

**Rocky Hill
Congregational Church
Established 1727
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**



August 22, 2010

Thirteenth 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

Pastor Barbara J. Libby

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

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Donna K. Manocchio

Leader: *In the course of our life-journey, we do not only move from place to place.*

People: **We also move from thought to thought, from task to task, from feeling to feeling.**

Leader: *We move between solitude and relationship, between growth and stagnation, between faithfulness and spiritual carelessness.*

People: **We are a people in motion.**

Leader: *We are a people of God.*

All: ***In gathering to worship, we give thanks for our freedom to move. We offer praise to the ever-present God, to the living Christ, and to the sustaining Spirit. Wherever we go, we remain in the keeping and the company of God.***

* HYMN

“Come, We Who Love God’s Name”

New Century Hymnal #379

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

O God, you call us to reflection and to action. You bid us to be silent before you and to offer words of praise. You enable us to use our solitude well, and you encourage us to be in communion with all humanity. Help us to be faithful. Help us throughout the summer season to attune our wills to yours. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who invited us to share his own prayer, saying together:

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

(Children are invited to go to Summer Fun)

A READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

Jeremiah 1:4-10

ANTHEM

SERMON

“What Do We See?”

Pastor Barbara J. Libby

*HYMN

“Standing at the Future’s Threshold”

New Century Hymnal #538

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER RESPONSE

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

The image shows a musical score for a prayer response. It consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on the treble staff, and the bass line is on the bass staff. The lyrics are: "A - - men," followed by "A - men, a - men, a - - - men." The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some rests and ties.

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

* 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. -

The image shows a musical score for a doxology. It consists of two staves, both with a treble clef. The key signature has one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on the top staff, and the bass line is on the bottom staff. The lyrics are: "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. -" The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some rests and ties.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN

"Lead On, O King Eternal"
Pilgrim Hymnal #375

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

GREETERS AND HOSPITALITY

Inreach

USHERS

Thomas Day, George Day
Rose Lewis, Melody Hall, Sarah Mosure

The flowers this morning are given in loving memory of In loving memory of
my husband, Ed Bacon, by Charlotte and family.

The tower is lit this week in loving memory of our parents by Jim and Lois
Stevens.

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 barblibby@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

Church Office: Carol Harvey office@rhccucc.org
860-529-4167

Webmaster: Dave Hall webmaster@rhccucc.org

Church Website: rhccucc.org

THIS WEEK AT RHCC

AUGUST 22, SUNDAY

11:15am **Nominating Meeting** Fiorilli Room
2:00pm **Spa Day** Chapin Hall



Birthdays
This
Week!

AUGUST 23, MONDAY

5:30pm Yoga with Lynn Chapin Hall
6:30pm **RHCCNS Meeting** Fiorilli Room
7:00pm Women's AA Room 23

23 Emily McKenna
24 David Edwards
Thompson Hunt
25 Lee Shippy
26 Earl King, Jr.
Michael Bower

AUGUST 24, TUESDAY

10:30am **Genesis Healthcare Svc**

27 Cynthia Lupacchino
Michael Scribano

AUGUST 25, WEDNESDAY

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

Vanessa Sue Bighinatti
28 Charles Vassilopoulos
Paul Tine, Jr.

AUGUST 26, THURSDAY

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

NEXT WEEK **AUGUST 29, 2010**

Worship in Chapin Hall
Scripture: Jeremiah 2:4-13
Hebrews 13:1-16

AUGUST 27, FRIDAY

Office Closed

Sermon: "Turning and Returning"
Pastor Barbara J. Libby

AUGUST 28, SATURDAY

8:30am Yoga w/Lynn Fiorilli Room
9:00am **Pastoral Relations** Chapin Hall
Training

Summer Fun for Children – Theme: The Spirit of the Seas
Today – Moses and the Parting of the Seas

OFFICE HOURS

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

Regular office hours will resume in September
8:00am – 2:00pm
Monday through Friday

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 **THIS AFTERNOON** 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.

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!

Order forms are in Chapin Hall and must be received by: August 20, 2010