



WUMC Helping Hands Ministry



Vision Statement:

Provide an extended network of community volunteers for helping those with critical short-term needs, but without sufficient resources and families to whom they can turn.



Examples of Types of Services:

- Handyman projects; Home upkeep (e.g., spring/fall cleanup)
- Transportation and delivery
- Family crisis support (e.g., child/elder/respite care, meals)
- Friendly visitor



Nominal Constraints:

- Short-term crisis support: 4-8 hours; 1-2 days
- Work projects: Ideally done in 1 day; up to \$200 for material cost
- Application approval predicated on resource availability and schedule



Please Contact: Woodbury United Methodist Church (WUMC) at WUMC@WoodburyUMC.net or (203) 263-4775.



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Woodbury United Methodist Church



Sunday, February 13, 2022

Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors
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Woodbury United Methodist Church

February 13, 2022
6th Sunday after the Epiphany

*Please stand as you are able.

WE COME TOGETHER IN PRAISE

PRELUDE *Praeludium from the B flat Partita* JS Bach

GREETING Rev. J. Michael Cobb

*CALL TO WORSHIP Led by Anna Walkup, Liturgist

How fickle is the journey of life!
Blessings walk alongside curses.

Hope intertwines with despair.
Goodness is shadowed by wickedness.

Poor or despairing, come to be blessed.
Hungry or tired, come to be restored.

Sorrowing or sighing, come to discover joy.
Bring your tired, your poor.

Share your hopes, your dreams.
Embrace your doubts, your fears.

Come as you are.
All are welcome here.

*OPENING ANTHEM *Good Good Father* Chris Tomlin
Sarah Kate Walkup, Kate Keeler, Rod Carnes, Matt Bodwell

*OPENING PRAYER (unison) Anna Walkup
God of blessings and woes, bless us with your presence this day. Reveal your way forward, and guide us in pathways of hope and grace. Holy God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring healing to all wounds, make whole all that is broken, speak truth to all illusion, and shed light in every darkness, that all creation will see your glory and know your Christ. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison) Anna Walkup



CT District Church
RESOURCING EXPERIENCE 2022

"MINI CLINICS"
Linking Conference Resources to the CT Churches



Rev. Dr. Alpha Sylvester
CT District Superintendent

Tools for Improving Communication & Marketing for Church Viability & Success February 20, 2:00 - 3:00 pm  <p>Presented by Conference Resource Expert Lisa Isom Director of Communications NYAC</p> <p>Sponsored by: Western Frontier Parish; Rev. John Parilla</p> <p>To Register: Please Click Link Below https://nyac-events.com/Connecticut-Resourcing-Experience</p>	Tools to Repurpose Property for Future Church Viability & Success February 23, 6:30 - 7:30 pm  <p>Presented by Conference Resource Expert Bill Shillady Executive Director, United Methodist City Society</p> <p>Sponsored by: Gtr Meriden Parish; Rev. Richard Hense</p> <p>To Register: Please Click Link Below https://nyac-events.com/Connecticut-Resourcing-Experience</p>
Tools to Acquire Fundamentals of Organizing Community Activism February 24, 6:30 - 7:30 pm  <p>Presented by Conference Resource Expert Rev. Robert Knebel Pastor, West Hartford UMC</p> <p>Sponsored by: Gtr Hartford Parish; Rev. Robert Knebel</p> <p>To Register: Please Click Link Below https://nyac-events.com/Connecticut-Resourcing-Experience</p>	Tools to Ensure Viability in Stewardship, & Planned Giving February 27, 12:30 - 1:30pm  <p>Presented by Conference Resource Expert Ellen Knudsen Executive Director, United Methodist Frontier Foundation</p> <p>Sponsored by: Northwest Parish; Rev. Soan Joe Lee</p> <p>To Register: Please Click Link Below https://nyac-events.com/Connecticut-Resourcing-Experience</p>

REGISTRATION FOR SEVERAL OF THESE EVENTS IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Finance Chairs & Members	SPRC Chairs & Members	Pastors
Trustee Chairs & Members	Nomination Members	Lay Leaders & Others

Questions? Office Phone: 914-615-2227

"In Connecticut, After God, We Put People First!"

We hope you will sign up for the FREE TRAINING offered by the CT District.

THE PRAYER CORNER

Outpatient rehabilitation: *Michael Etcheto*, grandson of *Barbara Etcheto*

Recovering at home: *Laura Brush; Lynne Brencher; Carol Hennessey; Liam McGrath; Robert Mitchell*, brother of *Marci Lowman* (the daughter-in-law of *Marion Lowman*); *Amelia Eager* (friend of the *Temple* family); *Steve Thomas; Dominic Vaiuso*, father of *Karen Williams* (Newtown); *Carl Hinkle*, father of *Toby McGrath* (Greensburg, PA); *Cindy Tedesco* and *Donna Louise Burke*, friends of *Kathy Craig; Lou Calabrese* (husband of *Lynn Ramsden-Calabrese*)

Outpatient treatments: *Dave Brencher; Bob Asman*

Please remember our Confirmands: *Annabelle Cloud, Cody Cordova, Zachary Cordova, James Levario, and Matthew Shupenis*

Homebound members: *Florence Brown, Linda Bailey*



If you would like to send someone a birthday card, please see our website @ www.woodburyumc.net for this month's birthday listing.

A REMINDER ON FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR:

The floral chart will be placed in the Narthex for your convenience if you would like to select a date for flowers throughout the year. REMEMBER: if you don't have an occasion, you can donate and we will be sure to deliver them to one of our homebound people during that week. Call the office at (203) 263-4775 or email at www.woodburyumc.net. **There is currently an opening for next Sunday, Feb. 20th!**

FEBRUARY IS WOODBURY FOOD BANK MONTH

February is our next opportunity to provide volunteers for the Woodbury Foodbank. Thank you to all the volunteers that will be covering the Friday shifts throughout the month. **Reminder – the 3rd Sunday** of the month there will be a dedication of donated items that will be delivered to the Food Bank. Watch for your Messenger next week for an updated listing of any priority needs requested. As always, thank you!

Rev. Paul Hibbard, Chair - Mission & Outreach Ministry Team

MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

Wed., Feb. 16th – Bell Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 PM, Sanctuary
Thurs., Feb. 17th – Church Council Meeting, 7:00 PM, Assembly Room
Fri., Feb. 18th – Food Bank Coverage, 11 AM – 2 PM, Woodbury Food Bank

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

Read by Ken Burke

*Gospel Lesson: Luke 6:17-26

He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

*ANTHEM OF PREPARATION

Hillsong UNITED

Another in the Fire

SERMON

Rev. Cobb

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Holy God, source of all good things, you have blessed your children with many gifts, and each of us can serve and help build your kingdom here on earth. As we ask you to dedicate our tithes and offerings today, we remind ourselves that you seek not only that we open our wallets but open our hearts and our whole being to the work of making your love and compassion the norm, not the exception in this world. Let us now make our offering.

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY *My Life Is an Offering* Sovereign Grace Music

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Blessed God, with these gifts, bring food to the hungry, hope to the despairing, and comfort to the sorrowful. Bless these gifts and our very lives, that we may be blessings of hope for your world. Amen.

WE SEEK GOD'S PRESENCE IN PRAYER

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

WE GO FORTH IN JOY

CLOSING ANTHEM #702 (UMH)

Sing with All the Saints of Glory

BENEDICTION

And now, from the One who is indeed the giver of all good gifts: go and share what God has given you; go and proclaim that God's love is here; go in the power of God's Spirit to make all things new.

Go to bring blessings. Go to be blessings.

We go with joy, for we are blessed by God.

POSTLUDE

You are the Light of the World

Stephen Schwartz

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Mission Statement

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.

Week of February 13, 2022

Visitors are warmly welcomed! If you wish to learn more about WUMC's ministries, please take a copy of our weekly newsletter, *The Messenger*, which is available on the table at the registration area.

If you would like to become a member of the Woodbury United Methodist Church, please speak to Pastor Michael. Inquirers are asked to attend a two-session Membership Orientation class before joining the church.

Thanks to all those making special contributions to our worship service today: *Anna Walkup*, Liturgist and Reader; *James Levario*, Acolyte; *Joann King* and *Catherine Mason*, Greeters and Ushers; *Matt Bodwell*, *Rod Carnes*, *Kate Keeler*, and *Sarah Kate Walkup*, Praise Band; *Theron Kissinger*, Audio Visual Technician.

Altar flower tribute this week is given by *Joann King*, "to the glory of God and in celebration of Valentine's Day and for all the prayers for my Aunt Colette while she was in rehab. She's back home now!"

Please note: Livestreaming provides an opportunity for all of us to experience worship at the same time, either at home or in-person. Worshipers at home may join us by video on YouTube or audio-only by telephone broadcast. Video recordings of services are also archived on the church's website for later viewing. Later phone broadcasts are no

- **Video:** Go to <http://www.woodburyumc.net>, scroll to the link for livestreaming near the top of our home page. A link is also provided for archived videos for later viewing.
 - **Audio only by phone:** dial 425-436-6391, enter pin with hash sign 2431819#.
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