FROM THE PASTOR

"I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you."

Ephesians 1:15-16a (words of the Apostle Paul)

What a blessing this church is!

Over the years I have certainly walked through grief with numerous individuals and families and have experienced personal grief as well, so this isn't new to me. Well, not completely new. Grief came to my family both expectedly and unexpectedly, but in quick succession. We all expected my step-mother, "Mamma Ruth", would pass. We saw it coming. The process was mostly kind to her and things happened at a slow pace. But we weren't anticipating my brother Gordy's death in a caving accident about 2 weeks later. It was a double whammy from two very different kinds of loss. My family and I are still working it out. Gordy's funeral is May 6.

I know that every single one of you can relate to personal loss and grief. Sometimes it is a fairly easy point of passage, especially when we see it coming and have time to process it. At other times, it is a shock. It comes suddenly and with intensity. Love is what gets us through these times and it's why friends and families gather for funerals and memorial services and the receptions that follow. Even families that struggle to get along with each other often manage to let their differences go for at least the moment and come together to grieve. It is a vital part of life and necessary to moving through and past the challenging times. Having a caring community around us can make all the difference.

So this is a big "thank you" from me and Kay to many of you. You have prayed for us, texted us, expressed sympathy in person and with flowers and cards. On behalf of both of us, please know how very much this has been appreciated. Our church really is a blessing.

As we've been meeting off and on over several months a number of realizations have come forward, leading to our crafting a vision statement together which declares we are,

"A community of love and hope in action."

Let me just say personally, I know how true this is. It is a gift we have to share with each other and the community we serve.

Peace and Blessings, Rev Dave



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May Calendar

SUNDAY WORSHIP 10 A.M.



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.

Motherhood is a million little moments that **G**od weaves together with grace, redemption, laughter, tears,

and most of all, love.

-Lysa TerKeurst

Join Bible study through Facebook or Zoom Zoom Link to join the meeting: You can sign in 10 minutes early.

Online link:

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

Passcode: 476067



Sunday School Corner

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

Romans 8:14

Hello Sunday School Students Families,

Hope you all had a wonderful Easter!

As we enter the season of Easter, the readings speak of new life in Christ. The focus of the passages come from several gospels and the book of Acts, highlighting the call of the risen Christ in the lives of Thomas and the disciples, the companions on the road to Emmaus, and in the lives of courageous apostles such as Stephen. Students will learn that the call of the Easter season is to change our manner of living. Hope you can join us!

Upcoming events-

- •Scholarship applications are now being accepted. Scholarships will be awarded at the Children's Sunday service on June 11th. Application is posted on the church website.
- •Children's Sunday June 11th A BBQ picnic will follow the service. Hamburgers, hot dogs, and drinks will be provided. We invite the congregation to bring side dishes and desserts!
- Vacation Bible School-' Stellar! Shine Jesus Light!' June 19, 20, 21 9am to 12pm

The cost is \$30 for all three days for supplies and snacks. Sunday school students are asked to invite a friend to join us in the fun! If you bring a friend, the friend's registration is free!

Spread the word!! To register as a participant or volunteer- please click this link
https://vbspro.events/p/events/kworthchurch2023

Mission project- in discussion with students at Sunday School, they have interest in helping those in Ukraine. The St. Michael Archangel Ukrainian Church in New Haven has been very involved with sending relief. We will collect new <u>tube socks and dried soups until June 11th</u>. All of these items can be placed in our collection box in the sanctuary. Thank you! Visit: https://stmichaelukrainian.org/

Many Thanks,
Christine Link, CE chair
Christinelax@hotmail.com



CCK VBS QR Code



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 21, 2023 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 26, 2023.
- 2. To receive current reports from Boards, Committees, Officers, and the Pastor.
- 3. To transact any other business proper to come before the meeting.

Janet Johnson, Clerk April 5, 2023



<u>Vespers Memorial Worship Service</u> <u>Sunday, May 28 at 11:30 a.m.</u>

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.



Save the Date! Killingworth Memorial Day Parade

The Killingworth Memorial Day parade will be held this year on Monday, May 29th. The parade will follow the same route as the past few years stating at KES, going down RT 81 to the Congregational Church where a ceremony will be held. Full details will appear in the May Krier including how to register to march in the parade as well as where to watch and park. Three Memorial Day events are planned for this year.

- The parade which will begin at 9 am Monday, May 29th
- Town Hall flag raising ceremony prior to the parade at 8:30 am
- Flag placement ceremony at Evergreen Cemetery on Sunday, May 28th at 12:30 am.

Parade organizers are planning an additional memorial feature this year to honor ALL those from Killingworth who made the ultimate sacrifice in service of their country. Full parade details will appear in the May issue of the Krier.



Online Giving

It's fast, safe, and easy to use.

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

Visit

KillingworthChurch.org and click on the *Giving* link.

We have a QR Code that helps connect you quickly and safely to our *Giving* link.

Thank you!



Eddy Shelter Dinners Tuesdays, May 9 & 23

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.

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

Clothing & Toiletries are NO LONGER being accepted at this time.

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



Flowers for the Altar

Each week, you 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.



Summer Fair

Save the date! On August 5th (rain-date August 12), we will sponsor a summer fair. Lots of help will be needed. Ideas are needed to help make the day memorable. Details to follow.



The Sunday School 1st Sunday of the Month Food Collection

Help us help others in our community. If you are able, please bring in non-perishable food items on the **1st Sunday of each month**. The food collected will be donated between Helping Hands food pantry, HK Backpack program and Shoreline Soup Kitchens and Food Pantries. We thank you for your generosity. We CAN make a difference!!!



May 1 Patrick Brandon

May 4 Walter Macklem

May 5 Joann Zamparo

May 9 Devyn Tyrseck

May 11 Derek Phelps

May 12 Vicki Harris

May 13 Ronald LaPorto

Emma Anziano Dominic Anziano

Linda Mead

May 15 Shawn Sodergren

May 19 Richard Anziano

May 21 Edward Glynn

Jack Kaiser



May 7

Leslie Judge

May 14

Board of Ushers Leslie Judge

May 21 May 28

Board of Ushers





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

COMMUNITY LUNCHEON 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.



Killingworth Library has been selected as May's Big Y Community Bag Program beneficiary!

For the entire month of May, store leadership at Big Y's Clinton location has selected the Killingworth Library Association to receive a \$1 donation from every purchase of the \$2.50 Big Y Community Bag. The Community Bag Program facilitates community support with the goal to make a difference in the vicinities where shoppers live and work. More than \$340,000 has been donated to nearly 2,000 local nonprofits since the Program launched in January 2019.

The Killingworth Library is thrilled to be the recipient of this program. As a nonprofit organization, the library is only partially funded by the Town of Killingworth and must raise nearly one-third of its operating costs through contributions and fundraising activities. The library is a vibrant center of the community, offering a variety of programs for all ages, digital resources, and a welcoming atmosphere.

Learn more about us by visiting killingworthlibrary.org or face-book.com/killingworthlibrary – then remember us as you shop at Big Y in Clinton, and purchase a Community Bag to show your support!

For more information on the Big Y Community Bag Program, visit bigy.2givelocal.com.



May 2023

The Congregational Church in Killingworth, UCC

May 2023 (Eastern Time - New York) 5 2 27 m Sat 7:30pm - AA 7:30pm - AA 7:30pm - AA 7:30pm - AA 28 N 9am - KNS - K'worth Έ 52 9am - KNS - K'worth 6:30pm - Trustees 롣 7pm - Council 7pm - AA 7pm - AA 7pm - AA 7pm - AA 54 31 12pm - Cafe Luncheon 8:30am - Mens Group 7pm - Bible Study FB 9am - KNS - K'worth 6pm - Lions Club 30 9am - KNS - K'worth 3pm - Eddy Shelter 3pm - Eddy Shelter 7pm - Boy Scouts 5 22 28 9am - KNS - K'worth 9am - Town Parade 21 30 4 28 2pm - Scouts - outdoors 11am - Fellowship 11am - Fellowship 11am - Fellowship 11am - Fellowship 11:30am - Vesper 11:15am - Spring 10am - Worship 10am - Worship 10am - Worship 10am - Worship

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May 15, 2023

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

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10 a.m. Worship

May 2023





Vesper Service Sunday, May 28 11:30 am.



Collection for Ukraine See Page 3