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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

**Starting July 11 - Meals will be served
inside DRCC at 5p.m. on Thursdays**

Today (July 7, 2024)

The flowers today are given by Jeff & Linda Hostetler.

Our Ushers are Sue Miron and Stu Palmer.

Thank you to Jim Caronna for doing the live stream today.

Deacons on Duty for July 2024

Art Robbins is Deacon on Call, Dave Baucum is Sanctuary Rep., and Stu Palmer is arranging for Lay Readers and Flowers.

This Week: July 7-14, 2024

Sunday- SUMMER WORSHIP, 8:30 a.m. (1 service, live-streamed)

Food Pantry Collection

Monday - Women's AA, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Exercise Class with Dale, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

CT River Valley Symphonic Band Rehearsal, 6:00 - 9:15 p.m.

Wednesday

Thursday - Shoreline Soup Kitchen - Meal served inside at 5:00 p.m.

A.A., 7:00 p.m.

Saturday - Deep River Farmers Market, Marvin Field, 10:00am - 1:30 pm

Sunday - Summer Worship, 8:30 a.m. (1 service, live-streamed)

Birthdays This Week:

Kara Larson, Kathy DeGrand, Sydney Tabor, Marcia Balisciano, Elizabeth Wessoleck (4); Mary Ann Lebert, Janet Kruszewski, Shanna (Munday) Aiken (6); Beth Mesite, Ethan West, Katie (Seymour) Andres (7); Hazel Forristall (8); Cy Higgins, Jim Ressler, Todd LaFaille (9); Peter Jones (10)

Happy Anniversary: Ed & Laura Lorensen (7); Fern & Roger Tryon (8);

Linda & Jeff Hostetler (10)

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.

Deep River Food Pantry Collection on Communion Sundays

It has been a tradition to collect **non-perishable food items** on the first Sunday of each month. Items to leave in the Narthex could include **juice and canned fruit, hearty soups, peanut butter and jelly, tomato sauces, and shelf stable milk**. When you are doing your shopping this week, please include some of these items to bring to church on **Sunday, July 7th**. Thank you so much!

Shoreline Soup Kitchen & Pantries Update

Starting Thursday, July 11, meal service will return to being served inside Deep River Congregational Church each week on Thursday evenings at 5:00pm.

For more information or to become a soup kitchen volunteer, please speak with Pastor Cheryl in person, via text (860-916-4157), email (minister@deeprivercc.org) or phone 860-526-5045.

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! 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

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		Continued Prayers	
Andrea Chiappa		ALL Health Care & Essential Workers, First Responders	
Kris & Tom Lindner		Our troops, Veterans & National Guard Residents in nursing homes	
Curtis		Rita	Doug LaFaille
Kim		Melanie	Lynn (addiction)
Kara (difficult pregnancy)		Janet Kusins	Cristi Stroudt
Mark (cancer treatments)		Maureen	Donna Sheldon
Sheila K (new treatments)		Nancy & Diane	Harper Darrow
All families grieving the loss of a loved one		Georgia Davis	Nathan
All those around the world affected by natural disasters, violence, war, & political unrest		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.
		Cy & Jackie Higgins (house fire)	
		Phil Bjornberg	
		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)	
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		

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

Annual August Flea Market at DRCC

Save the date for the **Annual Flea Market** Saturday, August 17, 8am 2pm!

Live music and more than 80 vendor spaces to browse and shop on the expansive church field and grounds. Stop by the food courtyard for hamburgers hot dogs, beverages and delicious baked goods. The event is held rain or shine.

Vendor spaces are filling up fast. The 20' x 20' spaces are \$30 each. To rent a space, check the DRCC website for a current map of available spaces and to download a vendor reservation form: deeprivercc.org/event/flea-market/ or contact the church office at (860) 526-5045.

The Board of Christian Service reminds you about the local blood drives. There is always an urgent need.

July Blood Drives

- 07/09/2024 | 01:00 PM – 06:00 PM – Killingworth Volunteer Fire Company, 333 Route 81, Killingworth
- 07/09/2024 | 12:00 PM – 05:00 PM - St. Ann Episcopal Church | 82 Shore Road, Old Lyme
- 07/10/2025 | 01:00 PM – 06:00 PM – American Legion Post 66, 82 West Main St., Clinton
- 07/15/2024 | 12:00 PM - 06:15 PM - Westbrook Elks Lodge, 142 Seaside Avenue, Westbrook
- 07/16/2024 | 12:00 PM - 05:30 PM - Essex Town Hall, 29 West Avenue, Essex
- 07/18/2024 | 12:00 PM - 05:00 PM - St. Peters Church, 30 Saint Peter Lane, Higganum
- 07/18/2024 | 01:30 PM - 06:00 PM - East Haddam Senior Center, 15 Great Hillwood Road, Moodus
- 07/19/2024 | 11:00 AM - 04:30 PM - Saybrook Point Pavilion, 155 College St., Old Saybrook
- 07/24/2024 | 12:45 PM - 06:00 PM - Deep River Ambulance Association, 284 West Elm Street, Deep River
- 07/25/2024 | 08:30 AM - 06:00 PM - Lutheran Church of Madison, 9 Britton Lane, Madison
- 07/30/2024 | 12:00 PM - 05:00 PM - VFW of Old Saybrook, 315 Essex Road, Old Saybrook
- 07/30/2024 | 01:00 PM - 06:00 PM - Madison Senior Center, 29 Bradley Rd., Madison

Announcement for RaiseRight (formerly GL Scrips)

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

Orders Due by July 28

When sending your loved one a college care package in August, remember to tuck in a gift card! It is always exciting to receive a package or letter from home when you are away at college and by adding a gift card you are sending a special message of caring. If you are uncertain of their nearby stores, we have Visa cards so students can purchase items they need even textbooks at the campus store. You can also purchase gift cards as presents for birthdays, anniversaries, or other upcoming celebrations. What a great way to support the church, as a percentage of the face value of each card goes directly to DRCC!

ADAMS GIFT CARDS

We also have **Adams Gift Cards** readily available each week in \$25, \$50 or \$100 increments for your groceries or as gifts, and DRCC earns 5% of the card value. Contact Elizabeth Root (203-430-1426) or email Sybil at ChristianEd@deeperivercc.org to place an order; we can deliver in the local area.

COUNTRY DELIGHTS IS LOOKING FOR.....

The Country Delights booth at the Christmas Faire will be making baskets that contain items from Ireland, Portugal, & Scotland. If you have authentic items from these countries that are in great condition and you are willing to part with, please bring in and give them to Elizabeth Root or leave outside of Sybil's office.