QR code shown below to go to the site. Set up an account and conveniently schedule your routine giving. Never miss another month or have to remember your

checkbook. One time donations can be made as well. Selecting 'Bank Account' rather than 'Credit Card' costs NUMC the least in fees, but of course all donations are welcome.

Please contact us if you have any questions about online giving. Thank You!



# **Bible Study**

Bible Study will be returning soon!

Stay sharp for details!





A beautiful blanket crocheted by Liz, who crocheted over 100 hats last year in addition to other items. Such great comfort she gives to others!



seek to be nimble in our responses to issues as they arise. And, we acknowledge that no matter the amount of planning, there will undoubtedly be blind spots. The staff, trustees, and worship team are open to how we might do things safer and make worship a meaningful and impactful experience. Please carefully read the protocol section, which includes the rules and expectations for conduct during worship, followed by the worship schedule (with links) for the next three months.

#### Protocols for Safe Worship with Social Distancing in Mind:

- 1. Everyone must wear a mask in the building.
- 2. There will be no congregational singing until it's safe to do so (except during outdoor worship). Singing causes, us to express our breath in a way that significantly increases the chance of transmission. We would have to social distance some 30 ft making corporate worship impossible. We truly regret this. The Music Director, Chris Collins, will be working hard at finding alternatives for this activity, she already has lots of great ideas! When we worship outdoors, we will have congregational singing.
- 3. All who enter the worship space must sanitize their hands. If they leave the worship space to use the bathroom, they must re-sanitize at the door. We also strongly encourage you to wash your hands in the bathroom as well.
- 4. Entrances and exits are one way. Entry will be via the office door (on the portico), exits will be via the double glass doors onto the portico. Exiting for the bathroom will be through the memorial room door. No exceptions.
- 5. Offering plates will be available near the ushers on tables by the entrance and exits. The offering will not be taken during worship. Please make your offering as you come in or as you leave.
- 6. The chairs will be set up 6 ft apart in any direction. Only family members living in the same household may move their chairs to be next to one another. However, if those chairs are closer than 6 ft to someone NOT in their household, the family will have to make another arraignment to get their chairs together.
- 7. Starting May 16<sup>th</sup>, we will have a few tables set up (café style) for families to sit together. Please call in advance and let us know if your family would like a table.
- 8. We strongly urge everyone to maintain social distancing while in the building. This means there will be no fellowship/coffee hour. Please refrain from hugging, shaking hands and other behaviors that could potentially transmit the virus. We are not out of the woods just yet!

#### **Tentative Outdoor Worship Schedule:**

(times and venues subject to change if Covid numbers spike, or inclement weather drives us towards cover)

7/4 Independence Day

8/29 The dog days!

9/12 Also Rally Sunday!

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83102141139

Passcode: 1234

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 831 0214 1139

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to the office via phone or email. We thank you for your cooperation during these times and we look forward to seeing you in person once again.

Pastor David Martin and the Worship Committee.

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Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness!

1 Corinthians 16:29

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New England Conference Web-Site: http://www.neumc.org

#### CHOIR WARM UP 9:30 am

NURSERY—upon request 10:15 am—11:45 am

#### WORSHIP

10:30 am Worship, Youth and Children's Sunday School, One-Room for Summer

#### **FELLOWSHIP**

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.

# 10:30 am

Worship

#### 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.

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 you!

As followers of the teachings of Jesus Christ, North United Methodist Church strives to be an inclusive community. We welcome, respect and celebrate persons of every race,

ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, ability, family status, age and economic circumstance. We want you to feel at home and know that you belong here.