THE
CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCH IN
KILLINGWORTH,
UCC





FROM THE PASTOR

"And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good."

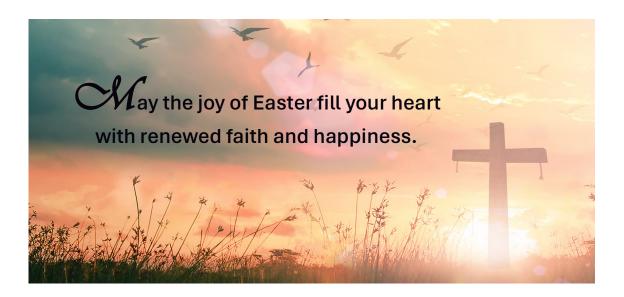
-Romans 8:28

This will likely be my shortest newsletter article ever. Kay and I are scrambling to get ready for a last minute trip to Gettysburg tomorrow morning because her mother is failing quickly. We hope to be back for Sunday but this may not be possible if Mom passes while we are there. So everything for this Sunday must be prepared today along with preparations for tonight's Lenten service. It's all coming together and will all work out, but the Kerygma is where I'm coming up short. I do apologize.

I know many of you can relate to this, for you have had your "scrambled" moments, too. We put our heads down and plow through, do what we need to do, do the best we can. Loving the people in our lives sometimes requires this and when this is the focus, the scramble is purposeful, meaningful and good.

Your understanding, support and prayers mean the world to us.

Peace and Blessings, Rev Dave and Kay





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March Calendar





Please Join Us each Sunday at 10 am.

*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=Z0NRZC9rN0FCOWhPMTNZMk9EMHgzZz09

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

Wednesdays on Facebook // 7pm

Each Wednesday, Rev. Dave hosts a live Bible study broadcast 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 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=alN4dTNlTG1Yby9DUFVSV2RUMGN5UT09

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



Giving is meant to be a joyful expression of giving thanks to God.

Remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, for he himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."



Use the QR Code to connect quickly and safely to our *Giving* link.





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,

We are now well into our Lenten journey. Students are learning to take time from their busy days to pray, fast and give to others. Each week in Sunday School, students are learning about different ways to pray. Anticipation builds as we get closer to Easter Sunday at the end of this month. Please join us during Holy Week for these special events.

- March 24th- Palm Sunday and Sunday School Easter Workshop and egg hunt.
- Students will hand out palms to the congregation prior to the Easter workshop.
- Students will rotate thru different workshops to learn more about Holy week during Sunday School
- After the service, parents and students can join us on the back lawn for an Easter egg hunt!
- March 28th Seder dinner a free dinner experience this ritualized dinner on Maundy Thursday

No Sunday School on Easter Sunday, March 31st. Join everyone in worship.

As we look forward to spring and summer, save the date for these upcoming events-

- Church Scholarship applications posted on church website
- Confirmation
- Children's Sunday June 9th at 10 am

Vacation Bible School - Scuba! Diving into Friendship with God! -tentatively week of June 17th (depends on snow days)

Sunday School registration is ongoing! New students are welcome anytime!

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





Renten & Holy Week Schedule

Lenten Dinner and Service Schedule Dinner 6pm / Service 7pm

What would Lent be without some good food and fellowship for the journey! On each of the Wednesday nights in Lent, we will offer supper in our Parish Hall (there is no charge) at 6 p.m. followed by worship service at 7 p.m. All are invited. Come for dinner, worship, or both!

The schedule is as follows:

March 6 hosted by Missions March 13 hosted by Trustees March 20 potluck March 28 Thursday, Seder dinner

Join us on the church's Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/KillingworthCongregationalChurch/



Or join us via Zoom:

Online link:

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Palm Sunday, March 24th at 10 am

Palm Sunday is the day we celebrate the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem.

<u>Maundy Thursday with Tenebrae Candle Service</u> <u>March 28, 2024 6 pm Seder Dinner & 7pm Service</u>

Maundy Thursday commemorates the last supper of Jesus Christ with the Apostles. We will gather in the Parish Hall for a traditional Jewish Seder dinner prepared by the CE Committee. This would have been the type of meal that Jesus shared with his disciples on his last night. Following the dinner, there will be a Tenebrae Service of scripture, music and the extinguishing of candle.





Easter Sunday, March 31 at 6 am and 10 am

Easter Sunrise Service will be at 6am in our outdoor chapel followed by a pancake breakfast in the hall. There will be a 10am service in the sanctuary.

The church will be full of lilies as we celebrate this holiest day. Let us gather as a community to celebrate the resurrection of Christ. Please invite your family and friends to join us on this very special day as we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord!



Let's eat Pancakes after 6 a.m. Sunrise Easter Service

Come back to the parish hall after the early service and enjoy pancakes. This will be an informal gathering of anyone who wishes to attend.



Eddy Shelter Dinners Tuesdays, March 12 & 26

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.



OGHS Collection Sunday, March 10

One Great Hour of Sharing is a pillar among the United Church of Christ's special mission offerings. This Lenten offering provides crucial support to the disaster, refugee, and development ministries within Love of Neighbor ministries.

Through OGHS you engage in holistic development programs including health care, education, agriculture, food sustainability, micro-financing and women's empowerment. Your contributions to One Great Hour of Sharing put you in the right place at the right time for the relief, accompaniment and recovery of the most vulnerable. You meet immediate needs and you address the underlying causes that create those needs in the first place. Our OGHS collection will be on Sunday, March 10.



2024 Scholarship Award

The Congregational Church in Killingworth, UCC is pleased to offer graduating high school students who are members of the church the opportunity to apply for this year's Scholarship Award. Applications are available in the church office or online. Please contact Christine Link or other Christian Education Committee members for additional information.

IRIS to Give Talk Sunday, March 17 at 11 am



On March 17th at 11am in our parish hall, a representative from IRIS will offer us an informational session on sponsoring/supporting a refuge family.

IRIS partners with community groups throughout Connecticut to help refugee families restart their lives in towns across the state. Community Co-sponsors play an integral role in helping refugees become self-sufficient and get off to a strong start in their new home country. Co-sponsorship is a collaboration among IRIS, your community group, and a refugee family.



Flowers for the Altar

Each week, families and/or individuals will have an opportunity to provide flowers for the altar. They may be given in honor of or in memory of someone you love. The name of the person who is being honored or memorialized will appear in the weekly announcements. It is a lovely way to bring that special someone to our church family's attention.

Please contact the church office with the date you will provide flowers.



Book of Life

Baptism

Hazel Grace Macklem On Sunday, February 18, 2024

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

I Corinthians 12:13





AARP Tax-Aide Appointments

AARP trained volunteers will be available for free and confidential tax preparation at four sites in our area: Clinton Town Hall (Mondays), Killingworth Congregational Church (Tuesdays), Westbrook Library (Wednesdays), and at the Estuary Senior Center in Old Saybrook (Fridays).

Appointments for the AARP Tax-Aide program is available for scheduling. There are two ways to make an appointment:

1) Online at https://www.aarp.org/money/taxes/aarptaxaide/locations.html and search for any of the local sites (Old Saybrook, Westbrook, Killingworth, or Clinton)

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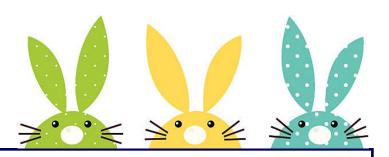
2) by calling 860-579-3192. (Please note that this is **not** the Estuary's phone number.) You will be informed on what paperwork and documents to bring with you to your appointment.



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 **COMMUNITY LUNCHEON** to when you wish to have lunch.





Member and Friends Directory

Please help the office keep your record and your families records up to date. Any time throughout the year if you have a change of address, email, phone number, name change, etc, please reach out to the office and/or download the *Update Form*. Thank you.



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.

EASTER LILIES FOR THE SANCTUARY



Lilies for Easter have been a beautiful tradition in our church and may be purchased through the Flower Committee at \$10.00 each. Easter, the commemoration of our Lord, is a movable feast—meaning its date is variable—and all other moveable feasts are dependent upon it. Easter occurs the first Sunday after the first full moon after the vernal (spring) equinox, March 31.

This year, the first full moon occurs on March 25. Easter, therefore, follows on Sunday, March 31. Ash Wednesday is a moveable feast which occurs forty-six days before Easter, this year,- February 14th..

Easter lilies may be ordered through the Flower Committee.

Deadline to order is Sunday, March 24th.

Mail orders to The Congregational Church in Killingworth, 273 Rt 81, Killingworth, CT 06419.

Make checks payable to: CCK Flower Committee

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If you do not wish to continue receiving the Kerygma, please email or call the office.

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10 a.m. Worship

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