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Greetings brothers and sisters! As September gently releases the last few weeks of summer, the worship team welcomes you to engage in corporate worship once again in our beautiful space. Many of you have been blessed to take vacations, spend time in summer homes, or just

enjoy time with family in the warmth and sun. These things are truly a blessing from God, and of course should be enjoyed! As we look towards the colder months, I am reminded of the rhythm of the seasons: the blush of life, the verdant vitality of summer, the colorful crispness of the waning sun and shorter days, and the deep cold that makes us long for warmer days and sunshine. In fact the memory of Spring, and the promise of a new season are what helps sustain us in winter. We mix in the holidays and traditions of the year, and we have patterns and rhythm. Going to church too is a rhythm. Praying daily, reading scripture, and healthy living are also rhythms.

So, as summer winds down, take this opportunity to establish a healthy rhythm to your life. Exercise regularly, make smarter food choices (one I really need to work on!), read and study God's word, and make a commitment to be in worship. A recent NIH study states, "All life exists within a sea of vibration, and rhythm is fundamental to all of life. Diurnal, seasonal, lunar, and solar cycles, and the resonant electromagnetic field (EMF) oscillations of our planet make up the symphony of rhythms in which life on Earth exists." Make your life a symphony to God as you vibrate with the rhythms of praise and worship!!

Hartford Pridefest Saturday, Sept 9, 2023

12:00-6:00 pm — Volunteers Needed!

North Church has once again registered to have a 10 x 10 booth to support the LGBTQ+ community at Hartford Pridefest which will be held on Church Street this year. It is always a lot of fun and we are hopeful that we will have enough volunteers to staff it this year as several veteran staffers will be unavailable. If you are able to help with tent set-up or a couple of hours of staffing the booth

please contact Pastor Dave. A sign up sheet will be available in the Memorial Room.

We will hand out church brochures, paddle fans with our logo and individually wrapped small candies. (Think small Halloween size).

The candy always goes quickly so we need to plan for a large quantity. If you would like to donate candy please leave it in the church office or under the skirted table in the Memorial Room. Monetary donations are also always appreciated and we can shop for you. Please indicate that your donation is for Reconciling Ministries/ Hartford Pridefest. Thank you.

Contact Linda VanDine with questions. 860-830-6841 or lindavandine@gmail.com For more about the event: https://www.hartfordpride.org/

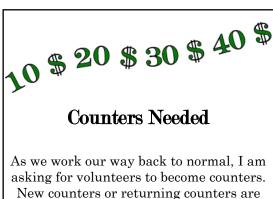


Liturgists Needed

We are open and worshiping

together again! We are seeking liturgists to share the Word each Sunday. Please consider joining this meaningful ministry. Sign up in the Memorial Room.

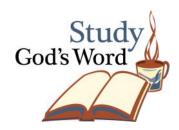




wanted.

The job is usually straightforward and is a great way to serve North Church. Please talk to Jackie Abbott or email me at jabbott814@aol.com if you are able to serve.

Thank you, Jackie Abbott, Financial Secretary



Bible Study

Examining Current Events

Bible Study will be on Tuesday evenings at the United Methodist Church of Bolton Potluck at 6:00 pm

Study at 7:00 pm

Service Opportunity

We have a wonderful opportunity for you to serve NUMC! We have an opening for a Zoom host for our Sunday services. NUMC will be continuing to offer Zoom access to Sunday services to those who are not comfortable with or not able to attend in person. This ministry has been very important to many members of our congregation and guests. It is a link to our church family and is in keeping with our traditions of outreach and caring for our neighbors.

Being a host is easy and fun! It is only a once a month commitment and it comes with free training! We have a very detailed guide and there is typically someone at the Zoom worship service that is there to help as well.

If you are interested please reach out via email to Vickie at vlhadge@yahoo.com



Outdoor Summer Worship

Sept 10

(Rain date: Sept 17)

Come sing along to almost 20 favorite songs, all from the hymnal supplement *The Faith We Sing*. Remote worship on ZOOM available.



Re-Awakening Committee 1st Meeting

Reclaim. Revive. Renew. Thursday, September 28 at 7:00 pm

All are welcome to join to discuss, revise and develop an action plan for moving and growing.

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 x 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

- •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)
- •Jelly
- •Mac & Cheese
- •Pasta
- •Produce (Fresh Produce Mondays –
- Thursdays ONLY)
- •Soups (Canned, All)
- •Stuffing (Boxed)
- •Sugar
- •Vegetables (Canned)

Thank you, Don and Marlene



Marlene and Don Camper have been coming to MACC for 22 years and put their heart into the endless hours they have spent here and continue to be here weekly! Not only do they come to MACC on various days of the week, but they also are part of our food rescue program, where they pick up from 2 different stores that donate food, help with the various food drives, and partake in the different walks and fundraising events! Thank you, Marlene and Don, for being a big piece of the heart of MACC Charities!

#VolunteerAppreciationMonth

-Patti Thurlow Operations Manager

September Birthdays

2nd Linda Gates 4th Steve Hadge 5th Deb Tedford 6th Chris Larson 8th Karen Cadman 9th Linda VanDine 18th Bob Pelletier 26th John Fitzgerald 29th Jackie Abbott 30th Stephanie Brew

Birthday Blessings to Everyone!



FELLOWSHIP OF CONCERN

<u>Crystal</u> Price, <u>Dottie</u> Allen , J<u>ean</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, Gary</u> Chappell, <u>Ron</u> Starkweather, Wayne Zorger Sr. <u>Melissa</u> Lepack, <u>JanMarie</u>, <u>Robert</u>, <u>Kevin</u> Saint Hilaire, <u>Susan</u> Fenn, Jack Benton, <u>Walter</u> Johnson, <u>Lisa</u> Roman, <u>Olivia</u> Roman, <u>Matt</u> Turkington

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



NORTH UMC will host BLOOD DRIVES September 14th and 28th

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



Questions may be directed to Rev. Martin.



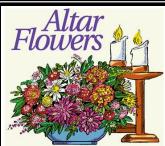
*REMINDER Please wear name tags <u>every</u> Sunday.

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.



TBD

Ad Council Meeting



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> <u>Makayla Houle at 860-707-6895</u>

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 PM - 5:30 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@yahoo.com or Heidi wellnessandms@yahoo.com for more details!



Knitting Ministry

Our NUMC Knitting group's schedule has meetings held on Mondays from 1:00pm-2:30pm in the Memorial Room. Meetings are on 9/18, 10/02, 10/16, 11/06, 11/20, 12/04, 12/18. All are welcome! :)

The Knitting Ministry has continued to meet during the summer. We enjoy time for fellowship as we knit and crochet. Prayer shawls and lap blankets have been given to the Thompson family, Marcia Scott and Jan Miller. We wanted Jan to have something special as a colorful reminder of North Church.

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.





An excellent cake makes for a fine sendoff. We'll miss you Jan!



Online Giving

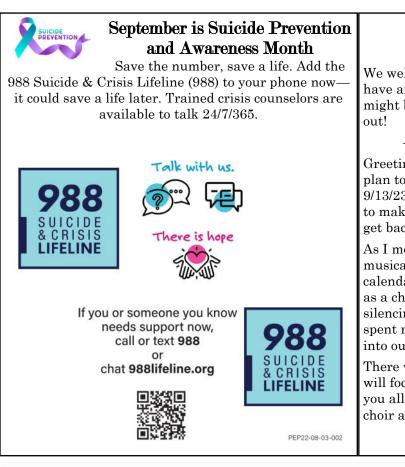
Online giving is available at: http://www.simplechurchgiving.net/northumc

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!





Choir Rehearsals Resume

Wednesday, September 13 at 7:00 pm

We welcome new singers and instrumentalists. If you have any interest and wonder if choir or praise band might be right for you, please reach out, or come check it out!

—And Now a Message From Our Director —

Greetings all! I just wanted to let you know that it is my plan to commence rehearsing this Fall on Wednesday 9/13/23. Labor Day kind of snuck up on me and I want to make sure that notice goes out to give people time to get back into 'rehearsal mode.'

As I mentioned at the beginning of the summer, our musical theme for the first part of the singing calendar will be on 'regaining our voices' as musicians, as a church and as a community as we move past the silencing years of the pandemic. There will be time spent rebuilding our repertoire and reintegrating PrISM into our ministry again.

There will be one more outdoor service on Sept 10 which will focus on hymns from The Faith We Sing. I invite you all to come and sing as an informal reunion of our choir and a chance to warm up our instruments.

-Chris



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SEPTEMBER						
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10:30 am Blended In- Person and ZOOM Online Worship	1 pm Knitting Ministry Knitting Ministry	6 pm Potluck at BUMC 7 pm Lenten Study at BUMC				12-6:00 Hartford Pridefest
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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

<u>NURSERY</u>—upon request 10:15 am—11:45 am

<u>WORSHIP</u> 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.

