

Rocky Hill
Congregational Church
Established 1727
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Now faith is the
substance
of things hoped for...
Hebrews 11:1

August 8, 2010

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 A.M

The Friendly Church at the Center
An Open and Affirming Community

ORDER OF WORSHIP

We welcome all and extend a special greeting to our guests; our service is enriched by your presence! 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 and large-print bulletins are available for worship – ask an usher. Nursery care is always available downstairs in Room 4.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Donna K. Manocchio

Please include your full address and phone number as you sign our friendship pads. Thanks to everyone who wears a name tag and helps our ministry of hospitality. All announcements should be written down and given to the pastor prior to worship.

PRELUDE

“Andante Religioso”

by Francis Thomé

Julie Dostie, organist

CALL TO WORSHIP

Deacon Tom Fulda

Leader: We are people called to follow where God leads us.

People: **By faith, we can obey, even when asked to walk into an unknown future.**

Leader: We are people invited to tell God's story to others.

People: **By faith, we have the ability to share the good news.**

Leader: We are a people summoned to be the servants of others.

People: **By faith, we will embrace our sisters and brothers in Christ.**

* HYMN

“Lord of All Hopefulness”

Pilgrim Hymnal #217

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (*unison*)

Almighty and all loving God, we gather today in trust and expectation, seeking your presence in our time of worship. Open our minds and hearts to hear your words of love and life. Inspire us as you inspired our foremothers and forefathers so we can grow in hope and faith. Come to us this day, and reshape our lives in the way of our Master and Teacher, Jesus. In his name and spirit we pray, saying the words he teaches us,

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.

* GLORIA PATRI



Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost;
As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be, world with-out end. A - men. A - men.

A MESSAGE FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

A READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

ANTHEM

“How Great Thou Art”

by Stuart K. Hine

Frank Vann, solo

SERMON

“Heroes of Hope”

The Rev. Donna K. Manocchio

* HYMN

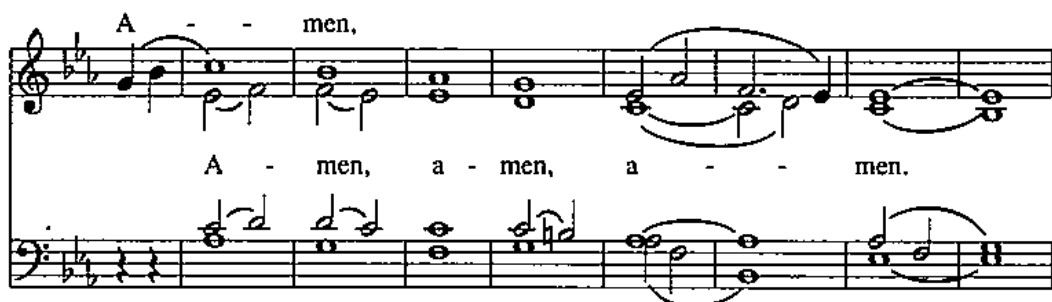
“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

New Century Hymnal #403

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER RESPONSE



A - - men,
A - men, a - men, a - - men.

OFFERING INVITATION

For those who have already given their offering, Giving Cards are available in your pew so that all may participate in giving back to God with joy and gratitude.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Why Should He Love Me So?”

by Robert Harkness

Frank Vann, solo

* DOXOLOGY



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise him, all crea-tures here be-low;



Praise him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A - men. -

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN

“If You But Trust in God to Guide You”

New Century Hymnal #410

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Pleyel’s Hymn”

by W. J. Westbrook

*(*Please rise in body and in spirit)*

GREETERS

HOSPITALITY

USHERS

Dave and Gail Hall, Tom and Chris Kainamura

The flowers this morning are given in honor of the marriage of Amanda Henry and Brian Tokarski by Linda and Joe Tokarski.

The tower is lit this week in loving memory of my husband, Gene Little, by Jackie.

NEXT WEEK AUGUST 15, 2010 / WORSHIP IN CHAPIN HALL

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 4:1-6 / Sermon: “The Face of Jesus”

Pastor Donna K. Manocchio



**Now through August 31 from 9:00am - noon
Monday thru Thursday and closed on Fridays**

Rocky Hill Congregational Church United Church of Christ 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 in us.

Voted in by congregational vote June 2009

Ministry Team

Ministers: All the members of the church

Interim Pastor: The Reverend Barbara J. Libby barbllibby@rhccucc.org

Associate Pastor: The Reverend Donna K. Manocchio associate@rhccucc.org

Acting Director of Christian Education: Meghan Davis Young christianed@rhccucc.org

Pastor Emeritus: The Reverend Arthur C. Weil

Director of Music: William Kanute music@rhccucc.org

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Church Website: rhccucc.org

THIS WEEK AT RHCC

AUGUST 9, MONDAY

5:30pm Yoga with Lynn Chapin Hall
7:00pm Women's AA Room 23

AUGUST 11, WEDNESDAY

9:00am **Quilters** Room 6
6:00pm Yoga with Pam Chapin Hall

AUGUST 12, THURSDAY

9:30am Yoga with Lynn Chapin Hall
5:30pm TOPS Chapin Hall
8:00pm Men's AA Chapin Hall

AUGUST 13, FRIDAY

Office Closed

AUGUST 14, SATURDAY

8:30am Yoga w/Lynn Chapin Hall
6:30pm **Dinner and Movie** Chapin Hall



Birthdays
This
Week!

8 Carol Harvey
Betty Mooney
David Peisach
10 Kelly Moore
11 Julia Pickett
12 Deb Copes
Kimberly Robbins
13 Jean Holmes
Stephanie Heneghan
Kim Walker
Gary King
Taylor McLean
14 Jim Stevens
Carol Baran
Rhody Triblets

SCRIP-SURE: July scrip orders may be picked up today in Chapin Hall. In addition, we have some extra \$100 cards available for West Side Market, Big Y, and Stop & Shop.

Summer Fun for Children – Theme: The Spirit of the Seas

Join us for two more Sundays this summer to explore bible stories that make us think of *The Spirit of the Seas*.

August 8
Jonah and the Whale

August 22
Moses and the Parting of the Seas

Bible stories and activities, crafts and snacks will be provided. The program is designed for children K-3. All children are welcome. Most days Summer Fun will meet Chapin Hall. *If you or your older child is willing to help please call Liz Pulling at 860-632-7673. *Baby and toddler childcare will still be available each Sunday this summer!

BAD GIRLS OF THE BIBLE - Monday, August 9th – 7:00 PM – Fiorilli Room – A Women's Bible Study focusing on the stories of women in the Scripture. In July, we'll focus on LOT'S WIFE, whose narrative is found in Genesis 19:1-26. Copies of the text are available outside the church office.

Rocky Hill Congregational Cooperative Nursery School

Currently we have 6 children enrolled in the 3 year old program: Tuesday and Thursday 9:00-11:30 and 10 children enrolled in the 4 year old program: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00-11:30. The major objective of the RHCCNS is to create a stimulating environment for learning socially, emotionally and intellectually, using the guidelines for developmentally appropriate practices put forth by the National Association for the Education for Young Children (NAEYC) and to enhance parental knowledge and understanding of these practices through classroom participation. For further information please contact the Church Office at 860-529-4167



Need some pampering? Join us on Sunday, August 22 at 2:00pm for a spa afternoon in Chapin Hall! Your \$5 admission fee will go directly to the church and will provide you with the opportunity to experience a mini-manicure treatment, a mini-pedicure treatment, a lip treatment and a mini-facial. Come for some well-deserved relaxation, snacks and fun. Questions?

Please RSVP by Sunday 8/15 by calling or emailing Liz Reed-Swale 860-428-3165 or songwriterliz@gmail.com

Join us for Potluck Dinner and a Movie

Saturday, August 14 – at 6:30 p.m. in Chapin Hall

Feature Film in August: “Evening”

An all-star cast of some of the greatest actresses of our time - including Vanessa Redgrave, Meryl Streep, Toni Collette, Claire Danes, Natasha Richardson and Glenn Close- come together in this passionate and heartwarming story. As Ann (Redgrave) reflects on one beautiful and life-changing weekend with the one true love of her life, her daughters (Collette and Richardson) come to their own understanding about the power of the past and the unbreakable bonds between mothers and daughters, family and the loves of their lives.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED!!

We are in need of teachers for our 2010/2011 Sunday School term.

Teachers are needed for the following grades:

Pre K K – 1st 4th – 5th 6th – 8th

If you are interested in working with a dedicated group of adults and older youths and have 1 or more weekend(s) a month to nourish the spiritual life of our church's children, please call Nancy Wilcock at 860-563-9865 to volunteer. Thanks in advance for considering assisting the church in this way.

Childcare Volunteer needed for the following dates:

August 29 September 5 September 12

Please call or email Lisa Siembab at 860-778-6967 or email at lisasiembab@prodigy.net to volunteer.

RHCC Family Day at New Britain Stadium
Catch the fun & Excitement of Rock Cats Baseball
Sunday, August 29, 2010 @ 1:35pm (Gates Open 12:05pm)

Rock Cats (Minnesota Twins) vs Baysox (Baltimore Orioles)

FAITH & FAMILY DAY!
POST-GAME CONCERT!
KIDS RUN THE BASE AFTER THE GAME!

All Orders must be received by:
August 13, 2009



Rock Cats Baseball
Always a Rockin' Good Time

Rocky Hill Congregational Church Family Day at New Britain Stadium

August 23, 2009

Gates Open: 12:05 PM

Game Time: 1:35 PM

<u>Type</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Total</u>
Reserved Seats	\$5.00 X	_____	= _____

Name: _____

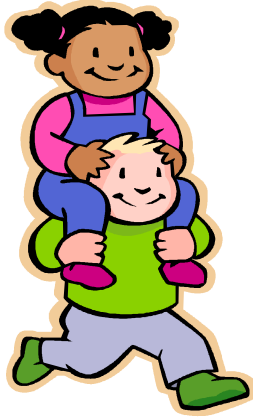
Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please return your form to the church office with cash or check made payable to Rocky Hill Congregational Church. Please note "Rock Cats Tickets" on envelope front.

Questions? Please contact Donna Manocchio at associate@rhccucc.org or (860) 529-4167

RHCC Caring for Kids



Summer Clothing and School Backpack Drive

HERE'S WHAT'S NEEDED:

Children's (Boys and Girls) *Summer* Clothing
New or gently used, infant to size 12

School Supplies and Backpacks

Pens, Pencils, Markers, notebooks, journals, rulers, scissors and other supplies

Backpacks for girls ages 6, 8, 10, and 15

Backpacks for boys, ages 5, 8, 13, and 15

DROP OFF DONATIONS TO CHURCH (especially clothing as the need is immediate!) **OR BRING TO SERVICE ON AUGUST 15TH.**

Clothing will be donated to Loaves and Fishes in Hartford.

Backpack and Supplies will be given to our Covenant to Care families.

Questions? Contact Gail Tine about clothing (gtine@cox.net)

Or Meghan Kelly about backpack (me.kelly@snet.net)

PS Think about using a SCRIP card for purchasing school items!