

THE WEEKLY COURIER

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Coming soon to our sanctuary . . .



Join us on Sunday for worship at 10:00 a.m.



See page 3 for needs at the Food Pantry



Church Council meets Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.



Hymn Sing — this Sunday, 9-50 a.m.

From Our Pastor



Dear Beloved Community of Cheshire,

“It’s beginning to look a lot like Church.”

Summer tends to usher in a gentler pace. It’s a time when many of us pause, catch our breath, and find renewal in rest, reflection, and play. Of course, for others, the days remain full—filled with responsibilities, errands, and the steady rhythm of life that rarely slows.

And through it all, the Church remains active. Worship goes on. Prayers are spoken. Service is lived out. And yes—our committees and ministry teams continue to meet! This week and next, I’ve been blessed to spend time with several of these groups—faithful folks who give their time and heart to tend to the behind-the-scenes work that makes everything else possible. Their efforts are more than logistical—they are spiritual. Each task is part of the sacred trust we share as a community of faith.

Even in these quieter months, the Spirit is moving—renewing, guiding, and calling us forward. I give thanks for the quiet moments and the busy ones, for those who lead with grace behind the scenes, and for the sacred gift of being Church together. May this season prepare us not only for what’s next, but for deeper faith, fuller love, and a renewed sense of purpose.

Many blessings,

Rev. Dr. Steve (Young Dong) Kim

Our Week at a Glance . . .



July 27 Worship
29 Church Council, 7:00 p.m.

Our Church Family Celebrations

30 Brayden Jean



28 Heidi and Tony Lamberto
31 Steve & Sue Trumbo
31 Adam & Meredith Napolitano

Church Council — July 29



Church Council meets next on Tuesday, July 29 in Fellowship Hall, 7:00 p.m. This will be our first meeting with Steve. All are welcome to be a part of this meeting. Minutes for the June meeting are [here](#).

School Supplies Collection—Missions at Work!



Back to School Collection: CUMC will be collecting school supplies for children at Fair haven School and Conte West Hills in New Haven from July 27th- Aug 17th. Please consider making a donation- see list for most needed items. Leave your items in the collection bin in the narthex. If you would prefer to make a monetary contribution, you can put cash or a check (made out to CUMC with note "Back to School" in the offering plate. Cash donations should be in no later than Sun, Aug 10th, so we can shop before school starts.

Needed Items (**most asked for):

**Good Quality #2 Pencils

**Paper- Loose Leaf, Composition Books, Spiral Notebooks

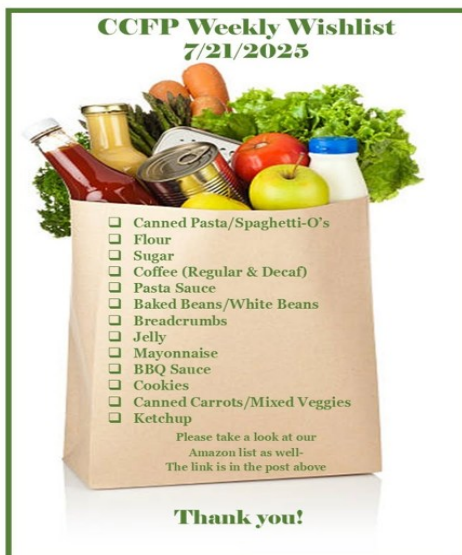
Also:

Binders/Folders

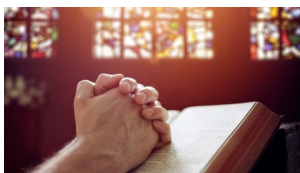
Backpacks

Markers/Crayons

Below is a Wishlist from Cheshire Community Food Pantry of particular needs/wants. We will be collecting items on August 3 (first Sunday), and appreciate all donations.



Prayer List for 7-27-2025



The prayer list for this Sunday (7/27) will be distributed on Tuesday (7/29).

Booklettes — August 18



Booklettes Women's Book Club will meet on August 18 in The Faithful Thomas Room. The book for August is *Woman with the Cure* by Lynn Cullen. Dawn Deganis will be hosting. For the schedule for our 2025 books, see [here](#).



Please keep in mind that Fridays are the Pastor's Sabbath. Unless it's a pastoral emergency, please call the church office (203-272-4626) if you are in need of something on Fridays. Thank you.

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