

# TRIAD God Church Family

## Central Congregational Church, UCC

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### Worship Sunday's at 10:00am beginning Sept 7<sup>th</sup> - in-person and Online

#### September 7, 2025

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
**The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Worship at **10:00am**  
in-person/Sanctuary & by Zoom

Scripture: John 1:1-5

Sermon: "Bible GPS"

Fellowship Hr: *Trustee, Dave Will*

9:45am Sunday School begins its journey  
down Rt 66 TODAY! *All students ages 3 – 13  
years welcome! Join us for this Fun Road Trip  
through the Bible!*

11:30am – 12:30pm "Big Story/Our Story" -  
*Through the Bible in 3 Weeks* – Bible  
Overview – No prev. Bible experience needed -  
**All Adults welcome – bring a friend/Vestry.**

This program will run Sept 7, 14 & 21 in the  
Vestry. No cost to attend.

August 26, 2025

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#### September 14, 2025

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Worship at **10:00am**  
in-person/Sanctuary & by Zoom

Scripture: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Sermon: "Grace for the Journey"

Fellowship Hr:

*Deacons, Scott & Kelliann Bachand*

9:45am Sunday School

11:30am – 12:30pm "Big Story/Our Story" -  
*Through the Bible in 3 Weeks* – Bible  
Overview – No prev. Bible experience needed.  
**All Adults welcome – bring a friend!**  
**/Vestry.**

#### **RALLY AND RECOMMIT!**

On Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> we will begin a new  
activity year for our church. Take some time to  
read through the Rt 66 description of our  
curriculum for Sunday School. Our Worship will  
tag along with our young folks at many points  
throughout the year.

And September 7<sup>th</sup> will kick it all off!  
As part of our time in worship we will rally around  
our faith formation program and recommit to  
God's vision for our church.

**September 7<sup>th</sup> will also mark the return to our  
10:00am worship time.**

*See you then!*

#### **INTERGENERATIONAL WORSHIP**

Our Board of Deacons and Christian Education  
Committee are continuing to explore ways to  
more deeply engage the faith formation of our  
children and youth along with folks of all  
ages. One of the insights from that exploration is  
the ongoing learning around the impact of  
intergenerational connections: the places where  
we can experience and share in each other's faith  
journeys and caring. Each month this year we will  
have a worship gathering that is multigenerational  
and multisensory. I'm hoping that's a long way of  
saying 'fun and engaging'.

***Bring a friend, come and find out  
on September 28<sup>th</sup>!***



## Pastor's Ponderings

Summer seems to have passed too quickly. Maybe it's because the extended heat waves kept us indoors. Maybe it's because each year, time seems to move faster. Now Fall is upon us. And it is full of its own rhythms of life: leaf color, life piles, apple cider donuts, apple picking, pumpkins, back-to-school, sports, cooler nights....

I preach and pray a lot in worship about the power of the present moment. It is the place where we find God and our most authentic selves. We won't find it in reminiscing or regretting the past. We won't find it in fearing or framing the future. And while the insights of the past are important, and planning for the future has a value, both need to be done from mindfulness of God in the present moment.

Fall will offer us many of these opportunities. Each season does. Each day does. Each moment does. I think that is one of the most crucial values of worship. When we gather as the body of Christ something shifts inside us. When we can fully bring ourselves in the present worship moment it realigns us to what is most real. It's the strength we gain from each other in "Our Oasis of Caring and Joy". It's the acknowledgement that we can't do this alone. It's the opportunity to offer praise and gratitude along with our vulnerability and needs.

And whether we fully know each other's stories or not, we know that we are joined in worship by a group of people struggling and savoring in life, just like us. That seems most real to me as I read our long list of names during the time of prayer. Even if we don't know the story behind each name, we know our own stories and the many stories we have encountered and we lift up each other in trust.

May this Fall season and each new season bring your heart home to the healing of God's community of faith.

See you in Church,

*Rev Don*

## **CENTRAL CHURCH CALENDAR**

**Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup>**

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

**7:00pm Mission Committee meets/vestry & Zoom**

**Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00pm CE Committee meets/Vestry & Zoom**

**Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup> = 9:30am** Worship in the Air-Conditioned Sanctuary with the Sacrament of Holy Communion with Guest Preacher, Rev John Fisk and by Zoom. **Fellowship Hr:** *Women's Christian Fellowship*  
**6-9pm AA GROUP/HALL**

**Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**

**LABOR DAY**

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

**Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**

***TRIAD DEADLINE to submit news and information***

**Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**7:00pm Executive Council/Vestry & Zoom**

**Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00pm Memorial Gifts/Vestry**

**7:00pm Choir Rehearsals begin/Vestry**

**Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**

**9:45am Sunday School begins a Road Trip down Rt 66.**

**10:00am** Worship with the Sacrament of Holy Communion in the Sanctuary & by Zoom with Rev. Don.  
**Fellowship Hr:** *Trustee, Dave Will*

**6-9pm AA GROUP/HALL**

**Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>**

**6:30pm PRAYER GROUP/ZOOM**

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

**Tuesday, September 9<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00pm Deacons meet/Vestry & Zoom**

**Thursday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**

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

**7:00pm Choir Rehearsal/Vestry**

**Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>**

**9:45am Sunday School**

**10:00am Worship / Sanctuary and by Zoom with Rev Don. Fellowship Hr:** *The Bachand's*

**Monday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>**

***TRIAD DEADLINE*** to submit news and information.

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

**7:00pm Trustees/Vestry & Zoom**

**Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00pm Search Committee meets/Vestry**

**Thursday, September 18<sup>th</sup>** ***NO LINE DANCE***

**Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**

***9am – 5pm SCRAPBOOK GROUP/Vestry Rental***

**Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>**

**9:45am Sunday School**

**10:00am Worship /Sanctuary and Zoom with Rev Don.**

**Fellowship Hr:** The Memorial Gifts Committee

**11:15am – 1:30pm DROP OFF DONATIONS for the Children's Clothing, Shoes and Books Give-a-Way/HALL**

**Monday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**1:00pm – 7:00pm DROP OFF DONATIONS for the Children's Clothing, Shoes and Books Give-a-Way/HALL**

**6:30pm PRAYER GROUP/ZOOM**

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

**Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**1:00pm – 7:00pm DROP OFF DONATIONS for the Children's Clothing, Shoes and Books Give-a-Way/HALL**

**6:30pm – 9:30pm LINE DANCE/Hall**

**7:00pm Mission Committee meets in Vestry & by Zoom**

**Wednesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**

**1:00pm – 7:00pm DROP OFF DONATIONS for the Children's Clothing, Shoes and Books Give-a-Way/HALL**

**Thursday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**

**1:00pm – 7:00pm Children's Clothing, Shoes and Books Give-a-Way/HALL**

**Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**

**1:00pm – 7:00pm Children's Clothing, Shoes and Books Give-a-Way/HALL**

## **Our Parish Register**

**Please submit names for the October Prayer List by 09/23/2025.**

Jacqui, Harry, Rev Carole, Ed, Jen, Mark, Madi, Jeannine, Richard, Judy, Megan, Rich, Tyler, Carmen, Laurie, Heather Ann, Marjorie, Steve, Ben, Gary, Lori, Alicia, Jose, Kathy, Karen, Sandy, Suzanne, Sally, Tracy, Dot, Anthony, Andrea, Elaine, Lea, Bill, Rice Family, Christine, Martha.

## **TRIAD DEADLINES**

to submit news and information: *Tuesdays, Sept. 2, 16 & 30*

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

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2148198082?pwd=b2krNFNOODRTQjVuWVVRZSDJTVnc5dz09>**

**Meeting ID: 214 819 8082  
Passcode: 1234**

## **September Birthdays**

01 Collin Peterson	13 Katelyn (Trowbridge) Rodrigues
02 Heather Lockavitch	14 Jan Meierdiercks
04 Eric Jones	21 Allison Darling
Susan Ferrari	Nancy Melendy
07 Sandy Thibodeau	22 Emily Riendeau
11 Katie (Bisio) Gove	Jennifer Shuman
Martha McHatton	23 Scott Martino
12 Max Dunbar	27 Kelliann Bachand
Bruce Carpenter	
Emily King	

## **COMMITTEE CORNER**

### **From the Board of Deacons**

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

**~ FALL WORSHIP TIME CHANGE ~**

**10:00am Sunday mornings beginning September 7<sup>th</sup>  
in our Sanctuary and online – *join us!***

### **From Dave Valerio, Music Director**

**Choir Rehearsals** for Grade 9 through Adult begin on Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Vestry. All are welcome! NO auditions – the only requirements are that you are willing to learn more about singing and want to have FUN! Come on over and check us out – and bring a friend! See Dave any Sunday for more information.

## **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 held on  
Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm by Zoom - Only.**

### **Buckle Up for a Bible Road Trip!**

This September, our Sunday School is hitting the road—spiritually speaking! We're launching our Road Trip: Route 66 Bible Adventure, a journey through all 66 books of the Bible, starting with five foundational "stops" in the Old Testament.

Each week, we'll explore one of the first five books—Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy—unpacking stories of creation, courage, covenant, and community. These books lay the groundwork for understanding God's promises and His people's journey, and we'll bring them to life with hands-on activities, interactive lessons, and plenty of surprises along the way.

Whether you're age 3 or 13, this road trip is designed to spark curiosity, build faith, and create lasting memories. So grab your map, hop in the "van", and join us every Sunday at 9:45 AM as we cruise through Scripture with purpose and play.

Let's make every stop count—see you on Route 66!  
#FaithandFunonRt66

Get ready to hit the road—are your prayers packed and your spirit fueled? Our adventure kicks off on Route 66, winding from Genesis through Deuteronomy, with memorable stops in Exodus, Leviticus, and Numbers along the way.

Start prepping for our epic Road Trip – Route 66 by diving into a lively Bible Trail Mix activity! Simply scan the QR code to grab the puzzle sheet or snag a copy in the vestry. Are you eager for a journey that blends faith and fun? Buckle up for spiritual discoveries and good times ahead! #Faith and Fun

### **Bible Trail Mix**



## **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, September 4th, 2025**  
**at 6:00pm/Vestry & Zoom**

The committee will be adding new names to the Memorial Bulletin Board in the vestry after our September meeting. Completed projects: Toys for *the Jesus Loves Me Learning Center* in the Vestry were purchased in memory of Sandie MacLeod. The chairlift has been installed in the C.E. building and is a wonderful addition providing greater access to the offices and Fellowship Hall. The committee will be working on taking inventory of current memorial gift plaques and those that are still needed. An embroidered cloth "plaque" is planned for the Dossal cloth in the Sanctuary.

Please contact any member our committee if you have suggestions for a new Remembrance Project!

## **From the Prayer Fellowship Group**

*"Prayer Fellowship—Refreshing Moments with God!"*

**Dates: Monday's:**

**September 8, 22, October 13, 27, Nov 10, 24, Dec 8, 22**  
**(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=b2krNFNOODRlTQjVuWVRZSDJTVnc5dz09>

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 participants. You may also continue to send a prayer request in an email to the church office at [centralucc@verizon.net](mailto:centralucc@verizon.net) or call the church office at 508-699-7700.

## **From the Mission Committee**

Our next meeting will be held on  
**Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**  
**At 7:00pm/Vestry & Zoom.**

***"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)***

## **September Mission Project**

### **Our 5th Children's Free Clothing & Book Give-away!**

**Location:** CE Building Hall

**Donations Received:** Sunday 9/21 -11:15 AM – 1:30PM and Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM

**Give-Away Dates:** Thursday & Friday, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> -26<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Our Mission Community Outreach aims to help more families through our church-wide act of kindness. Early promotion is essential! We ask all church members to share the donation needs and promotion flyers with family and friends. We are collecting new or gently used, clean clothes and shoes for infants, toddlers, and teens, and children's books in good condition. **Please support our mission by encouraging family and friends to donate these items.**

**Be sure to also promote the 'giveaway' dates with those you believe will benefit. Everything is FREE!** Clothing not taken will be donated to selected elementary school nurses in the North Attleboro School District.

Beginning immediately after Labor Day, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, Mission Committee members will be distributing flyers to businesses and contacting various news outlets to promote the event and announcing the need for clothing and book donations. Lawn signs will be available! Help by placing one at your home or in a key neighborhood spot. We are also exploring how to boost promotion via Facebook.

## **Updates & Outcomes**

### **June & July Mission – KIDS' SUMMER CAFÉ**

The Kids' Summer Café, coordinated by the Attleboro Area Interfaith Collaborative (AAIC), provided nutritious lunches for children of school age up to eighteen. These meals were available on weekdays at four park locations from June 30 to August 15, offering an alternative to the free or reduced-price lunch program during the school year. A donation of \$1,173.00 was made through contributions and mission funds to support food purchases. Thank you for your contributions. Pray for the children as they return to school.



## 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. 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 free education, in both Hindu and English, and textbooks and school supplies. Please pray for Tenzin, her family and all of the families and children at the center.

- **The Reverend Jean Parisot Foundation - 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.

## UCC Disaster Ministries

The **Hurricane Season** has started, with several hurricanes identified in recent weeks. Flooding has increased and is affecting communities across the United States, as well as tornados. The United Church of Christ Disaster Ministries provides support for long-term community recovery through various methods in the months and years following disaster events. These recovery efforts and spiritual care initiatives are made possible by contributions from the wider church. To support immediate relief and long-term recovery for those affected by severe storms, on-line designated donations can be made at [giving@UCC.org](mailto:giving@UCC.org).

You may also contribute by writing a check payable to Central Congregational Church, specifying 'UCC Disaster Services' or the specific storm on the memo line. The Mission Committee will continue to assess current needs and identify opportunities for giving.

# September 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT
	<b>01</b> 6:30-9:30pm <b>LINE</b> <b>DANCE/HALL</b>	<b>02</b> <b>TRIAD</b> <b>DEADLINE</b> 6:30-9:30pm <b>LINE</b> <b>DANCE/HALL</b>	<b>03</b>	<b>04</b> 6:00pm Memorial Gifts/Vestry 7:00pm CHOIR REHEARSAL/ VESTRY <b>NO LINE DANCE</b>	<b>05</b>	<b>06</b>
<b>07</b> <i>THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION</i> 9:45am <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> 10am Worship/ Sanct & Zoom Fellowship Hr: Dave Will 5-9:30pm <b>AA Group/Hall</b>	<b>08</b> 6:30PM PRAYER GROUP/ <b>ONLINE ONLY</b> 6:30-9:30pm <b>LINE</b> <b>DANCE/HALL</b>	<b>09</b> 6:30-9:30pm <b>LINE</b> <b>DANCE/HALL</b> <b>Dumpster due to be emptied today.</b>	<b>10</b> 7:00pm Deacons/Vestry & Zoom	<b>11</b> 6:30-9pm <b>LINE</b> <b>DANCE</b> 7:00pm CHOIR REHEARSAL/ VESTRY	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 9:45am <b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> 10:00am Worship/Sanct & Zoom Fellowship Hr: The Bachand's 5-9:30pm <b>AA Group/Hall</b>	<b>15</b> 6:30-9:30pm <b>LINE</b> <b>DANCE/HALL</b>	<b>16</b> <b>TRIAD</b> <b>DEADLINE</b> 6:30-9:30pm <b>LINE</b> <b>DANCE/HALL</b> 7:00pm Trustees/Vestry & Zoom	<b>17</b> 7:00pm <i>Profile Team meets /Vestry</i>	<b>18</b> <b>NO LINE DANCE</b> 7:00pm CHOIR REHEARSAL/ VESTRY	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 9am – 5pm <b>SCRAPBOOK GROUP/ Vestry Rental</b>
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<b>28</b> <b>FAMILY SUNDAY - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL</b> 10:00am Worship/Sanct & Zoom Fellowship Hr: Sally Robinson for the Mission Committee 5-9:30pm <b>AA Group/Hall</b>	<b>29</b> 6:30-9:30pm <b>LINE</b> <b>DANCE/HALL</b>	<b>30</b> <b>TRIAD</b> <b>DEADLINE</b>				

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**Services of: September 7 & 14, 2025**

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***INTERIM PASTOR - Rev. Don Remick***  
***MUSIC DIRECTOR – Dave Valerio***  
***CHURCH SECRETARY – Kathy Trowbridge***

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