



WOODBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Rev. John A. Thomason, Pastor

Woodbury United Methodist Messenger

Wednesday, February 19, 2020

**COME JOIN US!
SATURDAY**

February 22, 2020
4:30-6:30 PM

PASTA

for our
Pasta Supper

Freshly made marinara
sauce, pasta w/meatballs, bread
salad, dessert and beverages

Adults \$11 • Seniors \$9 • Kids \$5
Family (of 4) \$32
Tickets Sold at the Door

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Where Will You
Be this Saturday?
Come Join Us!

February 23

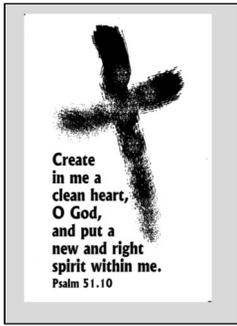
Transfiguration Sunday

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany recalls Christ's transfiguration on the mountain with Moses and Elijah. The liturgical colors are white and gold.

Pastor's Sermon: *Transfigured and Transformed*

Lectionary Readings:

Exodus 24:12-18; Psalm 99; 2 Peter 1:16-21; Matthew 17:1-9



Ash Wednesday, February 26, 2020

Service at WUMC - 7:30 p.m.

(Note time change from last week)

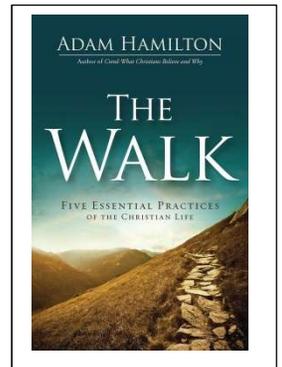
2020 Lenten Series

Lent is not just a time to “give up something”.....Lent is also an important time to “gain something”.

Especially, we look to Lent as a time develop or strengthen those disciplines that allow us into a closer walk with Christ.

In “*The Walk*”, we will examine five essential [spiritual](#) practices rooted in Jesus’ own walk with God, including:

- Worshiping
- Studying
- Serving
- Giving
- Witnessing



“*The Walk*” will be offered as a 6-week Lenten Study on Tuesday evenings (6:30 – 8:00 pm), beginning March 3rd. If you prefer other days/times please speak with Pastor John (203-263-4775) or Bud Behlman (203-206-9276). Please note, even if you aren’t able to participate in the weekly series, “*The Walk*” is a helpful resource for personal study and spiritual growth.

Books are available online or through the church office @ \$14.00 each. Please contact Bud Behlman (203-206-9276) for more information.

Women’s Winter 2020 Bible Study

WUMC women (all ages welcome), *1 Peter - A Living Hope in Christ*. Please join us Sunday mornings **8:45 to 9:45 AM** each week to March 8. For further information, please contact *Jen Carnes* 203-206-6746.

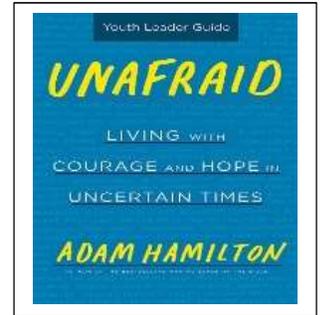
Request from Family Nurture

The Family Nurture Ministry team is asking for donations of baked goods (store bought or homemade) that can be frozen. We are also asking for dips or hummus, boxed crackers, and cookies. These donations will be used on the weeks when no one is signed up for Coffee Hour. If you could bring them to the kitchen on the first Sunday of each month labeled Coffee Hour donations, that would be greatly appreciated. Thank you all!

Children and Youth Ministry

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Held during worship after the Children's Sermon for children through 8th grade.

Youth-Led Worship Service: Save the date of **March 29, 2020** for this annual event. Our theme this year is **HOPE**. As we prepare for this special service, WUMC children, teens, teachers and youth leaders will all participate in a Bible study using age-based resources from **Adam Hamilton's book series "Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times."**



Children & Youth Ministry's Unafraid Bible Studies: Sundays, through March 8

- **9:00 AM - High School Students with S. School teachers & Youth Leaders** meet to study & discuss the book. Please arrive between 8:45 & 9 to start promptly.
- **10:45 AM in Sunday School** – Elem. Class - Children's Study & Middle School Class

Families please contribute \$7 per youth (6th-12th grades) towards the cost of youth study books.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Saturday, March 7: Youth Retreat for fun & worship planning
- Friday, March 27: (6 PM): Worship Rehearsal
- Sunday, March 29: Youth-led Worship w/ Rehearsal at 9 AM

Parents, teachers, and the WUMC congregation are encouraged to read the main book of this series: "Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times" (ISBN 9781524760335) available through Amazon - Hardcover \$16.39 Prime or Kindle \$4.99 or other sellers including Cokesbury.com.

ACOLYTE TRAINING: **February 23rd after worship** (12:15 PM) an "Acolyte Training" will be offered for new acolytes or as a refresher for current acolytes. Parents are encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to Catherine Mason.

Kudo Korner

Andi Craig and Dave Markey recently announced their engagement on February 12, 2020. Congratulations to you both!

Liam McGrath's picture appeared in the February 19 edition of VOICES. Liam was recognized as a participant in last year's Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Flanders Nature Center and Land Trust. This year's event will be held on Sunday, March 1, from 8 AM to noon at the Woodbury Emergency Services Building on Quassuk Road.



The Prayer Corner:

Outpatient Procedure: *Lynn Cullen* (cataract surgery on February 20th in Waterbury)

Home from the hospital: *Will Styblo* (Franklin, TN), nephew of *Jim Styblo* and *Catherine Mason* (surgery on February 8 in Cincinnati, OH)

Inpatient rehabilitation: *Paula Girard*, mother-in-law of *Rynn Naylor* (Apple Rehab, Watertown); *Robert Ayers*, father of *Tacy Nettleton* (Woodstock, GA); *Jim Cullen* (River Glen, Southbury); *Jimmy Rakiposki* (River Glen, Southbury); *Marie Petty*, aunt of *Kathy Craig* (Abbott Terrace, Waterbury)

Recovering at home: *Gary Williams*; *Paul Weber*, friend of *Joy Eusebio* (Hardeeville, SC); *Donna Louise Burke*, friend of *Kathy Craig* (Naugatuck, CT); *Dave Davison*, father-in-law of *Gary McClendon*; *Peter Gallagher*, father of *Jen Carnes* (Brookfield, CT); *Dave Lou Calabrese* (husband of *Lynn Ramsden-Calabrese*); *Abby Cloud*; *Jane King*, mother of *Stephen King* and mother-in-law of *Joann King* (Sarasota, FL); *Antonio Stillitano*, grandson of *Paul Hatch*.

Outpatient treatments: *Betsy Love*; *John and Jackie Fleming*; *Gerry Furlong* (Leesburg, FL); *Stephanie Galaburri*, friend of *Sandy Carbonaro*

Homebound member: *Florence Brown*

Please continue to remember: *Jean Lilly*, mother of *Meg Temple* (Cincinnati, OH), *the Keith family*, *Manny Gesh*, *Beth*, *Jillian & Alex Buzzannc*, *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*, *Laura & Stuart Brush*, *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 for this month's birthday listing. **This week's birthdays are:**

February 24th *John Thomas*
February 28th *Andi Craig & David Hunt*



Fellowship Hosts and Altar Flower Opportunities: This year's flower & fellowship host charts are posted in Fellowship Hall. Sign up to get the date of your choice! Each ministry team has been asked to volunteer for Fellowship.

If you want your flowers dedicated in the bulletin for a special occasion, please be sure to make us aware of that when ordering. Payment for the flower order should accompany the yellow order slip and left in Kathy's mailbox in the office or dropped in the Sunday plate, in advance of the order date.

If you don't have an occasion but would like to donate a floral tribute to one of our homebound members, please do so and Pastor John will deliver the arrangement during the following week.

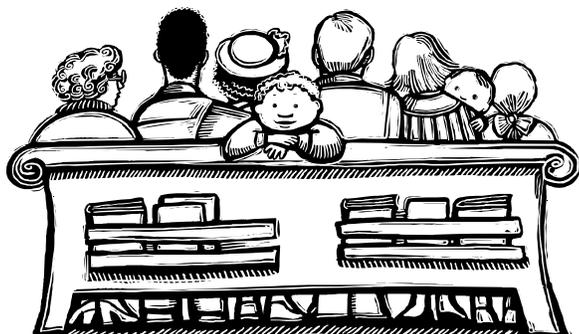
HOUSEKEEPING NOTES FROM THE OFFICE. . .

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!

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION UPDATES???

Please continue to send any changes in names, addresses, phone numbers, emails, etc. please send them to wumc@woodburyumc.net. This is also important to keep track of any of our college students as well!!!



When was the last time you invited one of your family members or friends to join you in church?

We'd welcome them all

Love Spoken Here!
Open Hearts • Open Minds • Open Doors!

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!

Sun., Feb. 23	8:45 a.m.	Women's Winter Bible Study	(downstairs classroom)
	8:45 a.m.	Men's Fellowship Group	(Wesley Room)
	9:45 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	(Sanctuary)
Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday	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)
	12:15 p.m.	Acolyte Training	(Sanctuary)
Tues., Feb. 25	4:00 p.m.	Ring Out Youth Bell Choir Rehearsal	(Assembly Room)
Wed., Feb. 26	11:30 a.m.	Weekday Bible Study/Fellowship Group	(Assembly Room)
	6:45 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	(Assembly Room)
	7:30 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Worship Service	(Sanctuary)
Sun., Mar. 1	8:45 a.m.	Women's Winter Bible Study	(downstairs classroom)
	8:45 a.m.	Men's Fellowship Group	(Wesley Room)
	9:45 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	(Sanctuary)
1st Sunday in Lent	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service (Sacrament of Holy Communion)	(Sanctuary)
	10:45 a.m.	Children's Sunday School	(downstairs classrooms)
	11:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hour	(Fellowship Hall)

Please note: WUMC's worship services are streamed live on Facebook. To watch recordings of previous services, go to www.woodburymc.net and click on the Facebook icon.

Other Events Happening in our Community:



A Beginners Guide to Preaching in the United Methodist Church

*For Lay Servants and all Laity in the NYAC interested in the process of preparing and delivering a sermon. This course is always exciting and inspirational in content and delivery. You will not be disappointed and you may even be a little surprised – especially with **Rev. Ken Kieffer** as our presenter!*

Grace United Methodist Church

121 Pleasant Avenue Southington, CT 06489

March 7, 2020 9 am to 3:30 pm * Please bring a Bible and a Sunday Bulletin *

March 21, 2020 9 am to 3:30 pm - Delivery of one 12 minute sermon using scripture handed out in the first session.

This is an Advanced Lay Servant Class and all Lay Servants will receive a three-year certification upon successful completion of this two day course. It is also one of the six required courses for becoming a Certified Lay Speaker in the New York Conference.

To Receive Certification for this class:

- Before the first class, read, "From Pew to Pulpit: A Beginner's Guide to Preaching" by Clifton F. Guthrie – available through Cokesbury and Amazon.com
- Must have completed the Basic Lay Servant Ministry Course
- Must attend both sessions, March 7 and March 21, 2020
- Must submit a written or typed copy of your sermon on March 21, 2020

Please email your completed registration information below to Rynn Naylor, Registrar, via email at twerppiewicket@yahoo.com OR via snail mail at 44 Church Street, Woodbury, CT 06798. *Please bring your lunch and a snack to share.*

Any questions? Call **Mary Brevigleiri 860-307- 4611**

Your Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Church _____ District _____

*Date of your Basic Lay Servant Ministry Course _____

*Pastor's Signature of Endorsement _____

**** No Registrations accepted after TUESDAY, March 3, 2020 ****

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Watertown Methodist Church presents a
St Patrick's Day Dinner
Saturday March 7th
seatings at 4:30pm and 6pm
take-outs available

*Corned beef, cabbage,
carrots, potatoes, bread,
coffee, and dessert!*



Call for Tickets - 860-274-3785

\$15 Adults, \$13 Seniors, \$5 Youth under 10

305 Main St, Corner of Rts 6 & 63 in Watertown



2020 Iron Sharpens Iron Men's Conference

20TH ANNIVERSARY OF EQUIPPING CHRISTIAN MEN!

"As Iron sharpens Iron, so one man sharpens another"- Proverbs 27:17

This is a high-energy, informative, inspiring, and faith-based men's conference.

If you have attended in the past...continue the tradition...**PLAN TO ATTEND AGAIN THIS YEAR!**

If you have never attended in the past...join the tradition...**PLAN TO ATTEND THE FIRST TIME THIS YEAR!**

DATE: Saturday March 21st

TIME: 8:30 AM – 4:55 PM

LOCATION: The First Cathedral – Bloomfield, CT (carpooling available)

COST:

- Standard Registration...\$79 per person
- Early Group Registration (10 men/ 10days in advance)...\$59
- Student Rate...\$29
- Optional Lunch... \$8

What You Can Expect:

- Starting & Stopping On Time....
 - Great Music...
 - Great Speakers...Interesting Topics
 - A Wide Variety of Vendors....
 - Tailgate Lunch With WUMC Men

Seminars Topics Include:

- Anger – One Letter Away From Danger
 - Battle Ready; The Spiritual Battle for America's Soul
 - Better Decisions...Fewer Regrets
 - Building Authentic Manhood in Your Life
 - Grandfathering Tune-up
 - Relighting the Flame In Your Marriage
 - Victory Over Pornography
 - And More....

Contact Rod Carnes or Bud Behlman from WUMC if you are interested in attending

Spring Fling

CRAFT FAIR and LUNCHEON

Quiche or Chicken Pot Pie,
salad and dessert
Lunch ticket includes
1 entry for door prize

**LUNCH
TICKETS**
\$8.00 prepaid
\$9.00 at the door

Call Church office:
860-274-3785

Lunch served 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Where: United Methodist Church
305 Main Street
Watertown, CT 06795

When: Saturday, March 28, 2020

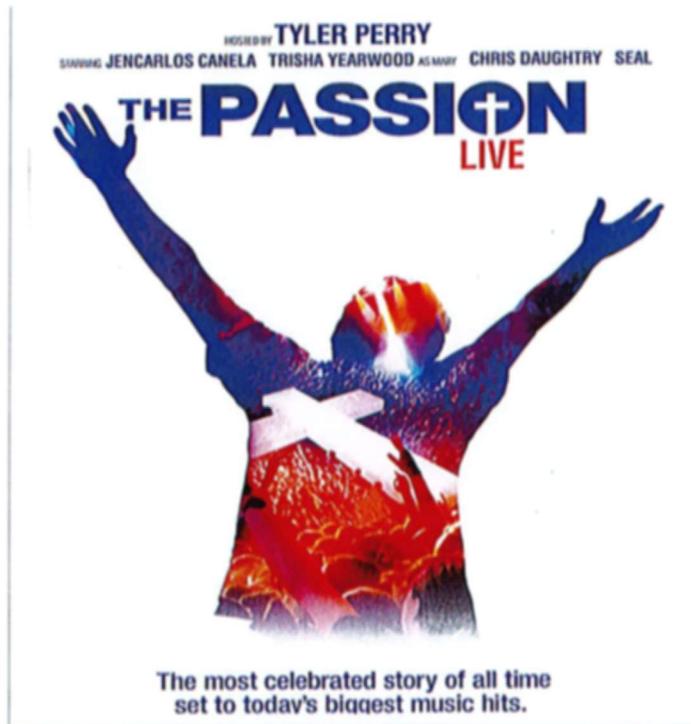
From 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



*Invite a friend to
lunch and do a
little shopping for
Easter, Mother's
Day and Teacher
Gifts.*

*Seasonal candies, our
famous dip spoons,
candles, door prizes.*

*Watertown United Methodist Church
Hosts Ecumenical Movie Night
Saturday, April 4, 2020*



Tyler Perry, Seal, Trisha Yearwood, Jencarlos Canela and Chris Daughtry headline a powerful and moving retelling of one of the Bible's greatest stories: *The Passion*.

The Passion tells the 2000-year-old story of the last hours of Jesus Christ's life on Earth through passages from the Bible and a variety of popular music, sung by the cast and arranged specifically for the event by executive producer and hit music producer Adam Anders (*Glee, Rock of Ages*). Set in the present, the event follows the dramatic and inspirational story of Jesus of Nazareth as he presides over the Last Supper, and is then betrayed by Judas, put on trial by Pontius Pilate, convicted, crucified and resurrected. This epic event was broadcast live from some of New Orleans' most iconic locations.

Dinner at 5:00 PM – Movie at 7:00 PM in the Woolson Room

Pizza & Refreshments will be provided – A Free Will Offering will be accepted

Seating is limited – Call for reservations (860) 274-3785

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Website: www.wumcct.org



WALNUT HILL

COMMUNITY CHURCH

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

PRISCILLA SHIRER: GOING BEYOND SIMULCAST

Saturday, April 25 – 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM



Join us, along with more than a hundred thousand women around the globe, for three teaching sessions featuring *Priscilla Shirer* and worship with *Anthony Evans* and the *Going Beyond Live* praise team.

Tickets are \$30 and lunch is included.

To register, go to: <https://walnuthillcc.org/events/>



Bethel Campus 156 Walnut Hill Road, Bethel, CT 06801



Save the date - June 2, 2020

5TH ANNUAL BRIAN GIBBONS HOMELESS OUTREACH
MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT
CHIPPANEE GOLF CLUB, BRISTOL , CT

See Kathy Craig for more information on a sponsorship or to play golf.

Brian Gibbons was instrumental in the Greater Waterbury area for reaching out and helping the homeless population. This is the 5th annual tournament in Brian's memory and is guaranteed to be a sell out again. Don't miss out!

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.

Empowered by God's word, we proclaim the Gospel and serve
through worship, study, mission, and community support.



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