



Our Spire
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**Reaching Up to God,
Reaching Out to People**

Pastor's Corner:

To those who've left this house



A butterfly house sat at the far end of my dining table for a very busy two months. During the caterpillar season, I collected many caterpillars on my daily treks with the Troops. I didn't just collect the caterpillars, who would sometimes tickle my hand in transit, I also brought home individual milk weed leaves almost every time we were out. Those little ones have to eat, after all!

As I shared in a September vlog that showcased a monarch I had raised, I thought a lot about caterpillars as I carried them home. It wasn't a guarantee that they'd get their wings. They needed the protection of the netted house on my dining table, and it was always a success when they'd crawl up the sticks in the house that I had gathered and made their cocoons there on the top.

One caterpillar left the house. I don't know how or when s/he did it this, but one morning, there on the back leg of my couch, just five inches from the floor, was a cocoon. I watched that cocoon like nobody's business. See, in their house, they're safe. If they shed their cocoon while I'm away, they're protected. Here in the "wilds" of my living room with the Troops on patrol, something I didn't want to happen could have happened to my unguarded, unsafe little buddy.

Within what seemed like a long time, its cocoon changed from a bright green to almost black. Any day now, I thought! All the other butterflies had gone. What a sight to see them leave my hand and fly! This one was just late, I thought. Then more days passed. I thought lots of thoughts. Maybe s/he needed more light. Maybe it was too cold. But my living room wasn't cold. And it has plenty of big windows. Even more days passed.

Today, I pulled the cocoon off the couch leg. It was black mush inside. My heart actually sank.

I share this story because some of you have left this house, this church. Maybe you actually haven't left, but you've been gone for so long now. I am a pastor who wants you to fly, not crawl around, and certainly I do not be you in a place where you cannot be all you are called to be.

Many people reading this will be glad I am writing to you because, like me, they love and care about you. They hurt that you are gone.

Sometimes we have to leave for a while in order to realize we should never have gone. Sometimes we need to be missed. Sometimes we don't even know we've left—it just sorta happened. And sometimes we just keep hanging out hoping for a warmth and sunshine that never comes because we are away from God's protective house.

I am not writing to a single person. I am writing to many of you on behalf of a congregation that wants to see you here fluttering about.

I don't want you to experience black mush. Come home. Your congregation misses you. I miss you.

Heavenly Father,

We aren't perfect—any of us. Sometimes we need time to heal. Sometimes we find that we've been hiding. Sometimes we crawl away and are too prideful to crawl back. Sometimes we just don't know how we got where we are; we just know it isn't right.

But You created us to fly, not crawl. Protect us. As you carry us in Your hand and move us from a harmful world to our sanctuary, help our understanding of this house You gave us so that, as we flutter about and sometimes brush our wings against others, we can, in fact, bless others as You would have us do.

In Your name we pray, amen.



This little glow of mine, I'm gonna let it shine

.... Wait, those aren't the lyrics to this little LIGHT of mine!

If you're anything like me, the pledge card and the time and talent sheet are still in the envelope in a special place on the desk. Oh, you'll get to it in time, but it isn't a priority right now. Or is it? Your pledge and your talent sheet can't be *that* important, can it? You've been listening to Pastor Will's sermon series about lamps and lights, but are you one of those lamps that he is referring to?



We have had a great year of meaningful worship, community service, outreach ministry and spreading love with all of our projects. With God's lead and help, we will continue these acts of love and kindness in the future. But we will need all lamps lit and ready to shine the light of Christ on those who need it.

In turn, we need to be ready to answer God's call to action when He needs us. And we can't be ready if we aren't prepared with our own light in our own lamp. And this is where the pledge and time and talent sheet come into action because we all hear the call and feel the nudge to do what the Lord is asking us to do—light the world for others.

If you haven't taken the time to think about your pledge and your time and talent sheet yet, please consider it now. YOU can and will make a difference in someone's life, and you will feel the difference in your own! Sometimes we may feel like we are only a glow instead of a light, but we all know this is true, when we show up and give, we do actually light from within!

Prayerfully ask God for his guidance in your decisions.

Our church continues to do *amazing* things with God's help thanks to you, his people. Fuel your lamp and come be a light with us. Make a difference. Worship. Love. Serve. And Live!

Serving with you, Craig Stout and Your 2019 Stewardship Committee.

Missionary Eyes

Lord, help me to see, with missionary eyes
so I may observe . . . other's heartfelt cries.

Let me bring hope, to someone today
by showing to them the Life and the Way.

Let me inspire, just one, if You will
how they can learn to wait and be still.

Send someone to me, who feels all alone
so I may show them the way to the throne.

Give me a chance, to help carry a load
so someone's burden I can help unload.

Lord, give to me, missionary eyes
let me be Your light . . .to the heart that cries!



Matthew 5:16

*"Let your light so shine before men,
that they may see your good works,
and glorify your Father which is in heaven."*

King James Version

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Operation Christmas Child: This program encourages children in developing countries to sign up for a Christmas box. Approximately 1/3 of the children are selected to attend an age appropriate discipleship program for 3 months. At the end of the program, all the children in the program and all the rest of the children receive the Christmas boxes. This box also includes a book called "The Greatest Gift". This book is written in the child's language and explains Jesus Christ and Salvation. All children are then invited to attend discipleship classes. The Christmas Child Shoeboxes are boxes



filled with gifts for a boy or girl ages 2-4, 5-9 and 10-14. Our goal is 50 boxes this year.



Boxes and packing information are available in the Gathering Room before and after church. The Missionary Group would be glad to shop for you if you would like to fill a box but are unable to shop. Just write a check and put Operation Christmas Child in the memo spot. Boxes are due back to the church by Sunday, November 17th.

The Website is up and running.

We have worked hard, but we realize that important things may not have been included.

We are still adding and changing things so if you have suggestions, please email Holli Chichester at hollischichester@gmail.com or call 301-643-1775.

Please check it out at

www.firstchurchharford.com.



Nashville Recording Artists

True Heart MUSIC Songs with a message



Harford First Congregational Church
5016 Creek Road, Harford PA
Saturday, Oct. 19th at 7:00PM



True Heart Christian Music



Council Minutes
10-24-19

Financial Secretary: Only 13 Pledges have come in so far.

Treasurer: The General Fund is significantly under-funded at this time. The NEP bill has increased due to the upgrade to a higher internet speed.

Christian Education: Sunday School attendance has been sparse.

-The lesson on creation was finished. The first sin: Cain and Abel were talked about briefly. The next lesson will be on Noah and the Ark.

- The title of this year's Christmas pageant is, " Donkey's Journey ". Rehearsals for the pageant will begin next month with any children who are available to participate.

-The two Bibles we are currently using to help tell the stories are: The Beginner's Bible and My First Read and Learn Bible. They are both written so that kids can read and understand them.

-We will send home handouts and a synopsis of what has been covered once a month.

-The next meeting is November 3, 2019 at 9:00 A.M.

Choir: Robert & Kandy are buying new music that better fits the current choir. Working on Advent music.

Clerk: Currently researching one family's ancestry request.

Church Cupboard: Serving two families and 3 individuals.

Cradle Roll: Sent age appropriate Christian books to two 1-year-olds, two 2-year-olds and two three-year-olds. The three-year-olds were invited to Sunday School since they are aging out of Cradle Roll.

Deacons: Grandparent's Day and the Children's Sabbath will be rescheduled at a later date due to the amount of activities planned for the rest of the year. Possibly due together in order to have the children lead the service for the grandparents on April 26, 2020.

Advent Music- Mr. Fisher has sent a suggestion Light of Light: A Candle Lighting Ceremony of Advent. Deacon's like this choice, so Pastor Will report back to Choir.

Special Worship Events-

Potluck Dinner with Dr. Reverend Bonnie Bates was well attended. We will have potluck dinner next year as needed or when there are special guests.

October 12th-Pet Blessing is 9-11:00am.

October 27th-Bless for Success Pet Adoption Blessing with True Friends.

November 3rd- Financial and Treasurer Recognition

November 24th- Tree Lighting. Theme will be "Gratitude Tree." We will have ornaments for the community members to write on (with permanent marker) what they are grateful for. We will narrate what we are grateful for and ask others to share if they choose. If weather is bad, we can collect ornaments and share in the lecture hall.

November 3rd-All Saints Day. Please send the names of those you would like to have remembered to Judy.

Nursery- Bonnie will be more aware of young children in the church that may need to use the nursery. Eight Baskets have gone out to new members in our community.

Deacon's Budget for 2020- we are asking to increase our budget to \$600.

Deacons please let Kay know if you can't make it to a meeting.

Christmas Card Signing- After worship. We have decided to do that again a date will be decided at the next meeting. Next Meeting will be November 11, 2019 at 7:00pm in the Pastor's Office.

Game On: Went to Zembrzycki's farm and had a great time.

November 1, 2019 is the Teens and Troopers Basketball Game at Mountainview at 6:00.

We are doing gift wrapping for Cerebral Palsy December 7, 2019 at Viewmont Mall from 12:00-4:00.

Historian: No Report

Missionary:

-CareNet: Four people attended the CareNet Banquet. The \$150 was donated to the program. The program was fantastic.

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-Disaster Kits: Collecting items for Clean Up kits and Hygiene Kits. We will assemble the kits on November 22, 2019 at 4:00. The youth will help.

-Bake Sale for Disaster Kits: The bake sale will be November 5, 2019 during the election at the Fire Hall.

-Christmas letter for Japanese sister churches: We will take pictures during the Christmas Tree Lighting.

-Next meeting will be November 19 2019.

Nominating: No Report.

Pastor Relations: Next meeting December 2 at 8:00am.

Stewardship: No Report.

Trustees:

-Leaf guards have been installed.

-Roof leak has still not been addressed by BSR.

-Painting has been completed on the lecture hall.

-There is a leak over the main entrance of the church that is new and may have been caused by the installation of the new leaf guards.

-Gary Housel and Bill Chichester pressure washed the mold and mildew from Northeast side of the new building.

-Trustees reviewed the budget for 2020.

Willing Workers: Roast Beef Dinner is November 23, 2019 from 3:00-6:30. Tickets are \$12. Delivery is available, call the church office to set it up.

Next Big Group meeting is November 6, 2019 at 1:00.

Pastor's Report:

- Enjoyed an afternoon with GAME ON at [Zembrzycki's farm](#)
- Working with Tammy Stout on more youth events, including the upcoming community basketball game with our kids and State Troopers
- Worked with the Stewardship Committee to finalize our original campaign, *The Word is a Lamp* which is also our October sermon series
- Made three visits to congregation or community members hospitalized this month
- Have met twice with a home health nurse and someone from our congregation
- Attended the ministerium meeting where we discussed possible Advent worship ideas in the future
- Presided at the Pet Blessing on October 12 (other pets can be blessed at a convenient time for "pet parents")
- Presided at the committal service of Richard Berish
- Officiated the wedding of Kurt and Tatiana (Lamberson) MacDowall at Lake Wallenpaupack
- Will officiate at the wedding of Patricia Bowman and Dylan Rockwell on October 26 here in our church
- My Junior High students will be working as a class for Operation Christmas Child
- My students arranged the extra stone that was just beyond the Memorial Garden and made a large cross on the ground
- My class also went through town and passed out Hershey chocolate bars wrapped with a verse and our church's name
- Working with Craig Stout to finalize the 2019 Christmas Tree lighting service
- One of my local newspaper columns was denied and then accepted by the paper's editor (There's a story behind the story about Halloween and safety)
- Grateful for the monthly Pastor check-in time with Rev. Dr. Bonnie Bates
- Happy a good number traveled down to the Carey's to sing Happy Birthday to Rupert
- I sent drafts of the first two chapters of my dissertation and have received outstanding reviews from my advisor and writing coach
- Met with a MV grad who is now a college senior about youth and ministry
- Lunch before the October Bible Studies really worked, and I'm grateful to *all* who appreciated the food and study
- Please hold in prayer those on our prayer chain
- Vacation November 9-23

**All Annual Reports must be submitted to Office
by December 20, 2019**

Our Outreach Programs

Stewardship - Outreach

Church	Harford	Wider Community	USA and World
Soup Ministry	Community Dinner	Summer Lunch Box	Disaster Kits
Card Ministry	Ice Cream Ministry	Cocoa Collection	Nicaraguan Missionaries
Cookie Ministry	Community Festival	Clothing Collection	OCWM
Game-On	Christmas Tree Lighting	Interfaith Christmas Tags	Japan Sister Churches
Sunday School	Visiting/Support Shut-Ins	Trehab Support	Nicaragua-Sustainable Food Prgm
		Ugly Quilts	
		Fair	
		CareNet	
		Women's Resource Center	
		Feed a Friend	
Bible Studies	Support of Local/State Police Lenten Services →		Nicaragua Sewing Project
Church Cupboard	→		Least Coin Ministry
Willing Workers/Funeral Dinners	→		Operation Christmas Child
Animal Resource Center	→		
Pet Blessings	→		
Scouts	→		

Roast Beef Dinner

November 23, 2019

Serving will start at 3:00 P.M.

until 6:30 P.M.

Harford First Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

Tickets—\$12.00 adult

\$5.00 Children (5-12)

Children under 5 FREE

Advanced tickets available

by calling the church office at 434-2260

Sponsored by the Willing Workers

Take-Outs starting at 3:00 P.M.





ARC (Animal Resource Center) - Pet Blessing

There are so many things in life which make us feel blessed, like experiencing the vibrant colors of fall leaves across the mountainside or having the warm embrace of a friend when you need it most. A.D. Williams wrote “When I look into the eyes of an animal I do not see an animal. I see a loving being. I see a friend. I feel a soul.” Much like A.D. Williams, we were blessed this past Saturday to be able to host the annual pet blessing for our beloved friends whom we share this Earth with. A big thank you to those who took the time to come out with their special pets in order to receive a blessing. Blessings are given to our pets for many reasons - health, happiness, longevity and just because. After all, they are God’s creatures, both great and small. This past Saturday’s events brought other perks as well...the camaraderie of fellow pet owners getting together on a beautiful fall day to chat about something in common plus a special visit from Kit, an adoptable dog. from Laura’s Hope Rescue. All pets in attendance were given a loving, special and unique blessing of their own from Pastor Will. There were a few surprises including some unique pets in attendance. It was also later announced that Kit had a good application and should be going to her FURever home this coming week! Prayers and blessing really do work! AMEN! ARC looks forward to continuing such ministry throughout the year.

Pet Blessing

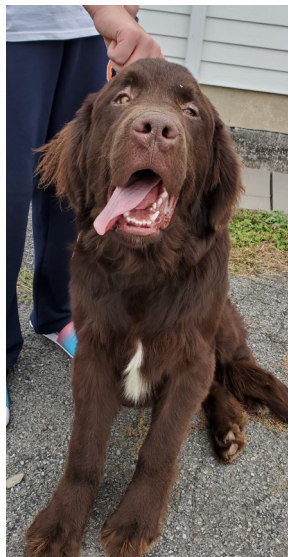
10/12/2019

9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m

First Congregational UCC
Harford



Lulu



Denali



Parsley



Roo



Savanah

Dear Congregation,

Will invites you to read this mid-October letter sent from Rev. Dr. Bonnie Bates, our Conference Minister. Here Bonnie writes about who—and what—is the UCC. Bonnie also speaks about our unique covenantal relationships on the local and national levels. Give it a read! Something here may be new to you, or may inspire you.

Friends,

More than anything else, in my role as Conference Minister, I explain UCC polity and our covenantal relationships with each other. Not surprisingly, in a world where top-down decisions are the norm, our grassroots decision-making in covenant confuses people. We will be offering a congregational polity information session next winter/spring, but in essence let me share a simple definition of our covenantal relationships among and between the various settings of the church.

The primary setting in the United Church of Christ is the local congregation. As such, congregations have their own governing process, rules, policies and decision-making authority. Yet, they do not make decisions in a vacuum. Congregations promise, through our covenant, to consider the needs of the conference and national setting of the church in their decisions. That covenant promise means that the conference and national setting share information with the local congregations and the congregations promise to listen, respect and discuss that information prior to making their decisions.

As a conference, our role is to support the local congregations in a variety of ways. We offer support for the authorization and standing of ministers, the standing of congregations, program support, training support, and when possible fiscal support for local congregations and ministers. As a conference we, too, are required to listen, respect, and discuss information from the local congregations and the national setting prior to making our decisions. As a conference, we gain information from congregations through surveys, shared comments, delegates at conference meetings, and at program events. We gain information from the national setting through newsletters, conversations with the national staff, Council of Conference Minister meetings, and General Synod.

As a national setting, the role of the UCC is to be the public voice of the denomination, to be ecumenical partners nationally and internationally, and to support and resource the conferences and local congregations. The national setting also needs to listen, respect, and discuss information from local congregations and conferences prior to making its decisions. The national setting gains information through surveys, Council of Conference Minister meetings, shared comments, and the General Synod.

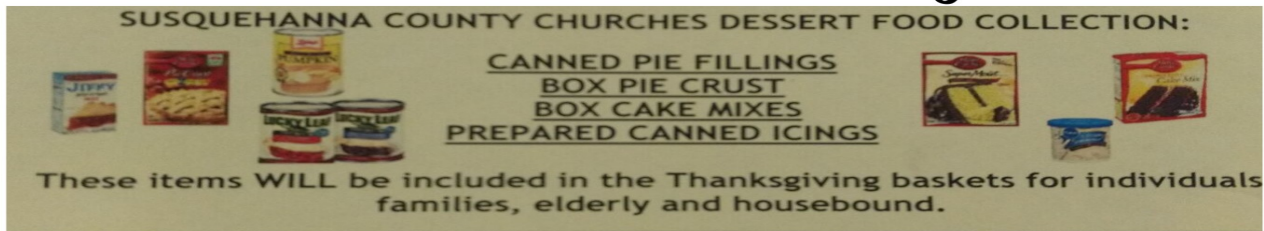
Really the concepts of listening, striving to understand, and respecting the multiple voices within the denomination is everyone's responsibility. That is one of the reasons that the United Church of Christ does not have a Book of Discipline or a Book of Order. We make promises, covenants, with one another. We are not required to agree, but we are required to listen, respect and strive to understand. We do not make decisions from "on-high" but with the constituencies gathered as the Body of the Church and the Body of Christ. Sometimes this takes longer. Sometimes this is confusing. However, with practice we learn to be in partnership and in dialogue with one another. Watch for the upcoming information sessions.

God bless you,

Bonnie

Stewardship will have a basket in the Gathering Room for donating dessert foods to Trehab and Feed a Friend until November 10th.

Thank you!



Help!!!! We need all types of fabric for craft projects for the log cabin next year! Please call or text Holli Chichester at 301-643-1775 if you have fabric that you could donate.



Coats for the Community

St Marks Church in New Milford will be giving away coats on Nov 7 and Nov 8, 10:00 to 2:00.

If you are in need of a coat feel free to stop in at St. Marks on November 7 or 8 to pick out a coat.

If you have a coat at home that is perhaps too small, too large but in still good condition and is taking up space in your closet, please feel free to leave it at the office **by November 5** and Judy will transport the coats to St. Marks.

Thank you.



Disaster Kits

We will be collecting items to make Hygiene and Clean Up Kits for Disaster Relief. Please donate items for these kits or donate funds and we will shop. We are collecting items and funds now until November 17th.

Assembly Date: November 22, 2019 4:00

CWS Hygiene Kit - Supplies needed: 55

- One hand towel approximately 15"x 28" to 16"x 32" (no fingertip, bath, dish towel or micro-fiber)**
- One washcloth**
- One wide-tooth comb removed from the package**
- One finger nail or toe nail clipper removed from the package**
- One bath size bar of soap in the wrapper**
- One toothbrush in the package**
- Ten standard size Band-aids**

CWS Emergency Cleanup Buckets - Supplies needed:

- One five-gallon bucket with re-sealable lid**
- Four scouring pads**
- Seven sponges, including one large**
- One scrub brush**
- Eighteen reusable cleaning towels (e.g. Easy Wipes)**
- One 50 oz. or two 25 oz. bottle(s) of liquid laundry detergent**
- One 16-28 oz. bottle of liquid disinfectant dish soap**
- One 12-16 oz. bottle of household cleaner to be mixed with water (no spray bottles)**
- One package of 48-50 clothespins**
- Clothesline, two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.**
- Five dust masks**
- Two pairs non surgical latex gloves**
- One pair work gloves, cotton with leather palm or all leather**
- 24-28 heavy duty/contractor type 30-45 gallon trash bags on a roll and removed from carton**
- One 6-9 oz. bottle of non-aerosol insect repellent**

All cleaning items must be new!!

Bake Sale for Disaster Relief

The Missionary Group is sponsoring a bake sale on Election Day, November 5th. It will be held at the Fire Hall in Harford from 7:00am- 5:00. All proceeds will go to support our mission to help provide Disaster Relief to areas effected by hurricane Dorian and other disasters. It is hard to imagine living in an area that is completely destroyed and without a way to get supplies. We are looking for people that would be willing to bake items and people willing to help man the bake sale. Sign-up sheets are in the gathering room.

Please contact Holli Chichester if you have questions at 301-643-1775 or 570-851-5109 or hollischichester@gmail.com.



**Thank You
Dorothy Greene
for the beautiful
artwork!!!!**

Psalm 42

*As the deer pants for streams of water,
so my soul pants for you, my God.
My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.*

Artwork by: Dorothy Greene

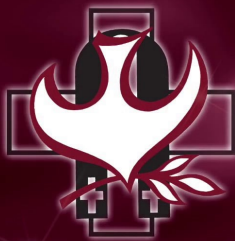
Bell Choir Rebirth!!!!!!

Bob DeLuca has graciously volunteered to conduct a bell choir.
The Bell Choir will meet Mondays at the church balcony at 7:30.

We need 3 more people to complete our 3 octave bell choir.
Please call or email Bob if you would be interested in participating.



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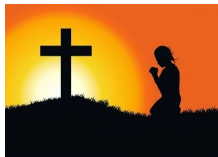


All Saints' Sunday

We are celebrating All Saints Day on November 3, 2019.
Please submit to the office name or names of those you'd
like remembered this year. Thank you. May God bless the
loves you remember.

firstch@nep.net

570-434-2260



Prayer Concerns

Nicholas (Great Grandson of the Weidemans)

Patrick Simons

Scott Klenk

Heather Warren

Sandy Zupanovich

Christian Kuhar

Mary Jane Genneken

Sandy Paolucci

Brandi & Dave

Larry Herbert

Paula Millard and family on the death of her
grandmother June Germain

Missy Clarkson

Helen Foster

Newly married Tatiana and Kurt MacDowell

Family of Richard Berish

Rock Estabrook

Richard Arnold

Family of Bethany Millard

Joe Batzel and family

Jessica Miller

Evan Clarkson

our nation under God

our government

Aspen Batzel

Barbara Weideman

John Butler

Corinne Chichester and job search

Sharon Frantz

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TEENS VS TROOPERS

Friday, Nov 1st

6 pm

Mountain View HS

**Our State Troopers are
bringing their game!
ALL are welcome !**

turkey trot fun for kids

**Contact Tammy Stout 570-396-7081 by
Oct. 25th to register your teen /pre-teen to
participate**

*Concession proceeds benefit local
youth outreach*

Correspondence

Hi. Please put a note in the Spire thanking everyone for the cards and prayers due to my recent concussion.

Thanks! Brad

Happy fall, hope you're enjoying, I ask to be kept in your prayers. I had total knee replacement in August and I am having complications to deal with.

Love and miss all of my church family. JoAnn Grimes

Please accept with thanks and appreciation of those of us at Rupert Carey's to the ones from First Church who made the time and effort to visit Rupert after worship on October 20, bringing food and well wishes for Rupert's 90th Birthday on October 24.

Dear Church Friends,

How I love my lady bug towel and dish pad! It makes me smile each time I use it. It reminds me of each and everyone of you special people!

I have many adjustments to make in this adventure and I know my faith and my friends will help me along!

Thanks, Thanks.

Joyce Berish

Interfaith Christmas Tags



We will be receiving 25 tags from Interfaith on November 11. These tags are for children in Susquehanna County. If you are interested in receiving a tag, please contact Judy and she will add you to the list.

Thank you.

Judy

Gift Wrapping for Cerebral Palsy

at the Viewmont Mall

from 12-4 on

December 7, 2019

Contact Tammy Stout to help

570-396-7081



Worship Assistants

Greeters

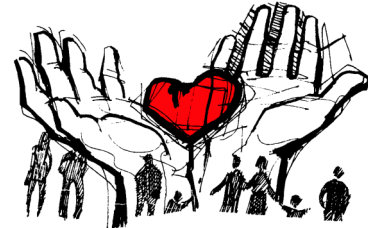
November 03, 2019 Dottie Hagenbuch
November 10, 2019 Anita Millard
November 17, 2019 Lee Ann Colwell
November 24, 2019 Peg Empet

Readers

November 03, 2019 Paula Millard
November 10, 2019 Gus Ferrara
November 17, 2019 Alice Archer
November 24, 2019 Ginny Ahearn

Ushers

November 03, 2019 Ken and Betty Lou Bennett
November 10, 2019 Loren and Linda Robinson
November 17, 2019 Gus Ferrara and George Lotter
November 24, 2019 Tanner Stout and Ethan Rodriguez



Memorial Plaque Information

Are you interested in having a plaque attached to the memorial stone in the memorial garden? One may have a plaque ordered by doing the following:
Cost---\$25.00



Send check (made out to First Congregational-UCC) along with name of person and the year of birth and the year they passed away to the office.

The office will then proceed to order the plaque and have it placed on the stone.
Thank you.

Home Bound

The Carey Family

Dorothy Greene

Catherine Escandel

Barbara Pease



Notice: Please send all material for December and January to be included in the Spire to Firstchurchspire@gmail.com

by the 15th of November



**Community Tree
Lighting**

**Sunday, Nov.
24th**

Carolling at 5:30pm

Tree lighting at 6:00pm

**First Congregational Church-
Harford**

**Let's join together and give
thanks around our Community
Tree!**

Directory update

Joyce Berish
Apt. 302
834 Shaker Drive
Lebanon, OH 45036
513-970-1008



November Birthdays



November 02	Evan Clarkson	November 20	Robert Schulte
November 04	Coe Masters		Vivian Rutherford
	George Lotter	November 21	Brian Tyler
November 06	Sue Needham	November 25	Tatiana Lamberson MacDowall
	Rich Masters	November 26	Damien Cook
November 10	Twila Williams	November 27	Irv and Sue Needham
November 11	Mark and Pam Lewis	November 29	Paula Adams
	Kari Lynn Zupanovich		
November 14	Peggy Smith		
November 16	Julie Kesten		



"IN LOVING MEMORY OF
TOM RUTHERFORD"

VIVIAN RUTHERFORD

Spire Sponsors

We **need Sponsors** to help us cover the cost of printing and mailing the Spire. Please let us know if you can help.

The sponsorship can be in Memory or in Honor of someone or just a donation.

Mailing costs approximately \$75/month.

GAME ON

A group of 10 kids and several adults gathered for an afternoon of fun at Zembrzycki's Corn Maze in Herrick Center on October 5th.

The day of simple fun included the kids attempting to find all of the clues in the corn maze, burying each other in a shed full of corn kernels, climbing on hay bales and sitting around a bon fire while mastering the skill of popping popcorn, campfire style. No bonfire would be complete without roasting hot dogs and marshmallows while enjoying fellowship time with Pastor Will!



November 2019

December 2019

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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