

Norwalk United Methodist Church

MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD

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JULY 2024

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday, Thursday 9:00 - 12:00

Thur, July 4th- Independence Day Office closed

Sun, July 7th- 8:30 am NEW SERVICE TIME

Tue, July 9th @ 10:00 am Coffee, Cookies, and Conversations

Sun, July 28th during Service
"Noisy Can" Offering

We want this newsletter to enhance communication within our faith community; if you have information/events/ideas to include, please send them to norwalkumc@norwalkumc.org, and put "newsletter" in the subject line

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9:00am In-person & Live Stream via Facebook

Faith Formation classes for PK thru 5th grade during service

Adult classes available after the service

Pastor Mike's Minute

Isaiah 41:9-10

You whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, And called from its farthest regions,

And said to you,

You are My servant,

I have chosen you and have not cast you away:

10 Fear not, for I am with you;

Be not dismayed, for I am your God.

I will strengthen you,

Yes, I will help you,

I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.'

Grace and peace to you all in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. My name is Mike Fillmore and I have been appointed by our bishop and the cabinet as your new pastor. That's the technical introduction. The words sound sort of dry and formal, doesn't it? I think that statement also lacks passion and excitement. I know this, it's pretty hard for me to express just how excited I am to be on this journey with you all. This will be great!

Over the next few weeks, months, and years we will get to know each other well, and I count that as a privilege. The relationships I build with people are my treasure.

You should know this; I love God, I love people, and I take the mission of the United Methodist church very seriously. In case you forgot that mission statement its to Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World. I can't imagine someone I care for living life without Jesus. More on that later!

Thank you, Pastor Karen, for your outstanding work these last few years, you have all done well preparing for "The Next Big Thing," and Pastor Karen has done a great job leading you forward. Pastor Karen has been incredibly gracious, and helpful as I prepare for the transition, and I can tell just how much she cares for the people of this church.

I look forward to being on this life journey with you all. I can't wait to see what God has planned for us!

Peace to All,

-Mike

Warrior Giving

July 1- July 10

Personal Care Items

shampoo/conditioner, body wash, kids shampoo/conditioner, deodorant

July 11- August 15 Shoe Love

Socks, underwear

Summer Updates

Shoe Love

Our church has blessed our Norwalk Community in numerous ways! Another opportunity is to help with the big NAMA "Shoe Love" project. Right now, socks that are "child sized large-crew cut" for boys and girls are what is needed from our church. Our contributions from the Noisy Can Offering are also supporting this project.

Lunch in the Park

Please considering volunteering for our second serving date which is Friday, August 16th. We will be serving chicken nuggets again. Monetary and/or food donations will be needed. Beth will send the needed items soon via meal-train.

New Pastor and New Service Time

Pastor Mike Fillmore will take over the helm of the NUMC on Sunday, July 7th. Because we are sharing him with Carlisle United Methodist Church, our service will begin at **8:30 am.** Please welcome Mike to our congregation!

Construction Update

Construction in the education wing has started. Serendipity preschool is adding another section of preschool and therefore are funding the construction of making the nursery and "couch room" into one larger classroom by tearing down the conjoining wall. Once construction is complete, we will be able to use the space for a nursery.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School was amazing! There were 60 kids that participated and they were able to learn more about Jesus through games, science experiments, music, crafts, and more! A HUGE thank you to the 25 volunteers who made the 3 days possible, along with those who donated supplies and money! Thank you all so much for your support!

Upcoming Scripture Readings

JULY 07 |

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10; Psalm 48; 2 Corinthians 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13

JULY 14

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19; Psalm 24; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29

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JULY 21 |

2 Samuel 7:1-14a; Psalm 89:20-37, 45b; Ephesians 2:11-12; Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

JULY 28 |

2 Samuel 11:1-15; Ps 14; Ephesians 3:14-21; John 6:1-21

July Birthdays and Anniversaries

Stacy & Terry Rosonke- 6th Rebecca & David Selene- 8th Carol & Steve Sisney- 9th Nancy & Steve Jacobson- 10th Wanda & Dewey Goodrich Jr- 14th

Haylie Spurr- 1st Kaitlyn Warren- 1st Ashley Mowery- 3rd Meribeth Wright- 3rd Joni Rench- 6th Cyndie Strawn- 7th Alexander Rench- 11th Donnie Rench- 11th Tom Riggs- 13th
Deb Stanley- 18th
Dewey Goodrich Jr- 19th
Cathy Riggs- 19th
Andrew Grant- 21st
Marc Collis- 23rd
Beth Greiner- 24th
Tyler Landstrum- 28th
Stacy Rosonke- 28th