UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF DANBURY

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JUNE EVENTS

Every Thursday 6:00pm Thursday Night Life

Monday, June 4 7:00pm UMM Dinner

Tuesday, June 5 6:00pm UMW Dinner

Wednesday, June 6 6:00pm Chapel Bells 6:30pm ASP Meeting 7:00pm Trustees Meeting

Thursday, June 7 10:00am Helping Hands

Saturday, June 9 12:00pm DorothyDayMinistry

Wednesday, June 136:00pmChapel Bells6:30pmSPRC Committee7:30pmChurch Council

Saturday, June 16 10:00am ASP Car Wash

Tuesday, June 19 7:30pm UMCD Book Club

Wednesday, June 20 6:00pm Chapel Bells 7:00pm ASP Adult Leader Orientation

Wednesday, June 27 6:00pm Chapel Bells 7:00pm Finance Meeting

JUNE WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JUNE 3 - 2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:30AM - LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30AM - WORSHIP - PASTOR KIM PREACHING THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION 11:30AM - ICE CREAM SOCIAL

SUNDAY, JUNE 10 - 3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ANNUAL CONFERENCE SUNDAY - PASTOR KIM IN ATTENDANCE AT HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY

Conference Sunday - Pastor Kim in attendance at Hofstra University 9:30AM - SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES 10:30AM - WORSHIP - LAY SPEAKER CARLA PIERCE WILL OFFER THE MESSAGE

SUNDAY, JUNE 17 - 4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST FATHER'S DAY

10:30AM - WORSHIP - REV. TERRY PFEIFFER, RETIRED UMCD PASTOR FROM 1977-1988 WILL OFFER THE MESSAGE. THE FELLOWSHIP HOUR WILL BE IN TERRY'S HONOR.

SUNDAY, JUNE 24 - 5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 10:30AM - WORSHIP - PASTOR KIM PREACHING



United Methodist Church Of Danbury

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Happy start of summer everyone!

This has been a long difficult winter and spring for many of us and I pray that we all fared well. As the finance chair I would like to update the congregation with some good news, some concerns and just a general outlook of our church finances.

The good news: Having services downstairs during the winter months continues to help us save on heating costs. The trustees have been diligent in keeping track of the heating usage in the church and, making sure the heat is turned off when a room is not in use as well as utilizing the timers and speaking to the space users on their heating usage. That has resulted in our heating costs going down this quarter compared to the same time last year. The trustees have also been able to collect the space use charges in a much more timely fashion. Pastor Kim as well voluntarily did not take a pay increase this year. We have also kept up with payments for the roof loan.

The not so great news: Costs are up, not due to anything we are doing, we have been operating at the minimum for some time and continue to do so. But costs of things like oil, we had more snow removal than the previous year, our insurance bill was delayed in being sent to us last year, so that cost went on to this year's budget, medical insurance and other expenses set by the conference have increased as they have for a great many people and our apportionments have increased. None of these increases are in our control but they do affect our operating budget.

Our overall financial outlook: we are in a tight position right now. There have been years where it was worse but more often than not, by now we should start seeing some relief due to the winter months being over and we are not seeing that as of late. Fundraising is down at this point from where we were last year as well. General repairs and other large ticket costs are also looming in the near future, a new hot water heater for the church for example. That is cause for concern. In light of our very tight finances, it is very important that people do their best to keep up with pledges, especially as we move into the summer months. We also appreciate your support of our fundraisers. In our present situation, fundraisers become critical to help us with our budget gap.

Our church and congregation continues to do wonderful things and that is worth celebrating, covenant to care, ASP, Thursday night Life, Dorothy Day, clothing drive, etc. As Methodists we "continue to heed the lessons John Wesley taught his followers: to live lovingly and justly as servants of Christ by healing the sick, feeding the hungry, caring for the stranger, freeing the oppressed; being a compassionate presence, and working to develop social structures that are consistent with the gospel."

We promise to continue to keep you posted and will update you again mid-summer. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Yours in Christ, Tonya Clark Finance Chair





Thank you to all of our office volunteers for their time, talents

and treasures!

Jan Elwell Mary Holston Chris Russock Sue Teer Roger Warmbir

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 <u>www.facebook.com/danburymethodist</u> 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.





ANNUAL CONFERENCE UPDATE

One of the hallmarks of our denomination is its' democratic organization. We are divided into Annual Conferences, governed by

a Bishop. Each Annual Conference meets annually to plan program, set direction, and approve a budget. This year's Annual Conference will be held June 7-10 at Hofstra University on Long Island.

Pastor Kim will attend as required. Our church has elected Bev Anderson as our lay delegate, and she too will attend. We hope to include a summary of Annual Conference highlights in our next newsletter.

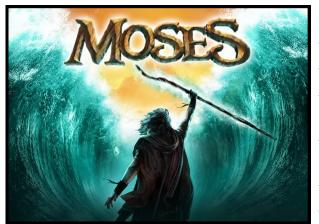


Please consider sponsoring the Altar Flowers for an upcoming Sunday. The cost to sponsor the flowers is \$25.00

This is a wonderful opportunity to honor your loved ones: Birthdays Anniversaries and Memorials

Contact Val Bose for more information 203-744-5712

THE "TRUE" STORY OF MOSES AND THE JEWS FROM JOSEPH TO JOSHUA, THE EXODUS TO THE REDEMPTION IN THE HOLY LAND THURSDAY EVENINGS, JUNE 14 AND JUNE 21 - 7:00P-9:00PM



Topics to be covered:

- It starts with Joseph, not Moses.
- The prelude to Moses and the Exodus.
- The story of Moshe (Moses) as told in the Old Testament (The Torah).
- Moshe as tribal leader, political leader, law-giver and problem-solver.
- His struggles with those Stiff-Necked People.
- Hitting the rock and the Final Event.

Over the course of two 2-hour sessions, we'll learn through print, artwork, video and song, who Moses was, how he became the Great Law-Giver, and how he led the people through the Wilderness to the Holy Land.

We'll use the ancient sources that are considered God's words by many people and compare them to the modern depictions of Moses and the Exodus.

An interesting and fun time is guaranteed for all. Gerry Hecht will lead us in this study.





Come ring out the Sunday School year and ring in the SUMMER with our annual Ice Cream Social. Join us in the Narthex after worship on Sunday, June 3 and make your own Sundae!





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

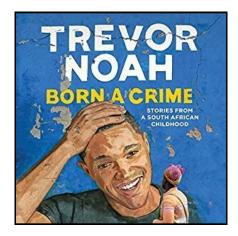


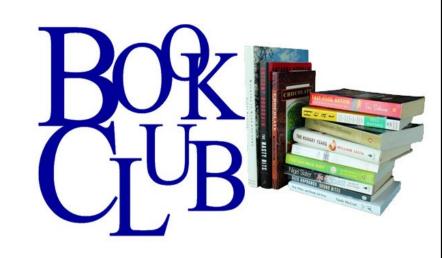
Monday, June 4 at 7:00pm Three Brothers Dinner, White Street, Danbury

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

The June meeting will take place on **Tuesday, June 19, 7:30pm at the home of Minnie Rouse.**

June Book Selection: Born a Crime By Trevor Noah









Join the United Methodist Women for their June meeting and cookout on Tuesday, June 5, at the home of Karlene and Don Lombardo (70 Old Ridgebury Road, Danbury) at 6:00pm. The Lombardo's will be providing grilled chicken and hot dogs. Donald and his crew will be manning the grill. There will be a brief service to commemorate and collect for the World Thank Offering. Please bring any "Labels for Education". The labels will be sent to The Henderson Settlement in Frakes, Kentucky. All the women and guests of the church are invited. There will be a sign-up for side dishes and desserts in the Narthex. If you have any questions, or need a ride, please contact Karlene Lombardo at 203-743-1260.

THANK YOU for supporting the two mission fund raisers for the United Methodist Women. The Mother's Day Bake Sale on Sunday, May 13 was a success. Special recognition and appreciation to Valerie Stagen and Penny McKown! Thank you for all of the efforts of our wonderful bakers and our generous church family.



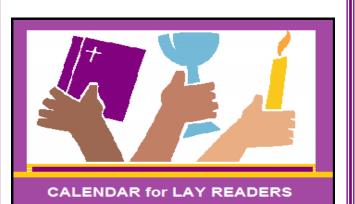


The altar was once again decorated, in red, white and blue, for our special Memorial Day Sunday. The red geraniums made a loving display on Pentecost, for our veterans and loved ones. Thank you for your generous support.

Aasta Moser Award 2018

Each year the United Methodist Women give a donation in the name of the recipient of the Aasta Moser Award. This special membership award money is forwarded to the Women's Division. Our honoree also receives a pin and a certificate. This year's selection will be made by August 1. with the presentation later this year. Please submit all nominations to Karlene Lombardo, either in person or by email: *lombardodk@gmail.com*

The recipient for 2017 was Phyllis Tranzillo. This award may be given to a man or a woman. We are in the midst of our 27th year as a Five Star Unit! Please take this opportunity to recognize a member of our congregation.



June 3

Greeter Scripture Reader People's Prayers Counters

June 10

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June 17 Greeter Scripture Reader People's Prayers Counters

June 24 Greeter Scripture Reader People's Prayers Counters Kim Goodwin Mary Lou Heyel Pastor Kim Bosley Star Auer Sue Teer

Shirley Fogle

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Myra Tesbir

Shirley Bucko

Beverly Anderson

Allison Kent Pastor Kim Bosley Jim Davis Carla Pierce Don DeMouth

Coralee DeMouth Nathaniel Hornik Barbara Kunicki Phyllis Tranzillo Will McWilliams



Aidan Zeigler	June 4
Audrey Cain	June 6
Karlene Lombardo	June 6
Judy Abdalla	June 7
Carlos Barrigas	June 9
Danielle Mazza	June 13
Jan Elwell	June 17
Michael Vietrogoski	June 17
Joey Masood	June 19
David Zeigler	June 19
Michael Dibble	June 20
Shirley Fogle	June 20
Robin McAllister	June 20
Ethel Rogers	June 23
Douglas McDonald	June 27
Michael Capri	June 28
Tifanie Ferreira	June 28
Katherine DeMouth	June 30



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!

