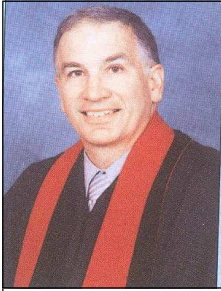


June



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### THOTS FROM TOM

By the time you read this, it will be June! Summer is right around the corner. I hope you can use the summer season to regroup and relax. Worship will continue every Sunday. Summer worship is different than what is experienced during the rest of the year. The choir is not singing, and the services are shorter. Many of you who attend worship in the summer have said that you enjoy the change of pace. Come and experience summer worship and bring a friend!

I will be away for my annual vacation from July 1 until July 31, but the Diaconate has filled the pulpit in my absence with very capable people. I will be back doing worship in August, and will be engaging in some study leave time weekdays, from August 1 until August 21. I will be in and out of the office and handling emergencies as they arise during those weeks.

I want to thank the congregation again for their outreach to me through my sister's illness. I did visit her for two days in April, and for three days in May, and I greatly appreciated the opportunity. As I write this she is in the hospital again; her illness is relentless. I hope to visit her again during my vacation time in July. These moments are precious.

On another note the church had a very successful and meaningful visioning workshop last month, during which we fleshed out some goals for mission outreach. Many of you desire that the church engage in local mission, and that has been taken seriously. The church leadership is eager to embrace projects that will energize and embrace all

of us in reaching out to our neighbors in Christian love. Additionally, we are eagerly looking to expand our horizons in worship with the formation of a new worship team which will have as its charge the embracing of different worship styles and music that will inspire and energize the congregation. There is much to look forward to!

Peace,

Tom

*Please join us as we celebrate*

**Iva Turner's 95th Birthday!!!**



*Friday, June 18<sup>th</sup> 2-4pm*  
*The Congregational Church,*  
*East Hampton*  
*All are welcome!*



## COSA

**Blankets Plus** (Formerly called Tools & Blankets) COSA will have Father's Day cards available June 6 and June 20. A \$5 donation per card will be sent to Church World Service's Blankets Plus Project. For over 60 years, Church World Service has worked in partnership with local communities to identify their needs and access the resources they need to build the foundation for a more viable future, including:

- Blankets, tents, food and other emergency Supplies in the wake of a disaster
- Tools & seeds for refugees returning home to replant their fields
- Wells for families living in drought prone areas to provide clean, safe water to drink and to irrigate crops and gardens
- Literacy training and microcredit for women struggling to realize their potential

*\$210 was raised by your donations for the Mother's Day cards honoring or in memory of a loved one.*

*Our thanks go out to you for your generosity!*

### Donation made by...

- Mitzi Tuttle – *in honor of Doreen Fasolo*
- Jeanette Knotek – *in honor of Teri Schlosser*
- Ann Nichols – *in honor of Kristie Nichols*
- Ann Nicols – *in honor of Emily Nichols*
- Ann Nichols – *in honor of Imelda Slayton*
- Teri Schlosser – *in honor of Jeanette Knotek*
- Teri Schlosser – *in honor of Melanie Smith*
- Helen Curylo – *in honor of Ruth Berwick*
- Eva Gee – *in honor of Mavis Gee*
- Ed & Jean Raad – *in memory of Ruth Annino*
- Ed & Jean Raad – *in honor of Carol Noonan*
- The Aarrestad Family – *in honor of Anita Ames*
- The Aarrestad Family – *in memory of Ina Aarrestad*
- The Tuttle Family – *in memory of Jane Cerri*
- The Day Family – *in honor of Mary Reinhart*
- The Vickery Family – *in memory of Peg Gagliardone*
- The Berkenstock Family – *in honor of Marjorie*

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The Berkenstock Family – *in honor of Helen Berkenstock*

Mavis Gee – *in memory of my dear mother, Anna Marie Stratton*

Mavis Gee – *in honor of my daughter Jennifer Storet*

Nancy Anderson – *in honor of my mother Maria Pires & grandma Silveria Santos*

Tim Quackenbush – *in honor of my wife Colleen Mellen*

Tim Quackenbush – *in honor of my mother Joan Quackenbush*

Tim Quackenbush – *in honor of my mother-in-law Lois Mellen*

Adeline Pasternak – *in honor of Adeline Patterson*

Beth Vickery – *in honor of Meg Lettieri*

Beth Vickery – *in honor of Donna Roberts*

Bob & Cyndi Shirshac – *in honor of Rose Briggs*

Bob & Cyndi Shirshac – *in memory of Theresa Shirshac*

The DeCoursey Family – *in honor of Harriet LeDoux*

Mel & Lorraine Barlow – *in memory of Ruth Lawrence*

Mel & Lorraine Barlow – *in memory of Dorothy Barlow*

Cynthia Pasternak – *in memory of Evelyn Pasternak*

Diana Evans & Steve Gephard – *in memory of Elizabeth Evans*

Diana Evans & Steve Gephard – *in honor of Margery Gephard*

Dave & Joanne Kneeland – *in memory of Jane Kneeland*

Dave & Joanne Kneeland – *in memory of Esther Giles*

Mitzi Tuttle – *in honor of Shirley Hall*



### Church School Concluding

The last day of Church School will be Sunday June 13. Our children have enjoyed the teaching ministry of the following: Lanette Zaborowski, Darlene Dainiak, Pat Day, Jodi Brazal, Alison Daley, Allison Cowan, Mark Vickery, Amy Hackett, Robin Balletto, Carolynn Wellman, Jon Baine, Nancy and Jed Dolde. Thanks to each of them! We wish everyone a happy Summer!

Church School team teachers are needed for next year. Please talk with Jill Walker at church or home (860-267-7180) for more information. Church School will begin on Sunday September 12<sup>th</sup>.

### Seeds of Hope

Come to the Seeds of Hope  
Free Car Wash  
(Donations accepted!)  
Saturday, June 12th from 9-12  
(rain date Sunday from 12-3)  
Located at American Distillery  
East High Street  
We'll make your car shine!!!  
Bake Sale Goodies available as well

### Helping Hands

Please let the office (860-267-4959) or Jill Walker (860-267-7180) know if you or someone you know of from our church family is in need of some helping hands to provide meals, rides to appointments, do simple household tasks or simply come over and

visit. We all need some help from our hands once in a while- so let us know! Thanks to the following for providing meals in May- Jillian Crouch, Nancy Dolde and Betsy Gates.

### Kudos Korner

Thanks to Rosse Gates and his team of Boy Scouts and families for creating and completing the beautiful parking lot hillside garden. Rosse envisioned the garden for his Eagle Scout Project. And speaking of gardens- thanks to Mark Kohler, Rick Walker and Ann Nichols for cleaning, weeding, pruning and mulching the gardens around our building.

Thanks to Mel Barlow, Jerry Gerkey, and Jed Dolde for replacing the attic stairs.

Thanks to everyone that donated and then bought items at the Tag Sale!

Thank you to everyone that assisted with our Spring Open Air Market, including the set up and take down crew, concession stand workers and flower tent customer service team.

### The Silent Auction Great Race to Collect Items is On!

Our annual Silent Auction will take place during Old Home Days July 8-10. The success of this event has always depended on 3 things:

\*\*Having an exciting assortment of NEW items donated to bid on

\*\*Inviting friends and family to come with you to the auction and bid on all the great stuff others donated while they bid on yours! We love bidders!!

\*\*Signing up to set up, host or close out the auction (signup sheets will be in Fellowship Hall starting June 6) It's fun and you get to keep an eye on your bids up to the last minute!

Items should be new or truly antique with a value of at least \$15. You can re-gift things you won't

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use, donate a buy one get one free item, offer a service, event tickets, purchase an item (look for really good sales!), gift cards, gift certificates, time share weeks, etc. Use the letter enclosed in this Chatter to solicit an item from a business or person you know (make copies as needed). If requested we can provide a tax donation letter. You can ask a proprietor to donate an item on consignment- they state the \$ amount they want to receive- if it doesn't sell the item is returned.

Beginning June 13<sup>th</sup> items can be left in the classroom next to the furnace room on Sundays or T-F from 9-1 (after June 28 by appointment as summer office hours change) as well as Mon-Wed of Old Home Day week from 6-7:30 PM. Donor forms will be located on the classroom door. Complete one for each item you bring in. If you have gift certificates or cards be sure to leave them in the office or with Jill Walker so they can be kept in a safe place.

Early donations are appreciated so we can list items in paper and on our Web site.

Thank you in advance from the event team leaders, for making our 11<sup>th</sup> annual silent auction a success: Cindy Abraham, Jerry Gerkey, Teri Schlosser, Anita Guerin, Liz Whitty, Rae Strickland, Donna and Art Marsden

## Calling All College Students

Now that you're home we'd love to have you help lead worship on Sunday, June 20 which is Father's Day. You can be a reader, greeter, usher, or sing/play an instrument alone, duet or as a group. All readings will be provided at 9:30 that morning. Please email Jill (Jillering1@comcast.net) or call her (860-267-7180) by June 13<sup>th</sup> if you want to participate.

## Seeds of Hope Update

Thanks to everyone that has sponsored or supported our mission trip to the School For Life in Gary, West Virginia. We will be commissioned by the congregation on Sunday, June 20 and be gone June 26-July 3. Please keep us in your prayers as we travel by van, do repair work, teach and play in the community of Gary, WV: Lisa Aarrestad, John Hage, Teri and Brian Schlosser, Beth and Allie Haydu, Blake Szkoda, Colin Parker, Nancy and Claire Crouch, Cayla Schaub, Nancy, Jed and Mike Dolde and Jill Walker.

Be sure to stock up on Stop and Shop gift cards for summer. Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> will be the last day orders will be taken until the Fall.

## MUSIC

The Children's Choir will sing on June 13<sup>th</sup>. The practices will be on May 30<sup>th</sup> and June 6<sup>th</sup> after the coffee hour. Any student from 4 years old to 2nd graders is welcome.

The Men's Choir will sing on June 20<sup>th</sup>(Father's Day). The practice will be on June 17<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) from 7-8 PM. Please contact Keumok at koheo@hotmail.com for further information.

## GOLF TOURNAMENT

The fifth annual Belltown Open Golf Tournament sponsored by our church is set for Tuesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at the Blackledge Country Club in Hebron. Once again dinner and lunch will be provided. Mark your calendars, get your foursome set, and plan on a great day of laughter, friendship and good times. More information will follow or contact Lance Crouch.



# JUNE

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| SUNDAY   | MONDAY                       | TUESDAY                                   | WEDNESDAY     | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY   | SATURDAY                             |
|--|------------------------------|---|---------------|--|--|--------------------------------------|
| <p>6  <b>Communion Sunday</b> CE, 9am<br/>Worship, 10am<br/>Children's Choir, 11:30am<br/>AA, 8pm</p>                            | 7                            | 1<br>Boy Scouts #57, 7pm                  | 2<br>AA, 8pm  | 3<br>Bell Choir, 5:30-6:30pm                     | 4<br>Life-time Screening 8:15-5:30<br>                   | 5<br>EHAA Art Show 9-5pm<br>         |
| 13<br>Worship, 10am<br>Children's Choir<br>Diaconate, 11:30am<br>AA, 8pm   | 14                           | 15<br>Boy Scouts #57, 7pm                 | 16<br>AA, 8pm | 17<br>Bell Choir, 6-6:50pm<br>Men's Choir, 7-8pm | 18<br>Iva Turner's 95 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Party 2-4pm | 19                                   |
| 20<br><b>Father's Day!</b><br>Men's Choir, 9-9:30<br>Bell Choir, 9:35-9:45<br>Worship/Baptism, 10am<br>Music, 11:30am<br>AA, 8pm | 21<br>Pack 57 Cubs, 6:30-9pm | 22<br>Council, 7pm<br>Boy Scouts #57, 7pm | 23<br>AA, 8pm | 24<br>No Choir                                   | 25<br>Set-up for Boy Scout breakfast 6pm                 | 26<br>Boy Scout Breakfast 7-10am<br> |
| 27<br>Worship, 10am<br>AA, 8pm   | 28<br>Men's Group, 10am      | 29<br>Boy Scouts #57, 7pm                 | 30<br>AA, 8pm |  |  |                                      |

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