TRIAD God Church Family

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Worship Sunday Mornings JUNE - AUGUST at 9:30am in-person and Online

July 6, 2025

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Worship at 9:30am in-person/Sanctuary & by Zoom

Sermon: "Journey Into God" By Guest Preacher, Rev. Dr. John Fisk, Pastor Emeritus, First Baptist Church, Attleboro

Scripture: 2 Kings 5:1-17

Fellowship Hr: The Congregation is invited to bring a treat for Fellowship Hr Today.

Juice, old-fashioned Lemonade and Cream are being supplied.

July 20, 2025
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Worship at 9:30am

in-person/Sanctuary & by Zoom

Summer Series:

Blending God's Wisdom in Scripture with the Soul's Wisdom in Poetry

Poem: "Buoyancy" by Rumi Feel free to read the poem ahead of the service. You'll be invited to share your reflections during the service (if you wish).

Scripture: John 12:20-26

Fellowship Hr: Warna Reynders for the CE Committee

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July 13, 2025

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship at 9:30am in-person/Sanctuary & by Zoom

Sermon: "Compassionate Neighbors" By Guest Preacher, Rev. Dr. John Fisk, Pastor Emeritus, First Baptist Church, Attleboro

Scripture: Luke 10:25-37

Fellowship Hr: Deacon, Pam Morse



July 27, 2025

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Worship at 9:30am
in-person/Sanctuary & by Zoom

Summer Series:

Blending God's Wisdom in Scripture with the Soul's Wisdom in Poetry

Poem: "Row for Your Life" by Mary Oliver Feel free to read the poem ahead of the service. You'll be invited to share your reflections during the service (if you wish).

Scripture: Mark 4:35-41

Fellowship Hr: Kiley Macie for the Mission Committee

Pastor's Ponderings



"Summer Worship Series"

Recently I came across a worship idea: blending God's wisdom in scripture with the soul's wisdom in poetry. This summer I'll be experimenting with this idea. Each week I'll be sharing a poem along with scripture as the basis for a time of reflection and prayer. I'll share some insights from the background of the poem and scripture.

AND I'll be inviting reflections in worship from the congregation as well. It will be a little more interactive, informal and conversational than other Sundays and, I expect, fun and engaging.

Here are the poems I'll be using from July 20 till August 17 if you want to get a head start:

7/20: "Buoyancy" by Rumi and John 12:20-26

7/27: "Row For Your Life" by Mary Oliver and Mark 4: 35-41

8/3: "Now You Know the Worst" by Wendal Berry and 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

8/10: "My Life" by Billy Collins and Matthew 6:25-34

8/17: "The Layers" by Stanley Kunitz and Genesis 32: 22-31

Remember, the Sanctuary is Air-Conditioned, (and "Prayer"- Conditioned!) making coming to worship a cool way to start off a summer Sunday morning – refreshed and re-charged, ready to conquer your week ahead!

See you in Church, *Rev Don*

CENTRAL CHURCH CALENDAR

Tuesday, July 1st 6:30-9:30pm LINE DANCE/Hall

Thursday, July 3rd NO LINE DANCE

Friday, July 4th **HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!**

Sunday, July 6th

9:30am Worship in the Air-Conditioned Sanctuary & by Zoom with Guest Preacher, Rev. Dr. John Fisk, Pastor Emeritus from First Baptist Church/Attleboro.

Fellowship Hr: The Congregation is invited to bring a snack, pastry or other treats to share for Fellowship Hour today. Juice, old-fashioned lemonade and cream will be provided.

6-9pm AA GROUP/HALL

Monday, July 7th 6:30-9:30pm LINE DANCE/Hall

Tuesday, July 8th 6:30-9:30pm LINE DANCE/Hall

Thursday, July 10th 6:00pm Memorial Gifts/Vestry & Zoom **NO LINE DANCE**

Sunday, July 13th

9:30am Worship in the Air-Conditioned Sanctuary & by Zoom with Guest Preacher, Rev. Dr. John Fisk, Pastor Emeritus from First Baptist Church/Attleboro.

Fellowship Hr: Deacon, Pam Morse

6-9pm AA GROUP/HALL

Monday, July 14th 6:30pm PRAYER GROUP/ZOOM 6:30-9:30pm LINE DANCE/Hall

Tuesday, July 15th

To All Boards and Committees looking to clean out your spaces in the church or CE Buildings this

Summer: The dumpster is scheduled to be emptied today. They usually arrive early in the morning.

6:30-9:30pm LINE DANCE/Hall

Thursday, July 17th NO LINE DANCE

Sunday, July 20th

9:30am Worship in the Air-Conditioned Sanctuary and by Zoom with Rev Don.

Fellowship Hr: Warna Reynders and the CE Committee

Tuesday, July 22nd

AUGUST TRIAD DEADLINE to submit news for all of August and a sneak peek into September happenings. 6:30-9:30pm LINE DANCE/Hall

Thursday, July 24th NO LINE DANCE

Sunday, July 27th 9:30am Worship in the Air-Conditioned Sanctuary and by Zoom with Rev Don. Fellowship Hr: Kiley Macie for the Mission Committee

Monday, July 28th 6:30pm PRAYER GROUP/ZOOM 6:30-9:30pm LINE DANCE/Hall

Our Parish Register

Please submit names for the August Prayer List by 07/22/2025.

Jacqui, Harry, Rev Carole, Ed, Jen, Gary, Jeannine, Richard, Judy, Megan, Kristen, Mark, Madi, Charlotte, Ricardo, Jermaine, Wilburt, Lorna, Carmen, Karen, Suzanne, Sandy, Del, Tyler, Rich, Alicia and Family, Kathy, Frank, Heather Ann, Sally, Wyatt, Barbara, Lorrie, Jose', Lee Ann, Marjorie.

TRIAD DEADLINES

to submit news and information:

Tuesday, July 22 for all of August.

NEW ZOOM LINK FOR WORSHIP AND MEETINGS AS OF 03/2023

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2148198 082?pwd=b2krNFNOODRTQjVuWV RZSDJTVnc5dz09

> Meeting ID: 214 819 8082 Passcode: 1234

July Birthdays

- 05 Danny Wilanson
- 07 Rich Goss
- 08 Janis Bisio
- 08 David Sumner
- 09 Stephen W. Tyo
- 10 Keith Darling
- 12 Melissa Glass
- 17 Juliette Riendeau
- 18 Jenna (LaFortune) Evans 23 Jillian (Boraski) Giorgio
- 18 Tim Nav
- 20 Brian Brigham
- 22 Abby McCally
- 22 Peggy Mitchell
- - 30 Tanya Carpenter
 - 30 Amy Jones

COMMITTEE CORNER

From the Board of Deacons

Our next meeting will be held Wednesday, September 10, 2025 at 7:00pm / Vestry and by Zoom.

SUMMER WORSHIP TIME CHANGE 9:30am Sunday mornings June – August in our Air-Conditioned Sanctuary – join us!

From the Pastor

Summer Sermon Series:

Over the years preachers have often used the summer as a time to weave a worship theme through all the Sundays of the season. This year I am using an approach I discovered recently. It is the weaving together of poetry and scripture. We'll draw on the insights of some familiar poets to help deepen our understanding of scripture and our own faith journeys. My summer will have time away as its bookends. The first 2 weeks of July I will be with family on vacation. The last 2 weeks of August I will be on my annual Study Leave taking an 8-day Silent Directed Retreat. In between, we'll discover where poetry, scripture and the Holy Spirit takes us.

TO ALL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES:

In case you were planning to clean out your areas in the Church or CE Buildings over the Summer, these are the dates the dumpster is scheduled to be emptied:

July 15th and August 12th.

From Dave Valerio, Music Director

Seeking vocalists and musicians to play/sing special music during worship on Sunday mornings in July & August. If interested, please sign up on the sheet in the vestry and/or see Dave Valerio any Sunday ahead of the day you wish to perform. *Many thanks!*

From the Board of Trustees

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 16, 2025 at 7:00pm /Vestry & Zoom.

From the Christian Education Committee

Our next meeting will be announced.



There's more to the Bible than Noah's Ark, David and Goliath, or Daniel in the Lions' Den! *Traveling Route 66* will take our kids on a life-changing journey through each of the Bible's 66 books, exploring the wonders of God's Word and the adventure to be found in deeper relationship with God the Creator, and Father of us all. Follow our adventure beginning September 7, 2025.

From the Executive Council

Our next meeting will be held Wednesday, September 3, 2025 at 7:00pm/Vestry & Zoom

From the Memorial Gifts Committee

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 10th, 2025 at 6:00pm/Vestry & Zoom

From the Prayer Fellowship Group

"Prayer Fellowship—Refreshing Moments with God!"

Dates: Monday's: July 14th & 28th,

August 11th & 25th

(second & fourth Monday's)

Time: 6:30 PM via ZOOM.

Everyone is welcome to participate in our Prayer Fellowship! Coming together to pray for others is also an opportunity to share and encourage each other. Together we celebrate the Lord's blessings with thanksgiving! We pray for the 'concerns of our church' and any concern in our heart. Silent prayer is always an option. It's a wonderful way to wind down after a busy day! You'll be refreshed!

Use the same zoom link as used for Sunday worship. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2148198082?pwd=b2krNFNOODR TQjVuWVRZSDJTVnc5dz09

Containers for leaving Prayer Requests are found on the table in the Sanctuary Narthex & on the Vestry table under the Mission bulletin board. Index cards and pens are next to the containers. Requests are shared with Prayer Fellowship members. You may also continue to send a prayer request in an email to the church office at centralucc@verizon.net or call the church office at 508-699-7700.

From the Mission Committee

Our next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, August 26th, 2025** At 7:00pm/Vestry & Zoom.

The Committee will be "On Call" throughout the Summer to address matters that require action.

"The purpose of the Mission Committee is to enable Central Congregational Church to fulfill its calling – to go out into the world and minister to those in need." - CCC By Laws

<u>June & July Mission – KIDS' SUMMER CAFÉ – FREE MEALS & NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED</u>



The Kids' Summer Café is a program of the Attleboro Area Interfaith Collaborative. This program's goal is to make nutritious lunches available to children of school age up to age 18 years, throughout the summer; replacing

the free or reduced-price lunch they would normally receive during the school year. There are no registration or income guideline requirements. The Kids' Summer Café helps keep good nutrition available to children and helps to alleviate the burden on families to provide another meal per child during the summer months.

Specific dates and locations will be released as soon as received. Annually the program begins late June, after local schools close for the summer.

<u>Monetary Donations</u> are being accepted through June and July - Please include "Kids' Café" on the memo line of your check.

Thank you for supporting families and children in need of nutritious meals this summer in our greater Attleboro area.

AAIC Mission: Inspired by diverse faiths and shared values, Attleboro Area Interfaith Collaborative advances a healthy, secure, and meaningful life for all within our community.

AAIC Vision: With multi-faith understanding and compassion, Attleboro Area Interfaith Collaborative alleviates hunger, promotes stability, and inspires the community to thrive.

<u>UPDATES and OUTCOMES:</u> MAY MISSION – Project Bread - WALK FOR HUNGER

Although the 'Walk for Hunger' event has taken place, Project Bread is still receiving donations supporting their efforts to support and decrease the number of families dealing with food insecurity in Massachusetts. Donations made through our church are being received through Sunday, June 8th. Our participant, Bill Bentley, completed his twenty-mile walk, supporting Project Breads' Walk for Hunger on Friday, May 2.

TWO WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE to help Bill Bentley exceed his fundraising GOAL!

On-Line Giving: Go to www.projectbread.org
Follow the directions: 1/After the site opens click on The Walk for Hunger 2025. 2/Click on 2025 Event. Scroll down to Support A Fundraiser. In box provided type William J Bentley Sr 3/ Click on Bill's Name 4. Proceed to select payment method and complete transaction.

<u>IF On-line giving is not preferred</u>, write a check payable to Central Congregational Church. On the memo line write 'Project Bread'. We'll be sure your gifts are designated for Bill toward achieving his goal.



In the picture here, Bill is wearing his Walk for Hunger pin vest with the nineteen badges received for participation and fund-raising efforts. Over 19 years Bill has raised over \$38,000. He hopes to break \$40K this year!

Our International Sponsorship Programs for Children

Tibetan Refugee Self Help Center, Darjeeling, India
The new child we are sponsoring through UCC Global
Ministries Child & Elder Sponsorship Program is TENZIN
YANGZOM. She is 8 years of age having celebrated
her birthday on January 12th. Her father runs a small
street restaurant where he is the sole breadwinner of her
family as her mother is a homemaker. Tenzin is studying
in Class II. She loves singing and dancing and spending
time drawing. Look for Tenzin's picture on the mission
bulletin board in the Vestry.

More than 650 Tibetans live in a cohesive and productive community at the Self-Help Center. This rehabilitation organization trains adults in handicraft arts to support their families while children are provided <u>free</u> education, in both Hindu and English, and textbooks and school supplies. <u>Please pray for Tenzin</u>, her family and all of the families and children at the center.

<u>The Reverend Jean Parisot Foundation</u> – St. Claire School, Jacmel, Haiti

The sole focus of the Reverend Jean M. Parisot Foundation in Jacmel, Haiti is the operation of a recently built liberal arts and vocational school and dormitories for one hundred impoverished youth. Currently the Foundation is running a grammar school for 125 children in preschool through eighth grade. Every child receives a nutritious meal in addition to a free education. Please pray for the school, its leadership, teachers, and students! Please feel free, anytime throughout the year, to send a donation for the school. Make your check payable to **Central Congregational Church** and add "Haiti School" in the memo line. Thanks for supporting and praying for the children of Haiti.

Year-Round Missions

Lenore's Pantry – We still collect food for Lenore's Pantry! Food is always needed! We are pleased to receive purchased items. Mission committee members will deliver them to the Pantry. Place items in the marked bins located in the vestry or in the hallway of the CE building outside the church office. We also always gratefully receive your financial donations that provide funds to purchase gift cards used by pantry volunteer shoppers or may be given to a family to purchase items not in stock at the pantry. Be sure to write Lenore's Pantry on the memo line of your check.

Our Shriner's Hospital Aluminum Tab Collection -

If you're not involved, join our regular contributors by saving the tabs from beverage cans and dropping them into the labeled round containers on the counter outside the church office or the container on the windowsill in the entry to the CE building. There is also a container in the Vestry located on the table under the Mission bulletin board.

Summer

By H. P. Nichols

'Tis summer, I know by the blue of the sky; By the trees' deeper green, as beneath them I lie; And more than all these, by the lovely wild rose That now in the woodland its pink blossom shows.

Now ring the sharp scythes of the mowers all day, And they spread to the air the sweet-scented hay; They pile up the wagon ere daylight is done, And singing come home with the set of the sun.

I feel the warm west wind fan gently my cheek As I sit on the grass, far too happy to speak; And then in the twilight I see the faint spark Of the fire-fly, flitting alone in the dark.

Oh! long happy days, when 'tis full of delight
To roam in the meadows from morning till night!
Oh! summer, sweet summer! glide slowly away,
For I love in your warmth and your fragrance to stay.

This poem is in the public domain.

Henry P. Nichols (1816 - 1890) was from Salem, Massachusetts. He operated a very successful publishing company in Boston in the mid-1800s with partner William Crosby. The company later became Nichols & Noyes.





July 2025

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Services of: July 2025

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday & Thursday – 8:30am – 4:30pm