

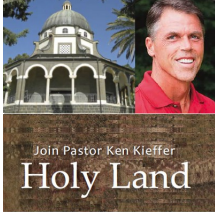
THE WEEKLY COURIER

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Coming soon...



Holy Land
Information Meeting
Nov. 11 @ 11:15 a.m.



Lights of Hope
November 10th
Set-up 10 a.m.



Church Conference
Nov. 14 at 7 p.m.
First UMC, Meriden



Consecration Sunday
Nov. 18th. Luncheon to
Follow Worship

From Our Pastor



Typically, when a person begins a sentence by saying, "I mean no disrespect, but...", they DO intend to disrespect someone or something. However, in this particular instance, I really mean no disrespect to any of the other churches I've served when I say that the music program at the Cheshire UMC is the very best one I've ever had the pleasure to listen to week after week in worship. The talent pool is just sooooo deeeep here!

Because this Sunday is Music Appreciation Day, we are going to pull out all the stops (organ pun intended). You'll hear ringers on bells and singers doing anthems and young people on drums and the organ bench. Come and hear us make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

Helping out Sunday Morning, November 11th...

Lector:	Elizabeth Thomas
Ushers:	Joe Bogacki, Sergio Deganis
Counters:	Sergio Deganis, Carl Strand
Prayer Cards:	Jeff Clark
Member Outreach:	Renée Poet
Nursery:	Penney Ondrizek, Carrie Ford
Sunday School:	Jennifer Roeder, Sally LaRusso
Fellowship:	Barbara Foster, Jeff Clark, Vanda O'Reilly
PowerPoint:	Liam Moran

This Week at a Glance...



- 11/10 - Shelter Now 7:30-9:30 a. m.
- 11/10 - Lights of Hope Set-up 10 a. m.
- 11/12 - Pulpit Prep (Mark 4:1-9)
- 11/13 - Church Council 7:30 p. m.
- 11/14 - Church Conference 7 p. m. at First UMC Meriden
- 11/14 - Choir Rehearsal 7:30 p. m.
- 11/15 - Booklettes 7:30 at Carolyn Kelly's (595 Tamarack Rd.)
- 11/17 - Fall Church Clean-up 8 a. m.

Consecration Sunday Luncheon November 18



On Sunday, November 18, immediately following our 10 a.m. worship service, EVERYONE in our Cheshire UMC family is invited to join us for a celebratory luncheon! We'll be celebrating the culmination of our 2018 stewardship campaign together. We are hoping to have 100% attendance for this festive occasion. Please mark your calendars – **Nov. 18, worship at 10 a.m., luncheon at 11:15 a.m.** See you then!!!

UPDATE: Thanksgiving Food Collection **Due This Sunday...**



Each year, Cheshire Food Pantry puts together **Thanksgiving food baskets for families in need** with the help of the local churches and synagogues. This year we have been assigned 140 Bags/Boxes of STUFFING and 140 cans of YAMS. The last day for donations is **this Sunday**. As of yesterday, **we are still in need of 47 Bags/ Boxes of Stuffing and 67 Cans of Yams.** If you are planning on bringing a donation to church this week, please let Jennifer Roeder know at jllynroeder@aol.com OR (203) 444-4067. Thank you!

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Lights of Hope Set Up/Lighting/Clean Up: Saturday, November 10th



Thank you to everyone who contributed to our collection for Lights of Hope. We will have 410 luminaries to light the night on Saturday, November 10th. Of course, that means that we need lots of hands to get the luminaries assembled and set up on the front lawn of the church. If you can help, please see the sign up in the fellowship hall or contact Jennifer Roeder at 203-444-4067 or jljynroeder@aol.com.

Luminary Assembly & Set Up: Sat, November 10th, 10 am
Lighting the Luminaries: Sat, November 10th, 4 pm
Clean up: Sun, November 11th, 9 am

Explorers



Explorers Group will be getting acquainted with biblical figure Nehemiah on Sunday, Nov. 11. We will be exploring what he might have prayed about and why. Does that have anything to do with what we might pray about??? Explore with some interesting people in Room A at church at 9 a.m. Sergio Deganis, Carolyn Hardin Engelhardt, and Len Mecca can tell you more if you have some questions. (and by the way, none of us have to already know anything about this man in order to feel comfortable exploring!).

Apple Pie Fundraiser



It's that time of year again! Apple Pie making for our 5th Annual Pie Sale will take place on:

Friday, 11/16, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM: Dough making (8 people needed)

Saturday, 11/17, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM: Pie assembly (10 people needed)

Let Dot Mattson know if you're available to help; (203) 720-0038 or dotbmattson@att.net. Also, see the attached form to place your order, pies will be ready just in time for Thanksgiving. Thank you!

Booklettes Book Club



Booklettes Women's Book Club will meet on Thursday, November 15th at 7:30 PM at the home of Carolyn Kelly (595 Tamarack Road, Cheshire) We will discuss Leaving Time by Jodi Picoult. All are welcome!

Advent Study Group – begins November 25



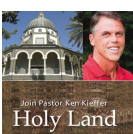
Imagine Jesus from Mother Mary's point of view – proud of her son, in awe of his gifts and mission, guided by love for him as a person and so much more. In this Advent Study DVD series, we will travel back in time with Mary as she witnesses Jesus' life and ministry from the cradle to the cross.

This year, experience a different Christmas with Mary as we use Adam Hamilton's popular DVD study guide, "Not a Silent Night."

We'll meet in Fellowship Hall on 4 consecutive Sunday afternoons, beginning November 25, from 5:00-6:30 pm. Space is limited so get your copy of the book (\$10) from Ken today!

SOLD OUT!

Holy Land Information Meeting



There'll be an informational meeting held following worship on Sunday, November 11. If you'd like to know a little more about this trip of a lifetime, please join us.

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Fellowship Hour Opportunities...



Will you host a Fellowship Hour? We are requesting singles, couples, families to host or co-host a Fellowship Hour on **December 2, 9, & 23**. If you are willing and available, please see Kim Ferraiolo or Karen Kieffer, use the "[Contact Us](#)" form on-line, or sign-up in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

From the Mail Bag...



"From the bottom of my heart, I want to thank everyone who signed notes and cards and checks and gift cards so that I could have the best Pastor Appreciation celebration EVER! Thank you, Cheshire UMC, for your kindness and thoughtfulness and generosity.
Ken Kieffer"

"Dear Church family,

It means so much to be so far away and get a box of LOVE from church. It was fill with great stuff. Thank you.

Love Olivea Kieffer"

"Dear Cheshire UMC,

Thank you so much for the delicious candy treats! The other day one of my social work professors asked 'does your church still send you candy at Halloween? You should bring it into class again this year!' I just want you all to know that this ministry touches many more people than you think. Thank you again!

Love,

Kellie Moran"

"Dear Cheshire United Methodist Church,

On behalf of the CCFP Board of Directors, Volunteers and Clients, please accept our appreciation for your generous donation to The Cheshire Community Food Pantry.

The Pantry relies on the support of the Cheshire Community and donations to meet the needs of our neighbors. We are able to purchase perishable items -- meats, poultry, fresh fruits and vegetables and supplement our non-perishable inventory at less than wholesale costs. Donations such as yours enable our clients to enjoy a better quality of life. Together, we will work to fulfill our mission to insure no family goes without food and basic needs.

Your kindness, generosity and continued support of our mission are greatly appreciated.

Warmest Regards,

Jim Thomas, President"

Road to Bethlehem...



Volunteers needed for Road to Bethlehem barn set-up on November 17th at 9 a.m. (1-2 hours). See Joe Bogacki for details.

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Lector: Sue Trumbo
Ushers: Diane Gaborc, Joe Bogacki
Counters: Sharon Coyner, Bruce King
Prayer Cards: Chris Driscoll
Member Outreach: Dot Mattson
Sunday School: Holly Carey, Dawn Deganis
Fellowship: Consecration Sunday Luncheon

November Anniversaries...



17 Steven & Lisa Davis
17 Eldon & Carol Cody
24 Louis & Norma Petersen
27 Mara & Peter Weed

November Birthdays...



13 Lou Petersen
14 Jennifer Roeder
15 Cynthia Decker
16 Andrew Marini
17 Drew Spalding
21 Lexi Ferraiolo
22 Erin DeVilbiss
22 Tim O'Sullivan
23 Erin Collinge
24 Ricardo Flores
25 Julianne Deganis
25 Ken Erickson (Driscoll)
26 Karen Bunting
27 Delphine Dortenzio
27 John Meriam
27 Darrell Spalding

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