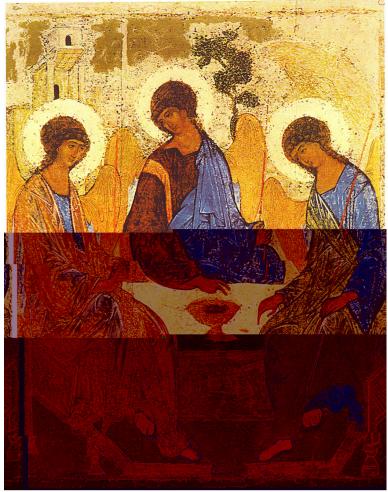
ROCKY HILL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Established 1727 ~ An Open and Affirming Community



One of the most famous Russian Icons by Andre Rublev, Circa 1408.

June 18, 2017 ~ 10:00 a.m. Second Sunday after Pentecost

~ORDER OF WORSHIP~

We welcome all and extend a special greeting to our guests; our service is enriched by your presence! Please join us in Chapin Hall for fellowship time after worship. **The Welcome Table** in Chapin Hall offers information about the church and members who can answer your questions. **Hearing devices** are available for worship—ask an usher. **Nursery care** is available down the hall in Room 4.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

Please include your full address and phone number as you sign our friendship registration pads, and please wear your nametags. All announcements should be written down and given to the ushers or pastor prior to worship. If you have a prayer request you would like read aloud for today's prayers, please fill out one of the prayer cards found in the friendship registration pads (your name is optional) and be prepared to pass it to the center aisle at the time of the offering, when the cards will be collected.

"Blessed	Jesus,	at The	Word"
	The	choir	

Barry Wilcock CALL TO WORSHIP Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear; All: though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea. Be still, and know that I am God! Leader: I am exalted among the nations; I am exalted in the earth. All: The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our refuge. Let us worship God! "My Hope Is Built" *HYMN NC (black) 403 *Please rise in body or in spirit. Bold type denotes collective response

***INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Our God, you are our refuge and our strength,

a very present help in trouble.

Before the sun rises, the birds have sung your praises.

Throughout each moment of the day you hear the faintest cries of those who call to you and heed their heart's yearnings through good times and bad. You are indeed in the midst of all that we do,

and for that we thank you.

Be with us during this time of worship that we may sing your praise.

We pray this in Jesus' name, who taught us to pray, saying,

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

***SUNG RESPONSE**

NCH 765



MESSAGE FOR ALL AGES

BAPTISM

ANTHEM	"Precious Lord" The Choir	Thomas Dorsey, arr. Jack Schrader
SCRIPTURE READIN	G Genesis 18:1-15	Pew Bible (0T) p14
SERMON	"On Entertaining Stranger	s" Rev. Craig L. Cowing

***HYMN** "We Would Be Building" NC (black) 607

OFFERING OF GIFTS

Following the receiving of offerings by the ushers, Rev. Craig will come down the center aisle to collect the prayer request cards.

Invitation to the Offering

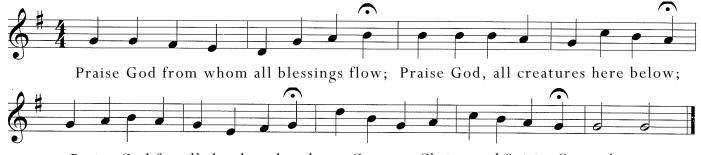
For those who have already given their offering, Giving Cards are available in your pew so that all may participate in the act of the offering.

Offertory Anthem

"Deep River"

Spiritual, arr. Adolphus Hailstork

*Doxology



Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen

*Prayer of Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Joys & Concerns

Recognition of Great Grandfathers

Sung Call to Prayer

"O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee" (verse 1) NCH 418

0 Mas - ter, let me walk with thee In _low - ly_ 2 Help me the slow of heart move By some clear, to 3 Teach me thy with pa - tience; still thee In clos- er, 4_In sends a shin -...igø Er ... down ... the 1234 paths of Tell me serv - ice free; thy se - cret. help me win - ning word of Teach me the love; way - ward feet to dear - er com - pa - ny, In work that keeps faith sweet and ,ture's . broad-ening,way, ... In peace that ... on ... ly ... thou ... canst ____bear_ The strain of toil, the fret of care: ____stay, And guide them in the home ward way strong, In trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong care. - ver wrong. With thee, O Mas - ter, give. let me live. A - men.

O Master, let me walk with thee In lowly paths of service free; Tell me thy secret, help me bear The strain of toil, The fret of care. A-men.

Pastoral Prayer

*HYMN

"How Firm A Foundation"

PH (black)372

BENEDICTION

***POSTLUDE**

"Fountain Reverie"

Percy Fletcher

Barry Wilcock Bea Donahue and Bob Simmons Gladys Carpenter, Betty Schako, Jim Stevens InReach

Today's altar flowers are donated in loving memory of My father, Paul Tine Jr. By Natalie Tine

The tower is lit this week in honor of Charles Pawlich, Sr By Rich, Mary and Rick Pawlich-Pagliccio

Today during Worship we will proudly recognize our great-grandfathers of the church.

Rudy Burgess	Neal Cox	David Dean	Bob Hamilton
Bob Hansen	Joe Kunzelman	Ralph Lexa	Tom Schreier
John Sword	James Ussery Jr.	Frank Vann	

To recognize and honor the great grandmothers and great grandfathers in our Congregation, the Diaconate Board is making a combined donation of \$200 on their behalf to Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters in Hartford.

<u>TODAY</u>

Sunday, June 18 10:00am Worship, Baptism, Father's Day No Church School – Daycare in Room 4 <u>LOOKING AHEAD</u> Sunday, June 25 10:00am Worship, Summer Church School Daycare in Room 4 Sunday, July 2 10:00am Worship in Chapin Hall No Church School

LITURGIST GREETERS USHERS HOSPITALITY

In honor of Father's Day InReach is offering Brownie Sundaes during Coffee Hour.All are welcome!



Father's Day Raffles - Connecticut Tigers or New Britain Bees: Tickets \$1.00 each, Or 6 for \$5.00. Drawing will be held after worship on Father's Day.





HONOR YOUR LOVED ONES

Dedicating flowers or lighting the tower is a lovely way to honor the memory or special events of family and friends. Sign up on the calendar in Chapin Hall, email office@rhccucc.org or call the church office (860-529-4167)

WELCOME VISITORS!

Interested in joining the church? If you'd like to learn more about our church community; please join us during coffee hour after worship and ask to speak with Pastor Craig Cowing or any Deacon.

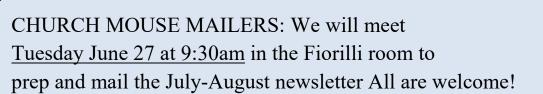


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WORSHIP RECORDINGS AVAILABLE Audio recordings and bulletins for many of our Sunday worship services are available on the church website, **rhccucc.org** (See WORSHIP BULLETINS) or you may contact the office to request an audio CD.

We encourage all members of Boards, Committees and the Church to share their news, events and photos for our facebook page, by sending these to

<u>office(*a*)rhccucc.org</u>. Don't forget to follow us on facebook for updates on church activities.





Icons of the month Visit anytime for prayer and contemplation in the Weil Chapel.

June 4-10: Duccio, Pentecost, ca. 1308-11 From the Maestà altarpiece in the Cathedral in Sienna. Duccio is one of the bridges between Italian Byzantine art and the Renaissance.

June 12-July 10: A copy of Andrei Rublev's Old Testament Trinity Icon, painted around 1500. This Icon refers back to the three angels visiting Abraham and Sarah in Genesis 18:1-15.



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THIS WEEK AT RHCC

June 18Sunday10:00am Worship11:00am Father's Day SundaesChapin Hall

June 19 5:00pm Women's AA 7:00pm Bonsai Group

June 20 10:30am Retired Clergy 7:00pm Hearing Voices

June 21 6:00pm Pilates w/Caroline

June 22 7:30pm Men's AA

June 23

<u>June 24</u>

<u>Monday</u> Chapin Hall Chapel

<u>**Tuesday</u>** Parlor Room 23/Chapin</u>

<u>Wednesday</u> Chapin Hall

<u>**T h u r s d a y**</u> Chapin Hall

<u>Friday</u>

<u>Saturday</u>

There will be pastoral coverage by Rev. Woodward during the week of June 26th; when Rev. Craig is out of the office taking study leave. Call the office with any pastoral needs. 860-529-4167. DAYS

- 20 Elaine Motta
- 21 Glenn Hunter
- 21 Jack Pawlich
- 22 Gail Hall
- 24 Douglas Toft
- 25 Katie Hoffman Fulda

We'll hold our Summer worship in air-conditioned Chapin Hall during July and August 10:00 a.m.





SCRIP-SURE

What is it? Scrip-sure is a fundraising program

for our church, which allows the regular shopping we do



at a variety of retailers to generate income for the church. How? Participating retailers sell gift certificates or gift cards to our church at a discount. Church members buy the certificates for full face value and redeem them for full face value, and our church keeps the difference as revenue. Everybody wins! The retailers get our business, and our church gets a regular source of revenue that involves nothing other than what we would all be doing anyway — shopping/spending at grocery stores, drugstores, restaurants, gas stations, and many other businesses, including online retailers

We have most of the usual cards in inventory for immediate purchase this morning. Here is a partial list of cards typically available:

- ➢ Coffee: Dunkin Donuts, Starbucks
- Fast food: Boston Market, Chipotle, McDonalds, Panera, Subway, Wendy's
- ➢ Gas: Exxon/Mobil, Shell, Sunoco
- Grocery: Big Y, Stop & Shop, Trader Joe's, Westside Marketplace, Whole Foods
- ➢ Pharmacy: CVS, Walgreens
- Restaurants: Bertucci's, Bonefish Grill, Buffalo Wild Wings, Denny's, Olive Garden, On the Border, Outback Steakhouse, Red Lobster
- Shopping: Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Bed Bath & Beyond, Home Depot, Kohl's, iTunes, L.L. Bean, Lowes, Michaels, Payless Shoes, Target, Toys R Us, Walmart

The next ordering deadline for cards not kept in inventory will be on Sunday, July 30th (delivery on August 6).

Did you know that you can donate to the Rocky Hill Food Pantry and "Covenant-to-Care for Children" through our scrip program? Your cash/check donations are used to buy gift cards to local groceries (food pantry) or other retail stores (CC). For these donations, we do not retain any profit, so a \$1.00 donation effectively buys about \$1.07 in groceries or clothing. You may donate at the scrip table in Chapin Hall.

Stop by the scrip table in Chapin Hall this morning for a complete listing of available cards, or to have all of your questions answered. Think SCRIP.

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Office Hours Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Friday – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Open and Affirming Statement

Because we believe that all people are created in God's image and thus are blessed and loved equally by God, and because love is a unifying and strengthening force within our Christian Faith,

We, the members of the Rocky Hill Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, hereby declare ourselves an Open and Affirming Christian community, actively expressing Jesus' inclusive embrace of all people.

We welcome all who seek to follow Jesus, including persons of every age, gender, race, national origin, faith background, marital status and family structure, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, mental and physical ability, economic and social status, and educational background, to share in the life, leadership, ministry, fellowship, worship, sacraments, responsibilities, blessings and joys of our church family.

Jesus teaches us to welcome all God's children into God's covenantal community. As we grow together in faith and love, we will strive to celebrate the diversity in which God has created us. *Approved by congregational vote June 2009*

<u>Ministry Team</u> Ministers: All the members of the church Pastor: The Rev. Craig L. Cowing <u>ccowing@rhccucc.org</u> Minister for Children and Youth: Georgette L. Huie <u>ghuie@rhccucc.org</u> Minister of Music: Mary DeLibero <u>mary@rhccucc.org</u> Office Manager: Theresa E. Cleary <u>office@rhccucc.org</u> Webmaster: Dave Hall <u>webmaster@rhccucc.org</u> Child Care Provider: Liz Pulling <u>lrpulling@icloud.com</u>