

# Woodbury United Methodist Messenger

Wednesday, October 10, 2018



**Special Notice:** The Exchange Concert scheduled for Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled.  
A new date will be announced when confirmed.

## October 14: 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### **Presentation of Bibles to our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders:**

*Rowan Boisseau, Jackson Cloud, Esther Lin, Joey Lynch, Liam McGrath, and Patrick Martinetto*

### **Lectionary Readings for the 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost:**

Old Testament – *Job 23:1-9, 16-17*

Psalter – *Psalms 22:1-11*

Epistle – *Hebrews 4:12-16*

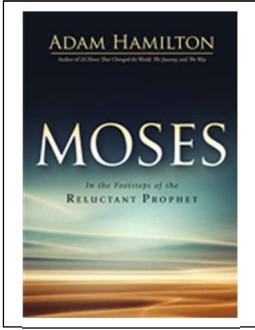
Gospel – *Mark 10:17-31*

**Pastor's Sermon: *Hide and Seek***  
**(Job and Hebrews)**

## **Harvest Walk to End Hunger in Southbury Oct. 14**

A benefit 5K walk to support emergency food assistance programs in Woodbury, Southbury and Waterbury will step off from Southbury Town Hall at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 14. The sixth annual Harvest Walk to End Hunger, organized by Southbury Woodbury Interfaith Ministries, will raise funds for the Community Services Council of Woodbury, the Southbury Food Bank and Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries. Registrants for the Harvest Walk will check in from noon to 1 p.m. at the assembly site outside the Town Hall. A donation of \$20 is requested for each walker, with a family donation rate of \$50 and children under 12 years of age invited to participate at no cost with an accompanying adult. Walkers under 18 years of age must obtain the signature of a parent or guardian to authorize their participation in the event. Representatives of youth organizations who wish to walk as a group should inquire about special participation rates at [swinterfaith@gmail.com](mailto:swinterfaith@gmail.com). Participants may register online or print registration forms to complete and bring for check-in by accessing the "Harvest Walk 2017" link on the SWIM website at <http://swim-ct.org>.

# *Follow the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet*



+Gain a better understanding of Moses' significance in your life today.

+Discover how you, too, can turn your own reluctance into boldness.

"It doesn't get much more dramatic: rescued baby, life in the courts of Pharaoh, parting the Red Sea, leading his people out of Egypt...Moses' life was one challenge after the next, but although he resisted God's calling, by the end of his life he successfully fulfilled the role he was given.

Join award-winning author Adam Hamilton as he travels from Egypt to Mt. Sinai, the Nile, the Red Sea, and the wilderness exploring the sites of Moses' life." (Cokesbury)

This "don't miss" 6-week video & discussion series runs for 6 weeks, beginning:

**Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 8:00 PM & Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM**

Please contact Bud Behlman if you have any questions or are interested in a different day/time.

[budbehlman@charter.net](mailto:budbehlman@charter.net) or 203-206-9276 (call/text)

**Books are available online or through the church office \$15.00 per book**

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## Laity Sunday Is Coming!

**October 21 is Laity Sunday** in the United Methodist Church. The worship service that day will be led in its entirety by WUMC laypersons, coordinated by Lay Leader *Carolyn Shay*. The preacher will be *Rynn Naylor*, an active WUMC member and a Certified Lay Servant in the New York Annual Conference.

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## News from our Choir Director

The Bell Choir is seeking is one more ringer in order to have someone to play each bell. Rehearsals are held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 - 7:00 PM. Anyone who is interested in exploring this possibility without making a firm commitment is encouraged to join us on Wednesday. You could speak to Barbara Hunt or Chris Shay for more information.

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## CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

**WUMC SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Classes are held for children in grades Pre-Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade after Children's Time during the Sunday worship service.

**WUMC YOUTH GROUP:** This year the WUMC Youth Group will meet on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month at 6:15 PM unless otherwise noted. We will occasionally have additional activities.

**SWIM HARVEST WALK:** All those signed up and participating in the Walk should meet in Fellowship Hall by 12:15 PM ready to carpool to the Southbury Town Hall so that we can register our group by 1 PM. If you have signed up, but have not made your \$10 donation, please bring it on Sunday. Checks can be made out to "MUUS for SWIM." See Meg Temple for details.

**OCTOBER 14** - Presentation of Bibles to our 3<sup>rd</sup> graders.

**OCTOBER 14** - All youth and children participating in the joint choir program should attend practice at 3:15 PM. Concert begins at 4 PM.

**OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>** - There will be a regular meeting.

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# WUMC GOLF OUTING

On Sunday, October 21st, you're invited to a afternoon of fun in the sun for a WUMC golf outing. We'll meet at Crestbrook Golf Course in Watertown at 1:00 PM. Teams will be put together and we'll aim to just have a little fun knocking a little white ball around. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall by October 14th, or contact Paul Hibbard at [paulgyl@aol.com](mailto:paulgyl@aol.com) or call/text at 860-488-7705.

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Materials for participation in Operation Christmas Child will be available starting this Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. Operation Christmas Child is a program sponsored by Samaritan's Purse and provides Christmas gifts and an introduction to the story of Jesus to children around the world. Shoe boxes, which can be filled with small toys, school supplies, hygiene items, etc., will be available upstairs by the side entrance to the sanctuary and in Fellowship Hall. Filled shoe boxes should be returned on or before Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions please contact Paul Hibbard at [paulgyl@aol.com](mailto:paulgyl@aol.com) or 203-405-1005.

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## New Start Ministries

New Start Ministries will hold its next meeting on Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, at 5 p.m. @ Woodbury United Methodist Church. Paul Hatch, co-chair of Transportation, is looking for volunteers to assist bringing the next refugee family to various appointments once they arrive here in the U.S. We have a good number of drivers but could always use backups in case of multiple appointments, sickness, etc.

If you want to volunteer in other ways, your help would be greatly appreciated. If you want to make a donation, you can contribute cash, check, or gift cards. If you contribute by check, it should be made out to: St. Paul's Episcopal Church with New Start Ministries in the memo area. Contact Pastor John @ 203-263-7575, or Paul Hatch @ 203-707-8151 or [paulhatch1952@gmail.com](mailto:paulhatch1952@gmail.com).

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## Kudo Korner

**Thanks** to all those who prepared and served appetizers at last Sunday's Progressive Dinner sponsored by the Woodbury Community Services Council. Our volunteers included: *Gillian Griswold, Paul and Rebecca Hibbard, Pat McWhirt, Rynn Naylor, Carolyn Shay, Sherry Swanhall, Christine Smith, Samuel Temple, and Judy Wilhelms.*

A special thank you to the owners of *ACE Hardware* for their generous donation of a patio heater for the silent auction. Below are some photos courtesy of *Sherry Swanhall.*



## The Prayer Corner:

**Please pray for our eight Confirmands:** *Caroline Cloud, Brady Cordova, Orson Lin, Anna Shupenis, Mary Grace Styblo, Lydia Temple, John Thomas, and Rebecca Varnum.*

**Inpatient rehabilitation:** *Dave Davison, father-in law of Gary McClendon (Gaylord, Wallingford); Gene Guerrero, father of Alicia Boisseau (Falmouth, MA); Dick Kahn (River Glen, Southbury); Marie Petty, aunt of Kathy Craig (Abbott Terrace, Waterbury)*

**Outpatient rehabilitation:** *Jenny Jones; Bill Wilhelms; Ron Hollenbeck, father of Beth Buzzannco*

**Recovering at home:** *Paul Hennessey; Lois Bliss, mother of Barbara Rego (Falls River, MA)*

**Outpatient treatments:** *John Fleming; Will Styblo, infant son of David and Katie Styblo and nephew of Jim Styblo and Catherine Mason (Franklin, Tennessee); Jessie Thomson, daughter-in-law of Kathy Craig (Ferndale, WA)*

**Homebound member:** *Florence Brown*

**Please continue to remember:** *Pete and Sue Vindigni, Nancy Clark, Jean Lilly, mother of Meg Temple (Cincinnati, OH), Paul Hatch, the Keith family, Manny Gesh, Beth, Jillian & Alex Buzzannco, Kelly Etcheto, Vernessa Kingsbury, Jim Congdon, Jane True, Blair Feller, Marilyn Bender, Eddie Lenox (son of Grace Bell), Ethan Murphy, (great grandson of Grace Bell), Brigitte Weimann, Ryan DeRidder and family, Ernest & Mary Jo Corrado, Laura & Stuart Brush, and Janet Grant (sister of Betty Lines), and The Thomson family of Ferndale, WA (family of Kathy Craig).*



If you would like to send someone a birthday card, please see our website @ [www.woodburyumc.net](http://www.woodburyumc.net) for this month's birthday listing.

## Fellowship Hosts And Altar Flower Opportunities:

### **WE HAVE MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2018 – Flowers & Fellowship!**

An Altar Flower sign-up sheet is posted in Fellowship Hall. Please get the dates you want now to take advantage of this wonderful ministry. If you want your flowers dedicated in the bulletin for a special occasion, please be sure to make us aware of that when ordering. ***If you don't have an occasion but would like to donate a floral tribute to one of our shut in members, please do so and Pastor John will deliver the arrangement during the following week.***

Many opportunities are available to host Fellowship Hour during the year. If you would like to host a Sunday, please be sure to sign up on the chart in Fellowship Hall.

## **HOUSEKEEPING NOTES FROM THE OFFICE...**

**When attending worship on Sundays, parking is available in the C.L. Adams lot; however, please do not block the entrance towards the back of the lot as that inhibits the tenant's access in and out of the lot. Thank you.**

**HANDICAPPED PARKING** - - these are the three spaces outside the office doors (Church Street Entrance). Please do NOT park there unless you have a handicapped parking tag. If you do park there, please be sure to leave enough room for the people using the handicapped ramp.

❖ **Office Hours - Tuesday thru Friday 9 am – 3 pm.** The answering machine will be checked daily; however, if you have a pastoral emergency, you can call Pastor John Thomason @ (203) 263-7575. Thank you!



**Messenger deadline – 10 AM on Wednesday for Wednesday afternoon publication!** Please see information for article submission. To keep the formatting to a unified look and also save on time of reformatting articles to fit, please use **Full Justification, Arial font 9.5 size with font 10 size for headings.** Thank you!

**MINISTRY MEETING DATES for 2018** – need to be emailed to the office to be placed on the web calendar. Please remember to submit your ministry meeting dates to the office (by email) so they can be added to the wall calendar as well as the web calendar at our website or feel free to enter them on the calendar for next month's date when you are leaving your meeting. This will let everyone in the community know how active a church body we are at WUMC.

## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION UPDATES???

Please continue to send any changes in names, addresses, phone numbers, emails, etc. please send them to [wumc@woodburyumc.net](mailto:wumc@woodburyumc.net).



# Important Dates for Your Calendar!

## Annual Church Charge Conference

Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup> – time and location to be announced

Ministry Chair Reports are due into the office by November 1<sup>st</sup>!

And

## WUMC Christmas Café - Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>

We will be advertising shortly for vendors for the Christmas Café, so if you know anyone that would like to rent space for the day, please have them contact the office.

### Calendar of Events at WUMC for next week:

**All Ministry Chairs – please submit any ministry meeting times to the office so they can be put onto the calendars each week (Messenger, Office & Web). Thank you!**

<b>Sun., Oct. 14</b>	8:45 a.m.	Confirmation Class	(Fellowship Hall)
	8:45 a.m.	Men's Ministry	(Wesley Room)
	9:00 a.m.	Women's Ministry	(downstairs classroom)
<b>Presentation of Bibles</b>	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service	(Sanctuary)
	10:45 a.m.	Children's Sunday School	(downstairs classrooms)
	11:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hour	(Fellowship Hall)
	1:00 p.m.	SWIM Harvest Walk	(Southbury Town Hall)
		NO Youth Group meeting	
<b>Mon., Oct. 15</b>	5:00 p.m.	New Start Ministry Meeting	(Fellowship Hall)
<b>Tues., Oct. 16</b>	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study/Fellowship Group ( <i>Moses</i> , by Adam Hamilton)	(Assembly Room)
<b>Wed., Oct. 17</b>	11:30 a.m.	Bible Study/Fellowship Group ( <i>Moses</i> , by Adam Hamilton)	(Assembly Room)
	6:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Practice	(Assembly Room)
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Practice	
<b>Sun., Oct. 21</b>	8:45 a.m.	Confirmation Class	(Fellowship Hall)
	8:45 a.m.	Men's Ministry	(Wesley Room)
	9:00 a.m.	Women's Ministry	(downstairs classroom)
<b>Laity Sunday</b>	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service	(Sanctuary)
	10:45 a.m.	Children's Sunday School	(downstairs classrooms)
	11:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hour	(Fellowship Hall)
	11:45 a.m.	Board of Trustees Meeting	(Wesley Room)
	1:00 p.m.	WUMC Golf Outing (Crestbrook Golf Course, Watertown)	
	6:15 p.m.	Youth Group Meeting	(Fellowship Hall)



## Community News:

On Friday, November 2, two persons with close ties to our church will be among those presented with **MICAH awards** by the Naugatuck Valley Project to honor their service to the community. Long-time WUMC member *Kathy Bower* will be recognized for her varied civic endeavors, which include advocacy for women. *Bob Taylor*, a close friend of WUMC, will be honored for his work with the Woodbury Community Services Council and the Food Bank. Please see details below about ordering tickets to the banquet.



# Naugatuck Valley Project's 6<sup>th</sup> Annual MICAH Dinner

## [Registration Form](#)

**Friday, November 2, 2018**

5pm - registration and cocktail hour 6:00 - pm dinner and program  
Crystal Room, 98 School Street, Naugatuck, CT 06770

In the spirit of MICAH, help us honor those among us who are not afraid to call out injustice, defend the rights of the poor, and help those in need, yet are forever hopeful.

- Kathy Bower - Woodbury United Methodist Church
- Ray Odiorne & Stewart Crouse - First Congregational Church, Waterbury
- Diane Finneran - Church of the Assumption, Ansonia
- Bishop Lionel French - Gospel Tabernacle International Ministries, Inc., Waterbury
- Madelyn Garcia - Judah Initiative Fellowship of Churches, Waterbury
- Ed Hawthorne - Western CT Central Labor Coalition, Waterbury
- Karen Ligi - Our Savior Lutheran Church, Thomaston
- Ellie Nunez - St. John's Episcopal Church, Waterbury
- Jason Rinaldi - Immaculate Conception Church, Waterbury
- Maribel Rodriguez - SEIU Healthcare 1199

- Madeline Santiago - Brookside Housing Cooperatives, Waterbury
- Bob Taylor - St. Teresa of Avila, Woodbury

**SILENT AUCTION - CASH OR CHECK ONLY - Gift Baskets:** Spode Christmas; Wine; Irish Nights; Hot Chocolate & More; Pasta Time; Bath and Body Invigoration; Candles; Knitting Fun...and more!

**TICKETS: \$45 PER PERSON**

**Click on the link above: Registration Form - to purchase your tickets, or you could mail your check and the following information to the Naugatuck Valley Project, 16 Church Street, Waterbury, CT 06702.**

Name  
 Address  
 Phone  
 Email  
 No. of Tickets Needed \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Tickets will be mailed to you once check has been received.)*



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**Mission Statement of the Woodbury United Methodist Church**

*We are a welcoming Christian fellowship who celebrate and share God's love with everyone. We seek a closer relationship with Jesus Christ. Inspired by His example, we strive to be God's hands in this world.*