# TRIAD God Church Family

### **Central Congregational Church, UCC**

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### Worship on Sunday mornings at 10:00am in-person and Online

### October 29, 2023

Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Worship at 10:00am

in-person in the Sanctuary
and Online by Zoom.

Guest Preacher: Rev. Mary Perry Ordained UCC Minister

#### Fellowship Hour: Womens' Christian Fellowship

9:45am Sunday School/Hall
For ages 2.9 years and potty trained through Gr 8.

**October 24, 2023** 

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### Sare the Date!

150th Anniversary
Celebration
of
Central
Congregational
Church—
Saturday,
May 4, 2024.

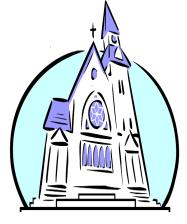
### **November 5, 2023**

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION
Worship at 10:00 am
in-person in the Sanctuary
and Online by Zoom.

**Guest Preacher:** Rev. Dr. Jonathan Ryder, Ordained UCC Minister

> **Fellowship Hour:** Trustee, Mike Dunbar

9:45am Sunday School/Hall
For ages 2.9 years and potty trained through Gr 8.



### Insight - Future of Our Church Initiative

We have been on a journey, as a congregation, to discover, articulate and claim a deep sense of our God given WHY. Who we are, acknowledging our identity and purpose as Central Congregational Church in Attleboro Falls. Our description as having a **caring** and **joyful** spirit experienced in fellowship together and demonstrated in our ministry to others seems to describe a portion of our God given WHY.

Add to that the sense that our church is an **Oasis**. A place that serves as a refuge, providing relief and a pleasant change whether one enters the church doors for worship or the fellowship hall for a public activity or event. The church becomes a refuge at that moment from the usual, annoying, or difficult experiences the individual or family may be facing. Our stories seem to resonate with these descriptions.

Understanding the current demographics, dynamics and needs of our community is also important. Who is our neighbor and what do they need that our church could possibly provide is another area to be explored. As an Oasis, with people who are caring and joyful servants of the Lord, what does our community need us to be best at doing or providing?

Please continue to pray for the Future of Our Church. Believe that new stories will be shared as our doors of refuge and friendship are entered by new people visiting with us. It may already be happening!

Please God, let us be content for you to lead the way.

Help us to be willing to live your plan each day.

Keep us very close to you all through the coming week,
and let our hearts be open wide to hear you when you speak.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

### **Central Church Calendar**

#### Tuesday, October 24th

7:00pm Mission /Vestry & Zoom

#### Thursday, October 26th

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary

## Sunday, October 29th STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

9:45am Sunday School/Hall 10:00am Worship/Sanctuary & Zoom Fellowship Hr: Women's Christian Fellowship

#### Monday, October 30th

6:30pm Prayer Fellowship—Zoom. Contact Gil Reynders for more information at gjreynders@aol.com

#### Monday, October 30th— Friday, Nov 3rd

Set up for the Village green Fair/HALL

Tuesday, October 31st
TRIAD DEADLINE

#### Wednesday, November 1st

7:00pm Executive Council/Vestry & Zoom

#### Thursday, November 2nd

7:00pm Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary

#### Saturday, Nov 4th

9am—2pm VILLAGE GREEN FAIR/HALL

#### Sunday, November 5th

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS.

Remember to "FALL BACK" one hour Saturday night.

### ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

#### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

9:45am Sunday School/Hall 10:00am Worship/Sanctuary & Zoom.

Fellowship Hr: Trustee, Mike Dunbar

#### Monday, November 6th

6:30pm Prayer Fellowship/ Zoom

#### Tuesday, November 7th

7:00pm CE Committee/Vestry

## Thursday, November 9th LAST DAY TO ORDER APPLE PIES!

6:00pm Memorial Gifts/Vestry 7:00pm Choir/Sanctuary

#### Sunday, November 12th

9:45am Sunday School/Hall

10:00am Worship/Sanctuary & Zoom Fellowship Hr: Deacon, Pam Morse

# Monday, November 13th - Saturday, Nov 18th

Preparations for Apple Pie Day—see insert for more info.

#### Monday, November 13th

6:30pm Prayer Fellowship/ Zoom

#### Tuesday, November 14th

7:00pm Deacons /Vestry & Zoom

#### Saturday, November 18th-

12Noon—2pm Apple Pie Day - Pickup your pre-ordered pies from CE Hall.

#### Sunday, November 19th

9:45am Sunday School/Hall 10:00am Worship/Sanctuary & Zoom

Fellowship Hr: Gil Reynders

### Our Parish Register

# At Home, Hospitalized or residing in Nursing Home Care...

Please call or send an email to the church office if you wish to have your name or another person's name added to this prayer list.

#### In a Rehab Facility...

**Rev Carole** remains at an assisted living facility near North Attleboro, MA. We are keeping in touch through her family. Updates to follow as we receive them and will be given in Church on Sundays.

### TRIAD DEADLINES

to submit information:

Tuesdays— October 31 And November 14 & 28



#### BEGINNING MARCH 19, 2023 NEW ZOOM LINK

To join us in Worship and to join in your church meetings—no waiting to be admitted:
Join Zoom Meeting
<a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/">https://us02web.zoom.us/</a>
i/2148198082?

pwd=b2krNFNOODRTQjVuWVRZSD

JTVnc5dz09 Meeting ID: 214 819 8082 Passcode: 1234 One tap mobile +13092053325,,2148198082#

### REMINDER...

Please remember to call the Church Office when a family member, church member or even when you, yourself are ill or hospitalized, or are in need of prayer. If you cannot make the call yourself, please ask a family member to call us.

# We won't know if you don't call us!

We want to keep you in our prayers in your time of need.

### October Birthdays

01 Ellis Badger	14 Doreen Cheney	25 Donna Hickey
03 Judy Holland	15 Gil Reynders	26 Amy (Goss) Sullivan
08 Colton Shuman	18 Martin Martinez	26 Heather Norton Bonfilio
11 Cynthia Lavoie	21 Julieanna Wilanson	28 Kim Winship
11 Alexandra Burroughs	21 Pam Morse	29 Laurie Richardson
13 Karin Marroquin	22 Heather Davis	31 Mario Marroquin
14 Nancy Brigham	24 Warna Revnders	31 Mike Dunbar

#### From the Board of Deacons

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 7:00pm Vestry & Zoom.

Summer Worship will be held on Sunday mornings at **10:00am** in person in the Sanctuary and online by Zoom.

#### **Elevator Operators Wanted**

We are seeking people willing to be trained on operating the elevator in the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings and possibly weekdays for funerals (if you're available for this). If interested, please contact Wayne Nettnay, Chairman, Board of Deacons, at wnettnay@gmail.com or 508 695 6000 for more information.

#### **Tech Team Members Wanted**

We are seeking a few more people who are willing to learn how to operate Zoom online so that anyone can join us in worship on Sunday mornings from their laptop or computer. Training will be provided. This is a good Volunteer opportunity for High School Teens needing Community Service Hours!

Please contact Rich Goss at richgoss58@gmail.com or 508 243 8330 for more information.

#### From the Board of Trustees

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at 7:00pm in the Vestry & Zoom.

# From the Christian Education Committee

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 7th at 7:00pm in the Vestry & Zoom.

#### SS Christmas Setup Crew Help needed-Sunday, December 2nd 10:00 am in the CE Fellowship Hall

Anyone interested and willing to help is welcomed. Let Warna or Sharilyn know if you will be able to help.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL is BACK!!!

Friends are always welcome to Sunday School! Please feel free to share the information with family and friends.

**CCC Kids' Care Mission Project** for October and December is collecting small toys, hats, scares, gloves and wrapped (no-nut candies) to donate to Christmas is for Kids. While the adults of the church are "adopting"

families provided by Christmas is for Kids, the children will be making their own contributions to the effort to make Christmas a brighter one for other children.

**PARENTS**—Believe it or not we are already planning for the Christmas pageant. Please let Sharilyn or Warna know if your children will be available to participate in the pageant which is happening Sunday morning, December 17th. We also will need the children available to rehearse during Sunday School time on December 10th. The sooner we know the better:)

#### YOUTH GROUP - Save the Date!

Our first Youth Group event will be on Sunday, October 29th at Flint Farm in Mansfield, MA. We will be doing the Corn Maze and if time permits, we will visit the Ice Cream Shop. Children in grades 4th – 7th are welcome to join us. We will meet at 1:00 pm at Flint Farm. Please let Sharilyn know if your child plans to attend. If you have any questions, please email cccafsundayschool@gmail.com.

# From the Memorial Gifts Committee

Our next meeting will be held on **Thursday, November 9th** at **6:00pm** in the Vestry & Zoom.

#### From the Executive Council

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 1st at 7:00pm in the Vestry & Zoom.

# From the Stewardship Committee 2023/2024 Stewardship Pledge Campaign letters were dropped in the mail on October 2, 2023.

If you do not receive a letter, pledge cards are available in the narthex or in the church office.

#### <u>Stewardship Commitment</u> <u>Sunday is October 29, 2023.</u>

We will be collecting pledges in the service that morning. Of course, if you want to turn your pledge in before that, you are welcome to do so. Thank you, in advance, for your prayerful and generous gift.

# A Stewardship Story from our Sunday School...

It was time for the offering to be collected. Several children were eager to take the offering plate around to receive the colorful Sunday School offering envelopes brought by the children that day. Colton, an exuberant 5-year-old, was selected for the privilege. Stewardship is talked about in Sunday School throughout the year with a special focus given during Stewardship month in October. The complexity of Stewardship is a concept that adults have difficulty understanding. Likewise, as do our children. But on that morning at Sunday School the generosity of the givers and the eagerness with which they placed their little envelopes on the offering plate spilled over on the floor of the CE hall. Colton was quick to pick them up as he tried to keep the very full plate from spilling out. I am sure that God was filled with much joy as He watched His precious little ones give with cheerful hearts and open hands (thanks to the parents)! Might we be inspired by their example as we prepare our hearts to make our pledges for the new year.

#### As a reminder...

We have the option of using our online giving app through the church's website: Home | Central Congregational Church of Attleboro Falls (myvanco.com)

# A Note from the Women's Christian Fellowship—

Following the current trend to live green, we are presenting a new table at November's Village Green Fair, a Green Table. This table will feature reusable household items, such as fabric "paper" towels, dishcloths, fabric totes, scrubbies, etc. This, of course, is in addition to all the tables we traditionally do. If you would like to make and donate items for the fair - "green" or not - please reach out to Cheryl Peterson at 508-245-1563 or cappeterson@aol.com.

#### A Note from Jacqui Howard, Congregational Care Member...

If you have any "Get Well" or "Sympathy" cards you can donate, please bring them to the vestry or to the church office. Jacqui sends cards to our church family to let them know we are thinking of them. Blank note cards and Birthday cards always welcome, too. Thank you!

# From the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee has begun their work for the 2024 calendar year. If you are interested in lending a hand to serve your church, please contact—*Keith Darling, Judy Holland, Kathy Dolley, Martha McHatton or Kathy Trowbridge*—to see which positions are open, and to learn more about the work the Boards and Committees do for the Church.

There are also many things that need doing for the church where you would not be elected but can jump in to lend a hand as needed. It takes many hands to do the work of the Church to keep our church functioning at a high level of success and faithfulness. Please consider your gifts and talents and jump in where you can. *Thank you!* 

#### <u>LIVE and LEARN—</u> HELPFUL COMMUNITY INFORMATION...

If you are a person or a family that depends on electrically powered life-sustaining medical equipment in your home, even something like a Nebulizer, restoring electricity to your home is a priority in the event of a power outage. Did you know that electric companies maintain a Medical Emergency List? It is IMPORTANT that you contact the company and request to be added to their Medial Emergencies List. You will need to provide information such as the type of Life-Saving equipment and whether you have a back-up battery or generator. The questions do not imply that you should have the back-up battery or generator before asking to be added to the list. This is so that the company has the information to know the urgency of your situation.

#### From the Mission Committee

Our next meeting is scheduled at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, October 24, 2023

in the Vestry.

Attending via Zoom will be offered.

"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

"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, **let your light shine before others**, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

Matthew 5:14-16 (English Standard Version)

#### **UPDATES & OUTCOMES**

#### <u>September Mission Project - St. Claire</u> <u>School, Jacmel, Haiti</u>

We continue to receive donations for the St. Claire School and will present an initial check for \$1,000 at the Parisot Foundation Annual Dinner being held Saturday, October 5th. In Norwood. An additional check will be sent no later than the end of October. The Mission Committee recently approved the St. Claire School as a new Overseas Child Sponsorship program for the next three years – 2024-2026. Anticipate other opportunities to support the school throughout the year. Pray for the people of Haiti and especially the children, parents and staff of the St. Claire school located in Jacmel.

The people of Haiti continue to persevere despite the political instability, natural disaster, and poverty that grips their country. The World Bank reports the Haitian economy contracted for four consecutive years by 1.7% in 2019, 3.3% in 2020, 1.8% in 2021, and 1.7% in 2022. A child born today in Haiti will grow up to be only 45% as productive as they could be if he or she had enjoyed full access to quality education and healthcare. Families in Haiti lack the benefit of work, education, and healthcare that most of us take for granted.

The St. Claire School supported by The Reverend Jean M. Parisot Foundation in Jacmel, Haiti is a haven for over 100 children from kindergarten through eighth grade. Since public education is not a reality in Haiti, families must pay to send their children to school. The St. Claire School does not charge tuition. The generosity of their donors allows the students the opportunity for education and food daily during the school year at no cost to their families.

The St. Claire School employs local teach-

ers and administrators who are familiar with the people and culture of Jacmel. The Parisot Foundation's mission is to support Jacmel through education of the children and opportunity for the community. All building maintenance / repairs are completed by workers within the city. It is important to the Foundation that independence is part of the school's curriculum.

Please make your donation check payable to **Central Congregational Church** and add "**Haiti School**" in the memo line. Thank-you for supporting the children of Haiti.

#### Year-Round Missions

Keep supporting *Lenore's Pantry* - Thanks for your frequent donations. Drop off your food donations by placing them in bins provided in the CE building or the Vestry. Direct drop off of food donations at North Attleboro Town Hall, Lower Level, Board of Health, is available weekdays. Donation by check to the church please write Lenore's Pantry on the memo line.

Our *Shriner's Hospital* Aluminum Tab Collection continues. Join our regular contributors by saving the tabs from beverage cans and dropping them into the collection containers located in the vestry, found on the table under the Mission bulletin board, or the container on the counter outside the church office in the CE building.

#### From the Prayer Fellowship

#### Monday's at 6:30 PM

Via Zoom (same as for worship) Only.

Everyone Welcomed!

Spoken or Silent Prayer!

Prayer focus upon: Future of Our Church,
All Prayer Requests. Any Concerns. Prayers

All Prayer Requests, Any Concerns, Prayers of Celebration!

Send prayer requests to: Gil Reynders at gjreynders@aol.com
Or text to 508-594-9619
Zoom Link Below

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2148198082? pwd=b2krNFNOODRTQjVuWVRZSDJTVnc

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Meeting ID: 214 819 8082 Passcode: 1234 (if needed)



# The Village Green Fair

"Christmas in Attleboro Falls"
Saturday, November 4, 2023
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

WE NEED YOUR DONATIONS: Christmas decorations and jewelry. We also need Handmade or Homemade... Knits and crochet items for children and adults, handmade crafts, homemade candy, fudge, baked goods, preserves, and more.

**YOUR TIME IS NEEDED:** We need workers during the week and especially on the day of the Fair. If you can lend a hand please speak with Cheryl Peterson or send her an email: <a href="mailto:cgppeterson@aol.com">cgppeterson@aol.com</a> Today.

# Apple Pie Day: Saturday, Nov 18

The tradition continues! The Saturday before Thanksgiving is known around the Church as Apple Pie Day!

This can't happen without some help and support; volunteers are needed throughout the week, apple peelers on Friday, and a team on Saturday to roll dough and assemble the pies.

Interested in lending a hand?
Please contact:
Sue Dunbar
Susan.Dunbar@comcast.net
508-409-9632

#### Week of Mon, Nov. 13: Times TBD

- Buy the Ingredients
- Fold and Label Boxes
- · Mix sugar and spices

### Sat, Nov. 18: 9:00am to 12:00pm

- Roll dough
- Assemble Pies

#### Fri, Nov. 17: 9:00am to 11:00am

- Peel Apples
- Make Dough

#### Sat, Nov. 18: 12:00pm to 2:00pm

 Pie Pick up – preorders ONLY!



### \*\*APPLE PIE ORDERS\*\*

Pick Up *PRE-ORDERED* Pies Saturday, November 18, 2023 12noon—2:00pm/HALL

- Pies need to be ordered in advance by 11/09 by calling the Church Office at 508 699 7700
  - Pies are un-baked
     (Baking instructions provided)
    - Pies are \$15.00 each, payable at time of pick-up.

# November 2023

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1 7:00pm EXECUTIVE COUNCIL /Vestry & Zoom	7:00pm Choir Rehearsal /Sanctuary.	3	9AM-2PM Village Green Fair/Hall Help wanted at 2pm for clean-up
5 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY HOLY COMMUNION TODAY. 9:45am SUNDAY SCHOOL /Hall 10:00am Worship In-Person & Zoom. Fellowship Hr: Trustee, Mike Dunbar	6:30pm Prayer Fellowship/ Zoom	7:00pm CE Meets /Vestry & Zoom	8	9 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal /Sanctuary.	10 Veterans' Day (Observed)	Veterans' Day
12 9:45am SUNDAY SCHOOL/ Hall 10:00am Worship In-Person & Zoom. Fellowship Hr: Deacon, Pam Morse	6:30pm Prayer Fellowship/ Zoom	14 TRIAD DEADLINE 7pm Deacons Vestry & Zoom	Apple Pie Prep/Kitchen	Apple Pie Prep/Kitchen and Hall 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal /Sanctuary	17 9am Apple Pie Prep/Hall	18 12pm –2pm Apple Pie Day
19 9:45am SUNDAY SCHOOL/Hall 10:00am Worship In-Person & Zoom. Fellowship Hr: Gil Reynders	6:30pm Prayer Fellowship/ Zoom	7pm Trustees Vestry & Zoom	22	23 THANKSGIVING DAY	24 10am—4pm Wreath Sale	25 10am—4pm Wreath Sale
26 FAMILY SUNDAY NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY 10:00am Worship In-Person & Zoom. Fellowship Hr: Cheryl Rogers for the Mission Committee  10am—4pm Wreath Sale	6:30pm Prayer Fellowship/ Zoom 7:00pm Finance Committee Location—TBD	TRIAD DEADLINE 7:00pm Mission Committee/ Vestry & Zoom	29	7:00pm Choir Rehearsal /Sanctuary		

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Services of: October 29 and November 5, 2023

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PASTOR – The Rev. Carole L. Baker
MUSIC DIRECTOR – Dave Valerio
SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT—Heather Bonfilio
SECRETARY – Kathy Trowbridge

### **Church Office Hours**

Tuesday & Thursday - 8:30am—4:30pm