

# The Good News

**July 2020** 

We Are a Family



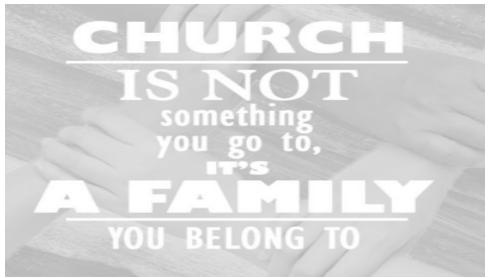
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We are living in the times of isolation and practicing social distancing as a spiritual discipline that demonstrates our love of neighbor and ourselves in response to the highly contagious coronavirus. COVID-19 has caused us afflictions. Some lost their loved ones. My heart goes out to all who are suffering from this pandemic.

But in such times, we come to appreciate most modest, most easily-dismissed of God's blessings for us: people around us, families and friends. It brought us together to spend some time together, to rediscover what we love and whom we love.

God created us to be in communion with God and with one another. I thank all of our church family members who never ceased to show love and connection through prayers, supports, offers to help, drive-through visits, texts, phone calls, and in so many other ways.

I give thanks to God that our identity as one church does not depend on a building but a people-every single one of us. Please know that God's abundant, unfailing love goes with you. We take it day by day. And know that God loves you, and so do I. You are not alone in this.



# New Worship Series for June and July

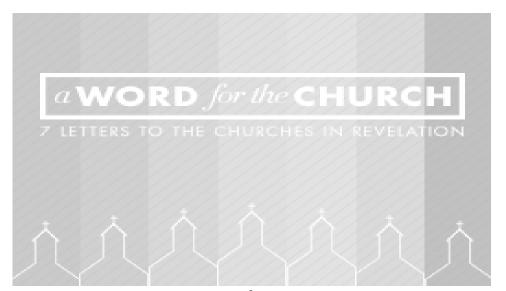
# Dear Church, Get Ready!

As we settle into the new norm COVID-19 has created for us, it's time to think about what happens when our churches reopen. Meanwhile, let us spend upcoming 40 days to better prepare and equip ourselves for the time we will regather.

The book of Revelation provides insight into the spiritual health of seven ancient churches in modern-day Turkey. Jesus' seven letters to seven churches serve as strong reminders for the church in our day, encouraging us to examine our spiritual health, both individual and communal.

If Jesus has something to say about our church, what would it be?

6.7	Ephesus	Dear Church, Restore First Love!	Rev 2:1-7
6.21	Smyrna	Dear Church, Endure the Pressure!	Rev. 2:8-11
6.28	Pergamum	Dear Church, Guard the Truth!	Rev. 2:12-17
7.5	Thyatira	Dear Church, Be Holy!	Rev. 2:18-29
7.12	Sardis	Dear Church, Wake Up!	Rev. 3:1-6
7.19	Philadelphia	Dear Church, Don't Give Up or Give In!	Rev. 3:7-13
7.26	Laodicea	Dear Church, Come Back to Christ	Rev. 3:14-21



## **Church Reopening**

After much prayer and conversation, we have decided to continue meeting online for the months of June and July. Regulations are given from the State of Connecticut and the New York Annual Conference, but we realize that following these regulations and restrictions would make the reopening difficult.

We are hoping to reopen in August. If not, in September. We do not want to rush into reopening and risk the health and safety of our families and friends.

Until then, we will continue to meet online. You can join us for our Sunday worship services or Wednesday night fellowship times. You can find more information in the next page. Feel free to join us and say hello to your brothers and sisters in Christ!

To read the NYAC's guidelines for reopening, search on Google: NYAC COVID-19 Guidelines for Church Reopening.



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## Join Us for Our Online Worship

# How to Join Our Online Worship on Facebook:

- 1. Log into your Facebook account on your phone or computer
- 2. Search First United Methodist Church of Wallingford or click here
- 3. Click the Live post (it will show 10 minutes before the service)

### **How to Join Our Online Worship on ZOOM**

- 1. Download and install ZOOM on your device
- 2. Join us by using the information below
- 3. Meeting ID: 838 994 3068Password: 1234

## **How to Join Our Online Worship on Phone**

You don't need to have a computer or laptop

- 1. Call 1-929-205-6099
- 2. Enter our meeting ID: 838-994-3068# and then 1#
- 3. Enter password: 1234#



# **Shred Day**

As the day wore on, the heat climbed higher and even higher to 90 degrees. But we managed to have a very successful Shred Day on last Saturday, June 27 from 9am to 12pm.

First of all, we want to thank sponsors, individuals, local business owners whose donations helped us host this community events. We have advertised the event with your businesses on all of our promotional flyers both online and offline. And we will send a donation letter for tax purposes.

And thanks to all the volunteers who came in the 90 degree heat and helped. And of course, everyone who came to support our church and who kept us in your thoughts and prayers.

Here are some snippets of the event:

# **Support Our Sponsors**

These are the list of local business owners and individuals who sponsored our event. They are a wonderful example of how businesses, groups, individuals, churches, and communities can work together to benefit our community.

You can thank these wonderful local businesses by supporting them. You can tell them how much we appreciated their help!

#### **Auto**

CHUBB (insurance)
Plaza Service Center
Darrell's Auto Sales & Services

#### **Health and Wellness**

Back on Course Physical Therapy/Golf Fitness Main Street Wellness Studio

# Home Improvements and Construction

Dee's Roofing Co., Inc.
Perrin Manufacturer, LLC

#### **Internet and Design Services**

Chubbard (Photos and Motion Graphics) Impact Partners Group, Inc.

#### **Personal Services and Care**

Best Yet Launderette Cody's Barbershop Hair by Loreen Superior Barbers

#### **Pet Services**

**Dogfather Mobile Grooming** 

#### Restaurants

Cheeks Chicken & Waffles
Colony Diner
East Side Pizza Palace
Gigante's Too
Hong Kong Chinese/Japanese Restau-

rant Jake's Keri's Sweet Creations Pastry Shop

Rick's on Five Restaurant
Tata's Restaurant

### **Shopping and Retails**

Barnes House of Flowers
East Center Market
Meadow Walk Farm
Stuff Estate Services

## **Individual Sponsors**

Sisters in Faith and Love, LLC

#### **Announcements**

#### Welcome

- 1. To schedule a time with Pastor Jacob, you can call 203-615-3214 or email at pastor.fumc@gmail.com.
- Connect with us online. Search First United Methodist Church of Wallingford on Facebook and like our page! Or go on our website www.fumc-wallingford.org

## **Upcoming Meetings and Events**

1. Our 2020 CT District Conference will be held on Sunday, August 23 from 2:30-4:00pm at First United Methodist Church of Meriden (159 Main Street, Meriden, CT 06450).

### Reopening

- 1. We are taking this month of July to prepare ourselves to be certified for reopening. We will keep you updated on our
- 2. Meanwhile, we are meeting on ZOOM on every Wednesday at 7:00pm. Join us with the information provided on page 5.

## **Support Our Ministries**

- You can support our church by shopping with scrip cards (ask Diane) and shopping at smile. amazon.com (with scrip cards you purchase) by selecting Wallingford United Methodist Church as your charitable organization.
- 2. We are grateful for your generous gifts contributed through our online website or mail that enabled us to serve faithfully our church family and our wider community. Here are three ways you can give:

Online: www.fumc-wallingford.org/give

Mail your gift

Or drop at church (941 Old Rock Hill Road, Wallingford, CT 06492)

# **Ministry Captured**



Sunday Worship Service on ZOOM and Facebook



Wednesday Night fellowship on ZOOM



Yale New Haven Hospital Chapel where Pastor Jacob is serving as a chaplain





## **Mark Your Calendar**

Every Wednesday of July at 7:00pm Fellowship on ZOOM

Every Sunday at 10:00am Worship on ZOOM and Facebook

7.4 (Sat) Independence Day

8.5 (Sun) Possible Church Reopening 10:00am

If not, will keep you updated

8.23 (Sun) CT District Conference FUMC Meriden 2:30pm

# **Happy Birthday (July)**

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National Day of Prayer at FUMC Parking Lot

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# No In-Person Meetings or Gatherings

We are putting a pause any in-person meetings as described on this page. For questions or more information about reopening or regathering, you can call our church at 203-269-9100 and leave a message or email us at fumc.wallingford@gmail.com.

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#### **Sunday Worship Service**

Come join us in worship! We want everyone to feel comfortable worshiping that in their own way. Some people dress up, many dress casually; it's up to you. There will be people ready to greet you. We are blessed and happy to have you join us in worship.



### **Tuesday Morning Quilt Group**

We have a group of diligent workers who quilt every Tuesday morning at 9:30am. Great things are happening in this ministry: quilting, sharing laughter, and enjoying each other's company! Come and join us for some fun and friendship!



#### First Monday Book Club

We meet to have a lively discussion over books of all types-both fiction and non-fiction, serious and not too serious, recent and old -suggested by members. Join us for great time of discussion and fellowship. Please email or call to church office for more details.



#### **Last Wednesday Transition Dinner**

We meet every last Wednesday at 5:30pm at Colony Diner in Wallingford. If you are looking for delicious food or good friendship, you are more than welcome to join us. Call the church office before since the schedule may change for various reasons.



#### First Saturday Scrapbook and Craft Session

We meet every first Saturday of the month from 9:30am to 4:00pm at church. We have a plenty of work spaces with lengthy tables. Join us for the time of getting together over a range of crafts activities and moreover, some friendship.

For any questions, comments, or changes, please contact us at 203.269.9100 or fumc.wallingford@gmail.com

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