

WELCOME ~ DEC. 10, 2023

We're glad you've joined us for worship today.

Please know that whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!

If you're visiting, we invite you to fill out a visitor's card (found in the pews or on the back tables) and place it in an offering box, to help us better connect with you.

Looking for more information about the church?

Please feel free to ask the church office during the week.

*The flowers this morning are
in loving remembrance of Carol Fisher from her friends.*

*Thank you to Marianne Burbank & Tim LeGeyt for the donation of the sanctuary tree,
from Case's Farm, in memory of: Marianne's grandfather, Harry Humphrey
and father, Sam Humphrey and Tim's grandfather, Mort Bristol*

To Karen Needham, who has loaned the beautiful crèche for this Advent season.

And to Jim Potter & family for the Christmas decorations of the church.

Poinsettia forms due Tues. Dec. 12. - If you would like to purchase poinsettias to decorate for our December 17 & 24 services, please fill out a form located on the table near the missions box, return to the red box next to forms, offering plate or call the church office. **(\$8.25 per plant)**

Sandwiches for Brian's Angels on Friday, December 15th. We will meet at 10:00 rather than our usual 11:00 due to the Prime Timers luncheon and concert that day.

Missions Box Collection for December will be our traditional **new hats, gloves, mittens and scarves** for the Hands of Grace. Please place items in a plastic zip bag so they will not get full of needles, on or under the Christmas tree in the sanctuary. Items will be donated to local organizations in the Farmington Valley area. Also, **new or gently used, clean blankets** for the clients of Brian's Angels. Many of these folks are sleeping outside, in tents, or other places with limited shelter. There will be a bin by the Christmas tree for the blankets. (These don't need to be bagged.)

It's The Most Wonderful Time of the Year! - Don't let the stress of gift shopping ruin your Christmas cheer! Stop by the Scrip table during Coffee Hour. We have gift cards for over 650 retailers available to order and receive in 1 week. Plus we have many cards in stock for you to take home today. Every gift card you purchase through Scrip gives a percentage back to the church. Next Sunday, 12/17 will be the last day to order cards and have them in time for Christmas.

Prime Timers' Annual Christmas Potluck & Concert

THIS FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.

The Canton High School Chamber Singers will join us for lunch, weather permitting, and present a concert following lunch.

If school is canceled then the luncheon and concert will be canceled.

Note the change of day to **FRIDAY** to accommodate the schedule of the chorus.

Please note that due to the early arrival of the Chamber Singers, we are Requesting Prime Timers' arrive at 11:00 a.m. with a casserole of your choice.

You do not have to belong to Prime Timers' to attend. All are welcome.

If you are not a member and wish to attend or have any questions, you may contact Donna Hammond at 860-693-8676.



CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

DECEMBER 24 at 5:00 p.m.

Offerings will be donated to the Canton Fuel Bank.

Pledges/Envelopes - We kindly ask our members to make every effort to complete your current year pledges before year end. If you would like your 2023 contributions included on your year end statement, please have them in by Dec. 31. Thank you.

If you requested offering envelopes, please pick them up from the table near the kitchen.

Interim Minister: Rev. Kurt Satherlie

Ministers: Every Member

Director of Music: Mary Lou Keefe

Dir. of Faith Formation: Dr. Hollace Bristol

Asst. of Faith Formation: Karen Needham

Sexton: Walt LeGeyt

Office Manager: Kristen DiMattia

Greeter: Tyler Baldwin

Duty Deacons: Kristin Oswald/Tim Lundgren

Camera: Noah Herbek

Coffee Hour: Rebecca Glinsman

Sunday 10	Monday 11	Tuesday 12	Wednesday 13	Thursday 14	Friday 15	Saturday 16
Worship 10 am Children's Choir 11 am	Sr. Choir 4:30 Guest 5:00 pm Trustees 7 pm ACA/AA/Anon 7 pm	AA 7 pm	Council 7:30 pm	Choir 5:30 pm	Sandwich Making 10 am Carol Sing Lunch 11:30 am	Orchestra 12 Choir & Orch. Practice 1 - 2:15 pm AA 11 pm