



FROM THE PASTOR

The Good Shepherd leads us in paths of righteousness for his name's sake ... and goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives.

-from Psalm 23

In preparation for this article, I reviewed the one I wrote for the May Kerygma last year. It caught me by surprise for it was about recent losses in my personal family – the death of my stepmother which was expected and the sudden death of my brother which wasn't. It was surprising that it's already been a year since these things have happened. It was surprising that the article took me there again, to that place of yet-unresolved grief. It reminded me that even though we live through loss and move on, there's a part of us that remains in that place. Memories knit together the fabric of the life we've lived, the sorrows and joys, the things we regret and the things we are proud of, the times of struggle and the times of joy. Looking back, it is the love we've experienced in those moments and anticipate in moments yet to come that makes it all purposeful and meaningful, worth living as fully as we can. I concluded last year's article with gratitude for the many people of the church who reached out to me and Kay and supported us in numerous ways. These gestures of kindness and caring were an important part of what gave us the assurance that we were not alone and that we are loved. It is so true, that,

"To love and be loved is the greatest joy on earth."

I also mentioned in last year's article that we were having "congregational conversations" at church and that they were helping us develop a vision for the future. Indeed, we've seen this vision take shape over the past year, including the drafting and adopting of a new covenant, one that expresses the heart and soul of our faith community and opens our doors to all people seeking the boundless love of Christ. Now, we are meeting again, this time to draft a renewed set of by-laws that will more faithfully and effectively enable our church to be about the ministry to which we are called. This is one of the ways we seek together a greater joy, one of the ways we love and care for each other. It's a way for us to declare together, "This is who we are and who God calls us to be."

And the way is good.

There is a sacred trust we hold as a family of faith, that we will be here for each other in life's joys and sorrows, that we will seek to follow Christ together and find the right path, that we will seek to be a blessing in our community and beyond.

God only knows what memories and visions will fill this space in next May's Kerygma, but three things are sure – it will get here surprisingly fast, it will continue the unfolding story of who we are, and trusting God, the story will be good because God is good all the time.

Peace and Blessings,
Rev Dave



Let us WORSHIP Together

Please Join Us
In Person each Sunday
at 10 am.

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Calendar

- *Watch from the church Facebook page, YouTube, or Zoom.
- *Search for: The Congregational Church in Killingworth UCC.
- *Go to Zoom.us and add the meeting ID and passcode found below.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84538336049?pwd=Z0NRZC9rN0FCOWhPMTNzMk9EMHgZz09>

Dial: 929 205 6099

Meeting ID: 845 3833 6049

Password: 500345

Please call the church office if you have any issues or questions.



Bright Spot in the Week

Bible Study

In-Person or Join Remote
Wednesdays // 7pm

Each Wednesday, Rev. Dave hosts a live Bible study broadcast from church focused on the scriptures for the coming Sunday's worship service. You can ask questions, make comments, and share prayer requests.

Each study will be followed by prayer.

Join in person or watch through Facebook or Zoom.

Zoom Link to join the meeting: You can sign in 10 minutes early.

Online Zoom link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81262507891?pwd=alN4dTNITG1Yby9DUFVSV>

Phone: 929-205-6099 **Meeting ID:** 885 6894 8592 **Passcode:** 476067



Online Giving

It's fast, safe, easy, and appreciated.

Visit the church website or mail in your donation.

Thank you.



Sunday School Corner

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

Romans 8:14

Hello Sunday School Students and Families,

During the month of May, we will be continuing lessons about the early church that will lead up to Pentecost on May 19th. We will also be working on mission projects.

In June, we celebrate our accomplishments with the confirmation ceremony on June 2nd and Children's Sunday Service and BBQ picnic on June 9th. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share at the picnic on June 9th. The church will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks for everyone.

We will also have some fun in June at Vacation Bible School on June 18, 19 and 20 from 9am to 12pm. The theme is **Scuba- Diving into Friendship with God. Participants-** pre-k to entering 5th grade. Student volunteers entering 6th grade to high school. All in the community are invited to attend! It is great fun with crafts, games, and activities!! A link to enroll will be coming soon to the church website.

Many Blessings,
Christine Link
Volunteer Christian Education director
Christinelax@hotmail.com



Who
Doesn't
Love an
Easter
Egg Hunt?!



June 18, 19, 20 9am to 12pm
Congregational Church in Killingworth
273 Route 81, Killingworth
Contact- Christine Link
Christinelax@hotmail.com





Vespers Memorial Worship Service

Sunday, May 26 at 11:30 a.m.

Each year we hold a Memorial Worship Service in our outdoor Hervey Moores Memorial Chapel. The service is open to all in the community wishing to remember loved ones, especially those who are interred in our Milton R. Liebe Memorial Garden. The congregation, family, friends, and the community are all invited to this beautiful worship service.



MEMORIAL DAY

Save the Date! Killingworth Memorial Day Parade

The Killingworth Memorial Day parade will be held this year on Monday, May 27th. The parade will follow the same route as the past few years starting at KES and going down RT 81 to the Congregational Church where a ceremony will be held. Three Memorial Day events are planned for this year.

- Flag placement ceremony at Evergreen Cemetery on Sunday, May 26th at 12:30 pm.
- Town Hall flag raising ceremony prior to the parade at 8:00 am
- The parade which will begin at 9 am Monday, May 27th

CALL TO SPRING MEETING

Notice is hereby given of the Spring Meeting of The Congregational Church in Killingworth, UCC to be held according to the By-Laws during the month of May. The meeting will be held on Sunday, May 12, 2024 immediately following the worship service.

The meeting is called for the following purposes:

1. To approve the minutes of the Annual meeting held of February 25, 2024.
2. To receive current reports from Boards, Committees, Officers, and the Pastor.
3. To transact any other business properly to come before the meeting.

David Gross, Moderator
April 5, 2024



Eddy Shelter Dinners
Tuesdays,
May 14th & 28th

The Eddy Shelter is a 30+ bed emergency homeless shelter for men and women of Middlesex County.

The Missions Committee will continue delivering a meal to the Eddy Shelter each 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month.

Contributions to the monthly meals such as desserts, breads, and sides (salad, soup, veggies, casseroles) are always gratefully accepted.

Always needed and appreciated: Socks, Twin sheets, comforters, bottled water and “grab and go” foods like protein bars, granola bars, fruit, nuts, cheese sticks.

Contact Paulie Lally 860-663-2315 to offer donations or to help deliver the meal.



Missions NEEDS Your Help with Meals

Our Mission’s Committee has been bringing meals twice a month to the Eddy Shelter in Middletown, feeding about 40 people. We need folks who can donate food, prepare food, and deliver everything to Middletown. Food donations can be bottled water, frozen foods, desserts, side or main dishes. Food prep will be on Tuesdays at 2pm the day of the meal. Please contact Karen Gagliardi 860-663-3866 to discuss how you can help.

Thank you!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- May 1 Patrick Brandon
- May 5 Joann Zamparo
- May 11 Derek Phelps
- May 12 Vicki Harris
- May 15 Shawn Sodergren
- May 19 Richard Anziano
- May 21 Edward Glynn
- Jack Kaiser



- May 4 Walter Macklem
- May 9 Devyn Tyrseck

COMMUNITY LUNCH



The Senior Community Luncheon

Come for a hot, nutritious lunch.

Call in your lunch reservations to the reservation line at 860-388-1611, x216, **before 11:00 A.M** the day prior to when you wish to have lunch.

CAFÉ LOCATIONS

OLD SAYBROOK: The Estuary, 220 Main St.— Mon-Fri

OLD LYME: Congregational Church, 2 Ferry St— T, W, Th

CLINTON: Town Hall Annex, 48 Main Street—T & Thurs

KILLINGWORTH: Congregational Church, 273 Rte. 81—Wed

All diners must make a reservation by 11:00 am the day prior to desired dining day and by Friday at 11:00am for Monday reservations.



Ascension

Ascension Day celebrates when Jesus ascended to heaven on the 40th day after Easter—**May 9, 2024**

While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. Luke 1.51



May

May 5	Board of Ushers
May 12	Board of Ushers
May 19	Bill and Gayle VanHuysen
May 26	Board of Ushers

Book of Life

Milton Liebe Memorial Garden

Charles R. Schulze
April 6, 2024

Memorial Service

Dorothy Sprague
April 13, 2024

For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body...

1 Corinthians 12:13

Are you celebrating a special date or event in your life?

Please share it with us so we may give thanks to God and celebrate with you.

Email your notice to office@killingworthchurch.org by the 15th of each month.



Day of Tears is coming to CCK on Sunday, June 23rd at 3pm

Tears Touring Company will be presenting, "Day of Tears," about an especially shameful day in the history of slavery in the United States. Join us in the Sanctuary on June 23 at 3pm. More information to follow.



SNEUCC Events

Pause for Prayer

Each Wednesday at 12:30, take some time for spiritual grounding and communal prayer for the world, our churches, each other and ourselves. Hosted by Conference staff. Streamed Live to Facebook.

Lunch & Learn with SNEUCC

Twice per month, SNEUCC offers us opportunities to take part in learning workshops from Noon until 1pm. Once you register for a program, you are able to watch it at your convenience. These hour-long videos are informative and thought provoking.

- * Check out these events at [SNEUCC.ORG/Events](https://www.sneucc.org/events)
- * Enjoy other SNEUCC videos on Vimeo.
- * Visit <https://vimeo.com/macucc>



News from the Killingworth Library

Check the Calendar on our website, killingworthlibrary.org, for details on all programs and registration information or call the library at 860-663-2000. **Closed on Monday, May 27th**

Pajama Story Time

Thursday, May 9th, 6:00pm-6:30pm. Come dressed to cuddle and bring your favorite stuffed animal.

LEGO STEM Club

Tuesday, May 24th, 5:45pm-6:45pm. Future engineers! Learn to use the STEM steps to success as you solve a problem, plan and create a design, and then test your project.

Growing Groceries, session four: Seed Saving

Thursday, May 23rd, 7:00pm-8:00pm. Learn how to start a vegetable garden or hone your gardening skills with free classes presented by University of Connecticut Master Gardeners.

Altered Book Art with the Florence Griswold Museum

Friday, May 24th, 6:00pm-8:00pm. Join us as an artist from the Florence Griswold Museum leads us in turning old books into beautiful new works of art!

American Girl Club

Thursday, May 30th, 5:45pm-6:45pm. Join us with your favorite doll (it doesn't have to be an American Girl doll).

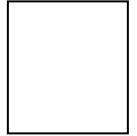
May 2024

The Congregational Church in Killingworth, UCC

May 2024 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	9am - KNS 12pm - Cafe Luncheon 6pm - Lions Club 7pm - Bible Study 7:15pm - AA	1 9am - KNS 7pm - AA	2 9am - KNS 7pm - AA	3 9am - KNS
5 10am - Worship 11am - Fellowship	6 9am - KNS	7 9am - KNS 7pm - Boy Scouts	8 9am - KNS 12pm - Cafe Luncheon 7pm - Bible Study 7:15pm - AA	9 Ascension Day 9am - KNS 7pm - AA 7pm - Council	10 9am - KNS	11
12 Mother's Day 10am - Worship 11am - Fellowship 11:15am - Annual	13 9am - KNS	14 9am - KNS 3pm - Eddy Shelter 7pm - Boy Scouts	15 9am - KNS 12pm - Cafe Luncheon 7pm - Bible Study 7:15pm - AA	16 9am - KNS 6:30pm - Trustees 7pm - AA	17 9am - KNS	18
19 Pentecost 10am - Worship 11am - Fellowship	20 9am - KNS	21 9am - KNS 7pm - Boy Scouts	22 8:30am - Mens Group 9am - KNS 12pm - Cafe Luncheon 7pm - Bible Study 7:15pm - AA	23 9am - KNS 7pm - AA	24 9am - KNS	25
26 10am - Worship 11am - Fellowship 11:30am - Vesper	27 Parade	28 9am - KNS 3pm - Eddy Shelter 7pm - Boy Scouts	29 9am - KNS 12pm - Cafe Luncheon 7pm - Bible Study 7:15pm - AA	30 9am - KNS 7pm - AA	31 9am - KNS	1

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10 a.m. Worship

May 2024



CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
IN KILLINGWORTH



Vespers May 26th

