

The First Congregational Church, Canton Center

March 6, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers this morning are given by Beth Lingenheld in loving memory of her father, Myron Michael Galusza

MISSIONS & OUTREACH

Brian's Angels - Put March 26th and 27th on your calendar! **BUY A MEAL - GIVE A MEAL** Together with Wider Church Fellowship, we will be **providing the meal and the sandwiches on Saturday, March 26th to clients of Brian's Angels Homeless Outreach Center in Bristol.** You'll have the opportunity to purchase then pick up the same lunch after church on March 27th. The cost will be \$10 per meal which will cover a meal for you and a meal for someone at Brian's Angels. **Please sign up to buy a meal or meals by Sunday, March 20th.** If there are extras, we will sell those after church. Menu: Chicken parm, meatballs, spaghetti and Craig's homemade Italian bread. We are looking for helpers, please see signup sheets on the kitchen door. If you have questions, please contact Gina Magennis, Martha Stansel, or Craig & Linda McAllister.

Holy Joe's Café - Cups are available for **collecting loose change for Holy Joe's Café** to support chaplains in all parts of the world by providing coffee to serve the troops. We will have a large container in the church hall where the change can be emptied each week of March.

Wellmore - We will be **collecting the cards thru the end of March.** You can purchase them from Casey and the purchase also benefits our church. Walmart and Stop and Shop cards are a good choice. Wellmore provides social services to many families in Western Connecticut.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes, if you ordered them, are ready for pick up on the table near the kitchen.

SHOP SCRIP TODAY!

The Scrip table will once again be set up in the parish hall beginning today. Stop by after the service for all your gift card needs or just to say "hi"! See what's available for immediate pick-up or place an order for next week. We are also collecting gift cards for the missions committee for Wellmore. Thanks for your support.

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

of the First Congregational Church, Canton Center, Connecticut, on Sunday, **March 6, 2022** at 10:45 a.m. OR on subsequent Sundays at 10:45 a.m. until a quorum is obtained.

AGENDA:

1. Call to order and opening prayer.
2. Reading of the call to the meeting.
3. Presentation of the Minutes from the previous meeting(s).
4. Receiving and accepting of the reports of the church officers, committee chairpersons, and staff.
5. Review Adjustments to 2022 Budget.
6. Any other business proper to come before the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, *Bev Sealand, Clerk*

Copies of the Annual Report can be found on the table near the kitchen.

CONVERSATIONS FOR LENT

"I LOVE THE CHURCH, I HATE THE CHURCH" **Tues. March 22, 7:00 p.m. on Zoom** **with the Rev. Dr. Robert LaRochelle**

Pastor Bob (who was guest preacher at our church last fall) will give a presentation from his new book by that title, and lead a conversation. The book is his reflection from many years of participation and ministry in more than one denomination (Roman Catholic, UCC, Lutheran) on both his love for the church and its mission and his frustration with what he sees as getting in the way of the church truly living out its purpose. It is not necessary to have read the book before this discussion, but if you wish to do so, it is available for purchase.

Versions of the Last Supper: The Differing Stories in Scripture and What They Tell Us **Wed., March 30, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon**

***Conversation facilitated by Rev. Brenda,
in person, assuming conditions permit***

We'll look at the four Last Supper stories in the gospels, the origin of our Sacrament of Communion, and reflect on what they tell us about the earliest understandings of discipleship, table fellowship, and the developing Christian tradition.

Please sign up by contacting Rev. Brenda (pastor@cantoncenterchurch.org).

If you are interested but can't make the date, please let her know.

Sunday 6	Monday 7	Tuesday 8	Wednesday 9	Thursday 10	Friday 11	Saturday 12
Worship & Communion 10:00 am	Sr Choir & Guest 5 pm		Diaconate Zoom 7:00 pm	Handbell Choir 7:00 pm		
Annual Meeting	ACA 7:00 pm	AA 7 pm				AA 11:00 pm