THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH IN KILLINGWORTH, UCC VO



"That they may all be one; just as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you sent me."

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John 17:21

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We certainly live in uncertain and contentious times, globally and nationally. 27% of Americans report mental health problems due to anxiety. The unreported numbers are likely much higher. With so much tension these days, it seems the very fabric of society is being torn in different directions. We can't help but worry.

But did you know we are part of a denomination that has a long legacy of reaching across cultural divides and forming partnerships of compassion and common purpose? Did you know our church has long been in covenant with other like-minded congregations advocating for justice and peace for all people?

Since the founding of the United Church of Christ in 1957 from four different faith traditions (of which Congregationalism was part), the dream and intention among our churches has been to be places of unity in diversity. Consequently, our covenant churches have been lights in the dark for countless people through the Civil Rights era, numerous global conflicts, times of social upheaval and unrest, bridging gaps between groups and individuals, building understanding. Many marginalized people have found a welcome into Christ's community through the UCC. Our churches are amazing places of amazing grace, an answer to Christ's prayer, "That they may all be one".



Christ the King calls us to reach across the globe, across all boundaries, with his inclusive, unconditional love.

We sometimes forget this when our attention is on other things, forget our covenant with our sister churches, forget we are part of a witness of welcome and peace and purpose far beyond our local community. Perhaps it is time to remind ourselves of this.

We have such an important gift to offer in these challenging times by being the people Christ calls us to be. We can be a shelter of peace in times of uncertainty and fear, an oasis in a desert of discord, a sanctuary of boundless love, a welcoming place of unity, even an answer to prayer.

Peace and Blessings,

Rev Dave



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The Sanctuary is open. Masks are optional.

Zoom Links and Log-on Numbers For Sunday Worship and Bible Study

Watch from the church Facebook page, YouTube, or Zoom. Search for: The Congregational Church in Killingworth UCC. The tagline should put you to the video. Follow this link or go to Zoom.us and add the meeting ID and passcode found below.

Online link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84538336049?pwd=Z0NRZC9rN0FCOWhPMTN ZMk9EMHgzZz09 Phone: 929 205 6099

Meeting ID: 845 3833 6049 Passcode: 500345



Bright Spot in the Week Bible Study Wednesdays on Facebook // 7pm

Each Wednesday, Rev. Dave will host a live Bible study broadcast focused on the scriptures for the coming Sunday's worship service. You'll be able to ask questions, make comments and share prayer requests. Each study will be followed by prayer. Join Bible study through Facebook or Zoom Zoom Link to join the meeting: You can sign in 10 minutes early.

Online link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81262507891?pwd=alN4dTNITG1Yby9DUFVSV 2RUMGN5UT09

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



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- Open the QR reader application or the camera on your smartphone - Point it at the QR code.





Sunday School Corner

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. Romans 8:14

Happy Summer Sunday School Students and Families! Sunday school is off for the summer Classes will resume on **Sentember**

Sunday school is off for the summer. Classes will resume on **September 10th** with an ice cream social for everyone! Please save the date!

Vacation Bible School - Stellar 2 was a great success! Many thanks to all the volunteers. Everyone had a blast 2! See photos below!

Enjoy the summer!! Many blessings, Christine Link









Shining Jesus' light!









2023 Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations!!

Tristan



USAFA • Eagle Scout projectflagpole at the





Katie

Pavlou

Graduated from
HK High School
Attending

University of Connecticut - Avery Point

Major- undecided

Student deacon

Children's Sunday 2023









Preservation 2020 Update



Preservation 2020 is Nearing Completion – And It's About Time!

After four productive years, Preservation 2020 is entering the final phases of our church's restoration project. Phase IV concluded in June with the clock installation including the mechanicals that control the hour and minute hands on the three clock faces on the steeple.

Soon to follow this summer are Phases V and VI which includes parking lot paving and replacing the carpet and cushions in the sanctuary.

Our goal is to complete all phases prior to our installation and dedication service this fall.

In May, we submitted a grant application (up to \$5,000) to the Community Foundation of Middlesex County to help paving costs. Preservation 2020 also received \$5,000 including a \$100 donation from the Columbiette's, the women's group at St. Lawrence Church.

Additional funds for the parking lots and sanctuary carpets/cushions are still needed and greatly appreciated as we work toward our final goal in the church's 203rd year. For more information, contact Preservation 2020 Chair Charlie Smith (203-430-5887).



Sunday, July 16 – Congregational Conversation

On Sunday, July 16th, we are getting together for another congregational conversation to continue the discussion about ways to organize so our vision can become the foundation for all we do. Even if you've been unable to attend thus far, please step right in and join the conversation as we look forward to new hope together!



Outdoor Worship in the Chapel

Worship every other Sunday in our beautiful outdoor chapel at 10 am - weather permitting. July 9, 23, August 6, 20.



Help Needed for Summer Fair

The summer fair will be held on Saturday, August 12 (rain date Aug. 19). It will include a tag sale, bake sale, silent auction, and lunch. If anyone wants to include another activity, please let me know. As the saying goes, "The more the merrier".

Donations are now being accepted. Only donations of items in good, clean condition are needed. No electronics unless in excellent condition. Sorry, no tv's, outdated clothing or broken items.

We are also looking for items for the silent auction. Perhaps you could donate a gift card or craft item? It takes a village to raise a child, but it takes a congregation to put on a fair. Please consider helping. Please contact Jo Ann Bennett at 860-663-2178 with questions or suggestions.

<u>Killingworth Road Race</u> <u>Saturday, August 5, 2023</u> <u>8:30 am</u>

Visit www.Killingworthroadrace.org

Come join us for a beautiful 4-mile run through rural Killingworth or help cheer on the runners! We are excited to continue to raise money for our church and its missions.

Can you help by volunteering at this year's Killingworth Road Race? We are in need of some folks to help coordinate the water tables, parking, and race course safety. Please contact the church (office@killingworthchurch.org) or Matt Link.

A meeting date will be scheduled for the near future. Please respond favorably at your earliest convenience. Your help is very much needed and appreciated.

KILLINGWORTH ROAD RACE



Eddy Shelter Dinners Tuesdays, July 11 & 25 * August 8 & 22



The Missions Committee delivers a meal to Eddy Shelter, a 30+ bed emergency homeless shelter for men and women of Middlesex County, each 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. Contributions such as desserts, breads, and sides (salad, soup, veggies, casseroles) are always gratefully accepted to accompany these meals.

NEEDED: Twin Sheets, comforters, bottled water and "grab and go" foods like Protein/Granola Bars, Fruit, Packaged Nuts, Cheese Sticks.

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



The Senior Community Luncheon

The Estuary Luncheon is in the Parish Hall each Wednesday at 12pm. Join us 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.

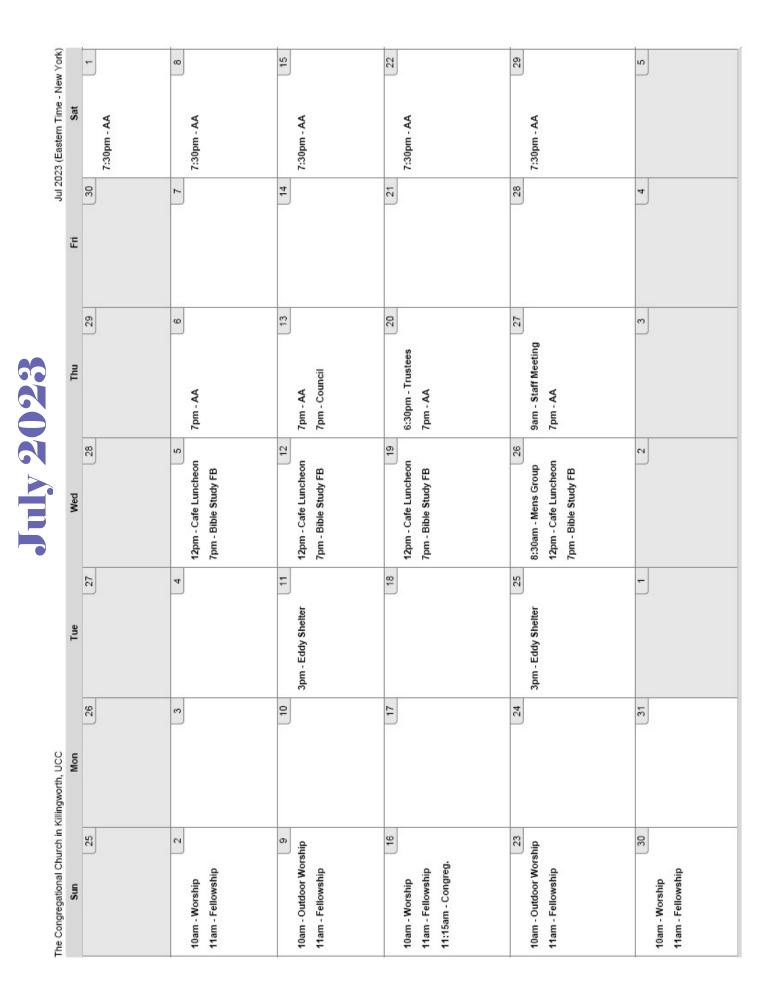
- July 1 Charles Smith
- July 3 Lisa Dias Pam Rich July 4 Abbey Albrecht
- Gavin Manzi Randin Manzi
- July 6 Liz Anderson
- July 8 Irene DesJardins
- July 9 Brian Hansen
- July 10 Blake Forster
- July 16 Scott Andrews Gregory Lynskey
- July 17 Helen Godfrey
- July 20 Annette Cook Harrison Foley
- July 21 Jose Dias
- July 25 Kerry Pettes
- July 26 Ken Pavlou
- July 27 Robert Tischbein Sue Harris
- July 29 Glenn Johnson
- July 31 Matthew Albrecht

- Aug. 2 Grace Gruber
- Aug. 6 Ray DesJardins
 - Christopher Pastore
- Aug. 7 Ann Pavlou
- Aug. 9 Laura Quilliam
- Aug. 12 Bruce Bowman
- Aug. 14 Dorothy Sprague Hailey Yahara Charlotte Judge

- Aug. 17 Zoe Schemmerling
- Aug. 19 Gerry Kukta
- Aug. 21 Madelyn Mones
- Aug. 22 Leslie Judge
- Aug. 23 Anna Filosi
- Aug. 24 Rachael Langevin
- Aug. 25 Laurel Brandon
- Aug. 27 Cheryl Fine
- Aug. 31 Daniel Vogt



July 2B. & G. VanhuysenJuly 9Leslie JudgeJuly 16Board of UshersJuly 23Sandy AllardJuly 30Leslie JudgeAugust—Board of Ushers



Aug 2023 (Eastern Time - New York) 12 26 ŝ 19 2 8:30am - K'worth Road 9am - Fair Raindate 9am - Church Fair Sat 7:30pm - AA 7:30pm - AA 7:30pm - AA 7:30pm - AA 25 11 18 4 7 Æ 9 17 24 31 m August 2023 9am - Staff Meeting 6:30pm - Trustees Thu 7pm - Council 7pm - AA 2 23 30 16 8 12pm - Cafe Luncheon 8:30am - Mens Group 7pm - Bible Study FB Wed 15 22 œ 28 3pm - Eddy Shelter 3pm - Eddy Shelter Tue 21 28 31 14 ~ The Congregational Church in Killingworth, UCC Mon 13 27 30 20 Θ 10am - Outdoor Worship 10am - Outdoor Worship 11am - Fellowship 11am - Fellowship 11am - Fellowship 11am - Fellowship 11:15am - Deacon 10am - Worship 10am - Worship Sun

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10 a.m. Worship July / August 2023





A certified 4-mile road race to benefit local charities