



The BEACON

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Beacon Editor



Mary Taylor Memorial
United Methodist Church



The Reverend Dr. Roy Grubbs, Pastor
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*Whoever you are, wherever you are on your
spiritual journey, you are welcome here!*

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QUESTIONS ANSWERED



“Woman, why are you weeping?” Easter begins with a question. *Mary, why the tears? What has caused you such pain?* Through her anguish, Mary cannot clearly see the figure who is asking her these questions. All she has are questions of her own: What have they done with my teacher, my friend, my Lord? Where have they taken his body? Why is this all happening?

You can understand why Mary mistakes Jesus to be the gardener. The dead just do not rise. Then he says her name, “Mary”, and the veil is lifted from her eyes. “Rabbi,” she cries, and practically leaps into his arms with joy.

The disciples find it hard to believe, too, when Mary tells them about encountering him. It’s just too good to be true. Then they see him for themselves, and everything changes. So let me ask you a question: How does the approach of Easter find you? Are you questioning, or believing?

If this is a believing time for you, wonderful. God bless you. You are a testimony to the power of the living God at work. If not, if this has been a bad time for you and you find yourself sinking lower, wondering whether anyone is out there to catch you, God bless you, too. You don’t need flowers and eggs and bunnies, but the real message of Easter: that God is not finished with your life quite yet, and can bring hope where there appears to be none.

Easter is not about chirping optimism and wishful thinking. It is about a Christ who meets us on the road of dashed hopes, who asks us with utter compassion to tell him about our tears, our struggles, our losses; and then gives us a reason to live. As theologian Jurgen Moltmann says, “God weeps with us so we may someday laugh with him.”

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From the Pastor continued

Christ rises, and so can we. We, too, can be forgiven. We, too, can make a new start. Is it true? Is he alive? The Bible is far more interested in posing the question to us: Is it true *for you*? As in the first Easter, the resurrection cannot be proven, but it can be experienced. We, too, can hear our names whispered in the early morning mist and have our lives given back to us again.

The gift of Easter is the faith that, even when all seems lost and life looks bleak, God is working behind the scenes to make something new, something unexpected, something we cannot do for ourselves. This is the assurance of Easter when, Bill Coffin said, we know that there is more mercy in God than there is sin in us, and that Christ's work in the world is never in vain.

Life is full of questions. Why did he have to die? How can I go on without her? Will I have enough to live on? What does the future hold in these uncertain times? To our questions and our confusion, God gives us this answer: "Christ is Risen. He Lives." He won't necessarily provide us with hard evidence or fancy proofs. He won't snap his fingers and take away all our troubles. But he gives us Himself - a real, lasting, presence that stands with us in all the dark nights and difficult days of our lives. Christ rose on Easter morning. And, by his grace, so can we.

Easter Blessings,

Pastor Roy





Worship Services: APRIL 2023

Sunday services are at 10:00 a.m.

Please watch your email; our website (<https://www.mtm-umc.org/>) and our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/MTMUMC>) for the links.

All Services In Person and Live Stream

Schedule of Upcoming Key Events



Sunday, April 2nd	PALM SUNDAY! 10:00 a.m. Procession of Palms - Jesus' Entry into Jerusalem
Thursday, April 6th	MAUNDY THURSDAY; 6:00 p.m. Supper, 7:00pm worship Holy Communion, Stripping the Sanctuary.
Friday, April 7th	GOOD FRIDAY service 7:00 p.m. Our journey to the cross together.
Sunday, April 9th	EASTER SUNDAY! – Christ Our Lord is Risen, Hallelujah! 6:15 a.m. Sunrise Service at Walnut Beach 7:30—9:30 a.m. Easter Brunch in Dodd Hall 9:30 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt 10:00 a.m. Traditional Service – Special Music, Message, Holy Communion
Sunday, April 16th	10:00 a.m. Believe-Thomas
Sunday, April 23rd	10:00 a.m. Walk to Emmaus—Communion
Sunday, April 30th	10:00 a.m. The Shepherd and the Sheep



SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER & BOOK STUDY Led by Kerline Poulard in the Wesley Center Library



April 2nd will be our last session for a time of prayer, followed by reading and discussion on “Final Words From the Cross” by Rev. Adam Hamilton. *In life and in death, Jesus’ words were powerful and meaningful. Despite the serious effort and increased pain required for Jesus to speak as he hung on the cross, Jesus spoke seven “final words”—statements that have much to teach us about Jesus, his Father, and ourselves.*

ZOOM or Call-in options:

Join Zoom Meeting Go To: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81192079423?pwd=VGxRRnQ5d2ZmbHdYTGdLWFJZMUxEUT09>

OR go to <https://zoom.us/>, click on "JOIN" and enter:

Meeting ID: 811 9207 9423

Passcode: 949908

OR Dial-in: (646) 931 3860

Meeting ID: 811 9207 9423

Passcode: 949 908#

TUESDAY MORNING PRAYERS & BIBLE STUDY Led by Pastor Roy in the Wesley Center Library

COME ONE, COME ALL for a time of connection with God and one another. We will kick-off Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. with a time of sharing and prayer, followed by Bible Study for the morning. What better way to deepen our relationship with god and one another than to join Prayer & Bible Study. We will begin at “The Beginning,” studying the first several chapters of the Book of Genesis. This Book is packed with stories of who WE are, in 2023! Come learn, share, and grow with us! If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Roy. Everyone is invited; bring a friend! See you there!

TUESDAY EVENING SCRIPTURE STUDY Led by Nathan Williams via Zoom

Dial into Zoom each Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. for an exploration of the week’s lectionary scripture readings. Join Nathan Williams and special guest Rev. Karen Eiler for a deep dive into the history, text, and context of the week’s readings as we find connections between the scriptures and our lives. Everyone is invited.



Crossing Training Sunday School News



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Palm Sunday Easter Egg Hunt

April 2nd at 9:30 a.m.

We will have our annual Easter Egg Hunt before church at 9:30. We will then ask the children to help hand out palms as people enter the church for worship. Children and families are invited to stay for the entire worship.



Easter Sunday

April 9th- No Sunday School

We will not have a lesson on Easter Sunday.

We wish all our families a fun and glorious Easter day.



Spring Break

April 16th- No Sunday School



Art Ministry

Our Cross Trainers have been invited to create some very cool art pieces to be hung on the walls of Wesley Center right outside our classrooms. A date in April TBD will be set up just for our youth and their families. Elizabeth Wright will guide us in this super fun art session. Keep watching for the date or just text Cross Training Director Wendy Beyer-203-913-0508



Laura's Treasure Trove



Donations
for
April!

Come
& Shop!

REMINDER: There are two opportunities to drop off your donations *...and shop!!*

Sundays after worship until 12:30
and **Thursdays from 9:30-12:30**

If you are unable to drop off at this time, please call Bev: 203-676-5581 or Jane: 203-494-2415 to make other arrangements.

DONATIONS MUST BE CLEAN - HAVE ALL PARTS - BE IN WORKING ORDER - NOT IN NEED OF REPAIRS
Spring or Summer clothing only.

We are NOT able to accept...

- Suitcases
- Stuffed animals
- Automotive parts
- Helmets
- Hangers
- Car seats
- Beds/matresses
- Food
- Large furniture
- Large exercise equipment
- Books over 5 years old, musty or with writing in them
- Computer books
- Cookbooks
- Clothing in poor/soiled condition
- VHS tapes/records/cassette tapes
- Propane tanks of any size
- Computers/printers



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

By Joan Zauner

“When there are no words, a prayer shawl speaks volumes.”
Janet Bristow, co-founder of the prayer shawl ministry.



PRAYER SHAWLS ARE AVAILABLE—

Over our 15 years we have made more than 1200 shawls! Think about it. A small group of 8-10 people have done that. Think of the yards of yarn used. We have had donations over the years of yarn and money and one of the most generous donors is Stacey Riccardi. She takes and gives out many shawls, and she is a constant source of yarn. Rick calls her a “Yarn Scout” but I think of her as a “Yarn Angel.” We are requesting donations of yarn and money to purchase yarn at this time as our supplies are very low.

We always welcome new members of our group and will help you get started. Please consider joining us. **Our next meeting is Thursday, April 13th at 7p.m. in the Wesley Center Library.** Call Joan Zauner at 203-283-5643 for additional information.

Prayer shawls are always available on Sundays or during the week through the church office. 203-874-1982.

PARISH HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Will administer Blood Pressure Screenings on the 3rd Sunday of each month
In the Sanctuary after service.

Thanks to our blood pressure team:

Leigh Bak, Adeline Hazzard, Sheryl Hollyday, and Nancy Sengstacken



ART MINISTRY

Submitted by Elizabeth Wright

Greetings! The ART MINISTRY is moving along. If you would like to do an amazing painting for our hallways and Dodd Hall, please contact Elizabeth Wright at beachgalleryct@yahoo.com. The first paintings were welcomed in mid March so get on board! There are several groups working now so this is also a notice to them to finish up soon!

If you would like to chat, call or text Elizabeth at 203-640-3577. Please do!

All supplies are provided—you provide the “creative” and the energy.





PRIME TIMERS

Submitted by Helene Dellert



Our mission is to enhance the spiritual and social lives of adults (55 and older) through fun and fellowship. Come play, learn, and grow with us!

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO

WHAT: POTLUCK DINNER

WITH: AN EL CAMINO TRAVELOGUE, PRESENTED BY SANDY & BREC MORGAN

WHEN: FRIDAY – APRIL 28

TIME: 6:00 TO 8:00 PM

WHERE: DODD HALL

Please call Helene Dellert at 203-878-8801 to confirm your participation as we need to prepare for this special, fun-filled event.

ANNOUNCING ~

WALKING GROUP—We are delighted to announce that Maryann Petremont has volunteered to coordinate a walking group for Prime Timers to include weekly walks and nature walks. A planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday – April 20 at 10:00 AM in the library at Wesley Center to select a name for our group, suggest/discuss walking routes and nature walks and also to brainstorm additional possibilities. Please contact Maryann at mapetremont@yahoo.com or at 203-415-0544 to confirm your attendance.



THEATRE GROUP – There is an interest in organizing a Prime Timers Theatre Group. We are looking to form a CORE GROUP interested in attending local and nearby theatre performances and to discuss other theatre-related activities. Please contact Helene if you are interested in doing so.



DAY TRIPS – Looking ahead to June, July and August, a small committee is needed to organize day trips to nearby locations. If you are available to assist with planning and coordination, please contact Helene.

COMMUNITY GARDEN -Prime Timers is looking for gardeners – with or without experience – to form a **PRIME TIMERS COMMUNITY GARDEN TEAM** that will join other teams in growing food to be distributed to those in need. To register or for more information, please contact Rachel Merva at rmerva@optonline.net or at 203-641-5088. You'll be glad you did!



YOUTH AND FAMILY COORDINATOR
Adeline Hazzard

“I’d Rather be Coloring”
Come Join us!
Thursday April 20, 2023 3-5pm
Supplies Provided
Hot and Cold beverages.
Always fun.



Friday Fun and Fellowship Meeting for Youth
April 21, 2023 6-8pm
With special guest
Lydia Smith

Lydia will help us as we learn some new songs as we may
take our show on the road this summer.
Of course there will be games and fun snacks.
Please join us for fun and fellowship.



Calling All Tea Lovers ~



**SUNDAY MAY 21 – 2:00 PM IN DODD HALL –
LINDA SHEEHAN WILL HOST A TEA PARTY!**

Betty Johnson from Bigelow Tea Company in Connecticut will join us and tell us about Bigelow’s history and the benefits of drinking tea!



Hats and gloves are optional but there will be a prize for the best and most creative hat. Surprises and lots of goodies too!

Please bring your own teacup and saucer if you have one. Laura’s Treasure Trove will be open Sundays after church to help you find that perfect cup and saucer.

EVERYONE IS INVITED!

**RSVP is a MUST by 5/10/23 to: Linda Sheehan
At linda.lsheehan@gmail.com or 203 283-5362.**





SAVE THE DATE!

Please join us for the 50th anniversary Fair on the Green!

Fair dates are Friday 6/2 11am-6pm – Saturday 6/3 10am-5pm.

Thanks to everyone who supported our Milford St. Patrick's Day Fair presence. Whether you coordinated publicity, filled goody bags with candy and Fair information cards, marched in the parade, or served free coffee and hot cocoa to the community, you helped spread the word and represented Mary Taylor in the Milford community. Thank you for an awesome day!

We are ordering special 50th anniversary t-shirts for Fair volunteers! At the 4/10 committee meeting, we will collect t-shirt sizes (Youth XS – XL and Adult S – 4XL) and select the t-shirt design. We are requesting a \$5 donation per t-shirt to defray costs. Send us your size(s) by email to be included in the order!

To volunteer at the fair, please visit <https://bit.ly/FOTG2023Signups/> or contact Cathy, Lisa or the office for help. Many hands make light work!

We are looking for additional volunteers for the areas listed below:

- Volunteers who can lend their pick-up trucks / large vehicles for food pickups and entertainment equipment setup
- Beverages (partner with Noel Fino)
- Food & Supplies purchase (partner with Christian Gregory)
- Health and Safety
- Parking (partner with Mark McAvoy)
- Publicity (help with media / press releases)
- Sanitation (partner with Scott Firmender)
- Theme Baskets (partner with Gina Grubbs)
- Volunteer Workforce (partner with Cathy & Lisa)

Fair Committee meeting schedule:

Mon 4/10 7pm – Full Committee (ZOOM)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87692884661>

Meeting ID: 876 9288 4661

Join by phone: 19292056099 88580106884#

Mon 5/8 7pm – Area Leaders (ZOOM)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88580106884>

Meeting ID: 885 8010 6884

Join by phone: 19292056099 88580106884#

Mon 5/22 7pm – Full Committee (IN PERSON)

Thanks from your co-chairs,

Cathy Cono spikio@optonline.net Lisa Gloates lisagsings@yahoo.com





United
Women
In Faith

UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

Chris McGregor and Deb Dubien

“The organized unit of United Women in Faith shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.”

“Thank you to all bakers, soup makers and soup eaters. We made \$392. !



Our next meeting will be on April 11 th at noon . Please add to your calendars Tuesday, May 9 for our Mother Daughter Dinner at 6:30. This is a pot-luck dinner and we are hoping to have a speaker or some entertainment. We would love to see a big turn out. As women in the church, we all had mothers, we are all daughters! ALL women are welcome!”

PARISH HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Submitted by Sheryl Hollyday APRN Palliative Care

JESUS WAS RESURRECTED NOT RESUSCITATED

April is National Advance Directive month.

I urge those who have not completed a Health Care Agent form or a Living will to do this as an Easter promise to yourself. You are never too young to put your wishes down in writing. Who will speak for you if you cannot?

It should be someone you know and trust. Each day that I work, I help people understand these directives and make educated decisions about their choices, especially surrounding heroic measures such as receiving CPR, breathing tubes, dialysis, feeding tubes and more.

I am offering my expertise in this, one on one or in a small group. It doesn't take long to complete. The knowledge that this is done can provide relief to you and your loved ones.

Jesus sacrificed for us. He does not want you to suffer. I believe that End of life should be peaceful and natural. Completing paperwork does not guarantee this, but it sure can help.

For more information, call or shoot me a text 203 376 6658 or email me at Doulee17@gmail.com.





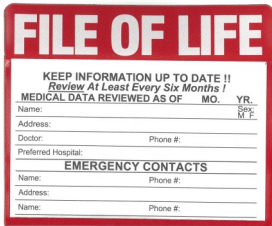
PARISH HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Submitted by Bob Virgalla

It Speaks For You If You Can't! File of Life® (Reprinted from 2017)

Bob Virgalla Former Member MTMUMC Health and Wellness Team
EMT: Newtown Volunteer Ambulance Corps

I'm writing this brief article on behalf of all EMS personnel. It is our hope that members of Mary Taylor and the public will take a few minutes being proactive in case we're called to your home for a 911 medical emergency.



As an EMT when we're dispatched to your home, we need to assess the situation, from the dispatch information and on scene evidence and impressions. Many times the "patient" is alone and unable to provide needed information on medications, allergies and pertinent medical history. Decisions need to be made quickly: is there a life threat, how critical, call for a back-up medic and which is the best hospital destination for the patient. Information is critical to this process. This is where the File of Life® comes in. It aids those who are there to help you in your time of need. It can speak for you if you can't.

The File of Life® is a program that aims to make vital health information available to emergency responders in the event of a medical emergency. The "File" is a miniature medical history card that is filled out and kept in a red plastic sleeve with a magnetic strip. The magnetic sleeve is placed on the outside of the refrigerator or in a visible place. **EMS personal are trained to look for the red File of Life sleeve.**

The File of Life® details a person's name, emergency medical contacts and insurance policy information. It details current health problems, current medications and dosages. It lists allergies, recent surgeries, your doctor's name and phone number, your health care proxy information and your religious affiliation.

The File of Life® is for anyone in the community who would like to ensure that, in the event of a medical emergency, emergency responders have immediate access to potentially life-saving personal health and medical history information. People who are at an increased risk for a medical emergency, such as seniors or community members with special needs, are especially encouraged to participate in the program.

Our Health and Wellness Team at Mary Taylor Memorial UMC have purchased the File of Life® cards. We will be handing them out on a quarterly basis during coffee hour and if needed, just ask a member of your Health Wellness Team.



BE A HERO—DONATE BLOOD!

Submitted by Leigh Bak, APRN, MTMUMC

Outreach Coordinator, with information from the American Red Cross.



Every two seconds, someone in the US needs blood and/or platelets. Approximately 29,000 units of red blood cells and an additional 5,000 units of platelets and 6,500 units of plasma are needed every day. Blood is essential to help people survive surgeries, cancer treatments, chronic illnesses and traumatic injuries. And while many important body parts like heart valves, joints and even blood vessels can be “manufactured”, blood and platelets cannot be; the only way to get blood is for people like you and me to donate it.

Why Cancer Patients Need Blood

For cancer patients, blood transfusions can replace all-important platelets after heavy treatments such as chemo or radiation therapy. For cancer patients, blood cells that are made in the bone marrow are often at risk. This lack of blood cell production can cause chronic diseases over time which may affect organs such as the kidneys, spleen and liver.

Blood Donation Types

Blood donations can yield a variety of blood products, including red cells, platelets and plasma. You may be most familiar with the typical whole blood donation drives seen at workplaces, churches, schools and community events, but there are a few other ways to help give more life through the Red Cross.

Whole Blood Donation: As the name implies, “whole blood” donation includes all of the contents within the blood. This includes red blood cells, white blood cells, platelets and plasma, all of which a healthy body begins to replace immediately after a donation. A healthy donor can safely donate whole blood every 56 days. Whole blood donations are typically used to help patients fight cancer, blood disorders and traumatic injuries and each pint of blood you donate can literally be used to save three lives! Forget about being a hero; how about a SUPERHERO?!?

Mary Taylor Memorial UMC is currently working with the Red Cross to coordinate a day and time for regularly scheduled blood drives in Dodd Hall, and in the meantime, we have scheduled a community blood drive for **Monday April 10 8:30-1:30**. We’ll need volunteers to not only donate blood, but also to help the blood drive run smoothly. But blood drives at Mary Taylor obviously aren’t your only opportunity to give blood. You can go on-line (<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html>) to find nearby drives by date or zip code. Another option is the recently opened Red Cross Blood Donation Center at 486 Bridgeport Avenue right here in Milford.

Platelet Donation: Platelets help your body create clots to stop bleeding. Platelet donations are critical for patients who are fighting cancer, chronic diseases and traumatic injuries. The platelet collection process is a bit different than the whole blood donations. It’s important to note that an appointment needs to be scheduled at a specific Red Cross donation center (currently only in Farmington) rather than at a mobile blood drive because this type of donation requires special equipment.

Plasma Donation: During a plasma donation, called plasmapheresis, blood is drawn and the plasma is separated out and the red blood cells and platelets are then returned to your body. The plasma is used to help patients with severe burns, cancer or other potentially life-threatening conditions. One donation provides up to four units of plasma for patients in need.

As you can see, blood donations are one of the most important things you can do to help others in need. There is no substitute for blood, and it can’t be manufactured. Don’t wait for a disaster to donate; your blood is a precious gift that could save a life (or three) TODAY!



**HAVE YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS
SPONSOR YOU FOR THE CROP HUNGER WALK
REGISTER WITH DON HASTINGS—203-885-3948**



CROP Hunger Walk No. 49

Sunday, May 7, 2023

at 1:30 – 4:00 pm for 2+ mile walk (Rain or Shine)

**at United Congregational Church
2200 North Avenue, Bridgeport, CT**

25 % of monies raised goes to hunger related programs in the Bridgeport Area.
For more info, call 203-375-1284 or go to www.crophungerwalk.org/bridgeportct

EVERY STEP AND EVERY DONATION ENDS HUNGER!

JOIN THE MARY TAYLOR GROUP AND LET'S WALK TOGETHER!





MARCH/APRIL UPPER ROOM is available.
Copies are in the Sanctuary, or call the office at 203-874-1982 and I will drop one in the mail for you, or you may stop by and pick one up.

**DID YOU CHANGE YOUR PHONE NUMBER OR YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS ??
PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW SO WE CAN UPDATE
OUR DATA BASE. 203.874.1982 THANKS!**



ANIMAL SHELTER DONATIONS: Wet and dry cat food and wet dog food is needed for seniors with pets and for the canine facility. Towels and blankets are needed. Animal Control will not take peoples' released pets but will spay and neuter feral cats. Please leave your donations in the designated basket in the back of the Sanctuary, or drop them by the office during the week.

Bless you for caring for God's children with fur.

If you and your animals are in need, please help yourself to the available donations.

**The Fellowship Time will continue
in Dodd Hall after service.**



Please consider hosting Fellowship Time one Sunday. Membership & Evangelism will provide the snacks and drinks so set up and break down is all that is needed. If you would like to host a Sunday, please contact Susan Pitre at 203-435-7031; soupytrus@yahoo.com





DRAGONFLY MINISTRIES

Dragonfly Ministries is part of the Caregiving Ministries program for Mary Taylor Memorial UMC. Several years ago Mark Platt had a vision of a healing service which would provide a combination of music, prayer, anointing and laying on of hands. Recently communion has been added to the service.



Recipients of the service could be homebound, in hospice, in Hospital/Care Facility, pre surgical, post surgical or facing a difficult time in their life. Mark has developed the service and leads the service.

If you would like a Dragonfly Service for yourself, family member or friend, call Don Hastings (203-877-4554) or the church office (203-874-1982) to make arrangements.

TRANSPORTATION CAREGIVER GUIDELINES

The intent of the Transportation Caregiver Program is to provide transportation to worship on Sunday mornings and at other days and times that worship is held (Ex: Good Friday). Transportation would also be available to church events that may occur at other times and days of the week (Ex: Club 80 Luncheon). Transportation for medical purposes may also be requested.

To procure a ride, a member should call Don Hastings (203-877-4554) or the church office at (203-874-1982)

If at all possible, at least a **24-hour** notice would be helpful, but an attempt will be made to deal with last minute situations or emergencies.





ATTENTION SENIORS! TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION!

Need a ride to the doctor's, supermarket, therapy, treatment center? There are options available either for free or for reasonable fees.

INTERFAITH VOLUNTEER CARE GIVERS

FREE Service
203-230-8994



- You must be 60 years or older regardless of income.
- You must register with them in advance of booking a ride. The sooner you call the better your chance for success.
- The volunteers are covered by insurance.
- No wheelchairs as only volunteer vehicles are used.
- Ride bookings accepted Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- You will be called with a reminder 24 hours before your scheduled pickup.

MILFORD TRANSIT DISTRICT
203-874-4507
Currently FREE!



- You must fill out an application first.
- Available Monday through Friday 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Must give 3 to 5 days advance notice.
- They travel from Trumbull to New Haven.
- An aide may travel with you.
- They are wheelchair accessible.

MILFORD SENIOR CENTER TRANSPORTATION

Milford Senior Center paid members (\$15.00/year) 55 and above, are eligible to use their transportation services for medical appointments in Milford, grocery shopping and to the Center.

- 48 hours notice is preferred to request a ride.
- Doctor appointments should be made between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.
- For more information please contact Transportation Supervisor Denise Arpino at 203-877-5131.



**ALTAR FLOWERS AND MISSION CROSS ORDERS
are welcomed anytime.**



Flowers are \$20, payable to MTMUMC and mailed or given to Mary Lou Kampert at the church office. A donation in lieu of altar flowers is honored with a cross and miniature mission scarf placed on the altar. If you would like to place an order please contact Mary Lou at 203-874-1982 or mtmumc@sbcglobal.net to arrange a suitable date.



A REMINDER ABOUT CARE BY THE PASTOR....

CONTACT THE PASTOR—
for pastoral care needs, or if you just want to talk!
Reach out for yourself, or tell them that someone you know needs a call.

You can contact our pastor through the church office at 203.874.1982, mtmumc@sbcglobal.net, or directly to Pastor Roy at 914.330.1789



**OFFICE HOURS ARE 9AM TO 3PM
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY**

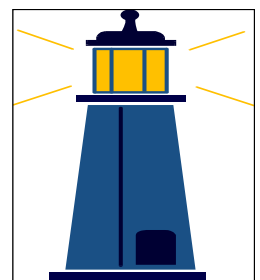


**COMMUNITY SUPPER AT MTMUMC
THURSDAY, APRIL 27th at 5:30 P.M.**

If you can help, contact Rachel Merva at 203-641-5088



**THE MAY
“BEACON” DEADLINE IS
Saturday, April 15th**



Please submit materials on or before this date to mtmumc@sbcglobal.net or a hard copy to the church office.



WE'D LIKE TO WISH YOU A HAPPY BIRTHDAY....



....but we can't if we don't have it in our database.

It is always possible that these special dates were previously provided us. If so, you have our apology for any oversight and our request to please try again. And whenever your special day is, may God who has blessed you with this milestone smile on you and your celebration.



Sincerely,

Mary Lou Kampert (mtmumc@sbcglobal.net; 203.874.1982, ext. 110)



APRIL BIRTHDAYS



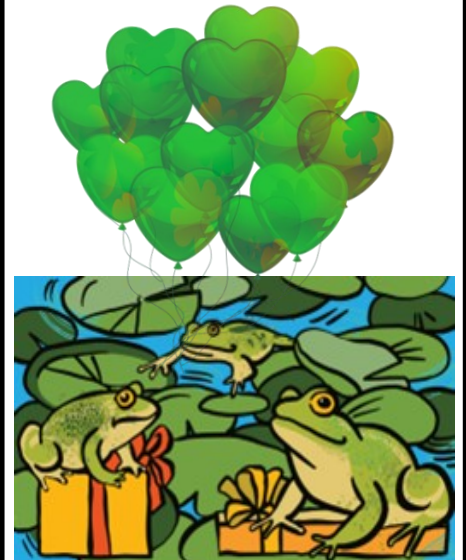
MTM CLUB 80 MEMBERS—are listed below in **bold**.

If your birthday is not listed and should be, or if there are other birthdays needing changing, please call the Office at 203-874-1982. Thank you!

- 1st Olivia D'Andrea
Jamie Georgelos
Charles Mebane II
Lisa Gloates
Gail Sostilio
- 3rd John Doherty
- 4th Kimberly Chevett
Kyle Collins
- 7th Erin O'Shea
Paige Librandi
- 8th Corinne Macdonald
Adeline Hazzard
- 9th Donald Anderson
Diana Cable
- 10th Maryann Petremont
- 11th Frederick Bennett
Stacey Cronk

- 12th Susan Pitre
- 14th Rhonda Calogine
Mark McAvoy
- 15th **Don Hastings**
Vicki Woodard
- 17th **Irene Smith**
- 18th Donald Anderson
- 19th **Thomas Griggs Sr.**
Barbara Babcock
- 20th Andromeda Macri
Mark Repetsky
- 22nd Brec Morgan
Samantha Sostilio
Stephen Murzyn
- 23rd Christopher Krom
- 25th Brian Gonsalves Jr.

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