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Support Groups at Our Church

Mondays at 7:00 - Women's AA

First Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. - AA Executive

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. - AA

Shoreline Soup Kitchen - Curbside Pick-up, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Today

The flowers are given by Mary Karam in celebration of our high school and college graduates.

Our Ushers are Bevan Crighton and Jim Caronna.

Thank you to Tom Groth for doing the live stream today.

Deacons on Duty for June, 2024

Anne Bartlett is Deacon on Call, Eric Brown is Sanctuary Rep., and Marilyn Guffey has arranged for Lay Readers and Flowers.

This Week - June 9 - 16, 2024

Sunday- Early Worship, 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School & Teen Issues, 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service/Live Stream, 10:00 a.m.
Sacrament of Baptism for Alice Larson
Transitions Academy, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Chancel Handbell Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.
Deacons Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Women's AA, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Transitions Academy, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Exercise Class with Dale, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
CT River Valley Symphonic Band Rehearsal, 6:00 - 9:15 p.m.

Thursday - Transitions Academy, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Valley Shore Clergy, 12:00 p.m.
Shoreline Soup Kitchen, Curb-side Pick-Up, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.
A.A., 7:00 p.m.

Friday - Hope Preschool Pre-K Graduation

Saturday - Deep River Farmers' Market on Marvin Field, 10:00 am - 1:30 p.m.

Sunday - **CONFIRMATION SUNDAY, 10:00 A.M.**
Father's Day
Early Worship, 8:30 a.m.
Sunday School & Teen Issues, 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service/Live Stream, 10:00 a.m.

Birthdays This Week

Grace Taylor, Luther Moen, Melissa Jacobsen (Today); Doug Downey (10); Sara Brennan, Michael Frazier, Lucy Keating, Roger Kern, Fred Onello (11); Haleigh Klein (12); Timothy Wetmore, Emily Duffy (13); Jeffrey DeMichael, Madison Tiezzi (14); Ariana Haut, Rachel Hebert Nathan Van Benschoten, Jason Bjornberg, Vivian Zilinski (15).

Happy Anniversary Cristi & Kevin Downey (12); Alison & Chris Karam (14).

Flowers for Worship

If you volunteer to place flowers in church on a given Sunday, and you do not wish to take them with you, Elizabeth Root has offered to take them and pass on to shut ins from our church, when she makes her visits.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CELEBRATION - LAST CLASS THIS SCHOOL YEAR

Our Sunday School will be holding a celebration this Sunday. Please go into the Sanctuary and sit in the front rows with Sybil. The children will be honoring their teachers and DRCC will be celebrating the children with treats, games and activities! We will leave together during the hymn of dismissal and gather outside for some fun!

+CAMP FIRELIGHT – A SUMMER CAMP ADVENTURE WITH GOD

Join us **August 19 - 23, 2024** for DRCC's Summer Faith Adventures Program! (formerly known as Vacation Bible School); Monday-Friday from 8:30am to 12:30 pm. Activity Stations throughout the week will include crafts, science, Bible stories, music, snacks, plus more at **CAMP FIRELIGHT!**

- No cost to attend
- For children entering Kindergarten thru 7th grade
- All are welcome
- Bring some friends



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! Visit us at www.deeprivercc.org under Youth & Learning; on-line registration available! Contact Sybil or Katie Roberts at 860-526-5045 or email deeprivercongregational@gmail.com with any questions! We look forward to seeing you there! **Closing program will be Friday, August 23 @ 6 p.m.**

Youth & Family News

We have a group going to the UCC Regional Youth Event happening July 28th-31st at Silver Lake. This is open to grades 6-12, so those going into 7th grade in the fall through those who will have recently graduated. The cost is \$375 per person and the church is willing to cover half of the cost, bringing the cost down to \$187.50 a person! Silver Lake is beautiful and they have lots of fun activities planned, as well as service projects. The link to register is here:

<https://www.ultracamp.com/info/sessiondetail.aspx?idCamp=399&campCode=slc&idSession=453171>

Questions? Please contact Chelsea Ehmke: yandfm@deeprivercc.org

Summer Mission Project at Camp Bethel

Join us for **two days of service at Camp Bethel on June 26th and 27th**. We will be doing small projects to help them. This is open to anyone going into **7th grade or older**. **Adults are welcome too**. Camp Bethel is only 10 minutes from us and is a really beautiful location. Even if you have a few hours to spare and help it would be appreciated. Thursday after we get done working we will have a fun gathering all together. If you'd like to participate, please let **Chelsea Ehmke know at yandfm@deeprivercc.org**

PRAYERS ARE NEEDED: The unity of prayers from members and friends of DRCC mean so much to the recipients. You may not know the names, but God knows their needs and circumstances as you lift them up. Contact Kris Lindner (860-526-5045) or officedrcc@deeprivercc.org. If you know someone in need of prayers, please get permission from the person before asking to add their names.

New Requests

Kara (difficult pregnancy)
Mark (cancer treatments)
Chiappa Family (safe travels)
Sheila K (new treatments)
Officer Pelletier's family & Southington community
Marion S. (moving to rehab)
All those families grieving the loss of a loved one
All those around the world affected by natural disasters, violence, war, & political unrest

Long Term Requests:

Claire Rider	Art & Lori
Ed Bushnell	McCarthy Family
Mark Bruscoe	Dottie Davis
Erica	Matt Peno
Jon	Mary Karam
Jerry Clark, Jr.	Noah Krebs
Sharon Netsch (Hospice)	
Kathy & Ron	Carrie
Dale	Ben T.
Conner	Bill Taylor (Hospice)
Lori Wilson	Zachary
Aimee	Benjamin

Continued Prayers

ALL Health Care & Essential Workers, First Responders
Our troops, Veterans & National Guard Residents in nursing homes
Rita Doug LaFaille
Melanie Lynn (addiction)
Janet Kusins Cristi Stroudt
Maureen Donna Sheldon
Nancy & Diane Harper Darrow
Georgia Davis Nathan
Kathy Geraghty Kevin (ALS)
Gretchen Donald Savona
Marion Stiehl Ashley Campbell
Pam Collura Tavis Filacchione
Rev. Lee Ireland Mickey Thompson
Pete & Anne Foster Sheila (new treatment)
Jen C Justin V.

All who are dealing with cancer (Elizabeth C., Sylvia Tiezzi, Abbie, Bohde, Nicole, Tom Foster, Mark, Mason, Robin, Anna, Ralph, Lillian Beardsley, Matthew, Ken Butterworth, , Bailey, Linda, Bob, Sue)

Please review these lists. If you have requested prayers for someone and their status has changed, please contact me in the office. Perhaps prayers have been answered and the name can be removed, or a new need for prayer has come up. I like to keep the lists updated, but I need your help. Thank you so much. Kris

High School and College Graduates

It's hard to believe it is graduation time already! It is customary to publish a list of both our high school and college graduates in the Online Newsletter, Sunday Bulletin Announcements, and the Messenger.

Please give the following information to Kris in the church office 860-526-5045 or officedrcc@deeprivercc.org

For **High School grads:** Name of the high school & Future plans (Armed services, college & major, gap year, trade school, work?)

For **College graduates:** please include the name of the college and major.

If we don't hear from you, we won't be able to include your graduate's information. Thank you!

Shoreline Soup Kitchen & Pantries Update for DRCC

After 29 years of volunteering at the Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries our site coordinator Shirley will be retiring. We thank Shirley for her decades of commitment to this vital community program. Shirley will be retiring in July 2024. She has agreed to help move the soup kitchen from drive up only back to inside dining in our fellowship hall.

The SSKP and Pastor Cheryl are looking for someone to become the Meal Site Coordinator for our Church meal. Our meal is served on Thursday evenings each week and will resume inside dining on July 11th. Volunteers are also needed for setting up, breaking down, and serving on a team to prepare meals. **Contact Pastor Cheryl if you would be interested in serving.**

The Board of Christian Service would like to remind you about the local blood drives. There is always an urgent need.

June Blood Drives

06/10/2024 | 09:00 AM - 02:00 PM - Andrews Memorial Town Hall, 54 East Main Street, Clinton
06/13/2024 | 01:00 PM - 06:00 PM - First Congregational Church, 2 Ferry Road, Old Lyme
06/14/2024 | 12:00 PM - 05:30 PM - Essex Town Hall, 29 West Avenue, Essex
06/14/2024 | 12:00 PM - 05:00 PM - First Church of Christ, 366 Main Street, Old Saybrook
06/19/2024 | 11:00 AM - 04:00 PM - Deep River Congregational Church, 1 Church Street, Deep River

Note that the Board of Christian Service is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive here on Wednesday, June 19th. Volunteers are needed for registration and helping at the canteen. Baked goods and sandwiches are needed for the canteen as well. Please contact Joy Lootsma or any member of the Board of Christian Service if you would like to assist.

Annual August Flea Market

There are spaces available for the **August 17th Flea Market, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** The 20' x 20' spaces sell for \$30.00 each. Contact Kris in the church office if you are interested in renting a space. [Reservation forms and maps are also available on our website.](#)

RaisedRight Announcement

Look for Elizabeth in the Fellowship Hall during the month of June to place orders for gift cards. Use for your own personal use or give to friends and relatives. Purchase as presents for birthdays, anniversaries, or other upcoming celebrations. You can earn money for the church by ordering shopping cards for various brands, but plan ahead for only **one** order will be sent per month.

Need picnic food?

If you need food for summer celebrations and picnics, shop at our local Adams Hometown Market in Deep River, but be sure to see Elizabeth first. She has gift cards you can purchase to buy your groceries and DRCC earns 5% of the card's value! It is a win, win for all!

Contact Elizabeth Root (203-430-1426) or Sybil at ChristianEd@deeprivercc.org for more information or to place an order; we can deliver in the local area.

Community News

The Deep River Historical Society is hosting their annual **Strawberry Festival on Sunday, June 9th, 1:00 - 3:30.** The cost is \$10.00 for Adults and \$5.00 for children under 12.

Peg Breslin, of 21 E. Liberty St. in Chester, is in need of help, emptying her basement, so that she can leave rehab and live in her own home. No heavy lifting is involved. There will be a dumpster at her home on June 22-23, and neighbor, Carol Riordan is coordinating the efforts. You may contact her at 860-879-4473 or riordanhcre@gmail.com

Trinity Lutheran Church in Centerbrook is continuing their **125th Anniversary celebration** with an old-fashioned **Ice Cream Social on Saturday, June 29 from 3:00 - 6:00 p.m.** All are invited! (rain date is Sunday June 30). You may also tour the church facilities and view historical displays in the Fellowship Hall at 4:00, 4:30 and 5:00 p.m.