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## The Church Mouse

## March 2018 Newsletter

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### HOLY WEEK



### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

#### **March 25 – Palm Sunday**

10:00 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

#### **March 29 – Maundy Thursday**

7:00 p.m. Service of Tenebrae in the Sanctuary

#### **March 31 – Holy Saturday**

10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Family Activities and Worship in Chapin Hall

#### **April 1 – Easter Sunday!**

**6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service** at Rose Hill Cemetery  
Breakfast will follow at the Church in Chapin Hall

**10:00 a.m. Easter Worship Service** in the Sanctuary  
All are Welcome here!



**LENT** is a time for reflection on our faith. It goes back to the early church, when new Christians went through a period of instruction before being baptized on Easter. It is modelled after Jesus' time in the wilderness. The number forty is significant. It symbolizes testing. The people of the Exodus wandered the wilderness for forty years.

The escapees from Egypt had Moses as their guide. From what we read in the books of Exodus and Deuteronomy they weren't an easy group to work with. Many times we read of Moses' frustration as he expresses it to God. Jesus' time in the wilderness is also a time of testing. He's on his own for his forty days, but we have John the Baptist as our guide through Lent.

John's ministry frames the beginning of Jesus' ministry. He baptizes Jesus, and he introduces some of his disciples to Jesus. It is quite possible that Jesus was a disciple of John. We'll never know, but I believe there is a back story. I don't think John had never met Jesus when Jesus came to John for baptism. In the Eastern Orthodox Church John is called the "Forerunner," the one who preceded Jesus' ministry. As such he is a very important figure along with Mary the mother of Jesus. In the icon that I will have in the chapel this month you will see John and Mary praying to Jesus.

John also preached to the general population, encouraging people to repent (turn around) and be baptized. We don't know for sure where John got the idea for baptism, but it probably came from the mikvah, the Jewish ritual bath for purification. I saw mikvahs in the Essene monastery near the Dead Sea, the spot where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. When Gentiles converted to Judaism they went through this ritual bath. This has caused scholars to think that John had a connection to the Essene community. There are similarities in their beliefs. The Essenes saw the Temple as corrupt. John criticized the collusion between the clergy and the Roman occupation. Jesus did as well. Could Jesus have been a part of the Essene community? Maybe.

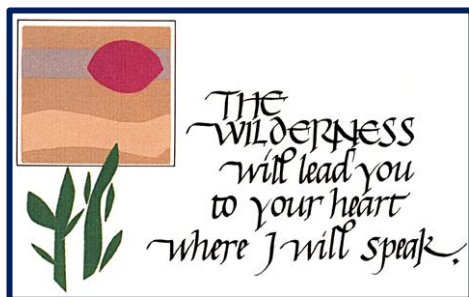
Having John as a guide during Lent is a good thing. John knew the wilderness well. He would have known where to find water, food, shelter, and other basic needs. He also knew what the wilderness experience could do to people. When you're on your own in a deserted place there is opportunity to think. A lot. We don't always take time to think, or to pray. John's presence in the wilderness encourages us to take that time during Lent, and at all other times.

It is easy to slip into a comfortable faith that reassures us without challenging us. Part of being in the wilderness is the challenge—the challenge to our assumptions, the challenge to our comfort, the challenge to how we live our lives. If we avoid the wilderness at all cost, the cost to us is the depth of our faith. And, in the end, we can't totally escape the wilderness. We've all been through it. Be sure that in your next time in the wilderness you have John as a guide.

In Christ,

*Craig*

Pastor Craig



# LENT AND HOLY WEEK AT ROCKY HILL CONGREGATIONAL UCC

## **Sunday, March 4 at 11:00 a.m.**

The Reformation: Puritanism in England, 1620-1700

In this program we'll look at how Puritanism became the impetus for migration to the New World, and how it influenced the formation of American traditions.

## **Wednesday, March 14 at 6:30 p.m.**

Early Christian Service, held in the Weil Chapel. This will be a communion service in the style of a worship service in the early church ca. 200 AD.

We hope that you will find these programs interesting and enlightening.

## **HOLY WEEK**

### **March 25 – 10:00 a.m. Palm Sunday**

Worship in the Sanctuary

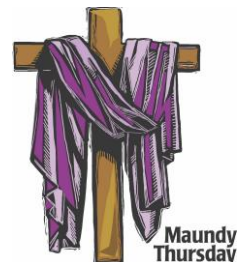
Easter flower ordering deadline



### **March 29 – 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday**

Service of Tenebrae in the Sanctuary

Tenebrae is distinctive for its gradual extinguishing of candles while a series of readings and psalms is recited.



### **March 31 – 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Holy Saturday**

Egg Hunt, Family Activities and Worship in Chapin Hall

## **April 1 – Easter Sunday!**

Sunrise Service at Rose Hill Cemetery

Arrive just before sunrise (6:34 a.m. sunrise)

Follow the car path to the right and up to the back corner  
(close to Gilbert and West St. end)

*Breakfast will follow at the Church in Chapin Hall*

All are Welcome!

### **10:00 a.m. Easter Worship Service in the Sanctuary**

With full choir and accompaniment

Followed by coffee hour in Chapin Hall



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## S.P.I.R.I.T. Church School News



As I sit and write this article, it is Chinese New Year's Eve (aka the Lunar New Year). All around the world, Chinese people are making sure their homes are clean and their hair is cut. Tradition has it that if one cleans or cuts during the two-week celebration, one could be sweeping away good fortune. While 21<sup>st</sup> century Chinese-Americans are apt not to believe such superstition, we are apt to follow suit anyway. Hence, I am very glad that a couple of months ago, I completed a deep clean of my kitchen. A light touch-up is all that is needed now.

Superstition aside, it really is a great thing to have a regular time for cleaning one's home. It is easy to let clutter get away from us. Rather than seeing the Lunar New Year as a burden, because it means cleaning, it is seen as a welcome anchor point because it means cleaning – and sharing good food and affirming familial bonds and welcoming fresh starts.

Christianity has anchor points throughout the year, which if we are not careful, can swing over to feeling like burdens instead. The season of Lent is one such anchor. It is a time of renewing our relationship with God, of putting energy into our spiritual disciplines (which actually, will yield energy in return). It is easy to let our spiritual lives get away from us. Lent gives us the opportunity to not let that happen.

During Lent, church school will be focused on the discipline of prayer, the Middle School Youth Group will include an act of service and learning about other cultures, and the High School Youth Group will grapple with some issues of the day, which they and their parents have asked for (sexual harassment and gender identity).

Here is our upcoming schedule:

### Church School

From March 4-25, the children in Pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be learning about the Lord's Prayer, in a unit called "Teach Us How To Pray." They will discover that:

- the Bible tells us that Jesus was a man who frequently talked with God;
- the disciples were curious about how Jesus prayed;
- Jesus taught the disciples a special prayer;
- Christians today still pray this prayer; it is called the Lord's Prayer;
- talking with God helps us feel closer to God;
- we can talk with God at any time about anything;
- there are many ways to pray.



## S.P.I.R.I.T. Church School News



### Church School (cont.)

Grades 6-8 will focus on the following topics: Sharing Communion (The Last Supper), Prayer (Jesus in Prayer), Suffering (Jesus' Betrayal, Arrest, and Trial), Death (Jesus' Death)

**Holy Saturday is March 31. From 10-11:30am**, all children are invited to an Easter Egg hunt, which will be preceded by craft-making, games, and a short worship service in Chapin Hall. There will be no church school on Easter Sunday, April 1.



If you are willing to teach a church school class, please contact Georgette or Stephanie Heneghan.

### Youth Groups

The High School Youth Group gives a big "THANK YOU!" to all who supported our Super Sub fundraiser on February 4. We made \$400! And another big "THANK YOU!" goes to the Inreach Committee and those who gave freely at the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper. Not only were dinner expenses covered, but \$112 was leftover and given to support the youth Mission Trip.

On March 4, the High Schoolers will be discussing topics they and their parents requested: sexual harassment and gender identity issues. Pastor Craig and I will be facilitating. On March 18, we will be hosting a gathering of several UCC youth groups as we play giant games (Giant Jenga, Ker-Plunk, and UNO) and eat mini-snacks.

The Middle School Youth Group watched "Kubo and the Two Strings" on February 11, and celebrated the Lunar New Year on February 25 by making potstickers. On March 11, we will cook and serve the community meal at Center Church in Hartford (rescheduled from February), and on March 25, we will go to a restaurant serving unfamiliar food (and then probably head to McDonald's afterwards – sigh).

*Georgette Huie*



## Governance Update – Time for Transition



On December 18, the Governance Committee released a final draft of a proposed Constitution in support of our new governance structure. We will vote on this draft at the Budget & Elections Meeting on March 18, following morning worship.

We realize that for many, the topic of governance is a dry one. Over the past few months, we've been talking to some of the current Boards and Committees about transition plans, and it's clear that many members had initially not paid too much attention to upcoming changes. This is not surprising, and is actually one of the reasons that we felt it was important to move toward adoption for the upcoming fiscal year. More "talking" is not likely to meaningfully advance the plan. Instead, we are in the process of organizing a transition process that allows us to learn by doing - rather than by talking - to see what works as stated and what needs to be tweaked. And we do recognize that tweaks will be necessary in the coming year.

The Governance Committee plans to host several second hour sessions. The first was held on February 25<sup>th</sup>, several weeks prior to the scheduled vote. Assuming adoption is approved on March 18, the second session will be in the spring - possibly in May - laying out the opportunities for Ministry Teams and jump-starting their organization in advance of the coming program year. Meanwhile, we've been speaking with current Boards and Committees to alert them to the pending changes related to their areas of responsibility, and to assist as needed in moving toward an effective transition. The Nominating Committee will also be contacting all currently elected Board and Committee members to let them know how their current positions might migrate under the new structure.

We realize that churches have never been particularly adept at change. But we also accept that a continuance of the status quo is not really a viable option. More than 50 elected positions (under the current Constitution) have been vacant for many years. We need a governance framework that is more streamlined and focused, with the flexibility to allow us to effectively carry out our Christian ministries. We hope that over the coming weeks and months you will seek to understand and support this new model and discover avenues for you to contribute your time, talent, and treasure toward ministries that you find energizing - no matter where you are on life's journey!

One final note.... We use the adjective "final" for this version of the Constitution because there is no opportunity to make changes to this version prior to the scheduled vote in March (since all constitutional amendments must be published 90 days in advance). However, assuming that this draft is adopted in March—and we certainly hope it is--we fully expect to make some changes in the first year, taking into consideration all feedback we've received and adjusting to the issues and ideas that emerge as we begin to restructure ourselves in line with the new framework.

Governance Committee:

Deb Copes, Ruth Fitzgerald, Dave Hall, Marsha Hoffman, Craig Cowing



**NOMINATING** - It's that time of year again! Time to think about how each of us feels called to participate in the life of our church. There are many opportunities for sharing your time and talent. There are many, many opportunities to serve. For questions about a particular board or committee or ministry, please contact someone currently serving or one of us on the Nominating Committee.

Blessings, Bill Hoffman (860-563-1367), Ruth Fitzgerald (860-232-2238), Candy Smith, and Rich Pawlich-Pagliccio.

Celebration X event April 6 - 8, 2018, Portland, Maine.

sponsored by the New England Women of UCC

The New England Women's Celebration takes place every 4 years at various locations in New England. The purpose of the Celebrations is to reach women in the pews and to involve them in learning and sharing their faith beyond the local church and Conference setting. It is organized by women from United Church of Christ (UCC) congregations across New England, however women from all denominations and religious traditions are welcome to attend. For more information and to register, visit: <http://www.uccwomenscelebration.org/>

**World Day of Prayer 2018 is Friday, March 2nd**

World Day of Prayer takes place internationally on the first Friday of March every year. We encourage all to celebrate in prayer in solidarity with women around the world!

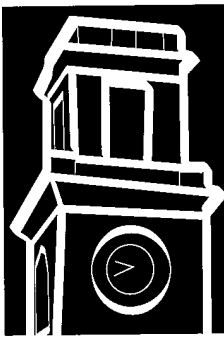
The host country for WDP 2018 is Suriname. The focus is on Genesis 1, the story of Creation, with the theme "All God's Creation Is Very Good!". Universal issues of climate change, natural disasters, pollution, and human abuse of the environment—all affecting God's good Creation and God's people—will be explored. There will be an ecumenical service held in Rocky Hill on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Contact the office for more information.

**FROM THE TRUSTEES**

Our church provides space for many outside groups to meet. We have a long tradition of providing space for educational uses like the Little Scholars Preschool which started as the RHCC Cooperative Nursery School. Several years ago, the Siragu Tamil School started using our classrooms a day each week. The school is an Indian Language School run by parents; the schools teaches the Tamil language and promotes the Tamil culture.



For many years we have provided space for AA groups to meet; recently another support group, CT Hearing Voices Network Group, started meeting at RHCC one evening a week. They provide a safe space for people to share their experiences of voices, visions, unusual sensory perceptions, and to support one another. They are peer support group involving social support and belonging, not therapy or treatment.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
<b>4</b> Communion Sunday 10:00am Worship Church school 2 <sup>nd</sup> hr Puritanism  5pm HS Youth group	<b>5</b>  7:00pm Women's AA 7:30pm <b>Bell Choir</b>	<b>6</b>  7:00pm <b>Boards and Committees</b>  7:00pm Hearing Voices	<b>7</b>  9:00am <b>Breakfast Club at Bob's Coffee Shop</b>  7:30pm <b>Choir</b>
<b>11</b> Daylight Savings Time begins 10:00am <b>Worship</b> <b>ONE GREAT HOUR OFFERING</b> Church school 5pm MS Youth – Center Church 5pm Confirmation class	<b>12</b>  7:00pm Women's AA 7:30pm <b>Bell Choir</b>	<b>13</b>  7:00pm <b>Council</b>  7:00pm Hearing Voices	<b>14</b>  <i>Lenten Communion Worship</i> <i>7pm Chapel</i>  7:30pm <b>Choir</b>
<b>18</b> 10:00am Worship <b>Budget &amp; Elections Meeting</b> Church school	<b>19</b> No Preschool  7:00pm Bonsai Group 7:00pm Women's AA 7:30pm <b>Bell Choir</b>	<b>20</b>  7:00pm Hearing Voices	<b>21</b>  7:30pm <b>Choir</b>
<b>25</b> <b>PALM SUNDAY</b> 10:00am Worship   5pm MS Youth group 5pm Confirmation class	<b>26</b> <b>Newsletter Mailing</b>  7:00pm Women's AA 7:30pm <b>Bell Choir</b>  <b>Icon of the day</b>	<b>27</b>  7:00pm Cedar Hollow 7:00pm Hearing Voices  <b>Icon of the day</b>	<b>28</b>  <i>Lenten Communion Worship</i> <i>7pm Chapel</i>  7:30pm <b>Choir</b>  <b>Icon of the day</b>

**HOLY WEEK**



Visit the Chapel from 9a-2pm during Holy Week to view the Icon of the day (corresponding to Holy Week biblical events) and for rest, contemplation and prayer.

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**



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Sunday Morning Worship  
 Communion 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday  
 10:00 a.m. with childcare



**2018**

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> 7:00am LSP Registration 9:30am Music Together  7:30pm Men's AA	<b>2</b> World Day of Prayer	<b>3</b>
<b>8</b> 9:30am Music Together  7:30pm Men's AA	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Turn clocks ahead at midnight for Daylight Saving Time. Spring Ahead!  7pm Women's AA dance in Chapin Hall
<b>15</b> <b>NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</b> 9:30am Music Together  <i>Tibetan bowls 7pm</i> 7:30pm Men's AA	<b>16</b> Happy St Patrick's Day  <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	<b>17</b> <b>UCC Super Saturday</b>  <i>God is still speaking,</i> <b>UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> 
<b>22</b> 9:30am Music Together  7:00pm Events Committee 7:30pm Men's AA	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 11am Private Party in Chapin Hall
<b>29</b> <b>Maundy Thursday</b> 7pm Service of Tenebrae  7:30pm Men's AA	<b>30</b> <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	<b>31</b> <b>Holy Saturday</b> 10-11:30am <b>Family Activities, Egg Hunt and Worship</b>



*Easter Breakfast*

Join us on Easter Sunday for breakfast after our sunrise service. Breakfast will be held in Chapin Hall at 7:30 a.m.



The  
One Great Hour of Sharing  
Offering will be  
collected on  
Sunday March 11, 2018.

It is a special offering as part of Our Churches Wider Mission (OCWM) that carries God's message of love and hope to people in crisis. The UCC works with international partners to aid people in need from fleeing war or conflict or through the UCC Disaster Ministries responds to victims of specific disasters. For more information go to United Church of Christ UCC (OGHS.)

### **SUPER SATURDAY - MARCH 17, 2018**

Location: Minnechaug Regional High School, Wilbraham, MA

Featuring: The Rev. Dr. Jacqui Lewis

Registration is Now Open!

Featuring Rev. Dr. Jacqui Lewis, Pastor, activist, preacher, and fierce advocate for racial equality, economic justice, and LGBTQ equality.



Each spring and fall, the Massachusetts Conference holds a Super Saturday event: a full-day of skill building, networking and discussing best practices. Each event offers numerous workshops, a keynote address, worship, a marketplace of vendors and ideas and an opportunity for church leaders, both clergy and lay, to network with one another.

For more info and to register, visit: [www.macucc.org/supersaturdaymarch2018](http://www.macucc.org/supersaturdaymarch2018)



The Icon of the Month for March is a Deesis, in which Mary and John the Baptist are depicted in prayer to Jesus. This icon is a copy of one painted in Crete around 1600.

During Holy Week (March 25-31) there will be a different icon in the Weil Chapel each day representing events of the week.

# SCRIP-SURE

## “Still Crazy After All These Years”



For the first nine months of the current fiscal year (i.e., since last May 1), we’ve earned about \$12,000 from the scrip program. While that’s down about 9% from the same period last year, it still provides a critical source of revenue to “fund our faith.” You might even say that’s a “crazy” amount of scrip income for a church of our size.

We started this program in late-2009. As some of you will recall, we celebrated \$1 million in total scrip sales (cumulative face amount) three years ago, in December of 2014. We’re now over \$1.8 million cumulatively, and on a pace to reach the second million by late 2018. More importantly, over seven years we’ve earned more than \$121,000 to support the work of RHCC. And through the scrip program, you’ve also donated thousands to the Rocky Hill Food Pantry and many other mission projects.

Scrip is sold just about every week in Chapin Hall following morning worship, and we attempt to keep the cards that are actively sold from week-to-week in stock. We also take orders monthly for those gift cards that are not routinely stocked. Those orders are typically placed immediately after the last Sunday of the month. But there may be some shifts in that schedule this spring, due to vacation schedules and travel plans – so please check your email, the weekly bulletin, and/or the newsletter for schedule updates. The next order deadline will be on Sunday, March 25 for delivery on Easter Sunday, April 1.

If you’re unfamiliar with our program, please visit [rhccucc.org/scrip](http://rhccucc.org/scrip) - or stop by the scrip table in Chapin Hall any Sunday morning during the fellowship period, and we can provide you with information. Or ask anyone that you see standing in line.

## THE MINISTRY RESOURCE CENTER AT YALE

All RHCC members and staff now have borrowing privileges at Yale’s Ministry Resource Center. It is located in the library at Yale Divinity School. Typically, one would first call or email them with a request for books or videos dealing with certain topics. Their outstanding staff then pull the resources and then you would visit to select the titles you want to borrow. They are amazing and their collection is extensive and contemporary. They also care. Their latest email highlights the fact that they have resources addressing the issue of gun violence, for instance.

They also periodically offer workshops which RHCC members and staff can attend for free.

Here is the contact info:

Ministry Resource Center, Yale Divinity School, 409 Prospect Street, New Haven, CT 06511  
203-432-5319

[ministry.resource.center@yale.edu](mailto:ministry.resource.center@yale.edu)  
<http://web.library.yale.edu/divinity/mrc>

## MISSIONS

### MRS. YANGKEY



Please meet Mrs. Yangkey. She lives in Zongri, Tibet, where she has been a farmer and is presently an apron weaver. She is 70 years old. Her two children do not look after their mother since they got married, so she joined the Tibetan Refugee Self Help Centre, which provides support for all of her needs. Mrs. Yangkey has a lot of experience with weaving in the tradition of “Tibetan Apron.” These are beautiful!

Last year, the Board for Missions committed to sponsoring Mrs. Yangkey, through the Child and Elder Sponsorship Program of Global Ministries. Our church, which is designated as both a Global Mission Church (2012) and Open and Affirming community (2009), has made a unique commitment to support and provide for all God’s children: mentally, physically, socially, and spiritually. Our sponsorship of Mrs. Yangkey will help provide shelter, medicine, and meals for her. She will be given the opportunity to live out her life in dignity and solace in an environment where she feels loved and cared for.



In the coming year, we hope to share more about Mrs. Yangkey. And, we will plan opportunities for our congregation to share its gifts with her, including donations, letters & cards, and small gifts.

So, please meet Mrs. Yangkey: child of God. Pray for her. Get to know her. Love her.

“Do not cast me off in the time of old age;  
do not forsake me when my strength is spent.”

Psalm 71:9

THANK YOU from the Board for Missions: Heather Collins, Anita Hawkins, Bob Inderbitzen (co-chair), Marge Murk, Elaine Sellenberg, Sue Speers, Wendy Ware (co-chair), and Benevolence Treasurer Kathy Morgan.

### Easter Offering for our Veterans

The Board of Missions has designated the Veterans Home in Rocky Hill for this year’s special Easter offering. The monies will be used to purchase washer & dryer combos for some of the residents. The offering will be collected during worship on Easter Sunday, or can be mailed to the church, or donated online at [rhccucc.org](http://rhccucc.org). Please designate your gift as “Easter Offering.” And, thank you for helping us **serve our neighbors...here, near, and far.**



# SPRING



# March Birthdays

1	Bill Hoffman	20	Susan VanNess
1	Todd McGowan	20	Charlotte Reed-Swale
2	Rebecca Milles	21	Ryan Bengston
2	Pat Gordon	22	Gladys Carpenter
2	Grace Donahue	23	Marilyn Van Doran
4	John Van Doran	24	Bea Donahue
6	Bay Tran	24	Sarah Mosure
8	Kevin Sudell	26	Todd Pender
9	Colleen Schultz	27	Richard Sweezy, Jr
11	Cheryl Robbins	28	Gail Fu
12	Tim Dostie	28	Nicole Graham
12	Todd Doten	29	Kim Burghoff
12	Suzanne Speers	30	Jayson Veley
13	Dick Somes	31	Mark Walworth
13	Jackie Little	31	Pat Hughes-Walworth
14	David Bell		
15	Alexander Ware		
17	Kathryn Morgan		



## 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. We are an Open and Affirming Christian community, actively expressing Jesus' inclusive embrace of all people.



## *Events and Fair Committee Report – Save the Dates 2018*

Hello from your Events & Fair Committee. We thought we should let you know in advance of what events we have planned for this year.

Spring  
**plant  
SALE**

- May 12th will be our Spring Breakfast and Plant Sale – Don't forget mom and come down and buy her a plant or two and enjoy breakfast with friends.
- Memorial Day Parade, pending on the weather we will have soda, flags and donuts for the attendees of the parade.
- June 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will be holding our 2nd annual Craft Fair.
- October 20th will be our famous Country Fair.

We hope that you will mark your calendars for the fun! We are also looking for new members to join and looking for a secretary to take notes during the meetings. We are also inviting all members of the church to feel free to attend our meetings to listen and to share their ideas. -Your Events & Fair Committee



Vendors Wanted for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Craft Fair

Saturday June 2, 2018, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Tables inside are limited and are \$25.00 per table

Outside are 12 x12 foot sections.

(Vendors must supply their own tables and canopies).

Set-up time starts at 7:30 am.

Payment must be received before set-up on the day of the fair.

If interested in being a vendor,  
please contact [rhccfairandevents@gmail.com](mailto:rhccfairandevents@gmail.com) for registration forms.

## REMEMBER OR HONOR LOVED ONES WITH EASTER FLOWERS



The flowers will adorn the sanctuary for worship on  
Easter Sunday, April 1

The three choices this year will be:  
Easter Lily in 6 1/2 inch pots with 6+ buds (\$11.00)  
Hyacinth 6 inch with 3 bulbs (\$8.50)  
Tulip 6 inch full pots with limited color options (\$8.50)

The Deadline for orders is Palm Sunday, March 29

Please fill out the information below

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Dedication ("in loving memory of...", "in honor of...", etc.):

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	<u>Number ordered</u>	<u>Dollar Amount</u>
Lily @ \$11.00 each	_____ x \$11.00 =	_____
Hyacinth @ \$8.50 each	_____ x \$8.50 =	_____
Tulip @ \$8.50 each	_____ x \$8.50 =	_____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please select:

- I will pick up my plant after worship on Easter Sunday, April 1.
- The flowers may remain in church to decorate the sanctuary

Make your checks payable to:

Rocky Hill Congregational Church with "Easter flowers" in memo line and mail to:

**Kim Burghoff, 204 Gray Fox Lane, Rocky Hill CT 06067.**

**You may call Kim with questions at 860 563-3287.**

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The United Church of Christ:  
No matter who you are,  
Or where you are on life's journey...  
You're welcome here.



## CALL TO THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND ELECTIONS MEETING

Sunday, March 18, 2018

The annual Budget and Elections Meeting of the Rocky Hill Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, is called for Sunday, March 18, 2018 immediately following worship in the sanctuary for the transaction of the following items of business:

1. To vote to ratify the Constitution as proposed by the Governance Committee.
2. Presentation and approval of the proposed budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.
3. To ratify nominating committee recommendations for coming year beginning May 1, 2018.
4. To approve recommendation of the Special Events Committee for the dispersal of funds from 2017 events.

Linda Tokarski, Church Clerk