



**March
2022**



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Prayer List

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Sue Lindley/
Gail Schoennagel

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Linda Sember/
Merle Chase

Women's Fellowship
President
Denise Wilson

9:30 am
*Sunday Worship/
Sunday School*

*Office Manager/
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Karen S. Boroski

James Margolies	Ron Schlegel
Barbara Grisgraber	Terry Mulhern
Bernita	Wendy
Michael	Eugene
Carole	Patty
Renee	Richard
Vanessa	Ruth
Ann & Ed	Daryl
Bill Franko	Bella

Birthday Greetings to the following who will celebrate during the month of March:

- 2 Lorelei Bordas
- 7 Paul Passaro
- 8 Nate Wells
- 9 Linda Tidrick
- 10 Ace Ricker
- 13 Jean Belyea
- 15 Cathleen Higgins
- 16 Linda St. George
- 17 Patti Oppel
- 18 Johanne Noble
- 19 Lois Nagy
- 21 Lori Wannagot
- 23 Rev. Lucille Fritz
- 24 Kristen Stone
- 26 Edwina Corner, Julia Markarian,
Jennifer McCarthy



*Our Deepest
Sympathy To the family of:*

*...Gertrude Wilson who entered into rest on
January 25, 2022.*

*...Barbara Henschel who passed away
February 22, 2022.*

Our thoughts and prayers are with their family & friends.



Congratulations to the following couples who will celebrate wedding anniversaries in March:

30 Eva & Dick House

FROM OUR MINISTER...

Dear Folks,

Ash Wednesdays is on March 2nd, thus beginning our Lenten season.



We often think of Lent as a time to give something up. During this pandemic, we have already given so many things up. So, let's instead take something on. Here's some suggestions:

Commit to giving more of your time, talents, and treasures to HCCUCC or any other charity of your choice that is trying to make a difference in the world.

Commit to saying "I love you" more often to the important people in your life, and act like it.

Commit to spending more time in prayer, meditation, and/or self-care.

Commit to doing or saying one nice thing to a stranger.

I'm sure you can all think of something!

Let us make this Lenten season meaningful as we ponder what Christ has done for us all in his life, death, and resurrection.

Thanks be to God!

**Peace,
Rev. Lucille**

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Ash Wednesday

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE
MARCH 2nd at 7 P.M.
On Site and
Facebook Live Stream

**Rev. Lucille's Prayer Days are March 10th,
April 21th, & May 12th**

**LENTEN
QUIET HOUR**

Quiet Hour will begin on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd and continue through April 6th at 10 a.m. via ZOOM. Please contact Sue Lindley at susanlindley521@yahoo.com to sign up and for more information.

Wednesday Evening Lenten Devotions

Wednesday Evening will begin on March 9th and continue through April 6th at 7 P.M. via ZOOM. The link will be sent out with Tuesday's "This Week" email. "Drawn to the Cross" booklets are available in the Alcove.



**Applications for
Silver Lake Summer Camp**

Silver Lake Summer Conference camp program registration forms can be found on the table in the Alcove.

Church Council Highlights FEBRUARY 2022

TRUSTEES: Linda welcomed Gerry Fassbender, Gordon Harris and Pat Tober to the committee. Pat is looking at prices for railings for the chancel steps. Leaking water pipe repair estimates were higher than expected - \$1,150 to replace the leaky pipe so they will get other estimates.

DEACONS: Singing to resume 2/13. No ecumenical Ash Wednesday service, but we will have our own in person and online.

Lenten services – Lenten devotions will be via Zoom, no decision Seder TBD. There will be Tenebrae service and Good Friday and Easter Sunday services in-person and online.

TREASURER: A question about an audit came up at annual meeting –time we did one.

NOMINATING: Judy Tucker will join Deacons, but they still need 3 more people.

NURSERY SCHOOL: Some things will be taken to Spooner House.

WOMEN’S FELLOWSHIP: 2/13 is Women’s Sunday. Officers will be installed. A corned beef dinner – take out only is coming up, planning tag sale for June and if there is an auction, WF will assist with that.

PROPERTY UPDATES: Bishop property termination vote was approved at the congregational meeting. Soren has had discussions with our attorney to let Geddes know and negotiate a termination agreement or find out what he plans to do. A builder in town was made aware that the property might become available – he is looking to see what would work. Regarding Reuman House – he had a call from Christian Counseling Center. Marcy said to expect a proposal in the next week or so to purchase Reuman House and the cottage. Once it comes in, he will discuss it with the property committee and see what recommendations they have and then based on that, we would move toward a congregational meeting.

MINISTER: Ash Wednesday night will be live and streamed, but no ashes will be given. We’ll try to do a Seder and there will be a

Tenebrae service as well as Good Friday and Easter on-site and live-streamed. Lucille feels we need to form the Ad Hoc committee. Committee as of now are Sue Schmitt, Andy Keith, Gerry Fassbender, Terri Johnston and Soren Ibsen.

MODERATOR: Sue Schmitt gave a report on her meeting with Karen. Karen was put on part-time hours in 2020 from 7 ½ to 4 hours a day. They went over her job description and the things she can no longer perform due to time constraints.

2022 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

PASTOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

Ed Zinsky Barb Glynn Lynn Ibsen Pastor

COMMITTEE CHAIRS & LIAISONS:

Deacons – Sue Lindley & Gail Schoennagel

Trustees – Merle Chase/Linda Sember

Christian Education – Jennie McCarthy/Deb Zinsky

TRUSTEES AREAS OF CONCERN:

Chair – Linda Sember/ Merle Chase

Parsonage – Tom Ryder

Fellowship Hall – Gerry Fassbender

Reuman House – Gordon Harris

Sanctuary – Pat Tober

Grounds – Linda Sember



**REMEMBER TO TURN YOUR
CLOCKS AHEAD 1 HOUR
BEFORE YOU RETIRE ON
MARCH 12th — DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
TIME BEGINS MARCH 13th**



The new officers for our Executive Board will be installed on Women's Sunday, February 27. Our new officers and committee people are:

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| PRESIDENT: | Denise Wilson |
| VP/WORSHIP: | Pat Tober |
| CORRESPONDING SEC'Y: | Lynn Ibsen |
| TREASURER: | Terri Johnston |
| ASSISTANT TREASURER: | Gail Schoennagel |
| MATERIAL AIDS: | Laura Salvio |
| NOMINATING: | Sue Schmitt |
| MEMBERSHIP: | Gail Schoennagel |
| HOUSEKEEPING: | Linda Sember |
| RECORDING SEC'Y: | Janet Turner |



The One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) special mission offering of the United Church of Christ involves you in disaster, refugee/immigration, and development ministries throughout the world.

When a disaster strikes, or people are displaced or made refugees by violence or extreme poverty, you are part of the immediate response and of the long-term recovery. Through OGHS you engage in holistic development programs including health care, education, agriculture, food sustainability, micro-financing and women's empowerment. Because the UCC relates in mutual partnership to churches and organizations through Global Ministries and worldwide response & recovery networks, your contributions to One Great Hour of Sharing put you in the right place at the right time for the relief, accompaniment and recovery of the most vulnerable. You meet immediate needs and you address the underlying causes that create those needs in the first place.

The 2021 OGHS offering will be taken on March 27th.

Thank you in advance for your generous contribution.

SAVE THE DATE
*The SNE Women's Connection
(formerly CTWomen of the UCC)
are planning a **SPRING RETREAT***
WHEN: *Saturday, April 30, 2022*
WHERE: *First Church of Christ Congregational 1652,
75 Main St., Farmington, CT*
TIME: *8:45 – 2:15 P.M.*
*Contact Sue Lindley for registration information.
Please plan to join us to connect with old and new
friends from the tri-state area!*

DID YOU KNOW?

A document entitled "Precious Possessions" describes about the parsonage being rebuilt after a fire.

After the parsonage was burned to the ground, the second serious loss by fire, a new parsonage was donated by Friend Russ. Father of Jack Russ. The only restriction was that his daughter-in-law, Alice Russ, now Mrs. Jack Cochran, should supervise the building and furnishing. It was well-built and completely free from mortgage.

Former sums. which now seem small. were large when given. A considerable sum was bequeathed, but the will was not witnessed, so it was lost to church. Practically every citizen in Huntington gave for a new building when the fire destroyed the one in use. Some living givers preferred to be anonymous. All show great love and esteem and should be remembered

The piano in the church was left by Rev. Bell. Mrs. Graves gave her piano to the new church house. We can go on and on. The Ladies Aid is now furnishing the new Church House.



Welcome to Silver Lake!

You Are Welcome as You Are

Silver Lake Camp and Retreat Center strives to create an intentional, welcoming, Christian community accessible to all. The staff and Board of Directors believe that exposure to diverse expressions of humanity is beneficial to all God's children. Silver Lake welcomes and affirms campers, staff, volunteers, and guests of all races, ethnicities, gender identities and expressions, and sexual orientations.






We're glad you're here! Silver Lake is a place where young people experience nature, make new friends, and explore their faith. With more than 60 acres of wooded land on lakeside shores, Silver Lake offers many opportunities for young people to take risks and try new things with the support of an intentional Christian community.

Time and again we hear from our campers: "Silver Lake is where I can be the real me!" We invite you to take the plunge this summer and find your true self, new friends, and a closer connection to God.

We worship, learn, play, serve, and work together, respecting the right of private judgement. We seek to provide a safe environment of acceptance regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation, reflecting our unity in Christ and respecting the faith journeys of all of God's children.



MARCH 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 7pm-Trustees - ZOOM	2  7am—Early Risers-FH 9am-WF meeting-FH 10am-Quiet Hour-zoom 7pm-Service-Live & streaming	3	4 	5 7am—Early Risers-FH
6 9:30am –in-person Worship-Holy Communion & Livestream 1pm-Jill Chase - FH & class	7	8 7pm-Council -ZOOM	9 7am—Early Risers-FH 10am-Quiet Hour-zoom 6:30pm-Troop 101 7pm-Devotions	10 Rev. Lucille’s Prayer Day	11 SPOONER HOUSE  MEAL	12 7am—Early Risers-FH
13 9:30am- in-person Worship & Livestream  Daylight Savings Time	14	15	16 7am—Early Risers-FH 10am-Quiet Hour-zoom 6:30pm-Troop 101 7pm-Devotions	17 	18	19 7am—Early Risers-FH
20 9:30am- in-person Worship & Livestream	21	22	23 7am—Early Risers-FH 10am-Quiet Hour-zoom 6:30pm-Troop 101 7pm-Devotions	24	25	26 7am—Early Risers-FH
27 9:30am- in-person Worship & Livestream	28	29 7pm-Diaconate -ZOOM	30 7am—Early Risers-FH 10am-Quiet Hour-zoom 6:30pm-Troop 101 7pm-Devotions	31		