

The Carillon

STORRS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UCC

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WORSHIP AT STORRS CONGREGATIONAL: November 2020

Worship Online with SCC: All the information for joining in worship is at

<http://www.storrscongchurch.org/worship-online/>.

As of the time of publication, we anticipate remaining with online worship through this period

NOV 1: All Saints Day – Holy Communion

“Sing with all the Saints in Glory!” – A service of remembrance, reflection, and rejoicing

Scripture: 1st John 3:1-3 & Revelation 7:9-17

NOV 8: The 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor Matt preaching

Scripture: Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 and Matthew 25:1-13

NOV 15: The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Rev. Tom Ryberg, guest preacher

Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 and Matthew 25:14-30

NOV 22: Christ the King Sunday & Day of Thanksgiving

Pastor Matt preaching

Scripture: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 and Matthew 25:31-46

Building Closures for November

- In honor of Veterans Day, the office and facilities will be closed on Wednesday, November 11th.
- November 21st marks the end of the UConn 'on campus' academic year and our Work Study students will return home. Office hours will be Monday – Friday, 9:30 AM – 5:30 PM until after the new year.
- The office and facilities will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday, Thursday & Friday, November 26th & 27th.



Advent Series: Those Who Dream

“When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.”

(from Psalm 126) What does it look like to live as those who dream? The



prophets, the psalmists, John the Baptist, Mary, Elizabeth, Joseph, Simeon, Anna, the shepherds and the Magi—they were all dreamers. They received, discovered, and responded to God’s dreams for the world. In Advent, we step into the mystery and awe of God’s dreams and pray they shape our reality.

This theme is for the dreamers in all of us—those who dream of a deeper connection with God and those who dream of a better world. It’s for those who dream of comfort and for those who have given up on their dreams. It’s for those whose dreams have been crushed and for those who show us that dreams take time. Join us this Advent as we dream alongside prophets and angels, Mary and the Magi. Join us as we seek and sow God’s dreams for our world.

NOV 29: The First Sunday of Advent – Holy Communion

Pastor Matt preaching: “Those Who Dream Keep Awake”

Scripture: *Isaiah 64:1-9, Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19, and **Mark 13:24-37***

EVERY WEDNESDAY: Vespers @ 7:00 pm

Designed specifically for the experience of online worshipers, the Vespers service typically lasts 20 to 25 minutes and incorporates psalms, scripture readings, silence, communal and individual prayer, and an opportunity for fellowship and conversation.



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VETERANS DAY | NOVEMBER 11

Veterans Day is a time for us to pay our respects to those who have served our country. **For one day, we stand united in respect for all our veterans.**

This holiday started as a day to reflect upon the heroism of those who died in our country's service and was originally called Armistice Day. It fell on Nov. 11 because that is the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice that ended World War I. However, in 1954, the holiday was changed to "Veterans Day" in order to account for all veterans in all wars.

We celebrate and honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

WELCOME NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Lisa Haupt will be serving as our new **Director of Faith Formation**. In her own words, Lisa is “passionate about building relationships, equipping lay leadership, and coordinating intergenerational ministry opportunities for all to experience God’s loving presence in action through Bible study, mission, fellowship and service with and for children, youth and adults.” Lisa will be in the office Tuesday & Thursday from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM.



Claire Galvin will be serving as our new **Communications & Digital Ministry Specialist**. Claire is a 2017 graduate of the University of Connecticut, and began work shortly thereafter at *The Chronicle*, where she has covered Mansfield and the University of Connecticut and now covers the Windham/Willimantic beat. Claire will be in the office Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM and Saturday 9:00 AM – 12:00 noon.



Both Lisa and Claire began their service with Storrs Congregational on Wednesday October 21st and they will ‘socially distance’ share the office formerly known as the Associate Pastor’s office. They can be reached via email, Lisa Haupt: lisa@storrscongregation.org and Claire Galvin: claire@storrscongregation.org.

We are excited to have both Lisa and Claire join our staff team, and we look forward to getting to further introduce them to the congregation as a whole! The members of the Board’s ministry-and-personnel committee are planning a few different ways to help us welcome them. Consider stopping by the Parish House to offer a personal welcome to our newest members of the SCC Staff Team!

MEET OUR WORK STUDY STUDENTS

Each year, Storrs Congregational benefits from the Federal Work Study program by hiring UConn students to work in the main office during the academic year. Their welcoming presence at our facilities allows us to increase the hours of community accessibility until 9:00 PM Monday – Friday. In addition to providing a friendly greeting, our Work Study team also assists with many office tasks, supports food pantry needs, and secures the building at the end of the day. This year we are grateful to have 5 awesome individuals who have accepted employment through the program.



Rubina Chowdhury, is a senior at UConn originally from Westchester, New York. Rubina is a nursing major, and she hopes to one day be a family nurse practitioner. In her free time, she likes to hang out with her friends and learn songs on the guitar. Rubina is in the office on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM.

Danielle Harrington is a freshman UConn student majoring in Business Management. She graduated from Glastonbury High School, and is hoping to pursue a career in marketing management or analytics. In her free time, she loves being outside and going on hikes as well as playing the ukulele! Danielle is in the office on Thursday and Friday evenings from 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM.





Bryce Lambert (*pictured right*), is a freshman at UConn this year. He is currently pursuing a chemistry major right now, but who knows what he will end up doing in his future endeavors. Bryce is a proud member of the Woodstock Academy class of 2020, (Roll Tuars!) and his favorite hobby has gotta be cliff jumping. Bryce is in the office Tuesday and Thursday nights from 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Frankie Piliero is a freshman majoring in finance in the Business Connections Learning Community. He graduated from Gilbert School in Winsted, CT. Frankie is in the office on Wednesday and Friday nights from 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM.



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Sean Smith is from Winsted, Connecticut and graduated from The Gilbert School. He is a freshman here at the University of Connecticut and is currently an ACES major. Sean's favorite baseball team is the New York Yankees. Sean is in the office on Monday nights from 4:00 PM – 9:00 PM and Sunday from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

POINSETTIA ORDERS FOR 2020

To ensure timely delivery for the holidays, all Poinsettia orders must be received in the office by Thanksgiving, November 26th. Poinsettias will be available for pick up starting the week of December 14th until Monday, January 4th.

Please plan to pick up your plant before December 24th so that you can enjoy having it on your communion table during the Christmas Eve worship service. If you'd rather have your poinsettia delivered to you, contact the office to coordinate a drop off date and time.

If you'd like to arrange for a Poinsettia to be delivered to someone special, please contact the office to plan and discuss details.



_____ Red _____ White _____ Marbled (Pink & White)

Dedication: (In memory or honor of)

Name: _____

Cost is \$18.50 each

Make checks payable to Storrs Congregational Church.

ATTENTION SHOPPERS!!!!

Come one, come all to the On-line Christmas Bazaar
SILENT AUCTION

This year we will be doing the Silent Auction on-line. You will have the opportunity to see the items on the Church website and place your bids over a two week period, from Monday, November 23rd through Saturday, December 6th. More information on how to place your bids will be on the Church website, or you can contact Bonnie Chemerka by email: bonnie.chemerka@outlook.com or by phone: (860) 402-7426.

If you would like to donate an item to the Silent Auction, please be sure it has a value of at least \$20. We are looking for seasonal items with a Christmas or winter theme, household items, small pieces of furniture, paintings or photo pictures, games, electronics, decorations, handmade items, gift baskets...anything that might make a wonderful gift.

Items for the Silent Auction can be dropped off at the church, 9:30 AM – 9:00 PM, starting on Monday, November 9th up until Thursday, November 19th. We will be using the room across from the library for drop off, and you can use the side door for convenience. Forms for the items being donated will be in that room and/or you can see Deborah in the office. Please be sure to fill out the form with your name, phone number and value of item. If you want to see an item in person, please contact Bonnie to make an appointment.

Please fill out a form (available at church) and leave the item in Room 102, along with the form. Pick-up is available...please contact Bonnie Chemerka at 860 402-7426.



UPCOMING GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, November 11th at 7:30 PM via Zoom

During this time of social distancing, the Governing Board is meeting via Zoom Meetings. Everyone is welcome to attend! If you'd like to receive the Zoom Meeting invite and materials packet (so you can follow along with the meeting), contact Deborah in the office before the upcoming meetings to be added to the group.

Any reports or materials to be included in the upcoming meeting packet should be received in the office by the Friday before the Wednesday meeting (November 6th).



BUILDING & GROUNDS NEWS

September and October bring daily reminders that winter will soon be upon us as work intensifies to prepare the buildings and grounds by wrapping up a number of outdoor projects. The reduced use of our buildings doesn't really affect the annual need for volunteer help to stay proactive. Some members are beginning to respond to the appeal for help in the recent Carillon.

- The ever-dependable Nancy Rucker along with Charles Chester have been cleaning out garden beds and clearing brush on the property.
- Antonio and I have been continuing our windows restoration project with focus now on the North Eagleville side of the Education Wing.
- Kathy Lindner and Darryl Hilliard are working on refurbishing and upgrading the seven or eight first aid kits in strategic locations.
- A 12' X 11' rug donated by the Talbots has been installed in the Library.
- Bob Malecki has repainted the Waggoner Chapel entryway floor.
- A "wish list" of potential projects with cost estimates has been generated and will be considered by the Facilities Subgroup of the Board on a walk-thru this week on Friday. It is hoped that a group of painting projects and a number of tree issues will be approved for completion before winter.

CARING MINISTRY

A thankful church should not be taken for granted, and an unthankful church should not be left alone. The Apostle Paul identifies being unthankful as a footprint of unbelief (Rom. 1:21) while noting thankfulness as a mark of a believer (Col. 3:15–17). One way we can be praying for our churches is to plead with God that we would be thankful.

***But thankful for what?
And thankful to whom?***

The Apostle shows us that the thankfulness we are after is God-centered and gospel-wrought. In other words, we want to see churches enveloped by a real joy in God because of what He has done for us in Christ. You see this in Colossians 1 as Paul, himself in prison, prays for a church full of people whom he has never met—that they would understand the greatness of God and joyfully respond to the gospel with thanksgiving to God (Col. 1:9–14).

God, make us to be a church that is thankful to You and for You. May Your worth and work captivate our hearts, minds, and wills so that circumstances are transcended by the fact that You are for us in Christ.

Ligonier Ministries, Erik Raymond Jan 10, 2020

Pray For Our Military

The following list contains people called to active duty. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

- **Matt Allen**, submitted by Pam & Dick Roberts
- **Chip Greer**, submitted by Elaine Greer
- **Francis Kimenyi**, submitted by Patty Tanaka
- **Philip Lewis**, submitted by Stephanie Wheeler
- **Joshua Conner & Dakota Schroeder**, submitted by Charlene Dickerson.

If you know of someone who should be on this list, have an update or correct, please contact Deborah in the church office. Thank you.



CONGREGATIONAL LIFE HAPPENINGS

Anniversary Celebrations

Robert & Barbara Brandt1-Nov
 Alec & Karen Malecki 4-Nov
 Mark & Cheryl Roy 10-Nov

Birthday Celebrations

Dave Jordan 2-Nov
 Jacob Gardner 3-Nov
 Hunter Hamlin 6-Nov
 Chloe Gacek 6-Nov
 Haley Blomstrann 8-Nov
 Joshua Vannais 8-Nov
 Marjorie Brown 10-Nov
 Carol Jordan 11-Nov

Brooke Prince-Warinsky 12-Nov
 Alec Malecki 12-Nov
 Jacob Gilbert 16-Nov
 Grayce Gibbs 16-Nov
 Megan Rock 17-Nov
 David Woods 17-Nov
 Leo Henderson 19-Nov
 Jaiden Hathaway 21-Nov
 Maggie McLaren 22-Nov
 Carolyn Holmy 22-Nov
 Joshua McCabe 26-Nov
 Samantha Malecki 27-Nov
 Christopher Brand 28-Nov
 Chloe Ewalt 28-Nov

HONORING AND REMEMBERING

those who have died since last All Saints' Sunday

Ruth Reichel

Wallace Robinson

Sarah Tucker

Virginia Francois

Nathan Hale

Janet Muller

Brenda Bergen

Thomas Hooper

Keith Johnson

Russ Wheeler

Charles Vinsonhaler III



A NEW LOOK IN THE LIBRARY



A beautiful Oriental rug now covers most of the library floor and changes the look and feeling of the room. Warm, cozy, soft and luxurious all in one item! Jennie and Toby Talbot are moving to Colorado to be nearer family members. The carpet has never fit into their homes. This carpet has been in the Talbot Family for 5 generations if we include their grandchildren! We are grateful that they have written down the history of the carpet. It is always difficult to leave a part of your heritage behind but perhaps New England is where it needs to stay. We can understand their desire to be nearer family but we will truly miss them both in our church family.

Jennie has been a volunteer in the library for many years. She has shared her talents in many ways but most especially in the book reviews you read in the Sunday Bulletin and the Carillon. Her well-chosen words have encouraged many into readership of some of the new acquisitions and seasoned books on the shelves.

It was she who encouraged the congregation to begin a prayer shawl ministry and has overseen the program since its inception many years ago. The fellowship of knitting together and the gratitude of the recipients has been much appreciated.

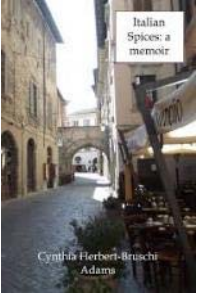
Jennie also organized the Tag Sale items at the various “fairs” the church has sponsored. Sort, label, sell, repack boxes for another event, pack some boxes for donation to WAIM and the Salvation Army were all part of the work - and it is that work that she coordinated.

Toby has participated in many of the plant sales by identifying and offering advice to purchasers. He has been a respected member of the plant sale contingent.

So to Jennie and Toby we wish them well, good health and great happiness as they transplant from their New England roots to the mountains and greenery of Colorado. A greater destination for a couple of enthusiastic walkers couldn’t be found.

Blessing to you and we are grateful for your contribution to the church for many years. The carpet will be a wonderful reminder of your thoughtfulness. Thank you.

SCC BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



November 15th, 2020 @ 7:00 PM
Zoom Meeting

Our next book will be *Italian Spices: A Memoir* by local author Cynthia Adams. We will meet via Zoom again on Sunday, November 15th at 7:00 PM when Cynthia will join us to talk about her book.

Susan Staubach describes the book as “a richly peopled travelogue and a tasty appreciation for Italian home cooking.” The author tells how her mother’s love for a WWII American soldier stationed in Italy caused her to leave her native land and move to New Hampshire where she learned to speak English, raise a family and become a successful dress shop owner. The book also tells of the author’s many trips to Italy to learn about her family and share stories. The book contains recipes that you may want to try as well as photographs.

Zoom information will be distributed via email the week of the meeting.
 Contact: Malta Bailey, mbailey05@snet.net

In Celebration



Pastor Appreciation Sunday, October 11th, 2020

SCC THANKSGIVING FOOD INGATHERING AND COMMUNITY DISTRIBUTION

Saturday, November 21, 2020

9:00 AM at the Parish House

This year's SCC Thanksgiving Community Food Distribution will involve pre-packed food boxes for "Grab 'n Go" or home delivery to about 20 families identified by Mansfield Social Services.

We ask for donations of **stuffing mix, gravy, cranberry sauce, canned yams, pumpkin pie fixings**, as well as **monetary donations for purchase of fresh produce and supermarket gift cards**. Our work-study students will be packing boxes with non-perishable food items and household necessities during the week of November 16th. We'll gather Saturday morning, November 21, at 9:00 AM at the Parish House to add fresh and frozen items and ready the boxes for "Grab 'n Go" or home delivery. Drivers for delivery should come at 10:00 AM. If you can help with packing and/or delivery, please contact Jane Joesten (860-742-5269, joesten@uconn.edu). Our procedures will maintain safe social distancing while providing the opportunity to contribute in a small way to easing food insecurity for members of our community.

The Parish House is open weekdays, 9:30 AM – 9:00 PM and Sunday, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, stop by and leave your donations in the grocery cart located in the coat rack area in the entryway.

Thank you for participating in this traditional holiday event!





Preparing the way...

How will WE journey with Mary and Joseph through the waiting and reach the STABLE in 2020?



SORRY, NO TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR IN 2020

Let's try something NEW!



YOU GUESSED IT -

We hope to go virtual or maybe hybrid...to:

- Explore and celebrate together what we can do safely.
- Welcome community participation distanced and masked.
- FUNdraise for WAIM's "Neighbor Safety Net Fund".

Evolving leadership identified as below. Contact if you'll help with photographing, no contact deliveries, donating items or greens, etc.

Virtual Silent Auction
Lounge event planning
Appointment times 12-5
Set Up Times TBD
SERRV Sales 12-5
Pecans (Pre-order?)
Bulk Greens
Handmade Bows
Quality Wreaths
Community Publicity
Logistics & Volunteers

Donate 11/8-11/19 Bid 11/22-12/5
Browse & purchase 11/28 & 12/5
Fabric/Quilted Gifts: Parish Piecers
SERRV Gifts Setup: Mary Lake
Chair - Karen Johnson
Carol Jordan, Chair-If & when? TBA
Courtyard-Dates TBA Dick Roberts
Marsha Pre-order 11/8-11/13
Med. & Large Online-Delivery TBA
Starting 11/1 & proofing internal
Eileen Metzgar - Assisting Pam

bonnie.chemerka@outlook.com
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mglake4@gmail.com
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Storrs Congregational Church - Doing Something NEW - TOGETHER
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IMPORTANT -The Windham Region Interfaith Ministry Peace T-Shirt Project Continues

To pre-order by mail for the Fundraiser to benefit the Windham Region No Freeze Shelter use this revised order form. THANK YOU!



Windham Region Interfaith Working Group (WIWG)
Proceeds benefit the Windham Region No Freeze Project
Pre-order Form: Adult & Youth PEACE T-Shirt Benefit



Date of Order: _____ Name of Individual placing order: _____
 Phone, Text, or Email Contact: *Required _____

NOTE THAT SOME SIZES ARE OUT OF STOCK - for many, Youth L can substitute for Adult M
 Write the quantity (1, 2, etc.) of the shirt(s) you order in the appropriate size and color area.
 Write cost for adult pre-order in the ADULT TOTAL area by multiplying the quantity X \$15.00.
 Write cost for youth pre-order in the YOUTH TOTAL area by multiplying the quantity X \$10.00.
 Add Adult Shirt Total with Youth Shirt Total and enter that amount as a GRAND TOTAL.

ADULTS @ \$15/ea.	Black w/ White ink		# of White w/ Black ink		# of Lime Green w/ Black ink		# Carolina Blue w/ Black ink		ADULT TOTAL
Inventory	Available	# ordered	Available	# ordered			Available	# ordered	@ \$15 ea.
Medium	Stocked		NONE		NONE		NONE		\$
Large	Stocked		Stocked		NONE		Low <5		\$
X Large	Stocked		Stocked		Low <10		Low <10		\$
XX Large	Low <5		Low <5		NONE		Low <5		\$
ADULT TOTAL									\$

YOUTH @ \$10/ea.	# of Black w/ White ink		# of White w/ Black ink		# of Lime Green w/ Black ink		# of Carolina Blue w/ Black ink		YOUTH TOTAL
									@ \$10 ea.
Medium	Stocked		Low >10		Stocked		<10		\$
Large	Stocked		Low <10		Stocked		<10		\$
YOUTH TOTAL									\$

GRAND TOTAL FOR ALL ADULT AND YOUTH T-SHIRT ORDERS	\$
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Make checks out to:	LOW / NE CT
Include in the Memo line:	T-Shirt Benefit

Mail order form with check payment to:
 Interfaith T-Shirt Benefit
 c/o Susan Hewes, T-Shirt Benefit Co-Chair
 237 Brick Top Rd
 Windham, CT 06280

Pre-order Peace T-Shirts NOW for best choices of sizes and colors.

- Pam will regularly contact you to confirm orders and set up delivery options in safe ways.
- Susan will regularly process your donations and keep financial records.

Questions? Contact Pam Roberts, T-Shirt Benefit Co-Chair
 Email: drpampt@gmail.com Ph: 860-428-2406 (text or voice)
 Cash & credit available at in person events.
 Contact Pam to reserve a T-Shirt Kit for events

Many Thanks to the "Peace T-Shirt" Partners:

Lead: Windham Region Interfaith Working Group
 Seed funds: Temple B'nai Israel, Hochberg Holocaust & Human Rights Committee.
 Publicity help: The Windham Region No Freeze Project
 Fiduciary: League of Women Voters of Northeastern CT (LWV/NE CT)
 Storage & photo: The Storrs Congregational Church
 Printing: Budget Printers & Embroiderers



COLLECTING FOR WINDHAM NO FREEZE SHELTER

Recent conversations with the folks at the Windham No Freeze Shelter have shown that socks are in great need! Due to COVID, only new socks can be donated for use. This year, in addition to collecting mittens for our Mitten Tree, we'll be requesting socks to share the branches on our tree. Since shopping time is upon us and sales are already in full swing now is a great time to pick up some nice, white socks that will make a significant impact in someone's life. The Mitten Tree won't be up for another month but we have a collection box in the Parish House that is ready for donations now.

EXTRA BAGS?

With so many of us having groceries delivered to us the influx of paper bags is becoming overwhelming! While paper bags are definitely recycleable, they are also reusable and very helpful when packing food from the SCC Food Pantry or freezer. The considerable stock pile of bags in the Food Pantry has dwindled and we could definitely use more to replenish our coffers so that we can continue to provide food items as needed.

Please bring your extra paper bags and reusable shopping bags to the Parish House between 9:30 AM – 9:00 PM Monday – Friday. Bags may be left in the grocery cart in the coat rack area.

FOOD PANTRY OPEN TUESDAY 10:00 AM - NOON

The Food Pantry will be open on Tuesday mornings for walk-in access or preorder pickup. If you know of anyone who could benefit from food assistance, please suggest that they give the office a call to arrange for a pick up on Tuesday morning (*or another day that may work better*). Jane Joesten will be available on site to assist with the Food Pantry access on Tuesday mornings from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. Donations may be brought for shelving on Tuesday as well.



FOOD PANTRY

Open Tuesday
10 AM - 12 NOON

call 860-429-9382

Vespers with SCC: Every Wednesday @ 7:00 pm

In this time of wide-spread shutdowns and cancellations, we recognize the need for community, connection, fellowship, and worship -- perhaps now more than ever. As we all practice self-isolation, we will be offering **online midweek Vespers on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm**. This service is designed specifically for the experience of online worshippers and incorporates communal and individual prayer, psalms, scripture, and the opportunity for fellowship and conversation.



Access SCC Online Worship...

Friday Tea Time: Fridays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm

Join other SCC-ers for a Friday fellowship opportunity, simply for casual conversation and social contact with one another. The Zoom Meeting will be open from 3:30 to 4:30 pm (i.e. "tea time"). All you need to do is "show up" on the Zoom Meeting. Feel free to bring a snack and your favorite beverage (it doesn't have to be tea!).



Join Zoom Meeting (note, this is *not* the same link as for Worship Services) :

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81616273810?pwd=ME9IL2U2azdYRjJnMkxPT1ZpRIQ1UT09>

Meeting ID: 816 1627 3810

Password: 722786777

FoodShare Distribution: Thursday, November 5th & 19th at 11:30 AM

The town of Mansfield works in collaboration with other faith based as well as non-profit organizations to assist individuals and families who have food insecurities.

Distribution Procedure...

Please wait in your vehicle and traffic will be directed by our resident troopers for distribution. Guests will remain in their vehicle and bags will be placed in the trunk of the vehicle. All bags are the same and there will be no exchange of items. We ask participants to wear a face covering, which can be as simple as a handkerchief or bandana. We are in this together and let's do what we can to keep each other safe during this time.

Mobile FoodShare is a pantry-on-wheels bringing fresh produce and other food to our neighbors in need. The program increases healthy food and nutrition opportunities for many in the area. The mobile food truck distributes food at 303 Maple Rd, Storrs, CT 06268 every other Thursdays at 11:30 am - noon. No sign up is required.



COVENANT TO CARE & THE HOLIDAYS IN 2020

This year we won't be asking you to shop for the toys and clothing for the United Services families, formerly known as the Parent Aide Program, but they need us more than ever. Gift cards will be offered to the families to do their own online ordering. Max and Mariceli are the two social workers and together have a total of 12 families that could really use our help. They have resumed in home visits and can see first hand great need. A combination of the layoffs from the pandemic and children home from school and daycare have led to increased unemployment. With entire families at home, growing children could really use some winter clothes to play outside. If you would like to make a donation toward the family gift cards, please make a donation in any amount to the church office and mark it Covenant to Care or go to the SCC website and hit the green "Donate Now" button, and select "Covenant to Care" from the giving options. Also accepted are used items, including baby items for newborn twins expected soon, and especially toddler winter clothing, and as always toys and games. Contact Max at her United Services work phone 860-359-3666, she is willing to tell you more about specific family needs such as a pack and play portable crib, bassinet, carseat, etc. as well as young children's winter clothes, especially snow suits, boots and jackets.

Contact: Linda Blum, lblum0598@charter.net for general questions and donation coordination.



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