

First Church of Winsted

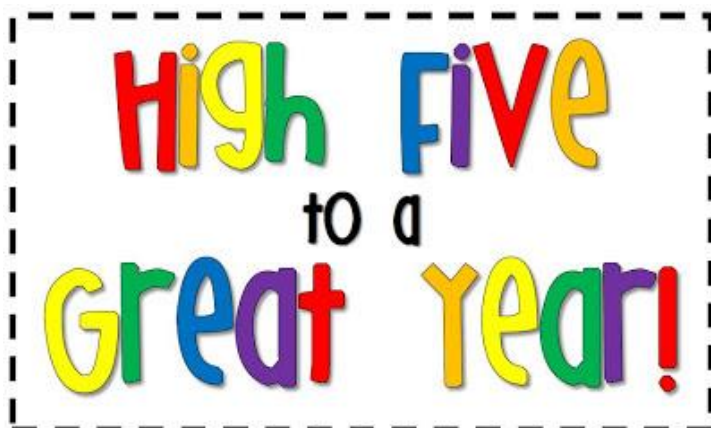
Come as you are...

Leave transformed!

BELLRINGER

Come...be uplifted by the
Spirit and strive to follow
God's path for you!

RALLY DAY!



Mark your calendars for our Sunday School Rally Day!

As we begin to think about starting a new school year, we at First Church are gearing up for our Sunday School Rally Day to be held on Sunday, September 9, 2018 at the 10:00 am worship service. We will re-register and meet our teachers. Immediately following the morning worship, we will gather for a "pot luck" lunch to catch up on all the fun things we did this summer. So, plan to join us and bring a dish to share!

We are also in need of teachers for the Jr.-Sr. High School group and substitutes to help throughout the year. If you may be interested in either of these positions, you can speak with Barbara Mazzei or Ashley Fontanez, members of the Board of Christian Education.

I wish to thank all the students who made the effort to attend Sunday School during the summer months. We averaged between 5-12 students throughout the last two months. Some Sundays we outnumbered the adults! We look forward to seeing everyone in September!



SEPTEMBER 2018

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September

**Worship Services
Begin at 10:00 AM**

Church News...



In July, Kyle Jones received his Master of Science in Sports Leadership and Coaching from Western New England University, while serving as an assistant coach for the past 3 years for the WNE football team. In August Kyle began his first season coaching football at Stonehill College. He will serve as defensive line coach for the 2018 season.



New Feature! Parent's Brag Page

As the new school year begins - am reaching out on behalf of the BOCE.

We understand that commitments to school, jobs, sports, etc. ..Or moving out of town/ state make it difficult to see everyone as often as we'd like.

This is going to be an interesting and exciting time of change and growth in the coming months and years at First Church.

But we are trying to be more current and informed of what the future of our congregation and future of the community are up to even if we don't see them :)

(Facebook only tells so much of the story ;))

In my mind I'm still a "youth" lol but I'm talking about your high school age, college age, 20's etc... lord I am too old...

Anyways...

Please brag on your kids!

- new schools, new jobs, accomplishments, adventures, achievements etc. ..?

AND Please submit pictures and places that your families visited during the summer...or where your kids headed out to this fall? Send to: info@firstchurchofwinsted.org

We would love to stay in contact with everyone! Parents Brag Page (or Grandparents) will be a new addition to the Bellringer!

Thanks!-blessings

Ashley



"September days have the warmth of summer in their briefer hours, but in their lengthening evenings a prophetic breath of autumn. The cricket chirps in the noontide, making the most of what remains of his brief life. The bumblebee is busy among the clover blossoms of the aftermath, and their shrill and dreamy hum hold the outdoor world above the voices of the song birds, now silent or departed."
- September Days by Rowland E. Robinson, Vermont.

August Anniversaries...



33 Years - Rich and Barbara



19 Years - Duane and Brandy



34 Years – Gary and Debbie



*When you're finished changing,
you're finished.*

-Benjamin Franklin

*Change is the law of life. And those
who look only to the past or present
are certain to miss the future.*

-John F. Kennedy

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Summer is over... and it's time for kids to go back to school!

For some children, this is an exciting season full of new friends and new adventures. For some, it is a nervous season, full of anxiety about new beginnings.

It is true that I am not walking a child to a school bus, or making school lunches, or carpooling, or making sure my child is adequately prepared for the first day of school. It comes with having an Empty Nest. However, a lot of my friends and co-workers are planning, preparing and then perhaps pushing that child out the door to start another school year. We all need a little encouragement as we start new adventures in life whether it is the start of school for children, teachers, administration, nurses or custodians. Keep those folks in our prayers as they embark on this new school year.

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it." Proverbs 22:6

Coming up on September 9th will be our "Rally Day" at First Church; the official beginning of our fall Sunday school program. We will be having a Pot Luck lunch after the service for everyone to share in. Please bring a dish and join us as we celebrate the Sunday school program and break bread together. It is always fun to see what smorgasbord we can come up with!

We are still looking for someone to teach the Jr. and Sr. High group; you can always share a teaching position with someone so that you will also be able to attend church on the off Sundays. And we are also always looking for a list of those folks who could substitute teach if needed. Please contact Barbara Mazzei if you are interested.

Please join us in welcoming The Reverend Raymond Odiorne who will be sharing the Word with us on Sunday. The Rev. Odiorne is a UCC ordained minister. He comes from Waterbury, CT and was ordained in 1971. He has served parishes in VT, Maine and CT. Rev. Odiorne has worked as a pastoral counselor and served as numerous interim ministry positions. Our Scripture reading is James 1:17-27 and the sermon is titled "What's Love Got to Do With It?"

I saw this recently and thought I would share it: "You can't pick the hand you're dealt, but you can choose how you play your cards"

Blessings,

Debby Kane



Mayonnaise Cake

This mayonnaise cake will beat out any of your other chocolate cake recipes!

INGREDIENTS

- 1 ½ cups of mayonnaise
- 3 cups flour
- 1 ½ cups sugar
- ⅓ cup cocoa
- 2 ¼ teaspoons of baking powder
- 1 ½ teaspoons of baking soda
- 1 ½ teaspoons of vanilla extract
- 1 ½ cups of water

DIRECTIONS

- Grease two cake pans (9 x 1 ½) and heat oven to 350 degrees.
- In a large bowl mixed together the flour, sugar, cocoa, baking powder, and baking soda).
- Add in the mayonnaise and stir to combine. Slowly stir in the water.
- Finally add in the vanilla extract and stir until smooth.
- Pour mixtures equally into both pans.
- Bake for 30 minutes or until you can insert a toothpick and have it come out clean. Remove from oven and allow to cool.
- Finish with your favorite chocolate icing. Enjoy!

Carmel fudge icing

- 1⅓ cup butter
- 1 cup brown sugar(firmly packed)
- 1¼ cup milk
- Over very low heat. Stir and bring to boil (boil 2 min.). cool until hand can be held on bottom pan.
- Stir in 2cups powdered sugar one at a time.
- Add 1 1½ T vanilla. beat until smooth and creamy.

VACATION PICS...



Storrs family – at Niagara Falls (second honeymoon with children?)



Blische Family – Wells, Maine!



Cassaday Family – Cheboygan, Michigan!



Choir participation is more than just singing and practicing. It is also a fellowship group where members share in life together. Please consider joining in this experience, no matter what your age is, what part you sing, or how well you read music—or don't read music. (It's not a requirement!) The Worship Choir, intended for Youths and Adults (grades 6 and up) rehearses on Tuesday evenings at 5:30 pm, and sings on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays.

If you have questions about joining worship choirs, please don't hesitate to contact Tricia Wu, Worship Choir Director.

**Worship Choir Rehearsals will resume at 5:30 pm on Tuesday's, September 4, 11, 18, 25
Sunday's, September 2, 16 and 30 @ 9:30 am**

Laurel City Singers Open to New Members...

*Do you LOVE to sing?
Come and join us!*

It's that time of year again!

Laurel City Singers will begin rehearsals shortly. The meet at 7:00 pm at First Church. Time and Date TBA.

We will also be collecting food for our area food bank at the concert.

If you are interested in joining us, there are voluntary dues of \$10 and a \$25 deposit for music (checks will be held and returned after concert) and we ask that you bring your own black binder. We will also ask that you start thinking of businesses or individuals willing to place an ad in our program.

To Join LCS, please call Deb Storrs 860-482-3491 or email denisetorson@hotmail.com.



September 8, 2018

Featured Performers

6:00 – Open Mic – Sign-up night of event
 6:30 Federico Balducci
 7:00 Juan DeGuzman
 7:30 Julian Sherwood
 8:00 Dark Horse
 8:30 Eric Paradine
 9:00 Jim Palermo & Thomas Hooker Hanford
 9:30 David Alan

*Free Will Offering
 in support of
 Children's Mission*

Mexican Night!
 In the Café

*Build your own Burrito: Choice of Fillings (Vegetarian Options) . . . \$7.00
 Served with choice of sides and salad \$10.00
 Dinner Salad \$6.00
 Desserts \$2.00 ~ Beverages \$1.00*

Steam Vent Coffee House – giving musicians a relaxed and friendly place to share their talents with friends and neighbors. Our extended mission is to promote and encourage local musicians and provide entertainment to the Northwest Corner while raising funds in support of our children's mission activities.

FIRST CHURCH OF WINSTED

95 NORTH MAIN STREET

STEAM VENT Café

Selling Light Themed Dinners, Desserts

And Beverages from 6-8 PM

SEPT 8th – Mexican Night

OCT 6th – Chinese Night

NOV 10th – Fall Soup & Salad Night

Menu Subject to Change

Come early to support our budding musicians!!

*Peyton will
 preview her
 new song,
 "Just Be You"
 during open
 mic!*



*Ethan & Riley
 will perform
 their new song,
 "The Journey"
 during open
 mic!*

FALL SEASON PERFORMERS

SEPTEMBER 8TH

Open Mic 6-6:30

6:30 – Federico Balducci
 7:00 – Juan DeGuzman
 7:30 – Julian Sherwood
 8:00 – Dark Horse
 8:30 – Eric Paradine
 9:00 – Palermo & Hanford
 9:30 – David Alan

OCTOBER 6TH

Open Mic 6-6:30



6:30 – Betsy Glassman
 7:00 – Ken Storrs
 7:30 – Nancy Johnson
 8:00 – Blue Yonder
 8:30 – Dave Kenna
 9:00 – Silk-n-Steel
 9:30 – Jean Recchia

NOVEMBER 10TH

Open Mic 6-6:30

6:30 – Bill Buttner
 7:00 – Addy Punkin
 7:30 – Bill Benson
 8:00 – Paula Ryan
 8:30 – Melanie Michaud
 9:00 – Joel Blumert
 9:30 – Klerks

Upcoming Events

<i>Celebrate With Us...</i>		<i>Looking Forward</i>	
Sunday - 10 am Tuesday - 5:30 pm Wednesday - 7:30 pm Thursday - 6:00 - 9:00 pm Thursday - 5:00 pm	Worship Service Rehearsal - Worship Choir AA / Alanon Meetings Rehearsal - Laurel City Singers Girl Scouts	Sept 3 Sept 8 Sept 9 Oct 6 Oct 13	Labor Day Steam Vent RALLY DAY Steam Vent Tag Sale
		<i>Board Meetings</i>	
		PM Board Board of Christian Ed Deacons Cabinet Meeting	Sept 2 at 11:15 Sept 11 Sept 16 at 11:15 Sept 25 at 7:00
			

★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

*Karl Janak
 *Nika Benson
 03 - Brittany Blische
 08 - Duane Blische
 09 - Owen Marvin
 10 - Beth McCusker
 11 - Kelly McAllister
 13 - Lisa Relihan
 14 - Alec Marvin
 20 - John Eggering
 20 - Liam McAllister
 20 - Danny McAllister
 21 - Ann Jones
 22 - Timothy Hughes
 23 - Melissa McCusker
 26 - Michael Wu
 27 - Chelsea Jarboe
 27 - Wade Roberts
 29 - Mel Lee
 30 - Pam Allen
 30 - Shirley Calkins
 30 - Lisabeth Gustafson
 30 - Sierra McCaw

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

♥ 06 - Bill & Constance Bastenbeck
 ♥ 08 - Bob & Carol Miles
 ♥ 12 - Tony & Tanya Mongitore
 ♥ 20 - Ed & Kathy Weaving
 ♥ 21 - Devin & Hannah McCaw
 ♥ 23 - Sean & Sarah Storrs
 ♥ 26 - Brett & Susan McAllister

To add your birthdate or anniversary to the list, please email Deb Storrs at dstorrs@snet.net

tag sale

OCTOBER 13th ~ 8:00am – 3:00pm

Volunteers are needed to sort on drop off days and during the day of the Tag Sale. Please see Lisa Nanni. We would really appreciate if you could donate an hour or two of your time. Many hands make light work! ☺

***DROP OFF TIMES: Thurs & Fri 10/11-10/12 from 5-8pm
In the Church Dining Room!***

CHRISTMAS FAIR

December 1st 8:00am - 3:00pm



Vendors
Wreathes
Luncheon
Poinsettias
Christmas Trees
Themed Basket Raffle
Christmas Arts & Crafts
First Church
Of Winsted

Never too early to plan your booth for the fair!
See Lisa
Hold this date!





September 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Artist: Karen Delton	Sept Birthstone: Sapphire 	Sept Flower: Aster 	Astrological Signs Virgo: Aug 23 – Sept 22 Libra: Sept 23 – Oct 22	Other September Birthdays Karl Janak Nika Benson		1
2 Worship Service 10:00 am Worship Choir 9:30 am Worldwide Communion Day PM Board 11:30	3 Labor Day Brittany Blische	4 Worship Choir 5:30	5 AA/Alanon 7:30 pm	6 Girl Scouts 5:00 pm Laurel City Singers 7:00 pm ♥ Bill & Constance Bastenbeck	7	8  STEAM VENT Coffee House 6-10 PM Duane Blische Susannah Hall ♥ Bob & Carol Miles
9 Worship Service 10:00 am Muddy Boots RALLY DAY Potluck Picnic beverages provided Owen Marvin	10 Beth McCusker	11 Worship Choir 5:30 BOCE 6:45 PM Kelly McAllister	12 AA/Alanon 7:30 pm ♥ Tony & Tanya Mongitore	13 Girl Scouts 5:00 pm Laurel City Singers 7:00 pm Lisa Relihan	14 Alec Marvin	15
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30 Worship Service 10:00 am Worship Choir 9:30 am Pam Allen Shirley Calkins Lisabeth Gustafson Sierra McCaw			Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world. -Harriet Tubman			

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by the Spirit and
strive to follow
God's path for you!**



Artist: Karen Delton

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95 North Main Street, Winsted, CT



ALL ARE WELCOME

Sunday Worship - 10:00 AM

Communion - 1st Sunday of Every Month
Sunday School - Nursery Care - During Worship
Coffee Hour - Following Worship

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