### **MAY REFLECTION**



I LAY IN RETREAT, HEALING FROM SURGERY, MEDITATING TO RELIEVE THE PAIN. TIME TO REFLECT ON THE SELF. THE REAL SELF OF HUMANESS.

LEARNING ONCE AGAIN THE IMPORTANCE OF SELF REFLECTION. KNOWING WHO WE ARE AND WHERE WE ARE GOING IN THIS LIFE. AND APPRECIATE THE BLESSINGS WE HAVE BEEN GIFTED. THE NATURE GOD HAS PROVIDED OUTSIDE A WINDOW. BLOSSOMS POPING, BIRDS SINGING, AIR WHISPERING IN OUR EAR. THE COLORS OF THE SKY EVER CHANGING. IT REMINDS ME OF HUMANESS AT ITS BEST. TIME TO SLOW DOWN AND TAKE IN THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH. TIME TO REFLECT ON BEING GOOD STEWARDS OF THE EARTH. HOW CAN WE AS A CHURCH COMMUNITY MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE EARTH TO PRESERVE IT? STOP AND THINK FOR A MOMENT OF ALL THE WASTE WE CREATE. WHEN WILL THE AMAZON CARDBOARD BOX BECOME EXTINCT? IRONICALLY, WHEN WILL THE AMAZON RIVER BECOME EXTINCT?

"When we see the earth as a gift from God, we will do our best to take care of it, and use it wisely, instead of poisoning it and destroying it?"

BILLY GRAHAM

STOP AND THINK ABOUT IT.

BLESSINGS DENNIS



## Scholarship Sunday News!

On Sunday, **June 9, 2024 -** following the 10 am Worship Service, the

Scholarship Committee will be hosting a reception for Scholarship Recipients, their families, and members of the church. It would be greatly appreciated if members could help the committee by bringing cookies or finger sandwiches. You may drop them off in the kitchen before the service.

Thanking you in Advance! Scholarship Committee



# Happy Birthday to the following Church Members:



Marilyn Dabbo 5/1 Amanda Kane 5/3 Melissa Lundeen 5/7 John (Scott) Malone 5/9 Jennifer St. George5/11 Garret Post 5/17 Benjamin St. George 5/21 Joseph Hughes 5/21 Lexie Sharma 5/23 Jaclyn Sharma 5/23 Stewart Crouse 5/23 Cooper Sweeney 5/31



# A Message from the Deacons

Receiving Communion will no longer be by Intinction.

# LOOKING AHEAD!! TERRIFIC TUESDAY'S SCHEDULE FOR 2024

July 9th6pmJuly 23rd6pmJuly 16th6pmJuly 30th6pm

### **ATTENTION MEMBERS:**

Patrons' Page in the Terrific Tuesday Program booklet! A DONATION FROM OUR MEMBERS AND WATERBURY BAPTIST MINISTRIES MEMBERS. A PATRON DONATION WILL BE \$25.00. IF ANYONE IS ABLE AND WANTS TO MAKE A DONATION, PLEASE SEND IN YOUR CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25.00 IN THE MEMO PLEASE PUT TERRIFIC TUESDAYS. WE ARE HOPING THAT THIS WILL ALL COME TOGETHER AGAIN AS IT HAS DID IN THE PAST! PLEASE SEND IN YOUR DONATIONS BY JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> WE APPRECIATE ALL YOU CAN DO!!



# From the Director of Music/Youth

As we enter into the merry month of May there are several events coming up that you will want to take note of. Kindness 101 will take place on 5/1, 5/15, each episode is about 5 min long with a discussion in between, please bring a dessert to share coffee and tea provided. The Chosen will be on 5/22, we gather at 6 pm and begin viewing at 6:30, please bring a dish to share as we do the program potluck style.

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Drumming will be held on Wednesday May 8 at 6:00pm, the program is run by our Financial Secretary Kristen Perham. Drums are provided, bring a friend!

Bell Choir resumes on Thursday, May 9th at 6:00pm. We will meet in the Narthex! We welcome all who would like to learn how to play!

Sunday, May 5 at 4:00pm First Congregational Church of Waterbury along with The Waterbury Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will be hosting a concert to benefit the chapter education fund, this fund benefits students of any age in studying organ and the materials that go along with it. The concert will be performed by former First Church and Internationally Acclaimed organist and Author, Ronald Ebrecht. Donations are tax deductible and go directly to the scholarship program, there will be a reception to follow!

Stewart Crouse Director of Music



Please note (on the calendar Kindness 101 was listed on Tuesday the  $14^{th}$  and  $28^{th}$  already printed before I received Stewart's newsletter. Also, The Chosen will be on May  $22^{nd}$  at 6:00 pm)

#### **Answers to Favorite TV Shows**

### Across

3 -wagon

4 - kingdom

5 - rat

8- affair

9- American

11 -shadow

12- squares

### Down

1- Famous

2- Bandstand

6- acres

7- martian

10 - outer

## WISH LIST FOR SAFE HAVEN SHELTER

- Shampoo
- ♦ Body Wash
- ◆ Paper Towels
- **♦**Deodorant
- ◆ Toilet Paper
- ♦Women's socks (new)
- ♦ Women's Body lotion
- ◆ Women's Underwear (new) ◆ Gift Certificates

- ♦ Hair Brushes/combs
- ◆Diapers (large & ex-large)
- ♦ Sanitary Napkins/Tampons
- ◆ Children's Socks (new)
- Children's Underwear(new)
- ◆ Baby lotion/baby wash
- ♦ Wash Cloths/loofah's

Safe Haven currently provides the following bilingual (English/Spanish) services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault: up to 60 days of shelter for women and their children; individual and peer group counseling; 24 hour crisis hotlines for domestic violence and sexual assault; legal advocacy information and referral; community education for adults and children; and court based family violence victim advocacy.

All information obtained through counseling remains confidential. They do not subscribe to Caller I. D. Please bring all your donations for Safe Haven on the third Sunday of the month and put your items in the little house in the Narthex.

