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The Carillon

October 2011



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October Activities and Events

- Oct. 1st *Choir Retreat ~ 9:00 am.
Meeting House*
- Oct. 4th *Council Meeting ~ 7:00 pm.
Lounge*
- Oct. 5th *Church Growth ~ 7:00 pm. ~ Library*
- Oct. 6th *Fellowship Board ~ 7:30 pm.
Lounge*
- Oct. 8th *Covenant Soup Kitchen ~ 11:00 am.*
- Oct. 9th *Properties Work Day ~ after worship*
- Oct. 10 *Columbus Day (observed) ~ Office
hours 11:00 – 3:00*
- Oct 11th *Music Board ~ 7:00 pm. ~ Library*
Outreach Board ~ 7:00 ~ Lounge
- Oct. 13th *Women's Fellowship ~ 10:00 am.
Lounge*
- Oct. 15th *WAIM Work Day*
- Oct. 16th *Heritage Sunday & Potluck
after Worship*
- Oct. 22nd *Pasta Dinner & Auction ~ 5:00pm.*
- Oct. 23rd *Talent Show Rehearsal (after
worship)*
- Oct. 25th *Deacons Meeting ~ 6:30 pm.
Library*
- Oct. 29th *All Church Talent Show (page 10)*

Worship at Storrs Congregational Church: October

- Oct 2: The 27th Sun. in Ordinary Time – “World Communion Sunday”**
 “Out of Egypt: Do’s and Don’ts...” – Scripture: Exodus 20: 1-20. We also receive the annual *Neighbors in Need* offering.
- Oct 9: The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 “Out of Egypt: Don’t Let God Off the Hook...” – Scripture: Exodus 32:1-14.
- Oct 16: The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Heritage Sunday** “Thanks to God for All of You” – SCC celebrates its community and heritage, and honors our long-time members. Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10.
- Oct 24: The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 “Commandments Revisited” – Scripture: Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18 & Matthew 22:34-46.
- Oct 30: The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time – Reformation Sunday & Stewardship Consecration Sunday**
 “Into the Promised Land” – Scripture: Joshua 3:7-17.



**Women's Fellowship
 HOLIDAY BAZAAR AND
 GOURMET LUNCHEON
 Saturday, December 3rd**

Thank you to the wonderful women of this church that helped collate, seal and label the August/September edition of the Carillon. With the help of Janice Palmer, Sue Schur, Dianne Sprague and Frances Woody, we completed the task in great time and in good spirits. Mark your calendar, we will be assembling the November Carillon on October 25th – hope to see you there!

275TH ANNIVERSARY CORE COMMITTEE

The Church Council appointed committee for the 275th anniversary of the church has met five times and is developing programs for the year 2012. These programs will involve people of all ages and interests in individual or collective groups. We have much to celebrate here at Storrs Congregational Church.

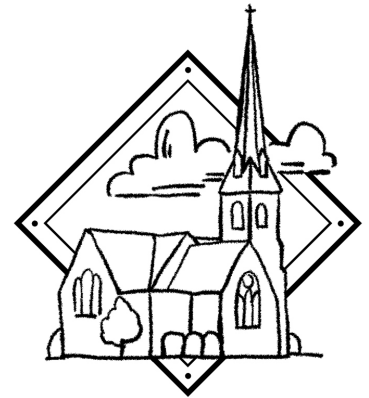
The statement of purpose which we developed at our first meetings is as follows:

To lift up and bring alive the people of Storrs Congregational Church who for 275 years have gathered as a community of faith and shaped a spiritual legacy; and to engage today's congregation and the greater community in our vision of a welcoming church, growing in faith and vitality.

Inspired by the stained glass window of the Waggoner Chapel, we have selected the following passage from Revelation 22: 1-2 to further represent our church in this celebratory year:

“Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.’ NRSV

We have initiated discussions with the Music and Finance Boards, the Deacons and the Parish Piecers. We expect to bring other boards into the discussion and of course, individuals to help with the coordination of activities. We have been very careful to coordinate any programming with the SCC 2012 calendar. We anticipate time to laugh, time to get to know each other a little more and to worship in a very meaningful way. For further information please talk with Janet Atkins, Jamie Lang-Rodean, Dick Roberts or Mark Roy.



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CORNER



Sunday school is underway. We have a great group of teachers planning an exciting year. If you haven't signed up, it's not too late! Join us any Sunday morning following children's worship.

The following is a schedule of Sunday school dates for September through December:

Sept. 18 - Sunday school	Nov. 13 – Sunday school
Sept. 25 – Sunday school	Nov. 20 – Family worship
Oct. 2 – Family worship	Nov. 27 – One room school house
Oct. 9 – Sunday school	Dec. 4 – Sunday school
Oct. 16 – Sunday school	Dec. 11 – Sunday school
Oct. 23 – Sunday school	Dec.18 – One room school house
Oct. 30 – One room school house	Dec. 25 – Family worship
Nov. 6 – Sunday school	

We would like to welcome our wonderful new work study students, Jessica Basil and Roshni Patel, who will be taking care of the children in our nursery this year. We are very excited to have them with us. Be sure to stop in and say “Hi” to welcome them. The nursery is open every Sunday from 9-11:30, during adult education class through the end church.

HAVE A MINUTE?

Thoughts from Pastor Matt...

Wow, what a time it has been since the last issue you received of *The Carillon*! We've re-gathered and re-strengthened ourselves for the program year after the comings-and-goings of summer. We've remembered tragic events from years past and have celebrated the new covenant that has formed among congregation, pastor, and wider church that will surround and support us as we move toward the years to come. We've dedicated financial resources to the wonderful outreach causes identified as the culmination of the *Welcoming All* campaign and also to some needed work around our own facilities (the Parish House courtyard doors and a new wheelchair ramp for the Meeting House). All of that, and a hurricane besides!

Of course, the vitality and energy of our life together continues marching forward. By the time this issue of *The Carillon* reaches you, the Staffing Discernment Group will have finished up its work of discernment and will have prepared a report and recommendation for the Church Council. Meanwhile, the Personnel Committee has been working on the short-term position that will serve over the next nine months as a support and catalyst-for-development in our ministries of Christian Education and Faith Formation. We've received a number of applications, and have had the opportunity to meet for face-to-face interviews with four strong candidates. Second-round interviews with a couple of these candidates, which will include a wider circle of folks from affected ministries, are coming up in just a matter of days (as I write this). It seems likely that we could have someone in place by early October.

A word that has crossed my mind several times in these recent weeks, through all that's been going on around here, is "*investing*." No, it's not that I've been panicking about the stock market. Rather, I've been thinking about how a number of things we're doing are ways that we are *investing* as a congregation in our future. For instance, with the short-term staff position: this summer, we knew that we weren't ready to make a decision yet on the long-term staffing needs, much less do a search to fill any long-term positions, but we didn't want to lose this opportunity to *invest* the time and resources that we *do* have available this program year to make a strategic move forward toward strengthening some aspect of our ministry. Hence, I see the short-term specialist position not simply as "additional help", but truly as an investment in our future. Similarly, the installation service symbolized the relationships that we are investing in between you and me, and between us and the wider church. We're making facilities investments with our current projects, and the extra time we're spending at Church Council on reading and discussing the *Changing the Conversation* book is an investment in leadership development and future vitality.

As we move into the fall and beyond, I want to personally invite you to make an investment in the part of God's mission in the world that we embody and carry out here at Storrs Congregational Church. In the coming weeks, you'll be hearing from our Stewardship team and from me about making a pledge of financial support for the coming year. But this year, I want to encourage you not to think of this as simply finding enough money to "meet a budget". Supporting the ministries of the church financially is more than that. It is an *investment* in the mission of God that those ministries seek to fulfill. It's an investment in lives transformed and souls touched, an investment in hungry mouths fed and broken hearts healed, an investment in reaching others with God's inclusive grace and welcoming love.

Often, one way people think about investing is to set a goal for setting aside a particular percentage of their income—no matter how small or big that income is—to save and invest toward a goal. Retirement plans typically work this way, for example, with a set percentage of pay going into a fund. Investing in God's mission through the ministries of this congregation can work the same way. Take a look at what percentage of income you're currently giving, and set a goal for yourself for growth. Then you can take steps each year to move toward your goal.

I'll be honest: I'm not at my own personal giving goal yet. My giving isn't at the level that I'd like it to be. But I'm committed to taking what could be considered "just one step" toward moving to my goal—increasing my giving by 1% of my income. How about you? What's your goal? Is it the traditional "tithe" of 10%? Maybe the so-called "modern tithe" of 5% to church and 5% to other charitable causes? Whatever your goal, could you think about taking "just one step" toward growing your investment in God's mission in this place—in other words, give 1% of income more than you are currently? It's a healthy and equitable way to think about growing in your own stewardship, since that 1% will mean a different thing for different income levels.

I'm committed to taking "just one step" this year. Will you join me? Will you invest?

Yours in the journey,
Matt



Women's Fellowship

Local Novelist Pam Lewis

Talks informally over coffee
and treats

October 13

10:00 – Noon

Church Lounge



NOVELIST

Join a relaxing, fun-filled, and educational meeting

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Pam lives in Storrs with her husband. Since 1991, she has worked as a freelance writer of business and marketing communications. She is the author of the novels *Perfect Family* and *Speak Softly, She Can Hear*, and *A Young Wife*. Her short fiction has appeared in *The New Yorker* and various literary magazines.

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Sponsored by the Women's Fellowship / Everyone Welcome
Business matters to be reserved until the end

FROM THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP BOARD:

Thank you to all who assisted with greeting, ushering and hosting fellowship time (refreshment and conversation) during the summer. Now that Fall is here, we always need volunteers. Please us the sign up sheet outside the office. Fellowship is a time to visit and while "goodies" are appreciated by all, it is fine to only serve beverages. Serving food is entirely at the discretion of the host. The board has decided to offer regular coffee, tea and juice.

October 16 is Heritage Sunday. This will be a potluck organized by the Fellowship Board with help from Deacons. Watch for a signup sheet – we will be looking for contributions of Main Dishes and also help for cleanup. Questions re signups and Heritage Sunday can be addressed to any member of the board.



Marsha Creese, Susan Dione, Kenneth Doeg, Juanita Hall, Marietta Johnson

From the
Director
of Music
Ministry



NEW CHILDREN AND YOUTH REHEARSAL SCHEDULES

The Fall is off to a roaring start and we are reorganizing some of our music groups. If you have children in elementary and middle school, they will now be able to participate in either **Junior Choir** or **Chime Choir** or BOTH. The schedule will alternate back and forth between the two groups and both will now rehearse AFTER WORSHIP. I urge you to contact Janice Castle and/or Mirella Cole directly to indicate your interest. If you would like to participate in seasonal music for Christmas, please consider joining now.

Junior/Youth Choir (grades 3-8), directed by Janice Castle, will rehearse Sunday mornings 11:15-noon on October 2 & 9 and will tentatively sing in worship October 16 or 23 depending on schedules. Please note the expansion of this age group.

Contact: jcastle246@earthlink.net 860-429-1214

Chime Choir, directed by Mirella Cole, will also meet on Sundays after worship 11:15-noon in the Education Building, room 202. This is a good intro for children Grade 1 and up, and is really fun for more mature individuals interested in learning how to read music! Chimes practice basic rhythms and note reading skills and learn pieces to play in worship. A minimum of six players is needed. Chimes will begin rehearsals October 23, and are scheduled to play in worship on November 20.

Contact: mirella.cole@uconn.edu

Youth Choir, directed by Wendy Hamlin, will not meet until November. Contact:

wendy.hamlin@snet.net 860-423-1227 and trisha@storrsconchurch.org

Adult Handbells, meet on Thursdays from 6:30-7:20pm. New ringers are most welcome! The bells will be working on a special piece for the November 6 concert and also prepare selections for Advent and Christmas. Contact: trisha@storrsconchurch.org

Adult Choir includes college age and up. They meet Thursdays 7:30-9:00 and sing almost every Sunday September-June. They have a very busy schedule this year with the performance of Rutter's Requiem November 6, Lessons and Carols December 4 and a choral tribute for the 275th anniversary April 28th. Come be a part of the fun!

Contact: trisha@storrsconchurch.org for more detailed rehearsal information.

Instrumentalists are welcome to contact Trisha at any time!

Soli Deo Gloria!

Patricia Snyder, Director of Music Ministry



STORRS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH PRESENTS

MUSIC FOR ALL SAINTS

John Rutter's

REQUIEM

Sunday, November 6

4:00 o'clock

A special program of music with Chorus, Chamber
Orchestra & Handbells

Freewill Offering

2 North Eagleville Road, Storrs CT

860-429-9382

Handicap Accessible

Storrs Congregational Church
Council Meeting
August 16, 2011
Minutes

Present:

Bob Malecki (Vice Chair)

Pam Roberts (Chair)

Bettejane Karnes (Christian Outreach Rep)
(Women's Fellowship Rep)

Nancy Rucker (Call to Care Rep)

Chuck Vinsonhaler (Clerk)

Dick Roberts (Properties Rep)

Marietta Johnson (Christian Fellowship Rep)

The Rev. Matt Emery (Senior Pastor)

Carolyn Holmy (Christian Ed Rep)

Jamie Lang-Rodean (Deacons Rep)

Jan Castle (At Large)

Kathy Lajoie

1. **Called to Order** by Pam Roberts at 7:10 P.M. with Welcome and Introductions
2. **Opening Prayer and Candle Lighting:** Pastor Matt lit the three spirit candles, then led a meditation helping us to still our hearts and minds to prepare for worship.
3. **Conversation:** Continuing the theme "IMAGINE: Conversations about our Passion," Pastor Matt led a discussion of the sixth chapter, **Write the Vision?** from *Changing the Conversation: A third way for congregations*, by Anthony B. Robinson. Under the assumption that we can't function well until our purpose is defined, Matt developed a list of the differences between Purpose and Vision. Next Council meeting we will discuss the seventh chapter of the Robinson book, along with "Six Powerful Questions for Simple Ministry Design" that Matt distributed as homework.
4. **Additions to the Agenda or Present to Speak:** Pam noted that item 5, Approval of Minutes, had been omitted inadvertently from the Agenda.
5. **Minutes:** Carolyn moved, second by Kathy, that the revised Minutes for the July 19, 2011, Council meeting be accepted. The motion passed without opposition..
6. **Old Business**
 - a. **Senior Minister Report and Staffing Discernment Group (SDG) Update:** Pastor Matt provided pastoral care updates, noted that plans for his installation are coming together, and discussed his contact with UCC UConn. The SDG is meeting tomorrow evening. They are still looking at various options.
 - b. **Personnel Committee Report and Short-Term Specialist Update.**
 - o Personnel Committee is aiming to complete staff evaluations in summer rather than fall.
 - o For the Short-Term Specialist, advertising is out, several interested parties have applied, one interview has been conducted.
 - o For subsequent interviews, additional congregation members will be recruited
 - c. **Search Committee Report on Matt's Installation.** The Installation is set for the afternoon of September 18. The Search Committee is coordinating preparations for the reception following the service with the Fellowship Board and Women's Fellowship. Background music for the reception will be provided by youth musicians.
 - d. **Treasurer's Report.** A written report from Dave Jordan was received and is attached.
7. **Old Business.**
 - a. **PowerChurch Administrator.** Pam led a brief discussion on the history of this position, normally occupied by the Treasurer. Then Jan **moved**, with a second by Dick Roberts, the following:
As part of his or her official duties, the Treasurer is to be appointed PowerChurch Systems Administrator.
The motion passed without dissent.

b. Safe Church Policy Revisions. Bob presented a suggested update of the Safe Church Policy. Most changes were minor. However, one significant proposed modification was discussed. The clause to be modified was:

1. There shall be at least one Authorized Volunteer and an assistant present with each group of children. The assistant may be an adult or a teen 14 years old, or older.

The proposed change is:

1. In addition to the Authorized Volunteer leading the group of children or youth, there shall be either an assistant present or an Authorized Volunteer available and aware of the activities of the group. The assistant may be an adult or a teen 14 years old, or older.

Kathy **moved**, with a second by Jan, that the Council accept the 8/16/2011 updates to the Safe Church Policies and Procedures as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

c. Call to a Special Meeting of the Storrs Congregational Church: Pam presented for approval a Call to a Special Meeting that had been circulated for discussion via email (see below). Bob Malecki pointed out that items #3 and #4 were in reverse order in the list of motions and rationales that Pam put together. After the ordering was corrected, Jamie **moved**, with a second by Carolyn that the Call be approved by the Council. The motion (see below) passed unanimously.

Call: The members of the Storrs Congregational Church are called to a Special Meeting of the Congregation on Sunday August 28, 2011 following worship, for the purpose of considering:

1. *Waiving, for 2011, the by-law requirement that the Annual Budget Meeting be held the first Sunday after December 1.*
2. *Appropriating \$3,580 from Major Projects to replace both sets of doors opening from the Parish House Lounge to the Courtyard*
3. *Appropriating an additional \$5,500 from Major Projects for attorney costs associated with AT&T/Cingular lease stipulating the return of this money to Major Projects from income received from the lease prior to allocating the income to any other purpose.*
4. *Approving the **Recommendations on Welcoming All Funding of Outreach and Mission Report** to guide disbursements of the first \$100,000 of WA gift and pledge income above construction and campaign costs.*

Charles Vinsonhaler, Clerk

Pam also presented plans for sharing information on the Special Meeting agenda, and a Rationale for each of the four agenda items.

8. **New Business.**

- a. Church Logo.** Pastor Matt presented blue and cream, blue and white, and red and white versions of a Logo that he and others have developed for Storrs Congregational Church. A brief discussion revealed that a majority of the Council preferred the blue and white version, which was then approved by consensus.
- b. Leadership Roles.** Pam discussed the recruitment of members into leadership roles. Can we identify the “passions” of a member and match passions with a leadership role? In particular, can we help the Nominating Committee in this way?
- c. Round-the-Room.** Each Council member was given the opportunity to make a brief request or an announcement.

9. Closing Prayer led by Pam.

10. Adjournment 9:30 pm.

Chuck Vinsonhaler, Clerk

Next Council Meeting

7:00 pm

September 6, 2011 (note this is the **first** Tuesday of the month)

**Storrs Congregational Church
Special Congregational Meeting
September 4, 2011
Minutes**

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order by Vice-Moderator Tom Suits at 11:18 am.

Pastor Matt led an opening prayer.

The Reading of the Call (see below) was waived by consensus.

Call to a Special Meeting of the Storrs Congregational Church

The members of the Storrs Congregational Church are called to a Special Meeting, on Sunday September 4, 2011 following worship, for the purpose of:

1. Waiving, for 2011, the by-law requirement that the Annual Budget Meeting be held the first Sunday after December 1.
2. Appropriating \$3,580 from Major Projects to replace both sets of doors opening from Parish House lounge to the Courtyard.
3. Appropriating an additional \$5,500 from Major Projects for attorney costs associated with AT&T/Cingular lease.
4. Approving the *Recommendations on Welcoming All Funding of Outreach and Mission Report*.

Charles Vinsonhaler, Clerk

On behalf of the Finance Board, Ray Joesten moved (no second needed)

Motion #1 To waive, for 2011, the by-law requirement that the Annual Budget Meeting be held the first Sunday after December 1; and to schedule the 2011 Annual Budget Meeting on Sunday, December 11th.

After a brief discussion, Motion #1 passed without dissent.

Ray Joesten, again representing the Finance Board, moved (no second needed)

Motion #2 To appropriate \$3,580 from Major Projects to replace both sets of doors opening from the Parish House Lounge to the Courtyard, as recommended by the Properties Board and approved by the Finance Board.

The motion passed without dissent.

Ray Joesten, again representing the Finance Board, moved (no second needed)

Motion #3 To appropriate an additional \$5,500 from Major Projects for attorney costs associated with the AT&T/Cingular lease, stipulating the return of this money to Major Projects (from income received from the lease) prior to allocating the income to any other purpose.

The motion passed without dissent.

Finally, Bob Malecki, on behalf of the Welcoming All Committee, moved (no second needed)

Motion #4 To approve the *Recommendations on Welcoming All Funding of Outreach and Mission Report* to guide disbursements of the first \$100,000 of gift and pledge income above Welcoming All construction and campaign costs.

After some discussion, the motion passed without dissent.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:40 AM.

Respectfully submitted, Chuck Vinsonhaler, Clerk

COMING SOON

Variety Show – SCC has Talent!

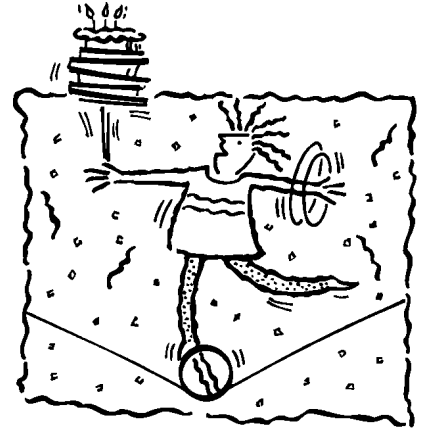
WHEN: Saturday Evening October 29, 2011

WHERE: Auditorium

WHO: Performers – Yes, You! (Dress Rehearsal Sunday 10/23 after church) and Performance Appreciators (aka audience)

Please plan to join this fun-filled evening of entertainment – with an ice cream sundae intermission!

We still need more performers – individuals or groups of all ages are welcome. This is a variety show – you can use it to showcase a talent that you have shared before or something completely different. Some ideas to consider ... a song, a short comedy act or a skit, how about a comic/dramatic poetry reading or a special skill (Juggling? Jump-roping, Karate?) Please sign up on the sheet in the Lounge or with Stacy Malecki who is coordinating this event on behalf of the Music Board.



Questions? Please talk to Stacy Malecki (860) 487-4538 or RMalecki431@earthlink.net.

HERITAGE SUNDAY



Heritage Sunday
Honoring
our longtime
Members

Please plan to join our church family to celebrate our rich heritage of past, present and future. We will be honoring our 40 year (and more) members at our worship service on Sunday, October 16, at 10:00 a.m. A luncheon will follow at 11:30 where the celebration will continue in honoring all those who have been such an important part of our faith community over the years. Honorees will be our guests for the luncheon and the rest of us will be asked to bring a dish to share. Look for the signup sheets in the Parish House and please plan to attend. YOU will help make the day special!

**Storrs Congregational Church
Council Meeting
September 6, 2011
Minutes**

Present:

The Rev Matt Emery (Senior Pastor)
Pam Roberts (Chair)
Betty Robinson (Christian Outreach Rep)
Jan Hoyle (Call to Care Rep)
Chuck Vinsonhaler (Clerk)
Marsha Creese (Christian Fellowship Rep)
Carolyn Holmy (Christian Ed Rep)

Jan Castle (At Large)
Dave Jordan (Treasurer)
Sue Schur (Deacons Rep)
Suzanne Hathaway (Music Rep)
Dick Roberts (Properties Rep)
Liz Cowles (Growth Rep)

1. **Called to Order** by Pam Roberts at 7:10 P.M. with Welcome and Introductions
2. **Opening Prayer and Candle Lighting:** Pam lit the three spirit candles while presenting a brief meditation.
3. **Conversation:** Continuing the theme “IMAGINE: Conversations about our Passion,” Pastor Matt led a discussion of the seventh chapter, **Let’s Get (Less) Organized**, from *Changing the Conversation: A third way for congregations*, by Anthony B. Robinson. We broke into three groups to discuss what scares us about changing the administrative structure of the church. Next Council meeting we will discuss the eighth chapter of the Robinson book.
4. **Additions to the Agenda or Present to Speak:** Mark Roy was present to report on the Memorial Room, under 6f of Formal Reports (below).
5. **Minutes:** The Council gave email approval to the August 16 Council Minutes.
6. **Formal Reports**
 - a. **Senior Minister Report and Staffing Discernment Group (SDG) Update:** Pastor Matt reported that
 - The Staffing Discernment Group will have a report on long term staffing plans ready within a few weeks.
 - He has been involved with considerable activity at UConn. Could use handouts for such events
 - Matt’s Installation on September 18 will be followed by a reception in the auditorium.
 - Thanks to Nancy Rucker for helping check on those in the congregation who might have faced hardship due to Hurricane Irene.
 - Matt created a “home worship” service sent out by email to replace the worship service lost to Hurricane Irene on August 28.
 - b. **Personnel Committee Report and Short-Term Specialist Update.**
 - Personnel Committee is aiming to complete staff evaluations in summer rather than fall.
 - For the Short-Term Specialist, advertising is out, several interested parties have applied, first interviews have been conducted with a number of candidates.
 - For second interviews, additional congregation members will be recruited
 - c. **Search Committee Report on Matt’s Installation.** The Installation is set for the afternoon of September 18. The Search Committee is coordinating preparations for the reception following the service with the Fellowship Board and Women’s Fellowship. Background music for the reception will be provided by youth musicians.
 - d. **Treasurer’s Report.**
 - Analysis for August was delayed by Irene.
 - August was not good for the market
 - The budget is improving (pledge payments catching up to expenses).
 - Committees should keep up with expenditures
 - Committees should be getting started on budget proposals, due October 1.

e. Ad Hoc Committee on Antenna Facilities.

- On August 30, the lease was signed – state and federal requirements met
- Next meeting is September 20
- Kudos to Dave Bull, Jack Rice, Charlie Knapp, Bill Thomson, for extensive help
- Next step is a building permit

f. Memorial Room.

- Floor has been refinished (auditorium also)
- 6 chairs have been refinished, 1 new couch purchased
- Off-budget funds have been used up
- Other items need refinishing
- The committee is preparing a request to go to appropriate Boards before submission to Council for congregational meeting consideration
- The Room is available for scheduling

The Council commends the Memorial Room Committee for its diligence and excellent work.

g. 275th Anniversary Committee (added to agenda by council member request)

- Members include Mark Roy, Dick Roberts, Janet Atkins, Jamie Lang-Rodean, and Paster Matt and Trisha ex officio.
- The group will sponsor a sequence of events, January 2, 2012 to October28, 2012
- Events include a workshop on archiving, a major church-wide music concert including a newly-commissioned work, a cemetery tour, an all-church event at Holiday Hill, featured exhibit at the Mansfield Historical Society, a music CD from the church's ensembles, and a revision of Heritage Sunday as the culmination of the church year.
- A “tree of life” logo will be developed.

7. Old Business.

- a. The September Congregational Meeting.** A quorum quickly passed the four motions put forward.
- b. Other: An update on Lounge Furniture:** Recommendations, prepared by Cathy LaJoie, for purchase of replacement fabric-covered chair and sofas have been put on hold until:
- All steps needed to complete the Memorial Room renovations are fully known
 - Church members’ requests to review the functional use of the space across church activities can be facilitated.

8. New Business. None

9. Closing Prayer led by Pastor Matt.

10. Adjournment at 9:10 pm.

Chuck Vinsonhaler, Clerk

Next Council Meeting

7:00 pm

October 4, 2011 (note this is the **first** Tuesday of the month)

UCC UConn

Odd Jobs

The UConn Students of UCC UConn are at your service. In effort to put together our annual Alternative Spring Break Trip to help with disaster relief, we are asking anyone who may have “odd jobs” to please contact us either by phone, in person, or email (contact information is listed below). These jobs include anything from yard work, to moving furniture, to stacking wood, to babysitting...etc.

Recycling Day, Saturday October 8, 2011

On Saturday, October 8th the UCC UConn will be doing a recycling fundraiser. All proceeds will go directly to our A.S.B. trip for disaster relief. Please simply drop off all your recyclables (metals, glass, plastics...) to the Parish House parking lot. Any and all donations are welcome and we thank you in advance for your generosity and helping us to support our efforts in helping those who are facing difficult times with the recent natural disasters.

Contact Information

Phone: (860) 484-1251

Email: uccuconnasb@gmail.com

ANNUAL

Pasta Dinner & Silent Auction

A very important 2011 all church FUNd-raiser

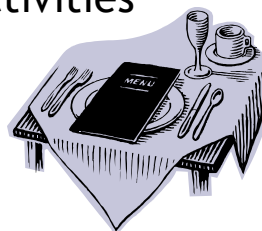
Saturday, October 22, 2011

Storrs Congregational Church Auditorium

Accessible and Continuous Seating 5 PM to 7 PM

Special Children's Seating and Activities

Pasta Dinner freewill donations and Silent Auction bids will support the many church music activities, spiritual growth, education and community outreach programs from which we and our community neighbors benefit. Come enjoy a first class meal prepared by our SCC Chefs. Arrange for orders "To Go" by calling the church office.



MENU

Italian Salad (romaine, radicchio, carrot, tomato, cucumber with Italian or balsamic vinegar/oil dressing)
Artisan Rustic Bread with roasted garlic
Choice of Pasta - Linguine or Rigatoni (ziti)
Sauces - Marinara or Alfredo
Meatballs, Sausage or Chicken
Dessert - Cannoli filled with Ricotta Cream
Beverages - Water, Club Soda, Milk, Hot Tea or Coffee

Browse and Bid at the Silent Auction from 5 PM to 8 PM

We have a treasure-trove of art, athletic, eatery and entertainment items donated by a wide array of regional supportive businesses as well as items donated by church members and friends.

Spread the word. Invite friends. Dine with us on Oct 22nd!

How can you help?? Working together to build community participation, our fundraising goal will be met! To donate an item (in good condition) or service to the auction, contact Dulcie Vannais (dulciev@gmail.com) at 860 429-1314. Sign up to volunteer to help on the bulletin board or by contacting Janice Castle (jycastle@earthlink.net) 860 429-1214 or the church office.

***** "TO GO" ORDERS AVAILABLE *****

October 2011

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Ushers & Greeters



Date	Greeter	Lead Usher	Usher	Usher	Usher	Fellowship
2-Oct	Susan Irvine	Pam Roberts	Cheryl Roy	Kate Alexander	Dan Wilson	Marietta Johnson
9-Oct	Eileen Griffin	Dan Wilson	Lee Brown	Paul Schur		Cheryl Mitchell
16-Oct	The Knapps	Pam Roberts	Bob Wyss	Dick Roberts	Cheryl Roy	Heritage Sunday
23-Oct	Suzanne & Jaiden Hathaway	Cheryl Roy	Lee Brown	Dan Wilson	Paul Schur	Holly Matthews Betty Robinson
30-Oct	Eileen Griffin		John Blomstrann			Cheryl Mitchell
6-Nov	Eileen Griffin					Bryan Klimkiewicz
13-Nov	Nancy Rucker		Dianne Sprague			
20-Nov	Eileen Griffin					The Latincsics
27-Nov						Cheryl Mitchell
4-Dec	Marsha & Ron Creese		Juanita Hall			
11-Dec	Susan Irvine		Juanita Hall			
18-Dec	Chauncy & Nancy Rucker		Juanita Hall			The Latincsics
25-Dec			Juanita Hall			No Fellowship

~ Thank you for your willingness to serve ~

A former member of the church who was raised and married here is looking for a Cat's Meow copy of the SCC. These were sold as a fund raiser a number of years ago. If you are ready to part with yours please call Janet Atkins at 860 423-5930.



Can You Help?

Sara Muldoon, a Masters student in the School of Education and who formerly worked in the nursery on Sundays for the last 2 years has begun working with the Windham Collaborative Assistance Program as part of her Masters Internship. She is working with homeless families and students in the Willimantic area. The school supplies are extremely low and they are in need of the basic necessities such as: backpacks, pencils, pens, rulers, markers, crayons, calculators, scissors, gluesticks, etc. If you are able to help, please bring your donations to the office. Thank you for your attention to this urgent need.

NEWS OF THE PARISH

ANNIVERSARIES:

Mary Dean & Curtis Hoffman	October 4
Bryan and Julie Klimkiewicz	October 19
Dwayne & Laura Gilbert	October 23

BIRTHDAYS:

Rachel Smith	10/1	Rebecca Elliot	10/14
Jackie Soroka	10/2	Emily Duval	10/15
Nathan Holmy	10/2	Hayley Gilbert	10/15
Jennifer Bergen	10/3	Laura Blum	10/16
Skip Parker	10/4	Barbara Nagy	10/17
Elizabeth Jordan	10/5	Bob Wyss	10/18
Erin Ballou	10/5	Scott Holdaway	10/18
Katherine Jordan	10/5	Ward Ewalt	10/19
Cheryl Roy	10/6	Allie Warinsky	10/20
Mary Landeck	10/6	Garrett Swift	10/21
Valerie Varga	10/6	Emerson Ballou	10/23
Eric Jordan	10/7	Stephen Jordan	10/23
Laura DellaFera	10/7	Lanaya Sandberg	10/24
Kaitlyn Smith	10/8	Marietta Johnson	10/27
Heather Abdullah	10/10	Cass Crewdson	10/28
Keeley O'Keefe	10/11	Scott Duval Jr.	10/29
Michelle Hier	10/11	Richard Kremer	10/30
Cameron Smith	10/14	Trisha Snyder	10/30
Justin Talbot	10/14	Joannie Keller	10/31
Peggy Davis	10/14		

SERVICE PEOPLE ON ACTIVE DUTY:

The following list contains people called to active duty. Please keep them and their families in your prayers. If you know of someone who should be on this list (or have a correction), please contact the church office. Thank you.

<u>Service Person</u>	<u>Submitted by</u>
Matt Allen	Pam & Dick Roberts
Mitchell Ducharme	Adrian & Janet Atkins
Chip Greer	Elaine Greer
Joel Higley	Betty Robinson
Francis Kimenyi	John & Patty Tanaka
Philip Lewis	Russ Wheeler
Eric Stailing	Bryan & Susan Stailing
Marta Tanaka	John & Patty Tanaka
Paul Tanaka	John & Patty Tanaka
Lamont Ward	Nichole Gronski Ward

Work Study Students are here to Help!

Once again, we have been blessed to hire a wonderful group of UConn Work Study students available to assist with the various Church and Community tasks supported by SCC and UConn.

Daytime Office Assistants

Jessica Glynn, Jessica Basil and Danielle Ennis

Evening Supervisors

Mike Albano ~ Tuesday & Thursday ~
4:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Will Ramirez ~ Wednesday ~
4:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Child Care Specialists

Jessica Basil ~ Sunday 9:00 – 11:30
Roshni Patel ~ Sunday 9:00 – 11:30

Don't be shy, stop in and say 'Hi'!

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



OCTOBER 2011

"There is no season when such pleasant and sunny spots may be lighted on, and produce so pleasant an effect on the feelings, as now in October"

~ *Nathaniel Hawthorne*

"Youth is like spring, an over-praised season more remarkable for biting winds than genial breezes.

Autumn is the mellower season, and what we lose in flowers we more than gain in fruits."

~ *Samuel Butler*

"Fall is not the end of the gardening year; it is the start of next year's growing season. The mulch you lay down will protect your perennial plants during the winter and feed the soil as it decays, while the cleaned up flower bed will give you a huge head start on either planting seeds or setting out small plants."

~ *Thalassa Cruso*