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#### **November 1, 2021**



It's November, and the leaves are just about off the trees. It's been a strange year, in so many ways. With extra rainfall this summer and a warmer autumn than usual, the leaves in our pretty New England towns haven't quite hit their usual seasonal splendor.

We're looking forward this month to Thanksgiving. Focusing our first thoughts on being thankful in all circumstances (not being thankful FOR all circumstances, let's be clear) brings us closer to God.

I'm grateful for our staff! Diane in the office keeps us well organized, Jeanette has oodles of energy and

good ideas she is implementing with teachers and advisors in CE, and Will (who has decided to stay at MCC) continues to lead and inspire us musically every week. We can also be thankful for the new members joining on November 7. In this era when folks are more suspicious of institutions in general, and many churches have struggled to stay connected, it's good to see that newcomers still value our community as a place of refuge, rest, and reflection; and that they are willing to make a deeper commitment and become part of our church. Please come and meet Carol and Julio and warmly welcome them!

Traditionally, November is also the month when we focus on our stewardship campaign. This year's theme is "Rooted in Love", invites us to think about the role of our church community in each of our lives. MCC has had a full couple of months together, with new Sunday school programming, an Outreach Wine & Beer Tasting, a Charity Tag Sale, the CROP Walk, PF Trunk or Treat and soon the return of the Women's Retreat "Let it Go", after a long hiatus. If you've been to in-person worship or tuned in online, you can see and feel the energy, despite the continued precautions of keeping safe at what we hope and pray to be the tail end of a global pandemic.

A vital church is a community in which the members know that they belong to God heart, mind, soul, and Spirit. Come to worship in November and hear about what some of our members have to say about their roots here at MCC. Commitment Sunday is November 21, with a big pancake "thank you" breakfast hosted by our Board of Trustees. May we prayerfully prioritize God's grace in our lives and work in the world as something that is vital and important. It's great to be here in this place as we build God's realm together right here, right now, with each of you.

Finally, let's remember the words of the hymn "Blessed be the Tie That Binds" and know that we are all one Spirit, one heart, and one love here at MCC. In that spirit, Happy Thanksgiving to each and all!

Thankfully, Pastor Jenn

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Here We Grow Again! New Member Sunday, November 7

Join us, (virtually or in-person) on Sunday, November 7 as we welcome new members and celebrate our community! Membership means that we have committed to the ministry of our local church, loving one another as God has loved us, being the bridge to others in Monroe and beyond, and committing to care about each other's lives deeply and richly. Interested in becoming a member of the Monroe Congregational Church? Ask Pastor Jenn or one of the deacons. We look forward to welcoming new friends and neighbors!



Annual Reports are due Tuesday, December 14th

Please submit your annual report to the church office by Tuesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>

Please call the church office with any questions: 203-268-9327

or email <a href="mailto:secretary@MCC-UCC.org">secretary@MCC-UCC.org</a>

October 31, 2021

To our MCC Community,

As many of you know, in April of this year Pastor Jenn and the Deacons were informed that our beloved music director, Will Duchon, had decided to leave MCC to pursue other endeavors. As a result, we put a search committee in place to fill this position. After several zoom meetings and dusting off old "want ads" we were

making headway in our search for a replacement Music Director.

I am happy to inform you that our search has ceased as Will has informed the committee he would like to remain at MCC. Therefore, it is with great pleasure that I am informing the MCC congregation that Will Duchon has committed to continue serving as our Music Director for another year.

To support Will, a new and expanded Music Committee has been formed comprising of Julie McClenathan, David Walker, Michael Pellegrino, Emma Campbell, Betty Heiney, Pastor Jenn and myself. Our committee's goal is to assist Will with enhancing an already wonderful music program. We as a group have vowed to support and give guidance to Will on a quarterly basis with our kick-off meeting being held after service on October 31.

We are very grateful for all the hard work and talent Will brings to our music program here at MCC, and we are convinced moving forward our community's artistic talents will shine even brighter.

Yours in Christ, Michael Pfalzgraf, Search Committee Chair/Music Committee Chair



If you would like to order a **box of 2022 pledge envelopes** please contact Diane in the office, 268-9327 or secretary@MCC-UCC.org

-thank you!

#### **Christian Education**



Weekly Prayer & Bible Study Has Begun! Every Thursday from 9:30-10:30 a group of about 8 regular attendees gather in Dineson Parlor to learn with one another and share prayer concerns. Some weeks we cover the scripture for an upcoming Sunday in greater depth. Other times, we may explore a topic. During Advent and beyond we will be finding out about Women of the Bible. You don't have to have ANY prior knowledge of Christianity or Theology in order to

participate. Everyone is cordially invited and welcome to join us! Bring your favorite Bible (whatever version you prefer) and a small notebook. Let Pastor Jenn know if you have any questions.

November 4	God Speaks to Elijah - 1 Kings 19:1-18
November 11	Amos: Justice Rolls Down - Amos 1:1-2; 5:14-15, 21-24
November 18	Isaiah: A Child is Born – Isaiah 9:1-7
November 25	No Bible Study – Happy Thanksgiving!



Our Sunday School children spent October learning about how they can share God's love with the world and what it means to see through God's eyes. They spread love and joy to the residents at the St. Joseph Center in Trumbull though their beautiful pictures and hand written notes. A big thank you to our teachers for their dedication, support and love of our Fruit of the Spirit Children! Please note there will be no Sunday school on Nov 28th for Thanksgiving Break.

If you haven't registered for our youth programs yet, please do so here: <a href="https://form.jotform.com/212146410084141">https://form.jotform.com/212146410084141</a>

#### **Our November Fruits of the Spirit Sunday School Schedule:**

Sunday Nov 7 – God Speaks to Elijiah

Sunday Nov 14 - Amos

Sunday Nov 21 - Isaiah

Sunday Nov 28 - No Sunday School, Happy Thanksgiving Weekend!

**October was an exciting month for Jr PF!** We kicked off the month with some fall games, had a spooky night out at the Legends of Fear Hayride, walked to end hunger and had a fun Halloween bash to close it out! November brings service projects for our PF'ers as we continue to encourage a spirit of giving and a gathering of friends for our much anticipated Friendsgiving feast before the holiday.



#### **Our November Jr PF Schedule:**

Sunday Nov 7 – Food Bank Service Project (info TBD)

Sunday Nov 14 - Game Night

Sunday Nov 21 - Friendsgiving

Sunday Nov 28 – No JPF, Happy

Thanksgiving Weekend!

# Of Particular Need:

Canned fruit

Regular & Low Sodium canned vegetables

Regular & Low Sodium canned beans

Canned pasta

Regular & Low Sodium Broth/stock

Canned Solid white tuna, salmon,

Pasta sauce, canned tomatoes

Ramen, rice, instant potatoes

Baking Mixes: brownie, cake, pancake

Bread crumbs, Hamburger Helper

Salad dressing, Condiments, crunchy peanut butter

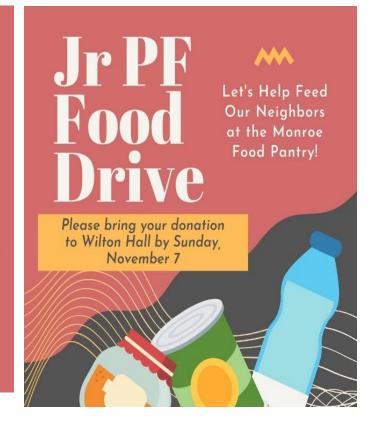
Ground coffee, juice, Ensure

Snacks, Cereal, Sugar

Face wash, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner,

tooth paste, tooth brushes

Paper towels



#### This Month in Senior PF:

- November 7 Faith
- November 14 Leaf Raking Service Project (3-5:30)
- November 21 Thankfulness & Retreat 101
- November 28 Classic PF
- December 3-5 PF on retreat at Camp Hazen! (info TBD)

#### Senior PF Mission Trip "Comfort Packs" packed and distributed!



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#### **Deacons**



"The Art of Preaching" – a seminar for lay preachers: Have you ever wanted to know how to do the research, writing and delivering of a Sunday sermon? Would you like to be able to present a sermon or reflection in worship, or at another special occasion? Pastor Jenn and the Deacons are looking for a few good potential lay preachers as they plan for the program year and next summer's sabbatical.

At the end of the seminar, participants will be given the opportunity to share what they've learned with the congregation. Join her **on Zoom, from 7:30-8:15 pm on Nov 1 & 8.** (Earlier sessions have been recorded for use as a refresher or to "catchup" and join the seminar!)

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87692647191?pwd=S3B3ZURyTjRsNUhJNVh0MkE1WkxZZz09

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. Please review the available slots on Sign Up Genius and click on the button to sign up. If you do not have access to a computer, call Diane in the office 203-268-9327, and she will help you sign up!

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 suppling the flowers yourself, please set them up between 9:30am and 9:45am, before worship. Thank you!



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

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#### **Trustees**



A big thank you to everyone who contributed to our 2021 Capital Campaign!

Thanks to your support, we were able to raise \$11,710 toward the painting of Rexford. The Trustees have since contracted with Bill Schiebe, who has done work for us previously. The total cost of the project is \$13,020, with work expected to begin in early November, weather permitting.

# JOIN US!

WHETHER YOU CAN GIVE
AN HOUR, OR A MORNING,
PLEASE COME HELP MAINTAIN
OUR CHURCH CAMPUS!

**Fall Clean Up** Nov 13, 8:30-noon

Rake, patch walls, trim shrubs, clean windows, replace lightbulbs, etc.

#### 2022 Stewardship Campaign: Rooted in Love



Whether you are a first-time visitor or long-time community member, our church changes lives by answering God's call to love. In countless ways, big and small, we support each other through joys and times of loss and grief. Our beloved Monroe Congregational Church welcomes those who've felt disconnected and isolated from God and their neighbors, making the world a kinder place, one small act at a time.

The work within and beyond our church can happen because of the generous financial and volunteer support of our community. Because of you, our church community is rooted in love, to shares God's good news. While there are many ways large and small to support the congregation, our annual stewardship campaign, which begins Sunday, November 7th, provides us a chance to think in a prayerful way about the choices we make in support of the church.

Our goal this year is to increase our pledge base by 10%, so that we can decrease our reliance on the endowment. We can reach it if those who have not pledged in the past join their neighbors and friends and submit a pledge – and/or – if those who already pledge increase theirs by 10%. Giving is an individual decision, and we are grateful for all the gifts of time, talent and treasure that you and your household contribute to MCC.

We hope that you will respond by completing and returning an estimate of giving card for 2022 in the plate or through the mail, and that you will be our guest at the celebratory Pancake Breakfast following church on November 21st - Commitment Sunday. Thank you for prayerfully considering how to financially support the Monroe Congregational Church in 2022.

~ Your Stewardship Committee, John O'Rourke (Receiver), Diane Prall, Rev. Jenn Gingras



Don't miss the MCC "Thank you" Pancake Breakfast following church on

November 21st - Commitment Sunday!

#### Outreach



# Thank you to everyone who contributed "good Stuff" and/or shopped at the MCC Tag Sale in October.

We netted over \$2,600 and sent checks to support <u>good</u> causes both local and regional, like **Project Warmth, Prospect House, Spooner House, Merton House and Bridgeport Rescue Mission.** Thank you to Julie & Rob McClenathan and the many volunteers that worked so hard to make it all happen!

#### Give the Gift of Sight by donating your used prescription glasses/sunglasses and



cases to those less fortunate. You will be giving someone the opportunity to read letters clearly or see the smile of a loved one. The collection basket at the serving table during coffee hour will be available for your donations until the middle of November. Please contact Susie Cuseo at 20-3268-0280 or <a href="mailto:thecuseos@yahoo.com">thecuseos@yahoo.com</a> with any questions or comments.

Christmas is coming! What can you get the person who has everything?





Heifer International is an organization where your pocket change helps to send animals to families. Giving these animals is like giving a family a small business where wool, eggs, milk and more can sustain them and the offspring that come from those animals can be given to other families giving them a hand up, increase access to medicine, school, food and a sustainable livelihood. Other donations from Heifer International are seeds, irrigation pipes, water for life, gardener's gift baskets and Biogas stoves for entire villages. The collection jar will

be on the serving table during coffee hour. Please contact Susie Cuseo with any questions or comments at <a href="mailto:thecuseos@yahoo.com">thecuseos@yahoo.com</a> or 203-268-0280. Become a part of the grand mission of ending hunger and poverty while caring for the Earth with your spare change. For more information, please visit this site: <a href="mailto:Heifer International">Heifer International</a> Gift Catalog | Heifer International



## All together, MCC raised over \$3,100!

Pictured above are some members of our team of walkers, led by chair Julie.

Thank you to the Goyette family, the Rice family, Cheri Irwin and her two grandchildren,

Gayle Hammond, Marc Cardentey, Jeanette & Julio Morales, Junior PF,

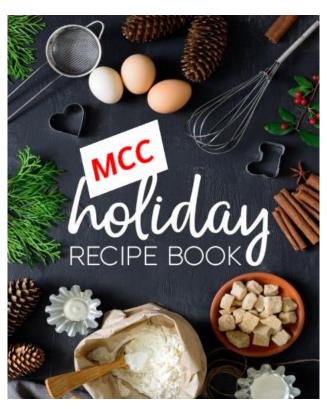
Will & Claudia Duchon, Rob & Julie McClenathan.





Help Wanted at the Mustard Seed Thrift Shoppe! We sort, tag and hang donated merchandise on Tuesdays at 1P. Just come down and the ladies will show you what to do. If you are free on Fridays at 10-12:30 or 12:30-3 or Saturdays from 10-12 or 12-2, we could use your help manning the counter. It's easy to do: come during business hours and someone will lead you thru the process of opening/closing. I can also provide you with a to-do list with all the duties. It's fun to help out the Shoppe, meet the community who shops and it's easy to do. Please contact Susie Cuseo at thecuseos@yahoo.com or 203-268-0280 with any questions or comments.

#### **Fellowship**



With Christmas right around the corner, we would like remind you of the MCC Holiday Cookbook. If anyone would like to contribute a recipe (or another great recipe) I will be combining them into last vear's cookbook. Please feel free to share any holiday recipes - Easter, Thanksgiving, Memorial Day, Mother's Day, Father's Day Please include a little note sharing why this recipe is special to you and a picture if you like. Our hope is that over time we will have an awesome book to get printed and sell as a fundraiser.

E-mail your recipes to michelle.cardentey@gmail.com and I will format them and merge them into last year's book! Thank You On Behalf of Your Fellowship Board, Michelle Cardentey



Morning Circle invites the women of the congregation to our next meeting on Wednesday, November 10th at 11AM in Wilton Hall. We'll be putting together bean soup jars for the Food Pantry. Pastor Jenn will speak about the mission trip she attended this summer. Please bring a sandwich lunch for the short business meeting. We will also be handing out gift tags for

the town's Giving Tree. Please have all wrapped gifts with tags attached to the church office by Sunday, December 5th. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity for lifting the spirits of someone in need. Please contact Susie Cuseo at 203-268-0280 with any questions or comments. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, December 8th where we will have our annual Christmas luncheon at a place TBD.



Fall Adult PF 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays 5pm -all adults are welcome! With the pandemic on the upswing again, I imagine that among us are various levels of comfort with being indoors together the way we used to. For that reason, I'm going to suggest that we (1) trim our meeting time to two hours, (2) bring snacks that are easy to pick up (e.g., not a bag of chips that we all reach into), and (3) open windows during our time together. Also, anyone who wants to wear a mask is welcome to do so.

Kate and I look forward to welcoming you back to our house on a regular basis, so please put the following dates on your calendar:

November 7 and 21, and December 5. —Don Parker-Burgard



#### MCC Book Club is open to all church members.

For more information, please call Paula Haggstrom 203-452-0850 email: <u>pjsh55@gmail.com</u> We will continue meet via Zoom.

November 17<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm - Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann

December 8th, 7 pm -The Bookish Life of Nina Hill by Abbi Waxman-351 pages Host - TBD

January 12th, 7 pm -The Henna Artist by Alka Joshi 295pages Host - TBD

February 9th, 7 pm -The Exiles by Christina Baker Kline 389 pages Host - TBD

March 9th, 7 pm -Slow Fire Burning by Paula Hawkins 316 pages Host - TBD



Young at Heart will not meet November and December. Many members are grandparents who will be busy those holiday months. Next luncheon will be in January. Young at Heart wishes all a Happy Thanksgiving and a Blessed Christmas.

# Elisha's Corner By Gary Thompson, Church Historian Our First Prudentialist, Nathan Booth

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Nathan Booth (Sr.), to differentiate from his son Nathan, was the fourth member to be selected to the first committee "...to take care of ye Prudentials of Sd ..." New Stratford Ecclesiastical Society. Two years earlier at the age of forty-one, he too signed the Memorial sent to the Assembly in Hartford to petition the creation of the New Stratford Parish. His family was unique among this group of prudentialists in that they demonstrate the direct interrelationships, through marriage, of the families that initially settled and grew out of the Stratford Cupheag Plantation. His mother was Anna Curtiss; a family we will cover later when we introduce the committee to provide Ministers. His grandmother was Hannah Wilcockson, Moderator David Willcockson's great-grand aunt. Nathan's great grandmother was Elizabeth Hawley, born in Derby, England and great-great grand aunt of prudentialist Henry Hawley. How could he not be selected? With the exception of Andrew Hubbell, all the committee members were somehow related through family marriages.

He was born on February 27, 1720, in Stratford, probably in its Huntington or White Hills section. At the age of twenty-two he married twenty-four year old Comfort Thompson of Stratford (no relation to our current Historian). They had six children; the first three were sons; the third named Nathan instead of the more commonly naming of the first son after the father. They only had two daughters. Both of them were named Sarah; the first, born in 1750, died in infancy. So when the next child was a daughter born two years later, she too was named Sarah. This was a common practice of the time. Their last child was a son, born in 1759, named Elijah, just like the second son born in 1746, and died a year later. Nathan (Sr.) was commissioned a Lieutenant in the New Stratford Parish militia in May of 1765; and a Captain two years later in October of 1767 commanding a compliment of one hundred men. In that capacity he served on the Committee of Safety, which was probably the same as the "war committee of Stratford" referenced to in the *Lineage Book, National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution*. He was left a widower when his wife, Comfort died on January 1, 1772. She was fifty-three. At the time of her death, their youngest child, Elijah, was thirteen years old and their only daughter, Sarah, was twenty

and married only two months. So sometime after her death he remarried Eunice Booth. It is only by his Will that we know that he remarried as there is no recording of it found in the Stratford records and our archived marriage records only go back as far as 1810. It can be confusing because Nathan (Jr.)'s wife was also named Eunice. In his Will he instructed the Executors " .... that the jointer (old English used to express a future action or event going to happen) made by (himself) and (his) wife Eunice before (their) marriage, shall be fulfilled." No mention was made as to the content of the prenuptial agreement. However, he left her the "lienture" portion of his "dwelling house, one half of the Cellar of the Mill room and a Convenient part of the Garding (garden) belonging to said house to be for her use and improve for a Term of one year" after his death .... "and one Years provision of essentials and drink" .... and "Ten Dollars in Legal Money to procure a Mourning suit to be delivered and paid to her by (his) said Executors." This marriage may have been by common law. He also left in his Will £10 to his daughter, Sarah Shelton, wife of Andrew Shelton who was the son of Samuel Shelton and Abigail Nichols (prominent families of the time). The £10 was to be paid out of the household furniture or in land if the furniture proved insufficient. In like kind he left £10 to the "first Presbyterian Church of New Stratford (Renamed from the Ecclesiastical Society) ... with interest from security to accumulate." The residual of his personal and real estate he bequeathed to his two surviving sons, Samuel and Nathan (Jr.), based on their assurances that they would Free his two Negro slaves, Philip and Dorcas upon his death. The inventory of Nathan (Sr.)'s estate indicates that he was a farmer and probably owner and operator of a grist mill for income with over 138 acres of land. He died December 27, 1800, two months short of his eightieth birthday and is buried with Comfort at the Cutler Farms Cemetery on Cross Hill Road. There is no accounting for Nathan (Sr.)'s Eunice Booth.

His father was Zechariah Booth, who was born in the Stratford Parish in 1693, where he most probably resided and raised his family of eight sons and three daughters until he died in September 1762. He married his first wife, Anna Curtiss of Derby when he was twenty-eight. She was twenty-one and the daughter of Benjamin Curtiss and Ester Judson. They had three sons, Nathan being the oldest. When she died sixteen years later on May 18, 1733, Nathan was only thirteen and her youngest son, Daniel was ten. She was buried in the Hale Cemetery in Stratford. Within six months. Zechariah married twenty-seven year old widow Sarah (Gilbert) Marchant of Stratford who had two sons and a daughter of her own. They had six more sons and two daughters. By the time their youngest, son Agur, was born his two oldest sons, Nathan and Zechariah, Jr., had married and left him with a household of eleven children. He had a Negro slave girl, named Phillas, to who he left £50 in his Will; a handsome sum. He was a large scale farmer with cattle, horses and sheep, but also was a craftsman, as his Will refers to his shop with apprentices. He was land wealthy with over 360 acres of various parcels of land in Stratford Parish. He bequeathed a total estate of over \$617 thousand in today's value; a third to his wife, Sarah, and the remainder only to his unmarried children by her. He died at the age of sixty-nine and was buried with his first wife, Anna, in the Old Congregational Burying Ground in Stratford. His widow, Sarah, who died at age eighty-three sixteen years later in April of 1788, was probably buried with her first husband, John Marchant.

The penchant for land acquisition by Zechariah may have been an acquired and learned trait from his father, Joseph Booth, Nathan's grandfather. His family biography indicates that Joseph was a mercantilist and money lender. He would allow his debtors to extend repayment on their accounts for a few years and then settle them through the transfers of land. Booth family history indicates that his estate was "altogether large for (the) day". "By this means, in the quiet prosecution of his trade, he acquired a landed property scarcely exceeded by any in the town, and was enabled to confer valuable farms on his children, and their families." He was born in Stratford on March 8, 1656 and married three times. His first marriage on June 14, 1678 was to Mary Wells of Stratford when they were

both twenty-two. They had no children and she died seven years later at age 29 in 1685, whereupon he married Hannah Willcockson with whom he had six sons and one daughter. They lived in Stratford just north of the current Stratford railroad station off Main Street. Hannah was eight years younger than Joseph and the daughter of John Willcockson and Elizabeth Bourne. She was born February 4, 1664 in Stratford, and married at twenty-nine. After she died on July 10, 1701, it was over two years before Joseph married again in 1703 at age of forty-seven to twenty-six year old Elizabeth Bostwick. As with his first wife, they had no known children; James had died that same year. Remarried, Elizabeth died thirteen years later, age of thirty-nine, in New Haven. Joseph and his first two wives are buried in the Old Congregational Burying Ground in Stratford.

The great-grandfather of Nathan Booth, and Joseph's father, was Richard Booth. He was born in Parwich, Derbyshire, England; as was Henry Hawley's great-grandfather, Joseph, Esq. His family biography declares that he was an ancestor of William the Conqueror and Stratford records indicate that he was a descendent of Charlemagne, which adds a little color to his lineage. He was not part of the group that immigrated with Rev. Adam Blakeman to Massachusetts on the Planter of London in 1635. He and his two younger brothers, John and William arrived in New Haven sometime after 1630. John migrated to Southold, Long Island and Robert to New Hampshire. In 1640, Richard Booth, age thirtythree, arrived in Stratford; the year after the Cupheag Plantation of Stratford was established. He must have been persuaded by knowing that Elizabeth Hawley, with whom he grew up in Parwich, England, had arrived, for they were married that same year on September 10<sup>th</sup>. She was the same age and the daughter of Judge Samuel Hawley. Their residence was on the current Main Street between the Congregational Church and the Stratford Library, where they raised eight children, four sons and four daughters. He became a Selectman ("Townsman") with significant political influence, and he accumulated a considerable amount of farm land scattered in various part of Stratford, which he gifted off to all of his children over his years. He died in 1688 and Elizabeth in September of the following year. They are both buried in the Old Congregational Burying Ground in Stratford.

If you'd like to see where the families of our founders emigrated from, take a look at the map in Wilton Hall.



Day Light Savings Time ends Sunday, November 7
Set your clocks back one hour Saturday night!



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

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James	Allen	11/03	Jonathan	Malia	11/18
Sean	O'Hara	11/03	Caleb	Nealon	11/18
Diane	Fraser	11/05	Paula	Haggstrom	11/19
Mark	Malia	11/07	Madison	Caballero	11/20
Judy	Coward	11/09	Betty	Heiney	11/20
Catherine	Goyette	11/09	Tess	Bauer	11/21
Dorothy	Dralus	11/10	Robert	Hammond	11/21
Diane	Prall	11/10	Trees	Whitbeck	11/22
Gail	Olson	11/11	Ruth	Wakeley	11/24
Linda	Resnick	11/11	Abby	Clausen	11/26
Jordan	Vaglivelo	11/11	Gail	Thompson	11/26
Osiris	Gutierrez	11/14	Marc	Cardentey	11/27
Michelle	Cardentey	11/15	James	Brown	11/28
Kathy	Allen	11/17	Katherine	Hyde	11/28
Michele	Mount	11/17	Henry	Bergeron	11/29



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

Gilles & Joyce Rousseau<sup>(02)</sup> Andrew & Kristina Logan<sup>(09)</sup> Karen Matysczak & James Brown  $^{(04)}$  Laurel & Ken Post  $^{(05)}$  Paul & Susan Granello $^{(12)}$  Debra Hansen & Alan Vaglivelo $^{(21)}$  and Dana & Al Jesulaitis  $^{(29)}$ 

#### **MCC Community Calendar**

#### Mon. November 1st

7:30 pm "The Art of Preaching" Zoom

#### Tue. November 2<sup>nd</sup>

1:00 pm Mustard Seed Sort and Tag 8:00 pm Outreach (Zoom)

#### Wed. November 3<sup>rd</sup>

6:30 pm Confirmation (Dineson)

#### Thur. November 4<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am Bible Study (Dineson)7:30 pm Deacons (Zoom)

#### Week of November 7<sup>th</sup>

Daylight Savings Time – Fall Back 1 Hour New Member/Communion Sunday 10:00 am Worship 11:30 am Trustees (Zoom) 5-6:30 pm Jr PF 5:00 pm Senior PF 5:00 pm Adult PF

# Mon. November 8<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm "The Art of Preaching" Zoom

# Tue. November 9<sup>th</sup>

1:00 pm Mustard Seed Sort and Tag

# Wed. November 10<sup>th</sup>

11:00 am Morning Circle6:30 pm Confirmation (Dineson)

# Thur. November11<sup>th</sup>

Veterans Day 9:30 am Bible Study (Dineson)

# Fri. November 12<sup>th -</sup> 14<sup>th</sup>

Women's Retreat 2021

#### Sat. November 13<sup>th</sup>

8:30 – noon Fall Church Work Day

# Week of November 14th

EmmaRae Carrol, Guest Preacher 10:00 am Worship 3-5:00 pm Senior PF (Leaf Raking) 5-6:30 pm Jr PF

#### Tue. November 16<sup>th</sup>

1:00 pm Mustard Seed Sort and Tag 7:00 pm Bereavement Group

## Wed. November 17<sup>th</sup>

6:30 pm Confirmation (Dineson) 7:00 pm Book Club (Zoom)

#### Thur. November 18<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am Bible Study (Dineson)

## Week of November 21st

Stewardship Sunday
Lay Preachers Certificates
10:00 am Worship
11:00 Stewardship Pancake Breakfast
5-6:30 pm Jr PF
5:00 pm Senior PF
5:00 pm Adult PF

#### Mon. November 22<sup>th</sup>

7:30 pm Council

# Tue. November 23<sup>rd</sup>

1:00 pm Mustard Seed Sort and Tag

#### Wed. November 24<sup>th</sup>

6:30 pm Confirmation (Dineson)

# **Thur. November 25<sup>th</sup>** Office Closed *Thanksgiving Day*

#### Fri. November 26<sup>th</sup> Office Closed

Pastor Jenn on Vacation Nov 25 -Dec 2

## Week of November 28th

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Smith, Guest Preacher 10:00 am Worship 5-6:30 pm Jr PF 5:00 pm Senior PF

## Tue. November 30<sup>th</sup>

1:00 pm Mustard Seed Sort and Tag