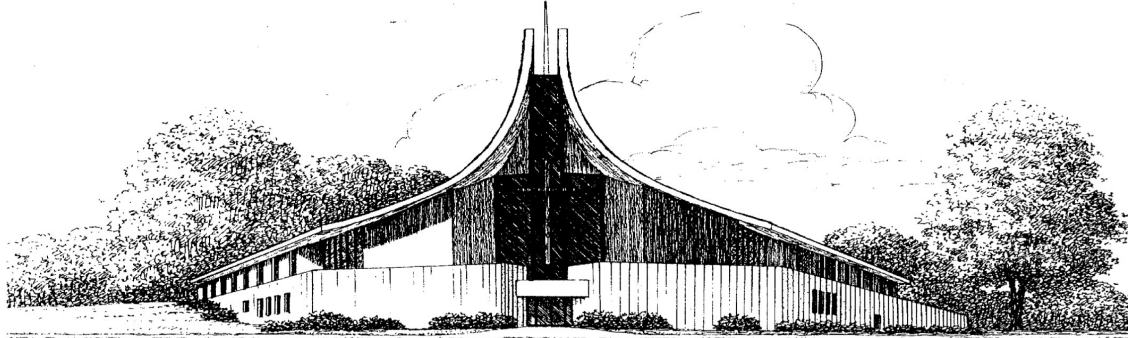




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EVERY THURSDAY

6:00pm

Thursday Night Life

Monday, March 5

7:00pm UMM Dinner

Tuesday, March 6

6:30pm ASP Rally

Wednesday, March 7

6:00pm Chapel Bells

Thursday, March 8

7:00pm Lenten Bible Study

Saturday, March 10

12:00pm Dorothy Day Ministry

Sunday, March 11

11:30am UMC Youth Program

Tuesday, March 13

7:00pm Trustees

Wednesday, March 14

6:00pm Chapel Bells

6:30pm SPRC Committee

7:30pm Church Council

Thursday, March 15

7:00pm Lenten Bible Study

Friday, March 16

5:00pm Corned Beef Dinner

Sunday, March 18

11:30am Visitation Meeting

Tuesday, March 20

7:30pm UMCD Book Club

Wednesday, March 21

6:00pm Chapel Bells

7:00pm ASP Meeting

Thursday, March 22

7:00pm Lenten Bible Study

Saturday, March 24

10:00am ASP Car Wash

Sunday, March 25

11:30am UMC Youth Program

Wednesday, March 28

6:00pm Chapel Bells

7:00pm Finance Meeting

Saturday, March 31

10:00am ASP Basic Training

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM PASTOR KIM

This is Not My House

A Lenten Meditation based on John 4:5-42
(excerpted from Rev. Bass Mitchell)

“This is not my house. This is God’s house.

I cannot tell God who is welcome and who is not.

This is not my table. I do not sit at the head as host. It is the table of Christ. He is the Host. I cannot tell the Host who can sit here and who cannot.

This is not my food on this sacred table. I did not prepare it. It is not my blood, my body. It is the very life of Christ laid out here. I cannot tell Him, this One who constantly ate with sinners, who is worthy to partake of it and who is not.

The doors of God’s house are open to all who need shelter, who crave the fellowship and friendship of God, and even to those who hate God or cannot bring themselves to trust that God exists or could care for them.

Anyone, everyone is welcome as honored guests in God’s house.

The table of Christ is long and it has many chairs. There is always room for one more, for those craving the fellowship of the sacred table, a place to belong, to be somebody to Somebody.

Anyone, everyone has a place at the table of Christ.

This food, simple yet divine, is bountiful, abundant, ample for all, especially those who are hungry and thirsty for what mere bread and drink cannot supply. Anyone, everyone has a plate and a portion served by the very hand of Christ. No one is sent away hungry or thirsty here.”

Prayer: Lord, who am I that you swing open your door and embrace me?

Who am I that you escort me to your table and pull out a chair for me?

Who am I that you would provide such wondrous and costly food?

How can I but humbly bow my head at such grace? How can I but embrace, like you, all your guests, all who, like me, are unworthy of your house, unfit for your table and food, yet are welcomed, seated and fed anyway? Amen.

APRIL EVENTS

*EVERY THURSDAY 6:00pm
Thursday Night Life*

Monday, April 2
EASTER MONDAY
UMCD OFFICE CLOSED
7:00pm UMM Dinner

Wednesday, April 4
6:00pm Chapel Bells
6:30pm ASP Orientation 1
6:45pm ASP New Parent Orientation
7:00pm Trustees

Thursday, April 5
10:00am Helping Hands Ministry

Saturday, April 7
10:00am ASP Car Wash

Sunday, April 8
11:30am UMC Youth Program
12:00pm ASP Basic Training

Wednesday, April 11
6:00pm Chapel Bells
6:30pm SPRC Committee
7:30pm Church Council

Saturday, April 14
10:00am ASP Car Wash
12:00pm Dorothy Day Ministry

Tuesday, April 17
7:30pm UMCD Book Club

Wednesday, April 18
6:00pm Chapel Bells
7:00pm ASP Meeting

Sunday, April 22
12:00pm ASP Car Wash

Wednesday, April 25
6:00pm Chapel Bells
7:00pm Finance Meeting

Saturday, April 28
9:00am UMW District Meeting
10:00am ASP Car Wash

Sunday, April 29
12:00pm ASP Advanced Training

LIKE UMC OF DANBURY ON FACEBOOK

An easy way to let others know about all the good things going on at UMC of Danbury is to **LIKE** and **SHARE** us on Facebook.

Go to www.facebook.com/danburymethodist and click on the “**Like**” button at the top of the page. Then, in the box that appears, click on “**All Notifications**”. If you also click the “**Share**” button, you can help spread the word about our church with other Facebook users.

This will ensure that you will see updates and photos posted to our page.

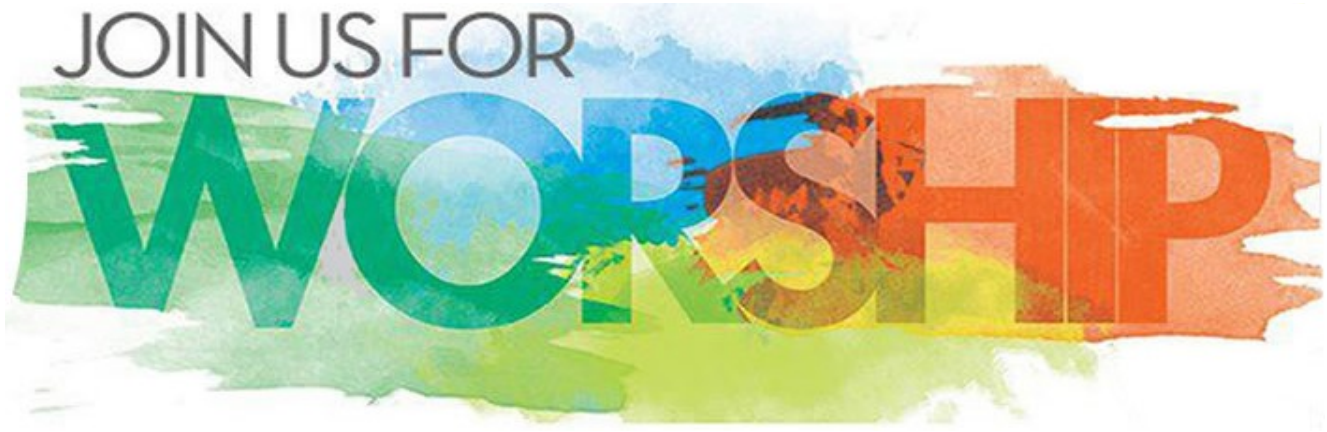


Heartfelt 
THANKS
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Mary Holston
Jan Elwell
Sue Teer
Jim Teer
Bev Anderson

Many Thanks to our dedicated Office Volunteers for their wisdom, tremendous help and humor. They bring sunshine into our office with their warm and welcoming smiles.

SPECIAL THANK YOU TO
Roger Warmbir
For all of his help in the office during Patti's medical leave.



MARCH WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We will once again be holding winter worship in Fellowship Hall through April. We have been doing this the past 3 years as a cost saving measure and our Finance Committee estimates that we save around \$2,500 each winter from not heating our very large sanctuary.

We will once again be blessed by the opportunity to experience visual projection each week in Fellowship Hall. We look forward to you being with us each week as we worship God in faith and fellowship.

SUNDAY, MARCH 4 - 3RD SUNDAY IN LENT

**9:30AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
10:30AM - WORSHIP - PASTOR KIM PREACHING
THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

SUNDAY, MARCH 11 - 4TH SUNDAY IN LENT

**9:30AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
10:30AM - WORSHIP - PASTOR KIM PREACHING
11:30AM - UMCD YOUTH PROGRAM**

SUNDAY, MARCH 18 - 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

**9:30AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
10:30AM - WORSHIP - PASTOR KIM PREACHING**

SUNDAY, MARCH 25 - PALM / PASSION SUNDAY

**9:30AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
10:30AM - WORSHIP - PASTOR KIM PREACHING
11:30AM - UMCD YOUTH PROGRAM**

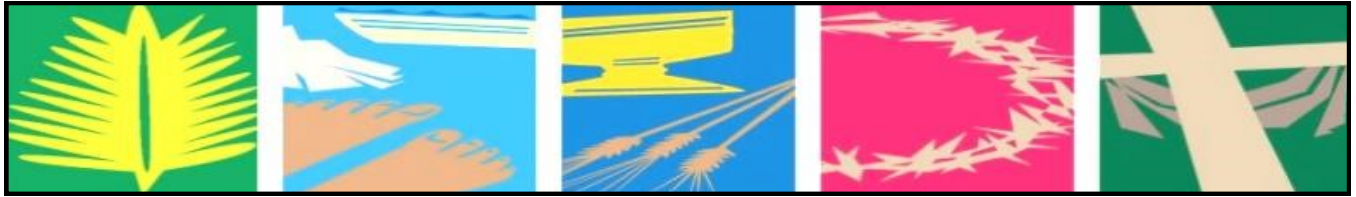
THURSDAY MARCH 29 - MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:30PM - COMMUNION SERVICE

FRIDAY MARCH 30 - GOOD FRIDAY

7:30PM - STATIONS OF THE CROSS SERVICE

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP



SUNDAY, MARCH 25 - PALM/PASSION SUNDAY

10:30AM

WORSHIP IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

THURSDAY, MARCH 29 - MAUNDY THURSDAY

7:30PM

COMMUNION SERVICE IN SANCTUARY

OBSERVING THE LAST SUPPER OF JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES

FRIDAY, MARCH 30 - GOOD FRIDAY

7:30PM

STATIONS OF THE CROSS SERVICE IN SANCTUARY

DRAMATIC READINGS AND MUSIC



SUNDAY, APRIL 1
EASTER SUNDAY

10:30AM

WORSHIP SERVICE WITH COMMUNION

CELEBRATING THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

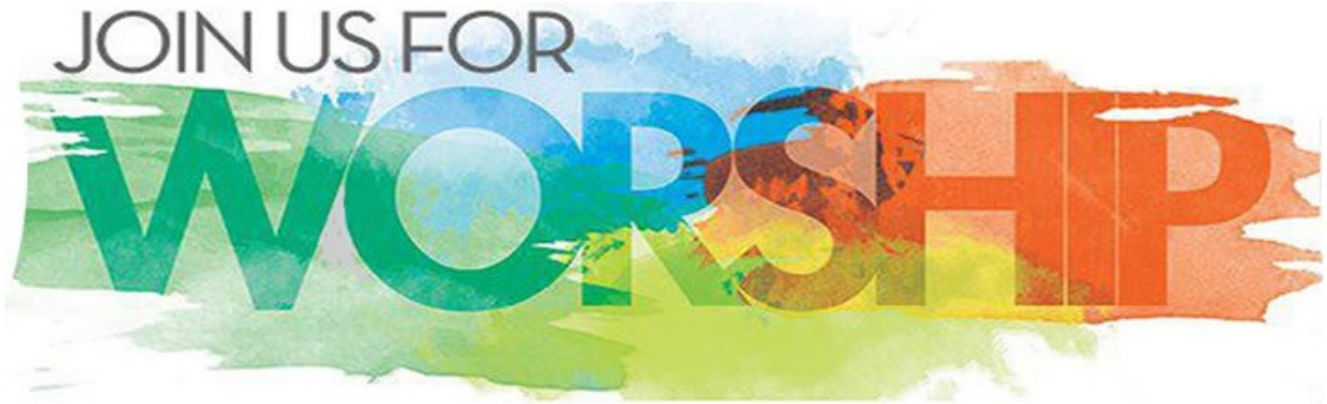
SPECIAL MUSIC AND CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**** PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THIS YEAR,
THERE WILL BE ONE JOINT EASTER SERVICE ****

CHILD CARE PROVIDED DURING 10:30 SERVICE

FOLLOWING WORSHIP

OUTDOOR EASTER EGG HUNT FOR CHILDREN 10 AND UNDER



APRIL WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, APRIL 1 - EASTER SUNDAY

10:30AM

WORSHIP SERVICE WITH COMMUNION
CELEBRATING THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST
SPECIAL MUSIC AND CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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CHILD CARE PROVIDED DURING 10:30 SERVICE

**FOLLOWING WORSHIP
OUTDOOR EASTER EGG HUNT FOR CHILDREN 10 AND UNDER**

SUNDAY, APRIL 8 - 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:30AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
10:30AM - WORSHIP
11:30AM - UMCD YOUTH PROGRAM

SUNDAY, APRIL 15 - 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL - SPRING BREAK
10:30AM - WORSHIP - PASTOR KIM PREACHING

SUNDAY, APRIL 22 - 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:30AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
10:30AM - WORSHIP - PASTOR KIM PREACHING

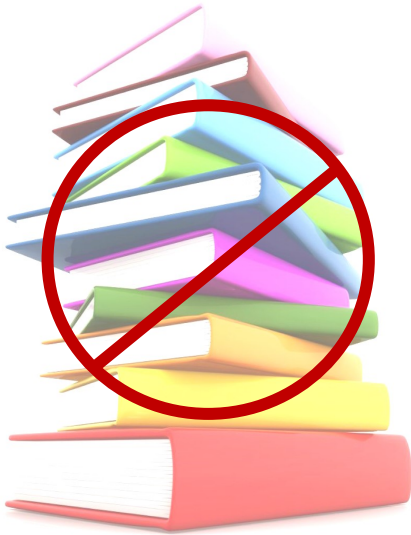
SUNDAY, APRIL 29 - 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:30AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
10:30AM - WORSHIP - PASTOR KIM PREACHING
11:30AM - UMCD YOUTH PROGRAM

CHILD CARE IS PROVIDED DURING OUR SERVICES

**JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP**

BOOK DONATIONS NO LONGER ACCEPTED



Apparently, we have done such a good job donating books to our small library in Room 1 that we have over-run the place. As a result, we will NOT be able to accept any more donations of books for Room 1 until further notice.

Here is the problem:

First, since all the shelf space is already taken with books, any books that come in have to be packed and taken elsewhere. Room 1 is a meeting room, and can't be used as such when there is a steady stream of books being left on the table.

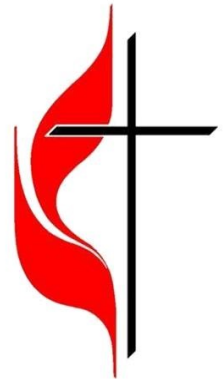
Second, the task of boxing and removing all additional book donations has fallen to Karlene Lombardo, and that is just not fair to her.

So, many thanks for the donations you have made in the past and please respect our request that no more books be donated at the present time, as there is simply no place to put them.

The Danbury Public Library accepts donations on an occasional basis. Hopefully your books can find a home there.

Many Thanks.

Paster Kim



EASTER CANDY NEEDED

The Easter Bunny has plenty of plastic eggs, but is in need of individually wrapped candy donations for the Easter Egg hunt after services on Easter Sunday.

Please deposit your candy donations in the box in Fellowship Hall.

thank you!





Rev. Elizabeth J. Ott
New York/Connecticut
District Superintendent

February 20, 2018

Rev. Kimberly Bosley
Danbury UMC
5 Clapboard Ridge Road
Danbury, CT 06811

Dear Kim:

Greetings in Jesus' name!

I'm writing to express my thanks to you for hosting the recent Leader to Leader Training. I know from personal experience that being host to these events is both a privilege and a burden since it requires additional time from your schedule to organize and an investment of time as you are present for the event. Managing food preparation and clean up adds to the work for you and the laity of your congregation. Please accept my sincere appreciation to you and to your lay people for the hospitality they have extended. Everyone who spoke to me about the event said that it was wonderfully informative and uplifting.

May God bless you, your church and your ministries together, especially during the Lenten Season.

Grace and Peace,

Elizabeth Ott

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF DANBURY
5 CLAPBOARD RIDGE ROAD, DANBURY

Join us for a
Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner

Includes: Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes & Irish Soda Bread

Friday, March 16



Continuous Servings from
5:00pm - 7:00pm
Fellowship Hall - Lower Level

COME ONE, COME ALL!

PRICES:

Adults	\$12.00
Seniors (65+)	\$10.00
Children (7-15)	\$ 8.00
Children (under 6)	\$ 4.00

Dinners to-go - \$1.00 additional

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Easter Flowers 2018



THE ALTAR GUILD IS NOW TAKING FLOWER ORDERS FOR EASTER.

THEY WILL BE DISPLAYED IN THE SANCTUARY FOR EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 2018.

**THE BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS ARE \$10.00 EACH FOR TULIP, DAFFODIL, HYACINTH AND LILY.
AZALEA PLANTS ARE \$12.50 EACH.**

*Remember how spectacular the sanctuary looks when it is
elegantly blessed with multitudes of beautiful Spring flowers.*

Please don't miss this opportunity to help create such a wonderful sight for Easter.

Cash or checks made payable to the United Methodist Church of Danbury may be given directly to
Altar Guild Members: Valerie Bose, Tonya Clark, Barbara Fulton or Barbara Kunicki
by Sunday, March 18, 2018.

You may also mail your order & check payment to Valerie Bose, 8 Hitching Post Lane, Danbury CT 06811.
For additional information, please contact Val at 203-744-5712.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY - DEADLINE SUNDAY, MARCH 18, 2018

Your Name _____ Telephone # _____

Tulip _____ # Daffodil _____ # Hyacinth _____ # Lily _____ Total # Plants _____ @ \$10 = _____

Azalea _____ Total # Plants _____ @ \$12.50 = _____ GRAND TOTAL \$ _____

Amount Enclosed _____ Check # _____ Cash _____

Plants I will keep _____ # Plants I wish given to home-bound member(s) _____

Name(s) of home-bound member(s) _____

Flowers given in honor of: _____

Flowers given in memory of: _____



RENEWAL HOUSE BREAKFAST

Renewal House, once known as, "Shelter of the Cross", will be celebrating 20 years of service to our community.

The UMCD will have a table for 10 people at Renewal House's fund raising breakfast to be held Wednesday, May 2, 7:30am-9:00am, at the Westside campus of Western Connecticut State University.

Renewal House is devoted to rebuilding older lives by restoring independence, one life at a time. If you would like more information about Renewal House or would like to attend the breakfast please contact Outreach Chair, Beverly Anderson (203) 746-4800.



VISITATION COMMITTEE MEETING

SUNDAY, MARCH 18

AFTER WORSHIP



Easter will soon be upon us, the birds will be singing, and we will see some flowers popping out of the soil, so let us rejoice at this glorious time of the year.

The Visitation Committee will meet on Sunday, March 18, 2018 following worship. The Committee will be signing Easter cards for the home bound members of our church family.

Please plan on joining them for this wonderful project.



**The United Methodist Men
meet for dinner on the
1st Monday of each month at 7:00pm**

Please join them for comradery, good food, and interesting discussions



Monday, March 5 at 7:00pm

Panda House

93 Mill Plain Road, Danbury, CT

Monday, April 2 at 7:00pm

O'Brien's Sports Pub & Restaurant

83 Lake Avenue, Danbury, CT



**The United Methodist Church Book Club
meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month.**

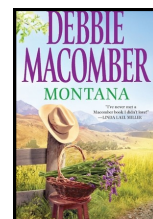
The March meeting will take place on **Tuesday, March 20, 7:30pm**. Deb Davis will serve as host.
The meeting will take place in Room#3 of the church. Everyone is welcome to attend.



March Book Selection: *Wonder* By R. J. Palacio

The April meeting will take place on **Tuesday, April 17, 7:30pm** at the home of
Karlene Lombardo, 70 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury. Everyone is welcome to attend.

April Book Selection: *Montana* By Debbie Macomber





MARCH IS NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH.

National Women's History Month first began in the 1970's as Women's History Week. It seemed necessary to present an expanding version of history with the achievements of women in it. From Sonoma County, California to New York City educators, women's groups and historians began to support the week surrounding March 8th (International Women's Day) as a focal point of the observance.

In 1980 President Jimmy Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the week of March 8th National Women's History Week. He stated: "Too often the women were unsung and sometimes their contributions went unnoticed. But the achievements, leadership, courage, strength and love of the women who built America was as vital as that of the men whose names we know so well." A Congressional Resolution followed in 1981.

Finally, after lobbying by several states, in 1987, Congress declared March as National Women's History Month in perpetuity. A special Presidential Proclamation is issued every year which honors the extraordinary achievements of American women.



On March 23, 2019, United Methodist Women will celebrate 150 years as a membership mission organization serving women, children and youth around the world. The United Methodist Women has grown to become one of the largest women's organizations in the United States. There are over 800,000 members, and it supports 125 mission projects.





“UNITED METHODIST WOMEN: OUR LEGACY AND INHERITANCE”

Join the United Methodist Women for their next meeting on Tuesday, April 24 at 7:00pm. The meeting will be held in the community room at the Palace View Apartments located at 132 Main Street in Danbury.

The program is entitled **“UNITED METHODIST WOMEN: OUR LEGACY AND INHERITANCE”**; and will explore the history of the United Methodist Women of Danbury. They will briefly illuminate ways in which they support, nurture, provide for and serve others through their organization.

The guest speaker will be Suzanne Wilcox. Suzanne is an active volunteer with the Morning Glory Breakfast Program. This program serves a hot meal to the hungry and homeless at the Spring Street location in Danbury. It works in collaboration with other agencies to provide education and referrals for the guests.



A dessert social will follow the meeting. There will be a collection of non-food pantry items such as cleaning products, paper goods and hygiene products. These items will be distributed by van and called the **“Morning Glory Marketplace”**.

If you have any questions, or need a ride,
contact Karlene Lombardo 203-743-1260 or Shirley Fogle 203-748-1307.

UMW OF DANBURY TO HOST DISTRICT MEETING ON APRIL 28

Our Danbury United Methodist Women will be hosting the United Methodist Women District Meeting on Saturday, April 28 in Fellowship Hall from 9:00am - 1:00pm.

Members from the New York - Connecticut District will be attending. The agenda for the meeting includes a planning session for upcoming district events.

As hosts, we will be providing coffee and refreshments on arrival and a light luncheon. We are seeking donations for muffins, coffee cake or sandwiches for this event. If you can help, please contact Beverly Anderson (203) 746-4800.





IT'S SPRING! TIME FOR GERANIUMS

CELEBRATING OUR VETERANS - SUNDAY, MAY 20

Plants on sale April 15 through May 13

Red only - \$5.00 each (4" pot size)

Sponsored by:

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN OF DANBURY

The geraniums may be purchased to keep, or to be given to a veteran living at a local assisted living home with all proceeds going to mission giving.

Each geranium may be given in **Honor Of** or in **Memory Of** a special veteran or a loved one.



These geraniums will be placed around our church altar on Sunday, May 20. There will be a special red, white and blue bunting to add to this presentation to honor our veterans.

To place orders: Contact Karlene Lombardo at 203-743-1260 or lombardodk@gmail.com

Checks should be made out to: **THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN OF DANBURY**

DEADLINE : MAY 13, 2018

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Number of Plants: _____

Please check:

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Will Keep _____ Will Donate _____

MAY THE BLESSINGS OF THE LORD
GUIDE YOU, PROTECT YOU AND
SURROUND YOU IN ALL THE DAYS OF
YOUR LIFE.

Happy Easter

The Church Council and Board of Trustees

Pastor Kim Bosley

Patti Cohen-Hecht, Administrator

Wish you and your Family a Blessed Easter



March 4

Scripture Reader	Chris Russock
People's Prayers	Mark Pierce
Counters	Phyllis Tranzillo Will McWilliams

March 11

Scripture Reader	Carla Pierce
People's Prayers	Pastor Kim Bosley
Counters	Myra Tesbir Norma Bucko

March 18

Scripture Reader	Pastor Kim Bosley
People's Prayers	Carol Spaulding
Counters	Star Auer Sue Teer

March 25 - Palm/Passion Sunday

Counters	Carla Pierce Don DeMouth
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**BEST WISHES AND GOD'S BLESSINGS
TO THOSE
CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN**



Mary Holston	March 1
Adam Rouse	March 2
Robert John Fulton	March 5
Choch Ponlork	March 6
Deana Skidmore	March 6
Jonathan Rutledge	March 7
Beverly Anderson	March 8
Peg Slater	March 8
Katherine Jackson	March 9
Jim Teer	March 10
Bennett Jasensky	March 11
Doreen Ackell	March 13
Doris Sanders	March 13
Lois Darrah	March 14
Kimberly Clemens	March 15
Katherine Curran	March 15
Jenna Jasensky	March 17
Jeffrey Zahara	March 18
David Johnson	March 19
Patrick Foster	March 20
Cliff Davis	March 23
Samantha Skidmore	March 23
Jumar Dixon	March 27
Katherine Mitchell	March 30



April 1 - EASTER SUNDAY

Counters	Phyllis Tranzillo Will McWilliams
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April 8

Scripture Reader	Bishop Rouse
People's Prayers	Beverly Anderson
Counters	Myra Tesbir Norma Bucko

April 15

Scripture Reader	Pastor Kim Bosley
People's Prayers	Phyllis Tranzillo
Counters	Star Auer Sue Teer

April 22

Scripture Reader	Carol Spaulding
People's Prayers	Jim Davis
Counters	Carla Pierce Don DeMouth

April 29

Scripture Reader	Phyllis Tranzillo
People's Prayers	Barbara Kunicki
Counters	Carla Pierce Don DeMouth

**BEST WISHES AND GOD'S BLESSINGS
TO THOSE
CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS IN**



Kim Goodwin	April 2
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Christine Russock	April 4
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Joseph Strizalkowski	April 7
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Peter Hornik	April 10
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Mark Pierce	April 11
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Jim Davis	April 15
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Lois Bornemeier	April 19
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Jessica Rutledge	April 24
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Brian Kempter	April 27
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Marcia Vietrogoski	April 27
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Mary Mattoni	April 28
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Tonya Clark	April 30
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**THURSDAY NIGHT LIFE
DINNER IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
6:00PM - 6:30PM**

Thursday Night Life is an informal, affordable dinner served buffet style.
The cost is \$3.00 per person with a family maximum of \$15.00

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

MARCH MENU

MARCH 1 PORK ROAST
MARCH 8 CHICKEN
MARCH 15 BREAKFAST FOR DINNER
MARCH 22 REUBEN CASSEROLE
MARCH 29 MEATLOAF

APRIL MENU

APRIL 5 HAM
APRIL 12 CHICKEN
APRIL 19 TACOS
APRIL 26 PORK ROAST

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