

WLCC Weekly Newsletter 6.10.22

This Sunday is Children's Sunday, the children will do the service based on excerpts from Psalm 139 and 1 Corinthians 12. We will honor and recognize the teachers and celebrate the numerous ways God brings us together like a puzzle. Looking forward to seeing you on Sunday in the sanctuary or on Zoom.

Pastor Kirsty DePree



Dear fellow travelers,

This morning devotional from the UCC "Still Speaking" series is centered around this verse from the Bible: *God saw everything that [God] had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.* - Genesis 1:31 (NRSV). The writer centered the message around the words **very good** and not perfect. This is to say we are a work in progress and God is not done with us yet.

Reminders: Masking is now optional. We recommend wearing a mask. If you are entering the sanctuary, we ask you to practice physical distancing, use good hand hygiene and stay home if you are not feeling well. We will be continuing these practices until the situation changes toward the positive. We thank you for your cooperation.

Cabinet Meeting on June 12th: We will be having our next Cabinet Meeting this Sunday, June 12th after our worship service in the sanctuary. ***Those on Zoom for worship are invited to stay on for the Cabinet Meeting which will begin approximately 15 minutes after the service has ended.***

Upper Room

The May-June edition of the Upper Room has arrived! It is on the table to your right when entering the church building from the parking lot.

Calendar for the week of June 10-16

June 11- Day for Ukraine at La Salette 7:30 AM-7 PM

**June 12- Children's Sunday Worship 10 AM
Cabinet Meeting following Church**

**June 16- Women's Fellowship 9 AM
LISTEN Community Dinner 2:30-5:30 PM**

Deacons Meeting

The deacons met last evening and we discussed worship going over the next 2 months. Linda Oidtmann brought the new stripes that affirm our status as an open and affirming church and will replace the ones on the signs that are now curling. The deacons asked Kirsty for suggestions that we can implement to be better stewards of our faith in our church community. Our next meeting will be **August 11**.

Celebrating the Birth of Triplets

Muffy's son, Joey, and daughter-in-law, Mckenzie Faucher, gave birth to triplets! Two granddaughters Izzy and Ivy and grandson James Joseph born at 9:30pm June 6th! The triplets join their sisters Lulu (age 6) & Romey (age 4).

Missions

Greetings from your Missions group,

We are gearing up for a busy Summer!

First, we have launched the Strengthen the Church fundraiser which is one of the 5 for 5 collections we do for the UCC.

We will collect your gifts until June 26.

Thank you so much for being generous!

Second, we will start again to raise funds to help the children at Mount Lebanon elementary school. We will prepare to-go lunches for you to pick up after the service on July 3... A great way to enjoy the summer sunshine with a picnic!!

By donations only.

Thank you,

Your missions group (Lorinda, Jackie, Dick, John and Christine)

Day for Ukraine at La Salette

La Salette has six parishes located in Ukraine staffed with Polish Priests from the La Salette Province in Poland. The Priests have elected to remain with their parishioners/local villagers, supporting them during this traumatic time. On Saturday, June 11 the following events will be held at the Shrine, 410 NH Route 4A, Enfield, NH: 7:30-10:00 Pancake Breakfast; 7:30-4:00 Silent Auction with Ukrainian Items; 10-1 Bake Sale with sweets and varenycky; 9:30-10:30 Interfaith Service and discussion; 10-4:30 Ukraine crafts , arts & entertainment; 11:30-1:30 Soup & Bread; 4-5:30 Barbecue Dinner with hamburgers & hotdogs; 6:00pm Catholic Mass with Ukrainian priest. There will also be Ukrainian Bandura Music and singing during the day and at Mass and a large troupe of Ukrainian Dancers from Stamford, CT performing. All are invite to come and stay the day at the Shrine.

WLCC Men's Group

The WLCC Men's Group welcomes all whether for the first time, occasionally, or regularly. Our only membership requirements are wanting to share some fellowship, service, fun, and food. Upcoming activities for this spring are:

- **Thursday June 23rd** - Wil Smith invited us to a dinner Bar-B-Q at his house on Daisy Lane in Lebanon. With Covid it's been three years since we've had an outdoor Bar-B-Q, so it'll be like a reunion.

Please feel free to contact Aaron in the church office or Tom Kahl if you have any questions.

Women's Fellowship

Women's Fellowship is meeting at 9 AM on Thursday mornings. This past Thursday morning we continue to clean the Kilton kitchen after some good conversation and visiting. The women have set **July 23** as the date for our Christmas in July event from **8:30 to noon**. Our plan is to hold the event rain or shine. Join us for fellowship and all women are welcome.

Potluck Luncheon

As you know by now, Kirsty will be leaving us in July to pursue a chaplaincy residency in Michigan. When Kirsty came to us in July of 2020, we knew it was on an interim basis. What we didn't know was how much we would love her and how hard it would be to say goodbye. We would like to honor Kirsty by having a **potluck luncheon** outside in the parking lot after church on **June 26**. Look for more details on the bulletin board at church.

Little Food Pantry

Thank you to all who have been contributed to the Little Food Pantry. Some items that go quickly are peanut butter, cereal, ramen noodles and coffee, also shelf stable milk. Now that the weather is warming up, we can now put can and jarred food in the pantry. Food can also be put inside the Food Bin in the sanctuary which is taken to the Haven or LISTEN. Please pass the word on about the availability of food in the Little Food Pantry.

WLCC Giving Options

We have instituted several new electronic (credit/debit/ACH) giving options. Note that these are in addition to the conventional giving methods. **If you are comfortable with the giving method you currently use there is no need to change.** The intent of adding these electronic options is to make giving more convenient, which will hopefully increase our revenue. Note that the church is charged a nominal processing fee with each electronic transaction, so please consider covering that fee if you use an electronic option. The electronic options will allow you to specify where you would like your gift to go (e.g. general fund, memorial gift, missions, etc.). You can access these options by going to the WLCC home webpage (<https://westlebcc.org/> and clicking on the **"Give"** tab along the top, or go directly to the Giving page <https://westlebcc.org/give/>. If you have any questions or problems please see Aaron in the WLCC office or our co-collectors Christine Kidd or Laurie Tostenson.

Faithfully
Nancy Simpson
for WLCC