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THE MONROE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST STEEPLE

October 1, 2025

"Fall-ing Into Faith"

Dear friends,

It's that time of year when we trade iced coffee for apple cider, sandals for sweaters, and ask ourselves: *How did it get to be October already?!*

Everywhere I look, people are busy with autumn tasks. The neighbors are raking leaves into mountains (which their kids immediately dive into). Folks who keep gardens are pulling up the last tomatoes and planting bulbs for spring. In our own homes, we're swapping out the lightweight blankets for the heavy ones, dragging the wood from the pile to the fireplace, and maybe even digging out that one mitten we can never seem to find its pair for.



Some of us are "fall cleaning" (which is a lot like spring cleaning, except the dust bunnies wear tiny scarves). Others are prepping for Halloween, trying to buy candy early but then eating half of it by mid-October. And of course, there's the annual debate over pumpkin spice everything.

All of these rituals remind us that change is constant, and that we can either resist it or embrace it with humor and grace. Scripture tells us, *"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven"* (Ecclesiastes 3:1). Autumn is our living reminder that God weaves change into creation itself: trees let go of their leaves, animals gather and prepare, and we learn to trust that even after loss, there is renewal.

So this month, as you pull on your cozy socks, clean out gutters, or put the last mums on your front steps, remember that God is with us in every season, guiding us through transitions, equipping us for the road ahead, and giving us companions in faith to laugh with when the leaf blower breaks (again).

May this fall bring you more than chores. May it bring gratitude for harvests gathered, joy in simple rituals, and the assurance that in every season, God's love is steady and sure.

With autumn blessings (and maybe a slice of pumpkin bread),

Pastor Jenn

Fellowship

An illustration for a field trip poster. It shows four people in a mountainous landscape with green hills and blue mountains under a blue sky with white clouds and many black birds flying. One person is drinking from a water bottle, another is sitting on a rock, a third is using binoculars, and a fourth is holding a red clipboard. The text is overlaid on the illustration.

MCC FIELD TRIP

TO THE AUDUBON CENTER AT BENT OF THE RIVER SANCTUARY, SOUTHBURY

1:30 25 OCTOBER

Wear sturdy hiking shoes, bring water, bug spray, bird guides & binoculars. Admission is \$5 or \$1 for children & seniors. Let's see what we'll discover together!

SIGN UP IN WILTON HALL, 1 PM CARPOOL OPTIONAL



Prayer Partner sign-ups are coming to a close on October 15. For those who've signed up, you will receive a letter in the mail with an information sheet of the person you'll keep in your prayers while someone else is praying for you by mid-month. All of this is done anonymously when you sign your card or note when you sign it with "Your Prayer Partner" and use the church's address (34 Church St Monroe CT 06468) as the return.

We will meet on Sunday, May 18th next year for the "Big Reveal" potluck luncheon where we find out who's been praying for whom. It's super easy to do: just take a few moments to breathe and think of your Prayer Partner and wish them a great day or hope that they're having fun at their hobby. Take some time during coffee hour to converse with them or make an effort to seek them out during the passing of the peace. Please contact Michelle Cardentey with any questions at michelle.cardentey@gmail.com or 203-814-6784.



Young at Heart will meet on October 23rd at noon.
More details to come!

Join us for the monthly Book Club on the **3rd Wednesday of the month at 7 pm**. We will continue to meet via zoom so that all members can join from wherever they may be. Questions can be sent to Paula via email pjsh55@gmail.com or home phone or 203-452-0850.



Nov. 5th 7pm - The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek by Kim Michele Richardson



2026 MCC Women's Retreat

The Lodge at Silver Lake

Friday, April 10 – Sunday, April 12 2026

Details to follow.

Morning Circle invites the women of the congregation to their next meeting on Wednesday, October 8 at 11am in Dineson Parlor where they will be putting together trick-or-treat bags for the children who visit the Food Pantry with their parents. Donations are needed to supply the bags with small change, small toys, stickers, individually wrapped candies (no peanuts), etc. Please bring a sandwich lunch while we hold a short business meeting.



Mark your calendars for future meetings:

Wednesday, November 12 at 11AM in Wilton Hall - Bean Soup Jar

Wednesday, December 10 at 12PM (Location TBD) - Christmas luncheon

Please contact Shari Carrano with any questions or comments at 475-342-8145.

Deacons



Flowers for Worship: Would you like to honor or remember a loved one, or celebrate a milestone? You can do so, while also helping Monroe Congregational Church continue its tradition of fresh flowers on the communion table. Sign-up in Wilton Hall or online! You may choose to arrange flowers from your garden, purchase an arrangement, or send a check (\$25) to Monroe Congregational Church (memo: "flowers" & the date) or use our website to pay online, and we will order for you. If you are supplying the flowers yourself, please set them up between 9:30am and 9:45am (before worship). Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C48ADAC2CA5FEC61-flowers>



Sacred Pause

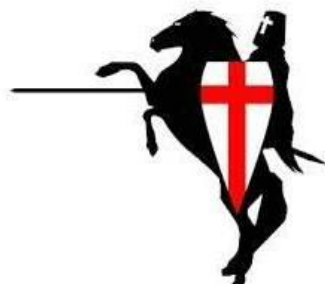
*Looking for a monthly midweek reset?
Join us on 1st Wednesdays from 7–8 pm for a
time of guided Christian meditation, prayerful
stillness and reflection. Dress comfortably,
bring a yoga mat and water bottle.
Everyone is welcome!*

7 pm Wed, Oct 1, Dineson Parlor

Outreach

St George's Supper – Sunday, October 13th

Please consider a cash donation to help us feed our neighbors. Look for the basket at coffee hour to contribute. Any amount would be gratefully received. Please memo on checks: "St George's Supper". Questions- contact Stacy at 203-500-1279



The Mustard Seed Thrift Shoppe is looking for volunteers!!! Sorting, tagging and hanging occurs every Tuesday at 1:30PM. It's easy to do and the staff will gladly show you what needs to be done. Shifts to man the counter on Fridays and Saturdays are available for volunteers who will open and close the Shoppe from 10-12 or 12-2 or 3. Please contact Susie Cuseo at thecuseos@yahoo.com or 203-268-0280 with any questions. She can provide you with a procedure list of things to do or just visit the Shoppe during business hours and the volunteer can show you around.



Thanks to David, Rob, Megan, Jeanette, Daniella and Sophina for preparing and serving a meal to 188 of our neighbors in Bridgeport at the **"Feel the Warmth"** September meal! Join us on November 20th for the next event; sign up in Wilton Hall.



Outreach Wine Tasting to Benefit Project Warmth

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JOIN US IN WILTON HALL FROM 6-8 PM!
BRING AN APP OR DESSERT TO SHARE
AND A WINE GLASS.

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$20
TO LEARN MORE, VISIT
WWW.MONROECT.GOV/P/ENERGY-ASSISTANCE

**Roy Nealon will be presenting and sharing about the wine.
Come have a good time and support a great cause!**



Save the Date
Spaghetti Dinner & Bingo Night

Saturday, November 22nd
5pm – 8pm



A **meal train** has begun to support Linda Resnick's family while she remains in the hospital undergoing tests and treatments. Thank you in advance for your support!

Signup here: <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/qge0d8>
Deliver here: 520 Barn Hill Road, Monroe CT



Covenant to Care

Many thanks from all the children in the care of CAFA to everyone who donated to this year's Back to School supplies and funds collection!

Many thanks to those who went through their junk drawers to find those prescription glasses, sunglasses and cases that were donated to those who'll see clearly for the first time in a long time. You are giving the gift of sight to those who haven't read directions without the blurriness or seen a friend's face in all its brightness. Although the collection basket is gone, you can still drop off your glasses and such to the library or at town hall. Thanks again.



Christian Education

Registration Season has begun! If you haven't already registered your child for Sunday School or for Junior PF, please let Pastor Jenn know at Jenn@mcc-ucc.org so she can send you the form.



Weekly Bible Study has begun ~ All Are Welcome! We gather in Dineson Parlor, on **Thursdays** from **9:30-11 am**, to learn with and through one another. After a time of fellowship and prayer concerns, we read and discuss upcoming scripture texts or other faith-related topics. Bring your favorite Bible (whatever version you prefer) and a small notebook. Come as you are!

Love working with youth, want to spread God's love to the children of our congregation in this upcoming **25/26 school year**? **Please consider teaching Sunday School** (Pre k - 6th) **or being an adult advisor for our Jr PF youth group** (ages 11-14). You can speak to Jeanette with any questions or to express interest. Thank you!



GOT SNACKS?



Our Sunday School students love a yummy snack at coffee hour! Help us fill the snack cabinet by bringing in goodies or juice boxes!

Senior

PF

Updates

Senior PF is looking for additional adult advisors! Senior PF is MCC's student-led, open and affirming, faith-based high school youth group. We meet on Sundays from 5:00-7:30 pm. The program focuses on mutual support, discussion of adolescent issues, spiritual growth, music, prayer, fun and community service. In July, we travel together on a mission trip, volunteering our time and talents with local nonprofits working to improve their community. We are open to youth of other faith communities, as well as those with no formal faith background, as we are a safe group for youth to connect to each other without being judged. If you are interested in learning more about becoming an adult advisor, please contact Michelle Correll at (203) 394-8415 or Kate Goyette at (203) 913-4222.

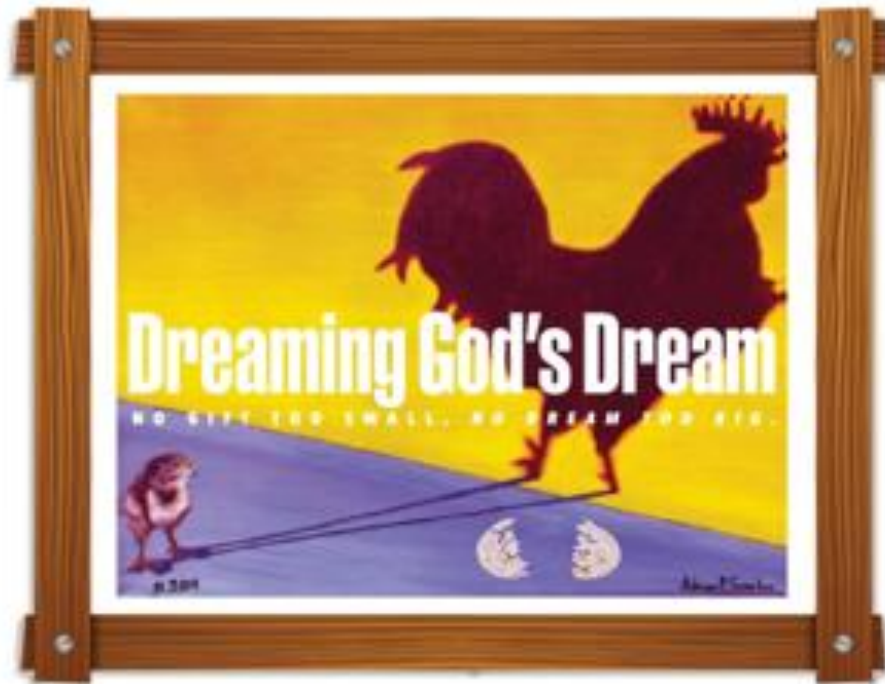


Cheddar Together

Looking for an after church pick-me-up? Come join us in Dineson Parlor for *Cheddar Together* — an hour of faith, fellowship, and finger foods. We'll share charcuterie snacks, watch a short video, open up a conversation about life and faith, and simply enjoy being together. Because everything really is better when we're Cheddar Together!

Oct 26, Nov 30, Dec 28, Jan 18, Feb 22, Mar 29, Apr 26, May 31

Stewardship



This fall, our congregation embarks on a journey of faith and imagination with our stewardship theme: **"Dreaming God's Dream: No Gift too Small, No Dream too Big."** Together, we are called to remember that stewardship is not just about meeting a budget, it's about opening ourselves to God's vision for our community. Every pledge, every gift of time, every act of service (no matter how modest) becomes part of something far greater than we can accomplish alone. When we give with open hearts, we help build a church where hope is nourished, compassion is practiced, and God's dreams for peace and justice take root. With God's blessing, even our smallest gifts can inspire the biggest possibilities.



Neighbors in Need offering on October 5, 2025

Neighbors in Need (NIN) is a Special Mission Offering of the United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and compassion in the United States.

One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). The other two-thirds of the offering support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, direct service projects, and grants. Neighbors in Need grants are annually awarded to UCC churches and organizations doing justice work in their communities.

Trustees



Your help would be greatly appreciated on

Saturday, November 15

8:30am – 12:30pm

Call Dave Allen with any questions: 203-767-0883 Thank you!

Labors of Love

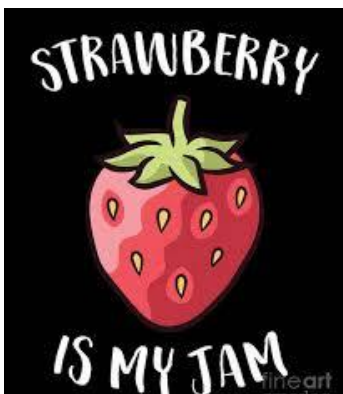


Have you been wanting to help out during one of our spring or fall church clean up days, but they haven't lined up with your availability? Have you spotted something that's been really bugging you – like that cobweb in the Rexford House entry, dirty windows, a dead light bulb, or you'd really love to have the ladies room looking spic and span like when it was new? The Trustees have too, but there is only so much that can get accomplished by a handful of busy

people. That's why we have created **Labors of Love**. **As church property needs arise they will be posted in the Steeple, bulletin and/or on the Wilton Hall bulletin board. Keep an eye out for upcoming Labors of Love lists and please help out where you can, when you can!**

Contact Dave Allen, dallen9457@att.net (203)767-0883, or the office, secretary@MCC-UCC.org, with any questions, comments or ideas.

- Clean doors, trim, and walls in the hallway and classrooms.
- Paint doors, trim, and walls in the hallway and classrooms. (Contact Julie McClenathan for paint colors.)
- Thorough cleaning of restrooms: floors, stall walls & doors, windows & sills, around toilets, countertop, mirrors and light fixtures.
- Vacuum Meeting House carpet and clean carpet.
- Clean pews and pew cushions.
- Organize kitchen cabinets that contain a variety of things we may no longer need, to make room for what we need to store.



MCC's handmade jam makes a wonderful host/hostess or teacher gift for the upcoming holidays, as well as a great stocking stuffer!

Just think of the possibilities, you can it put on toast, add it to your smoothies, make a glaze for pork or chicken, add it with cream cheese and crackers to make a yummy appetizer, top it on ice cream, pancakes or waffles and even spread it between layers of cake. There're so many things you can use the jam for. Get some, share some and enjoy!!



Strawberry Jam available for sale online at <https://monroe-strawberry-festival-since-1972.square.site/>



Daylight Savings ends Sunday, November 2nd at 2 am
*Remember to turn your clock back 1 hour
before you go to sleep on Saturday, Nov 1st!*



Monroe Congregational Church

34 Church Street, Monroe CT

Saturday - December 6

10 am – 3 pm

Artisans - Gifts - Food -

- Father Christmas -

Victorian Model Railroad

Elisha's Corner
By Gary Thompson, Church Historian
Affairs of the Congregation
(aka Skeletons In Our Closet)

If anything, the Victorian Era was noted for its penchant for propriety. Affairs of impropriety were neatly tucked away as the skeletons in ones closet, not to be discussed in general public. That does not mean that it was not discussed in private; indeed. That is why it is quite interesting that a few of our ancestral congregations during this period of time recorded what would have been "impropriety affairs." Their covenant duty was unabashed persistent patient care and oversight of their parishioners' spirituality.

Let's start with the Ezra and Polly Kirtland affair of 1843. Minutes of a council meeting held March 3, 1843, clearly describe "At the same meeting it was noted that Dea. Agur Beardslee, (Deacon Samuel B. Beardslee) and Foster M. Cargill be a committee to converse with Ezra Kirtland and Polly Kirtland, his wife, on the subject of their absenting themselves from the worship and ordinances of the Church – and to report the result of their conference to the church [the whole congregation] at a subsequent meeting". This task was not relegated to the then pastor, Rev. Robert Dexter Gardner, but to lay leaders of the congregation. Subsequently, on March 6th, three days later, it is recorded that the "committee appointed to visit Mr. Kirtland reported verbally in substance as follows: - That Mr. Kirtland, for reasons which he chose not to have mentioned, did for a space of about one Year, absent himself from public worship, in any Congregation, and that after that absence, he was invited by the Episcopal society in this place, to assist them in singing for which he was receive compensation, which he felt needful for him in his circumstances; ---- since which time, with the exception of a few short intervals, which have occurred between the close of one term of his employment there, and the commencement of another, he has been an attendant in public worship with that congregation. The Committee further reported that Mrs. Kirtland affirms as the reason of her absence, the wish to accompany her husband to the place where he attends public worship. They make no acknowledgement of having done wrong, but request, through the committee, a dismissal from the church and a recommendation to the Episcopal Church." The congregation was not at all agreeable to Mr. Kirtland's request since, "it would be inconsistent with the order of the Gospel, under such circumstances to give Mr. Kirtland such letter of dismissal and recommendation....and that the Pastor (Rev. Gardner) cite Mr. Kirtland to appear before the church" at a special meeting. At that meeting, held on April 14, 1843, "Mr. and Mrs. Kirtland were present and he having given satisfaction to the Church as to their absenting themselves from (the congregation's) worship and ordinances" were subsequently given the requested letter of dismissal and recommendation to the Episcopal Church. The congregation considered its responsibility for the care and oversight of parishioners' spiritual wellbeing and that the absence of public worship for any length of time being physically able to be a disgraceful disregard for ones binding covenant. It must also have been an embarrassment that the Kirtlands chose the Episcopal congregation across the Green to them.

In 1845, meeting minutes indicate that the same Brother Foster M. Cargill was called upon by the Church, "to make a confession as his judgment and conscience should dictate with reference to an affair between him and the late Wm. Tucker which resulted in the death of the latter in consequence of a wound inflicted by the hand of the former." A confession of murder was later recorded with the church attesting the unfortunate result of Cargill's intoxicated insult of Mr. Tucker, followed by Tucker's assault on Cargill, he had responded in self defense. He remained a repentant sinner and on Sept. 29, 1850 was appointed to be a delegate to "...attend the annual meeting of the Consociation in Danbury ...". A year later at the "A meeting of the Church (held on Sept. 13th)..... (he) was appointed Clerk....". Note that the confession was recorded with the church and was twenty-three years after the New

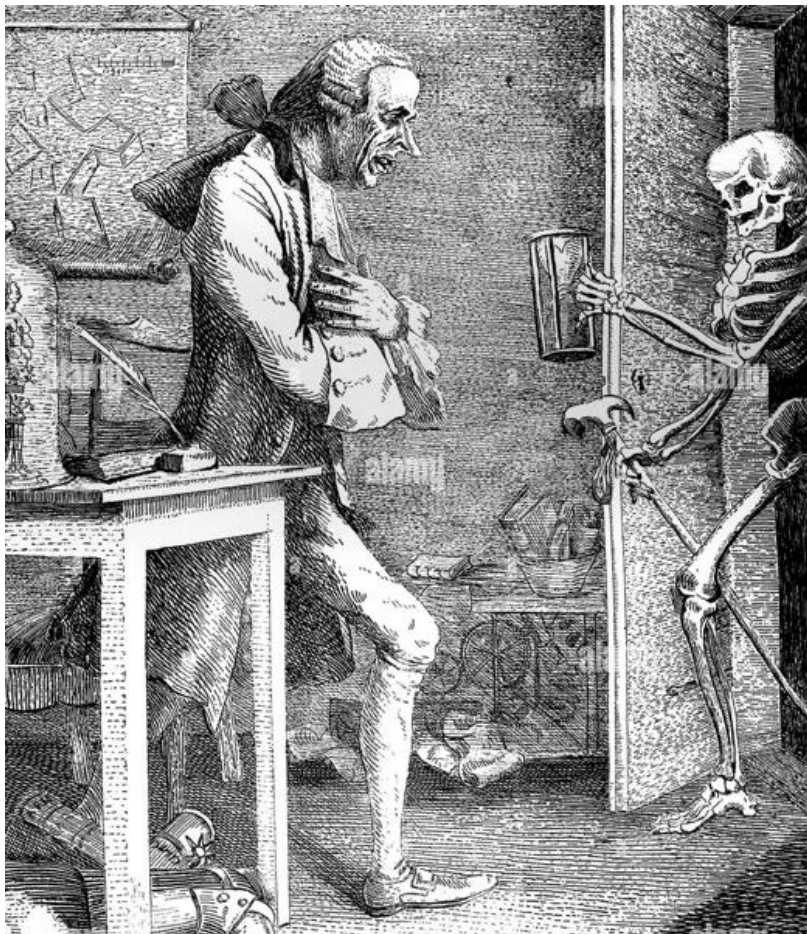
Stratford Parish was incorporated into the Township of Monroe. Yet the apparent sinner was forgiven of his sin spiritually and publicly; which apparently included the shameful intoxication that precipitated the incident. To be publicly intoxicated during this period was a grievous sinful act as well.

Then there was the affair of Mrs. Nancy Blackman, who in June and July of 1851 was formally notified that she was "for a long time been absent from our worship and ordinances and has also been guilty of a breach of the Seventh Commandment [adultery], and when duly cited, has refused or neglected to appear before the church, or otherwise to give satisfaction there, be suspended from the communion of this church till she makes such confession as shall be satisfactory to this church". In September of that year she did, in fact, confess in writing through a letter dated "New Haven, August 13, 1851", stating in part that "before my marriage I was guilty of a breach of the seventh commandment, which I regard as not only a sin against the church with which I am connected, but as a sin against God. I now profess my sincere repentance for the sin, and hope for the forgiveness of the church while I look to God for pardon" It is not revealed with whom she had the affair (not for general public discussion, pray tell), but both she and her husband were subsequently dismissed from the church on September 21, 1851 and "be recommended to the Howe St. Church in New Haven" for their spiritual care and oversight.

And finally, there is the recorded disturbing affair on June 5, 1856, of Mrs. Marietta A. Sherman, widow of Roswell Booth [very prominent church family] "who was delivered of a child about ten months after the death of her first husband, and in less than four months after her marriage to her present husband. She made no denial of her guilt, gave no sign of penitence, and expressed her desire to have her name taken from the records of the church." In response to this the church record states that Mrs. Marietta A. Sherman be and is hereby excommunicated from this church and that this excommunication be published from the Desk [pulpit] on the Sabbath"; a very decisive punishment.

If we are looking for skeletons this Halloween, we need look no further than in our own church closet; called our church's archives. Boo!

Historically faithful,
Gary Thompson





Monroe Lions Club
Monroe, Connecticut – United States

Shred & E-Waste Fundraiser

October 4, 9 – 12 p.m.

**Corner of Rtes. 25 & 59
435 Main St., Monroe**

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donation amount
determined by type

QUESTIONS?

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EVERY DROP COUNTS



DONATE BLOOD

The need for blood is constant and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community.

Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today!

**United Methodist Church
of Monroe Blood Drive**

515 Cutlers Farm Road, Monroe
203.268.8395 or umc@umcmonroe.org

RAPIDPASS Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment OR download the Blood App from the Apple or Google app stores.



Scan to register or visit umcmonroe.org



**American
Red Cross**

Thursday
10.30.25

12:00 pm - 5:00 pm



Happy October Birthday to the following people
and to anyone we may have missed we will keep you in our prayers.

Andrea	Crosnier	10/01	Jeffrey	Vargovchik	10/14
Vinay	Sampson	10/01	Audra	Logan	10/15
Gayle	Hammond	10/02	Karen	Matysczak	10/15
Casie	Healey	10/02	Dylan	Alvarez	10/16
Andrew	Young	10/03	Ryan	Swift	10/18
Julie	Heussner	10/05	Ginger	Bartlett	10/19
Loraine	Zeiner	10/07	Carl	Haggstrom	10/19
Lucas	Cuseo	10/08	Shari	Carrano	10/21
Robert	McClenathan	10/08	Juliana	Lavitola	10/21
Jacqueline	Bleakney	10/10	Lois	Spence	10/22
Joseph	Gilberti	10/12	Jocelyn	Allen	10/24
Elizabeth	Sampson	10/12	Alan	Vaglivelo	10/25
Richard	Bauer	10/13	Zachary	Gingras	10/26
Brian	Correll	10/13	Hubert	Muizulis	10/26
Simon	Rice	10/13	Shirley	Dotoratos	10/29



Happy October Wedding Anniversary the following couples and to anyone we may
have missed, we will keep you in our prayers. (Number is anniversary date)

Jeanette & Julio Morales ⁽⁰¹⁾ Lois & David Spence ⁽⁰⁶⁾ Clark & Jennifer Gingras ⁽¹⁰⁾
Kyla & Bill Allen ⁽¹²⁾ Linda & Nick Caballero ⁽¹⁵⁾
Michael & Jessica Pfalzgraf ⁽¹⁷⁾ Mary & Franklin Renz ⁽²³⁾ Frank & Christine Wittenauer ⁽²³⁾
and Andrea & Bruno Crosnier ⁽²⁸⁾

In Our Prayers

Alison Abrams (Jessica Pfalzgraf's sister); **Allie** (Colegrove's friend); **Jennifer Bittar** (Loraine Zeiner's friend); **Jackie Bleakney**; **Lisa Cody & Dave Barton** (friends of Julie and Rob McClenathan); **Cathy** (Julie McClenathan's Friend); **Debbie Cuseo** (Cliff's sister-in-law); **Kevin Daly** (Gary Thompson's friend); **Dealmira** (Jonathan Ganino's grandmother); **Dan & Laura Dimauro** (Cuseo friends); **Dot Dralus, Matt Duchon**; **Elaine** (Wendy Colegrove's Aunt); **Bruno Forte** (Nancy Hedine's friend); **David Fischman** (Sue Granello's Friend); **Donnajean Fredeen, Dave Fuller** (Gail Olson's brother); **Mary & Rachel Heerema** (Julia Gutierrez's mom & sister); **Brad Heines** (Susie Cuseo's friend); **Bob Heffernan** (Ann Zeiner's son-in-law); **Heather Henning**; **Brian Hopkins** (Donna Konkol's cousin); **Vera James** (Jenn Wissink's mother); **John** (Donna's father); **Jonathan** (Matt Colegrove's brother); **Josh** (Mary Erdmann's 2nd cousin); **Kelti** (friend of Liska Gutierrez); **Samia Khoury** (Will Duchon's friend); **Cindy Kovacs**; **Monica Lynch** (Bethany Dupuis' friend); **Nicole Malia**; **the Manuzzi Family**; **Mary** (Kate Brigg's Mother); **Mary Massar**; **Betty McKeown** (Donna Konkol's mother); **Meghan** (Mary Unger's niece); **Mike** (Janie Allen's son); **Olivia Morrison** (Donna Nickdow's niece); **Nancy Olofson**; **Missy & Gail Olson**; **Donna Parratt**; **Diane Prall**; **Amy Reber** (Pfalzgraf family friend); **Linda Resnick**; **Regina Roberts** (Kathy Maiolo's niece); **Alfredo Rodriguez** (Osirus Gutierrez's cousin); **Noah Santiago** (Shari Carrano's great-grandson); **Palma Senatore** (Sara Alvarez's grandmother); **Carlos Serrano** (Kathy Maiolo's cousin); **Ed Simonovich** (Nancy Hedine's friend); **Bernie, Lori & Gary Sippin**; **Cliff Smith**; **Sheldon & Nancy Smith**; **Christine Stadler**; **Chuck Stearns** (Cheri Irwin's cousin); **Claire Stenzel** (June & Myron Wininger's granddaughter); **Timara** (Mary Unger's friend); **Tom** (Wendy Colegrove's dad); **Wayne Thompson** (Gary Thompson's brother); **Richard Turco** (Jack Fracassini's cousin); **June Wilkes**; **Natica Williams** (Will Duchon's friend); **Jim Woolley** (Jen Nealon's Dad); **Allen & Ann Zeiner**

The concerns of our world: The people of **Gaza & the West Bank**; **Israeli hostages** and their families, the people of **Ukraine, Sudan, Syria** and the **Middle East**; **LGBTQ+ children and their families** facing discrimination; those who serve or live in **war** or **conflict zones** around the world; **first responders** and those who serve in **law enforcement**; those who suffer **discrimination**; those who struggle with **mental illness, addiction, divorce** or **separation**; **Caregivers**; the **homeless, homebound** and **refugees**.

Those serving in the military, veterans & their families: **Lt. Col. Rachel Hoffman**, Tacoma, Washington (Vaughan Askue's daughter), **Zachary Gingras**, 395th Combat Sustainability Support, **Joel Smith**, 250th Engineering Company, **Chris Meneses** (Loraine Zeiner's friend), **Corporal Taylor Smith** (Cheri Irwin's Nephew)

October MCC Community Calendar

Wed. Oct 1st

7:00pm Sacred Pause (Dineson)

Thur. Oct 2nd

9:30 am Bible Study (Dineson)

6:00 pm Bell Choir

7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Week of Sun. Oct 5th

Communion Sunday

10:00 am Worship

11:30 am Trustees

5:00 pm Junior & Senior PF

Mon. Oct 6th

7:30 pm Outreach

Tue. Oct 7th

1:30 pm Mustard Seed Sort & Tag

Wed. Oct 8th

11:00 am Morning Circle

Thur. Oct 9th

9:30 am Bible Study (Dineson)

6:00 pm Bell Choir

7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Week of Sun. Oct 12th

10:00 am Worship

5:00 pm Junior & Senior PF

Mon. Oct 13th

Indigenous People's Day – Office Closed

3:00 pm St George's Supper

7:30 pm Deacons

Tue. Oct 14th

1:30 pm Mustard Seed Sort & Tag

Wed. Oct 15th

7:00 pm Book Club

Thur. Oct 16th

9:30 am Bible Study (Dineson)

6:00 pm Bell Choir

7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Week of Sun. Oct 19th

10:00 am Worship

5:00 pm Junior & Senior PF

Tue. Oct 21st

1:30 pm Mustard Seed Sort & Tag

Thur. Oct 23rd

9:30 am Bible Study (Dineson)

12:00 pm Young @ Heart

6:00 pm Bell Choir

7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Sat. Oct. 25th

1:00 pm car pool leaves for Bend of River
Audubon Trip

1:30 pm Bend of River Audubon Trip

Week of Sun. Oct 26th

10:00 am Worship

11:00 Cheddar Together (Dineson)

5:00 pm Junior & Senior PF

Tue. Oct 28th

1:30 pm Mustard Seed Sort & Tag

Thur. Oct 30th

9:30 am Bible Study (Dineson)

6:00 pm Bell Choir

7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Fri. Oct 31st

Halloween