



The Church Mouse

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February 2020 Newsletter

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Childcare during worship is available
Our building is handicapped accessible

MOVING INTO LENT



LENTEN JOURNEY

Dixieland Sunday – February 23 at 10:00 a.m.



Since 2006, our church has taken advantage of its musical resources by engaging various vocal and instrumental ensembles to provide Dixieland-style music during the morning worship service on Transfiguration Sunday. Please join us as we celebrate the final Sunday of Epiphany before transitioning to the more reflective season of Lent.



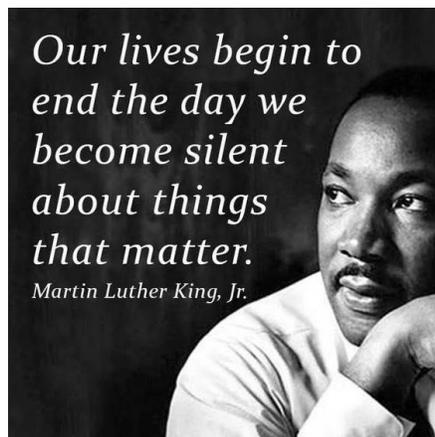
Shrove Tuesday Supper – February 25 at 5:30 p.m.

Please join us for pancakes, activities and music; as we celebrate before the start of the reflective time of Lent. Sponsored by Faith Formation, this is a fun intergenerational event.

Ash Wednesday – February 26 at 6:30 p.m.

Ashes will be available on a ‘drop-in’ basis during the day from 10:00am to Noon. A brief but meaningful service of prayers, music, meditation and ashes will be held in the Chapel at 6:30 p.m. (Choir rehearsal follows at 7:30pm). All are invited to attend.

From the Pastor's Desk...February 2020



Our celebrations of Advent and Christmas right up to the Epiphany Pageant during worship on January 5th, 2020, have ushered us into a new year. It's always fitting to review the words and the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., both as a part of the national holiday, and in conjunction with the upcoming celebration of Black History Month. Here are a couple of things I've been thinking about as we are finishing the first month of 2020 together:

People in our country are finding it harder and harder to believe what they read: According to a recent poll conducted by NPR, 82% of our fellow citizens believe they will read misleading information on social media, while a similar proportion believe foreign countries will spread false information about candidates this year.... (As reported, 1-21-2020, National Public Radio)

Our church will be moving toward completing a new slate of ministers for positions of leadership in the ministry teams who help us follow the call to be the church... Who will serve? How can we focus our energies to move forward together? And what is the message you and I carry into our community and the world?

We are entering the Senate phase of impeachment hearings in Washington D.C. for a president whose legal team is purportedly prepared to argue that "abuse of power" by a sitting president is not a criminal offense, and therefore no harm has been done.

Your recent efforts in making financial commitments to Rocky Hill Congregational Church have provided us with important resources for doing the work of Jesus. Thank you! The question before your church Council and leaders includes, "now what?"

From the Pastor's Desk...February 2020

Many of us are wondering where our country is headed and how we can be a part of helping truth and civility to prevail in the face of these realities. This is something that concerns me and many in our church. As a congregation, I hope we can find fresh ways to renew our commitment to loving God and neighbor, just as Jesus taught us, reaching back into the Jewish teachings that form the basis for the way Jesus asks people to treat one another. (Matthew 22:37ff). The realities of the continuing racism and oppression of people who are “different” than those who have the power and authority to make the rules, remains evident at every level in our society and it’s a real problem we need to keep working to change; that goes for within our own church and more widely in our towns and communities. I have recently begun participating in the interfaith coalition newly organized and founded under the leadership of the Center for Leadership and Justice in Hartford (formerly “the Christian Activities Council”). The “Greater Hartford Interfaith Action Alliance” (GHIAA), a faith-based grassroots community organizing body, has 6 core priorities which organize the interfaith work which is supported by more than 40 congregations and religious organizations in the greater Hartford region. Addressing racism is involved in every single priority: housing discrimination, issues of oppression found in relationship to criminal justice, gun violence, health care, education, poverty and more. You’ll be hearing more about this movement and the possibilities for our participation in joining our Jewish, Muslim and Christian neighbors in making the world a better place.

If you haven’t been to church lately, come on by and join in as we explore what it means to be called as disciples in Jesus’ name. Stay tuned for more information about events and gatherings to be offered during Lent. Please let me know if you’re interested in helping to make a difference in our pursuit of this truth: “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” (John 8:31-32) From where I sit, I agree with Dr. King:

Silence about the things that matter is not an option.

Pastor Nada



Time, Talent, and Treasure/Pledging Ministry

2 Corinthians 9:6-8 - Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

There is so much we are doing and so much we can do thanks to your support of time, talent and treasure. We have something special here at Rocky Hill Congregational Church - we have a shared vision that we live each and every day. Over the past few months, we have lived our vision in so many ways. This is only a small sampling of what we have done:



Value Children and Youth: As we did last year, the young people of our church presented an Epiphany Pageant: a retelling and reenactment of the Christmas story. Special thanks to Nancy Edwards who, working with Faith Formation, wrote the script for the pageant to enhance the story our youth re-enacted.

Active Engagement: As part of the Epiphany service, we collected diapers for the Connecticut Diaper Bank. The Diaper Bank distributes free diapers to families, food pantries, soup kitchens, day care centers and shelters throughout Connecticut.

Diverse Worship Experience: Our music community led by Mary DeLibero held our Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols on December 8th. Everyone involved puts in hours of practice and dedication to make this a very meaningful service for all. This service is a moving display that celebrates the story of Christ's coming, in words and music. It deepens our experience of Christmas as more than just a commercial holiday but a spiritual one.



Joyful Generosity: to kick-off this year's pledging campaign, our congregation participated in another reverse collection. It is very heartwarming to hear the stories shared by our families retelling how they multiplied their \$5 and paid it forward. We shared several stories in the January Churchmouse and would love to hear more. **Preserve Traditions:** You may have seen the Christmas tree in the Narthex and Chapin Hall decorated with gloves, mittens, hats and socks. The Schreiers started this tradition 40 years ago and it continues in their memory. Donations benefit Foster Children's Association of Rocky Hill, VA Hospital in Newington, St Elizabeth Shelter and Friendship Center and WAIM (Windham Area Interfaith Ministries).

All of these things are planned and prepared by our congregation and our staff who are deeply committed to our becoming who God is calling us to be. We have a vision that is amazing and exciting, but we can't achieve our vision without your continued contributions of time, talent and treasure. These are the resources that fuel our mission; and yes, it does cost real money to provide spiritual things.

We thank all of you for believing in our vision and mission and working in so many ways to help make our vision a reality.

Blessings

Time, Talent, and Treasure/Pledging Ministry

Christmas offering – CWS Best Gift campaign

Many, many thanks to ALL of you who gave such a generous response to the Christmas Offering to benefit Church World Services Best Gift campaign. The campaign allowed us to designate our funds to specific global needs. The young people of our church chose where any undesignated funds would be allocated. They put serious thought and discussion into their decisions. They carefully weighed which needs they felt were most important amongst the options given.

Together we raised \$3,144, which provided the following life-saving gifts to individuals and communities around the world:

- Rehabilitate 10 severely nourished children in Indonesia
- 10 hot meals with tea for migrants or refugees in Serbia
- 2 hens and a rooster in Myanmar
- Two meals for a refugee family for their first night in the U.S.
- Bus transportation to and from work for two refugees for a week
- Counseling services for refugee survivors of trauma
- Summer camp for refugee youth
- Sixteen cans of corn for farmers to plant
- Seeds for two community gardens in Nicaragua
- A vegetable planting info session for 300 people in Cambodia
- Five greenhouses for families in Moldova



Thank you to everyone for their generous support!

Together we can truly make a difference.

-Your Outreach & Witness Ministry Team

Bucket Brigade! Sunday February 16th

Last year we purchased supplies and assembled Clean Up Buckets for disaster relief with the help and participation of our congregation. We rallied the troops and were able to provide 22 fully stocked buckets which we donated to Church World Services (CWS). CWS provides disaster relief to families and communities affected by flooding, tornadoes, earthquakes and other disasters. This is an excellent way for us to continue to support disasters on a broad scale with a focused effort.



Please join us on Sunday, February 16th as we once again form a Bucket Brigade to assemble supplies during our worship service! Other ways you can help are by:

- Donating for Supplies through purchase of a Scrip card (Walmart comes to mind)!
- Shopping for supplies
- Taking photos of the bucket assembly
- Delivering the filled buckets to Center Church in Meriden.

We have decided to stretch our goal this year to 25 buckets. We do cover some of the supplies from our Outreach and Witness but would appreciate additional donations. In case you want to add to our bucket total, the cost of one bucket is \$78. Please contact any member of outreach and witness or sign up on our bulletin board to participate!

The Outreach and Witness Team: Heather Collins, Elaine Sellenberg, Sue Speers, Christine Kainamera, Marge Murk and Sue Chatfield.

February Green Tips

Consider making these changes to help Mother Earth:

- Unplug appliances when they aren't being used
- Change out filters in home furnace regularly
- Inspect and keep your chimney clean
- Use caulk and weatherstripping to reduce drafts
- Wash all possible clothes on cold



Warm Heart Trees

Thank you to all who donated hats, gloves, socks and scarves to our annual Warm Heart Trees! Your generosity will help keep local folks warm during the cold winter months.



FROM THE MODERATOR:

We, the church and especially Pastor Nada have survived another Advent and Christmas season with a flurry of activity, opportunities for service and giving and begin to move through the quieter time heading to Lent and Easter. My thanks to all for your enthusiasm and hard work. I hope we did not overwhelm Nada in her first 60 days. There was a mixture of the “we have always done it this way” and new approaches to a familiar story.



As we sit enjoying the beautiful day following the latest in Saturday to Sunday snowfalls with the potential of repeat next weekend it seems appropriate to address the parking ban/church cancellation subject. We have become all too familiar with the town ordinance related to parking bans and how to make determinations related to cancellations. In both cases this winter to date it has seemed like an unnecessary decision. Our December cancellation was strictly related to a Parking Ban being in place well prior to any actual precipitation. Rereading the actual ordinance states that “There is no parking on any street in Rocky Hill during any storm in progress. Once precipitation has begun residents have one hour to remove vehicles from town roads. “With that defined we should have been able to hold worship with the knowledge that if it were to start snowing we would have to clear the streets. We will keep that definition in mind for the next time. In regard to Sunday January 19th which was the reverse, it had stopped snowing and most roads were passable if not clear, two things were in play—crews were to be coming back to finish plowing and salting in the am and our staff were all coming from areas where public works may not have been so efficient. I feel it is always better to err on the side of safety and hopefully, we all worshipped in our own spaces enjoying the beauty of the day as we do not need the 4 walls to commune with God. Hopefully, the rest of the winter weather will work on a Monday through Friday 9-5 schedule.

Marsha Hoffman, Moderator



COOKIE WALK WRAP-UP

Another successful annual Cookie Walk was held on Sunday, December 14, 2019; sorry for a Grandmother thing forcing a change in the date this year. Thanks to Holli and Ed Bacon, Hilaire Leavitt, Bill Hoffman, Steve Ware for assistance as well as all who baked and bought. The proceeds totaled close to \$1,100. Rumor has it that there are some questions regarding purpose, history of the event so I will try to answer some questions. It started as a Music Community project in the early 2000s related to fund raising for choir exchange with Brannkyrka choir from Stockholm, Sweden. We hosted them here in 2001 and then traveled there for outstanding hospitality, opportunities to sing and renew friendships in 2003. The music program continued to the primary benefactor of this event for choir travel to Charlestown, South Carolina for two music festivals involving varied choirs of size and talent and the opportunity to be coached by noted vocal musicians. Scholarships were offered to encourage as many interested persons to be able to attend. Other related music expenses not budgeted have also benefitted from proceeds. As the years have gone on the event has continued to be planned by some members of the music community with the involvement of the entire church community. Monies have been donated to all of the youth projects from UCC Youth event to more local mission projects and last year funded the speakers for the Lenten series on Social Justice. As with all funds the Church Treasurer manages the proceeds.

SCRIP-SURE: 2019 RECAP



The books are closed on calendar year 2019. Here are a few highlights:

- 1) Total (full year 2019) face value of scrip sold was \$281,000. That was up 3.7% from calendar 2018.
- 2) Total earnings for the year were \$17,550, up 4.2% over the prior year. This was also our second highest calendar year total ever, surpassed only by calendar 2015 (when we earned more than \$19,000).
- 3) Seventy-four individuals bought scrip at least once during the year. That's actually down from 83 in 2018. But the number of people who averaged at least \$100/month (\$1200+ for the year) was relatively stable at 45.
- 4) Twenty families accounted for 90% of the sales in 2019. Nine of those families spent more than \$10,000 for the year (vs. only six families exceeding that threshold in 2018).
- 5) The top retailer sold was Amazon, at almost \$33K for the year. That was followed by Big Y and Stop & Shop (each at \$28K), West Side Marketplace at \$18K, and Walmart at \$16K.
- 6) Although we sold scrip for 103 different providers during the year (retailers, restaurants, online services, etc.), 20 of them accounted for 80% of all sales, and 32 accounted for 90%.

We continue to sell scrip each Sunday in Chapin Hall during the fellowship hour. Typically, we have cards from about 30 different retailers in inventory each week. But if you want to broaden your horizons and reach for some of the other 70+ retailers that we sold last year, you need to place an order. Orders are generally due on the last Sunday of each month, although the deadline sometime shifts. The next two orders will be due on February 23rd and March 22nd.

If you are new and/or don't really understand what our scrip program is all about, please ask someone – or stop by the scrip table in Chapin Hall. It's the card table near the door to the parish house (that often has a line of people waiting to buy scrip.)

Thanks to all of you for your continued support. Keep thinking SCRIP!
Dave Hall, Treasurer

From your Financial Secretary:

I know you are all looking forward to the upcoming tax season as much as I am. 😊 To that end, all statements were emailed on Saturday, 1/18/2020, to those for whom I have an email address on file. If I do not have an email address for you, your statement(s) went out via USPS on 1/21/2020. If you did not receive a statement from me by the time you read this article, please contact me at deb.copes@gmail.com or at 860-729-6541.

You would receive a contribution/Scrip statement if:

1. You purchased Scrip during 2019
2. You filled out a pledge card during our 2019 campaign and contributed toward that pledge
3. You specifically asked me for a tax statement

It is not too late to get a tax statement so if you want one, please let me know.

-Deb Copes



TIME, TALENT, TREASURE MINISTRY

Ministry Needs

Some of our current ministries have opportunities for additional helpers. Please consider sharing **YOUR** time, talent and treasure in these important areas.



- We need one more member on our Pledging Committee. Please contact Deb Copes debcoes@gmail.com / (860) 729-6541.
- Fellowship opportunities are always great. We're looking for someone to help organize a family movie night. Contact Ruth Fitzgerald rfitzgerald@fhiplan.com / (860) 543-1520 or Steph Heneghan stephanie_heneghan@yahoo.com / (860) 529-4672.
- Photos. We need photos. Please feel free to take photos of memorable moments in our church life. We want to let others know of our active worship and ministry opportunities. Please send your photos of church happenings to Theresa in the church office (office@rhccucc.org).

Welcoming Ministry Team update

Our Welcoming Ministry Team is working to help us be a church of extravagant welcome. Since this team was launched, we have increased our social media communications with the wider community, developed and mailed a postcard about Easter activities, added a Welcome Book (guestbook) to the Narthex, and (our biggest project) introduced a new church directory with photos. Most of all, we want to be welcoming to visitors and guests. If you are interested in being part of the Welcoming Ministry Team, please contact Stephanie Heneghan stephanie_heneghan@yahoo.com / (860) 529-4672 or Ruth Fitzgerald rfitzgerald@fhiplan.com / (860) 543-1520.



New Members & Friends Directory is Getting Positive Reviews

The directory with photos has been available for several months now. If you don't have one yet, copies are available in the church office. The method that was used to create this directory will permit frequent updates. If you notice any errors, change an address or phone number, or want to replace your photo, contact Theresa. office@rhccucc.org.

S.P.I.R.I.T. Church School News



Faith Formation News

Confirmation classes begin!

At a meeting with several youth and their parents, it was decided that we would go full steam ahead with confirmation classes. The youth themselves requested that we meet for two hours every week, beginning February 2, in order that they may be confirmed on Pentecost, May 31. Eighth-grade and older youth are invited. Generally, the classes will be held on Sundays from 5:30 to 7:30pm, with participants taking turns providing dinner. Adult mentors will be part of the process, and classes will be taught by Georgette and Pastor Nada. Anyone who wishes to join in should let Georgette know as soon as possible!

Online high school youth group to begin!

Thanks to Pastor Nada and Steve Smith, our church now has a Zoom account. Zoom is a popular online meeting app, and our youth are willing to give it a try. We will start with a weekly 15-minute check-in time and go from there. Also, any confirmand who is not able to be present in-person for a class could Zoom in from wherever s/he is located. I'm hoping this tool will help relieve the stress of tight time schedules while maintaining our ability to stay connected and in community.

High School Youth Group to attend the UCC National Youth Event!

Current 8th-12th graders are invited to join in a trip to the UCC National Youth Event (NYE) in July. It is being held from July 22-25 at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana. But since we would fly to Chicago anyway, our group will take advantage of the opportunity and fly in a few days earlier to tour Chicago and do a mission project along the way. Plans are being made, along with the fundraisers that will help us get there. Stay tuned!

Middle School Youth class now has a regular teacher!

We welcome back with grateful arms Jeremy Thompson who will be teaching the middle school class each Sunday. We are also grateful for three new middle schoolers who have recently joined in.

If you feel called to help with church school, as a teacher or substitute superintendent, please let Georgette know.





Church School

Because of parking ban cancellations, illnesses, and skiing vacations, the unit on “Anger Management” will now be taught through most of February instead of January. Having spent the past two months learning about King David, the children will study a story from 1 Samuel 25, where David learned the importance of controlling his anger. The children will have opportunities to

- receive the tools, techniques, and resources they need to manage angry feelings;
- discover positive ways to handle anger;
- explore how good nutrition can help avoid problems with anger;
- explore the negative affects anger can have on health and learn positive alternatives;
- learn some Bible verses related to anger management and living in peace;
- learn and practice the S.T.O.P. approach for handling anger.

They will also begin learning from a unit on “Adam and Eve.”

By the end of this unit the children will:

- recognize and explore what it means to be created by God
- use God’s gifts in responsible ways that show concern for God’s work and God’s people
- discover that God intends for us to share God’s creation
- give thanks to God for all of creation
- recognize that God gave humans the freedom to choose between good and evil
- learn to recognize and accept the consequences of their own actions
- recognize that we all sin when we choose to disobey God
- hear that God always loves and cares for us.

Youth Groups

See Faith Formation News above.

Intergenerational Events

Stay tuned for a winter Mission-Trip-at-Home event and a family game night!

Georgette Huie

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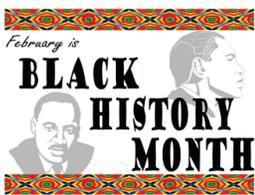




COFFEE HOUR - UPDATE

Because the Inreach ministry has only 4-5 members it has become necessary to reexamine the Sunday coffee hours. Going forward, in order to reduce the preparation for, clean up after and alleviate the expense each member incurs, we will be offering the usual beverages but only serve DD Munchkins (Scrip purchased) and will use paper cups. It is hoped that the reduced effort will encourage more members to join the ministry to serve coffee and smile. No longer needing to master the use of the dishwasher or linger until the last person finishes chatting will remove another obstacle to volunteering.

One Sunday a month a more extensive selection may be served, on a holiday Sunday, Communion or just surprise! Anyone who feels inspired is encouraged to bring in a treat. Of course, we will listen to suggestions emailed, texted or voiced to any of us: Ruth Jensen, Sue VanNess, Nancy Harlow, Jean Goff, Jackie Little or Steph Heneghan for Congregational Care Core Ministry Team.



For all of you are the children of God. —Galatians 3:28

Each person is created in the image of God. But whenever we devise, maintain or perpetuate systems and structures that oppress people based on race and/or ethnicity, we interfere with God's purpose and the opportunity for all God's children to be fully who they are created to be.

Racism is an affront to God.

The United Church of Christ and its predecessor churches have made a priority commitment to supporting policies and structures that make real our Christian commitment to racial justice. The UCC's emphasis means more than simply challenging personal prejudices, but involves a commitment to in-depth analysis of societal policies and structures that either work toward the elimination of racism or perpetuate it. For more information, visit:

www.UCC.ORG



The Southern New England Conference officially came into being with the New Year, and the change is becoming more and more visible. At the end of December, the Conference's Articles of Incorporation were filed with the Massachusetts Secretary of State's office, establishing it as a nonprofit. On Jan. 1, employees of the three historic conferences became employed by the Southern New England Conference. Perhaps more visibly, the Conference launched a [new Facebook page and new website](#) - sneucc.org - and all staff now have email addresses that end in sneucc.org (last name first initial @ sneucc.org, such as vait@sneucc.org). Visit us at www.SNEUCC.org for all conference information.

We're going to Super Saturday! March 14, 2020

8am-4pm Minnechaug Regional High School, Wilbraham, MA

Registration deadline: Feb 29.

Contact the office or Pastor Nada if you would like to attend.

February Birthdays

1	Doreen Grandell	16	John Speers
1	Alice Bradstreet	17	Grant Hoffman
2	Cynthia Hunt	18	Alexander Benson
3	Teagan Reed-Swale	19	Leona Griswold
4	Bill Timrud	20	Midge Harvey
5	Kimberly Sweezy	22	Brendan Flynn
6	Cole Triplets	23	Scott Bengston
7	Cheryl Hummel	23	Skyler Smith
8	Susan White	23	Brett Timrud
8	Robert Mullins	24	Jan LaCava
8	Bruce Gengenbach	24	<i>Ben Rolfe</i>
11	Val Triplets	24	<i>Will Rolfe</i>
12	Alyssa Gau	25	Hannah DeGiovanni
12	Caryn Doten	27	Dot Wenzel
13	Bev Schmidt	27	Roxanne Molina
13	Tyler Morgan	27	<i>Keira Silkowski</i>
14	Kurt Sheathelm	27	<i>Gabriella Silkowski</i>
14	Brian Speers	29	Joseph Sheehan



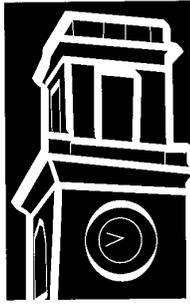
Brian and Sherry Silkowski were married on February 18, 2008

Harry and Bev Schmidt were married on February 15, 1958



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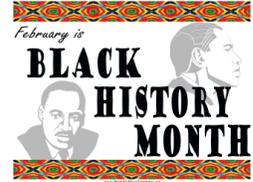
Submission deadline for the March issue of The Church Mouse will be February 15. We want to hear from you! Send your articles and photos to: office@rhccucc.org. The mailing date will be Monday February 24.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE
Sunday Morning Worship
Communion 1st Sunday
10:00 a.m. with childcare



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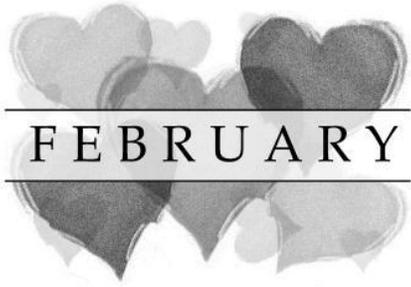


SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
<i>Childcare is available during worship every Sunday in Room 4</i>			
2 Communion Sunday 10:00am Worship Church school	3 7:00pm Women's AA 7:30pm Bell Choir	4 7:00pm Ministry Teams	5 7:30pm Choir
9 10:00am Worship Church school Racial Justice Sunday 11:30am Stewardship Mtg	10 7:00pm Women's AA 7:30pm Bell Choir	11 7:00pm Council	12 9:00am Breakfast Club at Bob's Coffee Shop 7:30pm Choir
16 10:00am Worship Church school Bucket Brigade	17 <i>President's Day</i> <i>Little Scholars closed</i> 7:00pm Women's AA 7:30pm Bell Choir	18 <i>Little Scholars closed</i> 7pm Cedar Hollow	19 <i>Little Scholars opens</i> 6:30pm LSP Board 7:30pm Choir
23 10:00am Worship Church school Dixieland Sunday 	24 Newsletter mailing 9:30am 7pm Bonsai Group 7:00pm Women's AA 7:30pm Bell Choir	25  SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER 5:30pm-7pm	26 ASH WEDNESDAY 6:30pm 7:30pm Choir

February 16 – Disaster Relief Buckets
 February 23 – Dixieland Sunday
 February 25 – Shrove Tuesday
 February 26 – Ash Wednesday



WEATHER CANCELLATION NOTIFICATIONS
 If worship is canceled, a notice will be posted Saturday evening/early Sunday morning on the following media outlets:
 Channel 3 WFSB-TV
 Facebook.com/rhccucc
 Our website – RockyHillUCC.org



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THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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6 7:30pm Men's AA	7 Office closed on Fridays	8
13 <i>Preschool Closed</i> 7:30pm Men's AA	14 <i>Preschool Closed</i> Valentine's Day Newsletter deadline	15 Movie Night! Time to be announced
20 7:30pm Men's AA	21	22
27 7:30pm Men's AA	28	29

Pastor Nada's Office Hours
 Monday 9:30am – 3:30pm
 Tuesday 10:00am – 12:00pm
 Wednesday 3:00pm – 5:00pm
 Available by appointment, also.

Rocky Hill Schools
 Winter Break Feb 14-18



LENTEN WORSHIP IN MARCH
 March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
 Palm Sunday April 5
 Easter April 12



Save the date! March 22 – Budget & Elections Meeting

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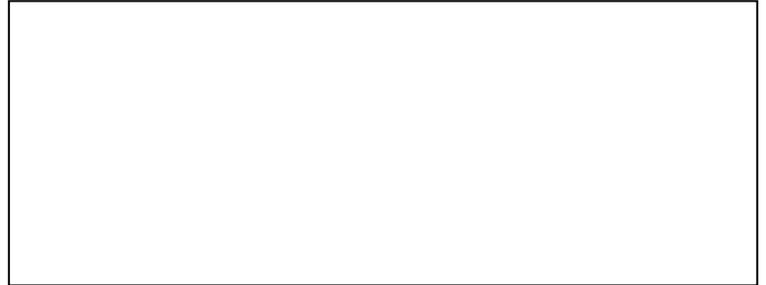
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Jesus didn't turn people away. Neither do we.
The United Church of Christ:
No matter who you are,
Or where you are on life's journey...
You're welcome here.



SAVE THE DATE! Movie Night Saturday, February 15

Our Welcoming Ministry Team is planning a **family-friendly** movie night for Saturday afternoon/evening on February 15th. The movie will be *Babette's Feast*, a movie mentioned by Nada in one of her sermons as one of her favorite movies. To quote the movie trailer, "During the late 19th century, a strict religious community in a Danish village takes in a French refuge from the Franco-Prussian War as a servant to the late pastor's daughters". We are looking for a few folks to help organize this event, please contact Stephanie Heneghan (stephanie_heneghan@yahoo.com) or Ruth Fitzgerald (rfitzgerald@fhiplan.com). Thanks!