

September

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

The Good News!

2025

Sunday Services

September

- 7 **Pentecost 10**
Worship and Communion
10:00 am
- 14 **Pentecost 11**
Worship & Communion
10:00 am
- 21 **Pentecost 12**
Worship & Communion
10:00 am
- 28 **Pentecost 13**
Worship and Communion
10:00 am
Sunday School 11:00 am

**Sunday School kickoff:
Rally Day is September 21!!!**

October

- 5 **Pentecost 14**
Worship and Communion
First Communion,
Teacher Installation &
Bible Distribution
10:00 am
Sunday School 11:00 am
- 12 **Pentecost 15**
Worship & Communion
10:00 am
Sunday School 11:00 am
- 19 **Pentecost 16**
Worship
10:00 am
Sunday School 11:00 am
- 26 **Reformation Sunday**
Worship & Communion
10:00 am
Sunday School 11:00 am

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www.stpaulstorrington.com

860-482-3555



A Word from Pastor Cady



Dear Members and Friends of St. Paul's,

With September we begin a new program year. Sunday School resumes as a major part of our overall mission to teach and promote the Christian faith. We salute our teachers and the parents who commit to bringing their children to the classes.

We will also resume communion at the rail. We'll still use intinction, rather than drinking from a common cup, but those who are able can kneel at the rail as was once the norm here.

We will also be re-introducing Potluck and Praise, a monthly, informal, lay-led time of fellowship and devotions.

We'll try something else new as well. One will be the opportunity to have a few members ask for prayer, tell a story of God's work in their lives, or share a celebration of some sort. This will take place during the announcement time. Ushers will bring a microphone to anyone who has a word to share. We'll try this on Third Sundays for a few months and see what the reaction is.

We will occasionally read the "Prayer of St. Francis," a peace prayer, at the sharing of the peace.

All these are designed to enhance our overall sense of community and open up more opportunities for spiritual growth. We welcome all ideas in this direction, and your honest responses to them.

May the transition from summer into fall be a time of renewal and blessings for you all.

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Scott Cady



FROM FINANCE

Dear Brother and Sisters in Christ,

As we enter the final four months of the year, there are several important projects and plans underway that will shape our financial outlook moving forward.

✦ 2026 Budgets

Committees are asked to submit their 2026 budget requests to the bookkeeper (bookkeeper@stpaulstorrington.com) no later than October 17th. This timeline ensures Margaret has time to compile all requests for review by the Finance Committee, which will then present the proposed budget to the Church Council in November.

☀ Solar & Roof Project

We are excited to share that the solar and roof project was officially approved during the special congregational meeting on Wednesday, August 20th. The Finance Committee is now gathering the necessary information to secure financing so that this project can move forward.

🌀 HVAC Replacement

The replacement of the HVAC unit above the office has also been approved. While funds are available from investments if needed, our hope is to launch a capital campaign to cover the full cost. The project bid came in at \$18,450, and we would like to raise \$20,000 to provide a buffer for any unexpected expenses. By purchasing the unit now, we can lock in the current price and have it stored by the contractor until installation.

I again want to take a moment to clarify the deficit shown on the weekly slide. The figure you see only reflects the contributions received through Sunday mornings offerings, bank EFTs, and Vanco payments. It does not include income from the cell tower, parking lot, fundraisers, use of facilities, or other special gifts. These additional resources of income have allowed us to avoid drawing from our investments. Ideally, however, our goal is to cover regular expenses through Sunday giving, so that these other income streams can remain available for repairs, improvements, and unexpected needs.

When asked how we expect people to give more on Sunday mornings, my response is this: giving is a deeply personal matter. Each of us must prayerfully consider before the Lord what we are able and willing to give. Ultimately, it is a decision made between the individual and God.

Your Sister in Christ,
Pamela Little
Treasurer/Finance Committee

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.” Proverbs 3:5-8

HILLTOP ELC

WHAT? September already! Where has the time gone? Our September enrollment is slightly lower than that of last year. Currently, we have 46 students enrolled.

We will continue to have a full-day classroom for Hilltop. We are offering a full day option to the three-year-old class as well. There are several combinations of full and ½ day students enrolled.

This classroom meets 9:15-2:45 or 9:15-11:45 each day and has 14 students enrolled. This year is the year with many three-year-olds. The MWF 3's meet from 9:30-12:00 or 9:30-2:45 and has 18 students enrolled. The 2's class currently has 6 students. Please spread the word that we have available spaces in the 2's class. They meet on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30-11:30. The Early Start CT (formerly School Readiness) funded classroom has 10 of 14 spaces full. Please say a prayer that we get the other four students because our budget depends very much on that income. We are grateful for any referrals you can offer to your friends and family for Hilltop.



We know that the Lord has been with us and continues to watch over our program and gives us the will and determination to make it work!

We have hired two new teachers for this school year after the retirement of Mrs. Valente and Mrs. Brzoska. We send them well wishes towards their new adventures. Ms. Sears has relocated to another town and is too far away to make the commute. Ms. Brianna Ausen and Ms. Amy Werner will join the Hilltop team this fall. We have changed the staff positions to best suit our situation with unfamiliar staff coming on board. All staff will return on August 25th to prepare their classes and curriculum. The school year will begin September 2nd. Parent Orientation will be on August 28th at 6:30 p.m. After my presentation, the families will have time to visit the child's classroom. Visiting days begin September 2nd. I am excited to welcome the staff, children, and their families to Hilltop in September!

Thank you to everyone who continues to help me navigate my position here at Hilltop. Now in my fifth year! I wish to recognize the Hilltop Advisory Committee, especially Pamela Little, for continuing to meet via ZOOM each month and throughout the summer. They have been faithful, and supportive, they continue to want ONLY the best for the Hilltop ministry that St. Paul's offers this community! Others from the church community that have been so supportive and helpful to me are Rachel, Margaret, Diane and Ralph Boscarino Philip Weingart and Casaundra Abeling.

Over the summer Hilltop became fully integrated with the Torrington Police Department with our security cameras. They now have 24/7 access in case of an emergency.

We will need Hilltop's Helping Hands parent group now more than ever to help us find ways to support Hilltop. We will start the year off with a "spice" fundraiser and hope you will support us! More information is forthcoming. Tentatively the date of the sale will be Mid-October through the end of the month. Delivery is planned before Thanksgiving so

you can start your "Holiday Baking." For the first time since I've been the director, Hilltop will participate in the Annual Craft Fair. Our table will be called "Festival of Bags." It's basically a grab bag. The cost is \$2.00 per chance. We are asking for your help to fill the bags with small toys, art supplies and such. The list is below. We appreciate your continued support and prayers so that we can continue to provide the quality of an early education experience to our community as we have done now for almost 52 years.

In His Service,
Barbara Mazzei

"Festival of Bags"

This November Hilltop will participate in the St. Paul's craft fair. Our table will be called "Festival of Bags." Basically, it's a grab bag. The tickets will be \$2 each. The person will choose a number (chip) and get the corresponding bag with the same number. We are looking for donations of small items that will fit a regular size lunch bag. Some suggested items are:

- ♥ **Small toys (Matchbox cars, Small sensory pop it, key chain toys, playdough,**
- ♥ **Small stuffed animals**
- ♥ **Mittens/scarf/hat**
- ♥ **Individually wrapped candies**
- ♥ **Candles**
- ♥ **Art supplies- crayons/markers**
- ♥ **Bubbles**
- ♥ **Hand lotions**
- ♥ **Hair accessories/bows**
- ♥ **Christmas Cards**
- ♥ **Playing cards**
- ♥

Your help is greatly appreciated; we hope to fill at least 100 bags.



**Sincerely,
Hilltop Staff**

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

837 Charles St., Torrington 06790

The Fellowship Committee presents

The Fabulous Fall Dinner!



Roasted Pork, Veggies, Bread, Potatoes and dessert!

Saturday, September 20, 2025

Fellowship – 5:15pm Dinner – 6pm

\$16.00 – Adults \$10.00 – Kids 5-10

Food, Fellowship, Drawing, Fun!

Tickets available on Sundays after church
or @ Church Office info. 860-482-3555

FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE FREE

BLUE RHYTHM BAND

Live
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
837 Charles St., Torrington
Sat., Sept. 27, 5:30 pm
Goodwill donations accepted.
Outdoors (inside if rain)
Bring your own chair, relax, groove!



OCTOBER 18TH

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
837 Charles Street
Torrington, CT

St. Paul's Lutheran Church presents their Annual Car show



Saturday, October 18, 2025

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Rain date: Sat. October 25, 2025

Registration fee \$10

Food ♦ 50/50 Raffle ♦ Music

For more info.

St. Paul's: 860-482-3555 or Steve: 860-601-1691

FALL FAIR

Saturday, November 1st
9:00am – 3:00pm

Handmade Crafts,
Artisans Market
Soup & Sandwich Lunch,
Bake Sale, Theme Baskets
and More!

For info: 860-482-3555



WOMEN OF THE ELCA

St. Paul's Women of the ELCA's summer reading book is *The Mountain Between Us* by Charles Martin. Martin is an author enjoyed by many of us so I am confident you won't be disappointed! We will gather on Monday, September 22nd at 6pm for Pizza, Salad, and a book review. Please save the date and plan to come to kick off our new program year. All women are invited to attend. Please sign-up in the Narthex so we know how much pizza to order and salad too make!



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CRAFTS AFTERNOONS CONTINUE

In preparation for our annual Fall Fair (November 1, 2025), all are invited to come on Wednesday afternoon, beginning at about 1pm. If you have your own craft or hobby that you wish to work on, please bring it! The quilters will be sewing simultaneously so, the more that come, the merrier it will be! We are always looking for new ideas so please share it, if you think of something we can work on. We have a small group of women attending regularly, but we have an occasional drop-in; for that we are thankful! We've made several varieties of angels, cork reindeer, we've made some seasonal green wreaths, and others are refreshing other wreaths and floral arrangements, while some are painting and decorating wooden pieces for ornaments or décor. We would love to hear some of your ideas for crafts! Perhaps you've seen something on Pinterest, in a magazine, or at a craft fair, give us a shout out! Getting new ideas is always a challenge!

ST. PAUL'S WOMEN OF THE ELCA
Program Year 2025-2026

Crafting Continues each Wednesday afternoon from 1-4pm – Your help will be appreciated

Monday, September 22, 2025 – 6pm - Pizza Party

Program: Book review "The Mountain Between Us" by Charles Martin

Hostesses: Pamela Little offered to put tablecloths on the tables. Paula will order pizza.

Wednesday, October 22, 2025 – 1-5pm

Chocolate Day for Dipping cookies, pretzels, crackers, etc. for Fall Fair – **HELP Please!**

Monday, October 27, 2025 – 7pm

Program: Prayer Walk with Leah

Hostesses: Jeanette and Karen Ness

Week of October 27th – Set up for Fall Fair

Saturday, November 1, 2025 – Fall Fair

Monday, November 24, 2025 – Thanksgiving Baskets for families in need

Program: Craft of some kind

Hostesses: Kathy O. and Karen Marciano

Monday, December 1, 2025 – 5:30pm - Trim the Christmas Tree, Party & Yankee Swap

Hostesses: Paula R. and Pam Ewing

Friday, December 12, 2025 – 12:30pm - Fruit Basket assembly for Angel Project

Saturday, December 13, 2025 – 10am – 12pm – Fruit Basket Pick-Up

Sunday, December 14, 2025 – Angel Project Gifts Due

January Meeting Hiatus

January 23, 2026 – 6pm Game Night & snacks

January 30 Snow date

Monday, February 23, 2026 – 7pm

Program: Painting with June

Hostesses: Pamela Little and Liz Falls

Monday, March 23, 2026 – 7pm

Program: Bible Study with Pastor Cady

Hostesses: Needed

Annual Naugatuck Valley Conference Spring Gathering

Date & Location to be decided



Monday, April 27, 2026 – 7pm
Program: Legacy Letter with Leah
Hostesses: Needed

Monday, May 18, 2026 (due to Memorial Day)
Program: Planning program for 2026-2027 and Ice Cream Social
Hostesses: Carol Speaker and Mary Grening

Monday, June 22, 2026
Annual Banquet – Location to be decided

Dates are Subject to Change (with notice!)

St. Paul's Women's group is part of the Women's organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, of which St. Paul's is a part. We are an inclusive group and all women and their friends are invited to attend as they are able. Our meetings can be educational, informative, creative, and sometimes, just plain fun! At each meeting we do a brief devotion, collect a free-will offering, which is divided between St. Paul's Women and the New England Women of the ELCA, earmarked for the many missions and ministries we support. Please, give us a try!

PURPOSE STATEMENT

As a community of women
created in the image of God,
called to discipleship in
Jesus Christ, and
empowered by the Holy Spirit,
We commit ourselves to
grow in faith,
affirm our gifts,
support one another in our callings,
engage in ministry and action, and
promote healing and wholeness,
in the church, the society, and the world.

MISSION STATEMENT ...

To mobilize women to act boldly on their faith in Jesus Christ.





SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER/HELPERS NEEDED

We are thankful for the many years of service our teachers have given to teaching our young saints. While our Sunday School classes aren't very large, we still need faithful volunteers to help. Cathy Winzler has had some changes in her family dynamics and it may be challenging for her to attend each week. Cathy has been teaching in the preschool classroom along with Michelle Skibesky and Hannah Winzler for several years.

Pamela Little has also been a faithful teacher for many years as well. At this point Pamela is looking to be relieved of her duties so she can worship with David. David's health is such he can't sit for over two hours while Pamela teaches. Can anyone please lend a couple of hours weekly to help teach. Please see Paula R. or Pastor, as soon as possible. We are thankful for these two dedicated educators for their commitment.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

The Christian Education year gets off to a start on Sunday, September 21st at 10am with worship, followed by Sunday School. We will begin in the church following worship and then the Christian Education Committee has a fun activity planned for everyone! We will end with a treat in the Fellowship Hall. Parents are invited to stay for the fun!

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES

Most children are baptized as infants or toddlers; that is the First Sacrament, recognized by the Lutheran church. The Second Sacrament is that of Holy Communion. Here at St. Paul's we typically offer First Communion classes to third and fourth graders. On Saturday, September 20th, four young people and their parent(s) will gather from 9am – 12pm for instruction and then on Sunday, October 5th, they will join countless of other Christians who will celebrate World Communion Sunday. God will welcome Camden, Jonas, Ripley, and Tyler to the table for the first time.





"ADOPT A CHILD FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL"

Children from baptism to grade nine and beyond are educated here at St. Paul's. As soon as a child is baptized the parent(s) are sent quarterly reminders/remembrances of the baptismal promises made on their child's behalf. When a child turns three it is time to enroll in Sunday School and it is there that they learn that Jesus loves them and they learn to pray a prayer. By the time children reach second grade they are invited to take First Communion classes and become Communicant members of the church. By fourth grade they take another giant step as they begin serving as acolytes in worship. By the time children enter seventh grade, they begin a three-year confirmation program where they prepare for adult membership in the church. The first two years of confirmation focus on the Old Testament, the New Testament, and Luther's Small Catechism; by the third year of confirmation classes the students are putting their faith into action through service, witness, and churchmanship projects. We also hope to be able to get an active youth group going for youth in grades 7-12.

All of these activities cost money, as you are aware. Our church budget supports our efforts and we ask for a donation from parents to help cover some of the costs associated with their child's Christian Education but those contributions only begin to cover expenses. (With curriculum, Bibles in Kindergarten, third grade, and seventh grade, classroom and teaching supplies, pageant expenses, etc. the numbers really add up.) No child would ever be denied a Christian Education because of the inability to make a donation; all are welcome to learn/hear the Word of the Lord! With the church budget continually strained, we invite you to lend your financial support by Adopting a Child for Sunday School. Please complete the form below, place it in an envelope and put it in the offering plate or return it to the church office.

DETACH AND RETURN VIA OFFERING PLATE OR CHURCH OFFICE

Yes, I would like to support a Sunday School child for Sunday School by making a financial contribution.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
E-Mail: _____

My one-time donation to Adopt-a-Child is: \$ _____
Envelope #: _____

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CALENDAR
2025-2026

Monday, September 8* - Christian Education Committee Meeting – 6:30PM

Note change of week due to later Council meeting.

Saturday, September 20 – First Communion Instruction 9am – 12pm

September 21 - Rally Day for Sunday School

Worship @ 10:00am; Rally @ 11:00am

Sunday, October 5 – World Communion Sunday – First Communion Celebrated

Teacher Installation, Bible Presentations

Children's Church – All Children & their Families should meet in the Church for an introduction to the lesson (**This will take place on the First Sunday of each month.**)

Children will be dismissed from their classrooms at the usual time – 12pm.

Month of October – Reformation Food Drive in honor of the 508th Anniversary of the Reformation – Can we collect 508 food items?!

Monday, October 20 - Christian Education Committee Meeting – 6:30pm

Sunday, October 26 – Reformation Sunday – Festive Coffee Hour after Church

Sunday School Classes will come to hall for a snack for Anniversary #508!

Sunday, October 26 – Time TBA – Indoor Trunk or Treat (more details will follow)

Sunday, November 2 – All Saints Sunday - Children's Church

Monday, November 17 - Christian Education Committee Meeting – 6:30pm

November 23 – 11am – Christ the King Sunday (We will get our Advent Family Project off to an early start so Pastor Cady can take vacation time over Thanksgiving weekend/1st Sunday in Advent. BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH/SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY!)

Tuesday, November 25? – Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service – Details to Follow

Sunday, November 30 – First Sunday in Advent – Cookie Collection for College/Sick/Elderly – Help with homemade cookies appreciated!

December 7 – Children's Church

Friday, December 19 – SS Pageant Rehearsal – 6:00-7:30pm – Parents are asked to stay in case the rehearsal gets out early.

December 21 – Fourth Sunday in Advent – SS Pageant during 10am worship

Tuesday, December 24 & 25 – Christmas Eve Worship – TBA

Sunday, December 28 – No Sunday School

Sunday, January 4 – Children's Church – We celebrate The Epiphany with a Baby Shower, much as the wisemen brought gifts to Jesus. We donate baby gifts for babies in need of clothes, diapers, lotions, blankets, etc.

Monday, January 19 - Christian Education Committee Meeting – 6:30pm

Saturday, February 7 – Super Bowl Grinder/Chili/Chef Salad Sale

Sunday, February 8 – Children’s Church & “Soup”er Bowl of Caring Food Collection
Adults vs. Kids – Game On!

Monday, February 16 - Christian Education Committee Meeting – 6:30pm

Wednesday, February 18 – Ash Wednesday – Service(s) TBA

Sunday, March 1 – Children’s Church

Thursdays, February 26, March 5, 12, 19, & 26 – Mid-Week Lenten Supper/Services – TBA

Monday, March 16 - Christian Education Committee Meeting – 6:30pm

March 29 – Palm Sunday

Thursday, April 2 – Maundy Thursday – Worship TBA

Good Friday, April 3 – Good Friday – Worship TBA

Easter Sunday, April 5 – Worship Schedule TBA (No Children’s Church)

No Sunday School, Easter Egg Hunt, following 10am Worship

Monday, April 20 - Christian Education Committee Meeting – 6:30pm

Sunday, May 3 – Children’s Church & Rachel’s Day – A Celebration of All of God’s Children

Sunday, May 17 – Last Day of Sunday School

Monday, May 18 - Christian Education Committee Meeting – 6:30pm

Sunday, May 24 – Pentecost Sunday – Festive Worship – 10:00am

Monday, June 15 - Christian Education Committee Meeting – 6:30pm

Monday, July 20 - Christian Education Committee Meeting – 6:30pm

Monday, August 17 - Christian Education Committee Meeting – 6:30pm

Summer 2026 – VBS TBA

Dates are Subject to Change

Worship Service 10:00am each Sunday

Sunday School Hour is from 11:00am – 12:00pm

(If families are not in church, please be patient if teachers are a few minutes late if the service runs a bit longer. Please help us keep our children safe; DO NOT leave children untended in classrooms.)

AROUND THE CHURCH

Gift Cards with Purpose at St. Paul's!

Looking for a simple way to support St. Paul's Church?

We will be selling gift cards every Sunday, to your favorite retailers – and a percentage of every sale goes straight to St. Paul's, and helps the general fund and mission and ministries of our church!

Whether you're buying groceries, filling up your gas tank, shopping for birthdays and holidays, or shopping online, using these gift cards turns your everyday spending into meaningful support for the work God is doing through St. Paul's.

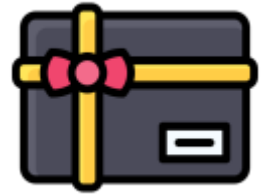
Choose from top brands. Some of the most popular are:

Grocery Stores - Stop & Shop, Shop Rite

Gas Stations – Gulf, Mobile, Shell

Restaurants – Applebee's, Panera, 99's

Retail shops - Walmart, Target, Lowes, Home Depot



And many more! Over 500 retailers to choose from.

Cards will be available after the worship service in the Narthex.

Pay with cash, check, or card.

No extra cost to you

Cards for everyday use or gift-giving

A great way to give back while you shop!

Favorite cards are in stock, for purchase on Sunday. Additional cards can be ordered.

Buy gift cards. Support our Church. Be a blessing.

Thank you for your continued support of St. Paul's.

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America News

At the Churchwide Assembly in Phoenix a few weeks ago voters elected a new Presiding Bishop and Secretary. Pastor Yehiel Curry is our new national Bishop and Pastor Lucille "CeCee" Mills is our new Secretary. The ELCA website (<https://www.elca.org>) has several videos of presentations, speeches and addresses for you to view. There were 845 voting members at the event, representing all of the 65 Synods of the ELCA. Pastors Curry and Mills are the first persons of color to hold these offices.



Pastor Curry
Presiding Bishop



CeCee Mills
ELCA Secretary

GARDEN OF MEMORIES

In September's hush, the garden sighs,
Beneath the soft and cooling skies.
The sun hangs low, a golden thread,
Stitching warmth where summer fled.

The roses fade with one last breath,
While asters bloom and mock the death
Of brighter days now past and done—
Yet beauty lingers, clings, and runs.

Crisp leaves flirt with the curling vine,
Pumpkins swell in dappled shine.
The air smells sweet with earth and rain,
A quiet joy, a soft refrain.

In every seed and branch grown bare,
The garden dreams next spring is there.

Information about the Garden of Memories, whether it about interment
or to volunteer to help with maintenance, please contact
Lisa Bodnar 860-491-6342 or bodnar983@gmail.com

Tai Chi
Wednesday
Mornings 11:00

**Drop in whenever the mood
strikes. Free to all!**



Wednesdays
Experience is not necessary; we have some master
quilters who are very willing to lend a hand!
We meet most Wednesdays
from 1pm – 4pm.

Men's Breakfast
Wednesday
September 17
A/C Eatery
South Main St.
Torrington



Women's Breakfast
Wednesdays
September 17
George's Restaurant
East Main St.
Torrington





September 1st
Keith Schroeder

September 3rd
Dennis Nalette

September 4th
Billy Muhl

September 5th
Kenneth Ludwig
Cynthia Muhl
Greyson Crossman
Tyler Woolford

September 6th
Kurt Schaller

September 9th
Walter Emmett

September 11th
Maverick Abeling
Cecilia Begey

September 15th
Heather Miner
Charles Studelska

September 17th
James Clavette, Jr.

September 20th
Judith Ludwig
Jean Schlapfer

September 21st
Robert Brinkman

September 22nd
Emily Decker
Linda Rosa
Marcia Newcome

September 23rd
Howard Kreidwise

September 24th
Ruthann Stone

September 25th
Lena Warner

September 26th
Piper Quint
Frank Follet

September 27
Jen O'Meara

September 28th
Gary Rosa
David Little

September 30th
Laurie Szabo



John and Pat Homrok	9/5/59
Frederick and Heather Miner	9/8/95
Robert and Linda Magyar	9/8/62
Donald & Sherrie Battistoni	9/11/65
Pierre and Susan Racloz	9/13/80
Wayne and Jane Yurgalevicz	9/17/77
Will & Tamra Perry	9/17/11
Ernest and Audrey Marquad	9/19/53
Thomas & Dana O'Brien	9/20/09
John and Robin Thurlough	9/21/96
Will and Maddie Siss	9/21/13
John and Betty Grunder	9/23/61
Keith and Eileen Schroeder	9/24/05
Billy and Katurah Muhl	9/29/18
Ralph and Diane Boscarino	9/30/00
Robert and Laurie Szabo	9/30/95



Friends and Family of

Calvin Bensch

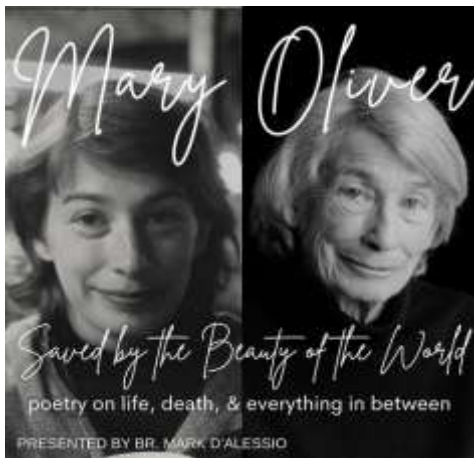
Nancy Campbell

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Mary Oliver Retreat: "I Got Saved by the Beauty of the World" - Her Best Poems about Life, Death, and Everything in Between • Saturday August 23 9:30 am – 3:30 pm

Mary Oliver is a favorite of poetry lovers of all ages for her lyrical, intimate, and sensitive poems, many of which use nature as a lens for exploring a wide spiritual spectrum of human emotions, from love and joy to sorrow and despair. The best Mary Oliver poems remind us to pause and take a breath, revel in our surroundings, and encourage us not to take anything for granted.

Join us this August for our annual Mary Oliver Retreat Day, led by Br. Mark, one of Wisdom House's most popular facilitators. Through reflection, discussion, and contemplative practice, we'll explore the ways in which Oliver's poetry teaches us to see the world with greater simplicity, and deeper wonder and gratitude. Together, we'll support each other awaken to life's everyday miracles and embrace poetry as a spiritual practice. Whether you're familiar with her poetry or encountering her work for the first time, we hope that this year's theme. The Beauty of the World, will move you with some of her best poems, including her own favorites — and perhaps inspire you to write some poems of your own.



Though, sadly, Mary Oliver passed away in 2019, her poems serve as a poignant reminder to be present in every moment, whether it be a joyous occasion or a quiet, somber one. Join Br. Mark for an in-person retreat day poetry, reflection, and spiritual discovery as we, too, can learn what it means to be "saved by the beauty of the world."



Call 860-567-3163 or visit their website to register for this program.

229 East Litchfield Road •
Litchfield, Connecticut 06759



Please consider making a donation to the Community Kitchen. This vital community service is low on staple supplies that help feed our neighbors in need daily. If you would like to make a monetary donation, scan the QR code included here.

Items that are in need:

Pasta & Sauce
Canned veggies
Bread
PB & J
Coffee
Powdered Creamer
Powder drink mix
Tea
Bottled Water

Community Kitchen Donation



**American
Red Cross**

Blood Drives @ St. Paul's

September 4 & 22

October 7

Make an appointment today on their website to give the gift of life.



Church is Fun

Word Search

L B L M C U D C O U R A G E G R A C E R
H E A L I N G V K F W T P E A C E I C B
J E S U S F N K P C H U R C H M X L F O
X O P F Q L U H O L Y N F A I T H I O N
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Word list:

BELIEF
BLESSINGS
CHRIST
CHURCH
COMPASSION
COURAGE
ETERNAL
FAITH
FAITHFULNESS
FORGIVENESS

FRIENDSHIP
GIVING
GOD
GRACE
GUIDANCE
HEALING
HEAVEN
HOLY
HOPE
JESUS

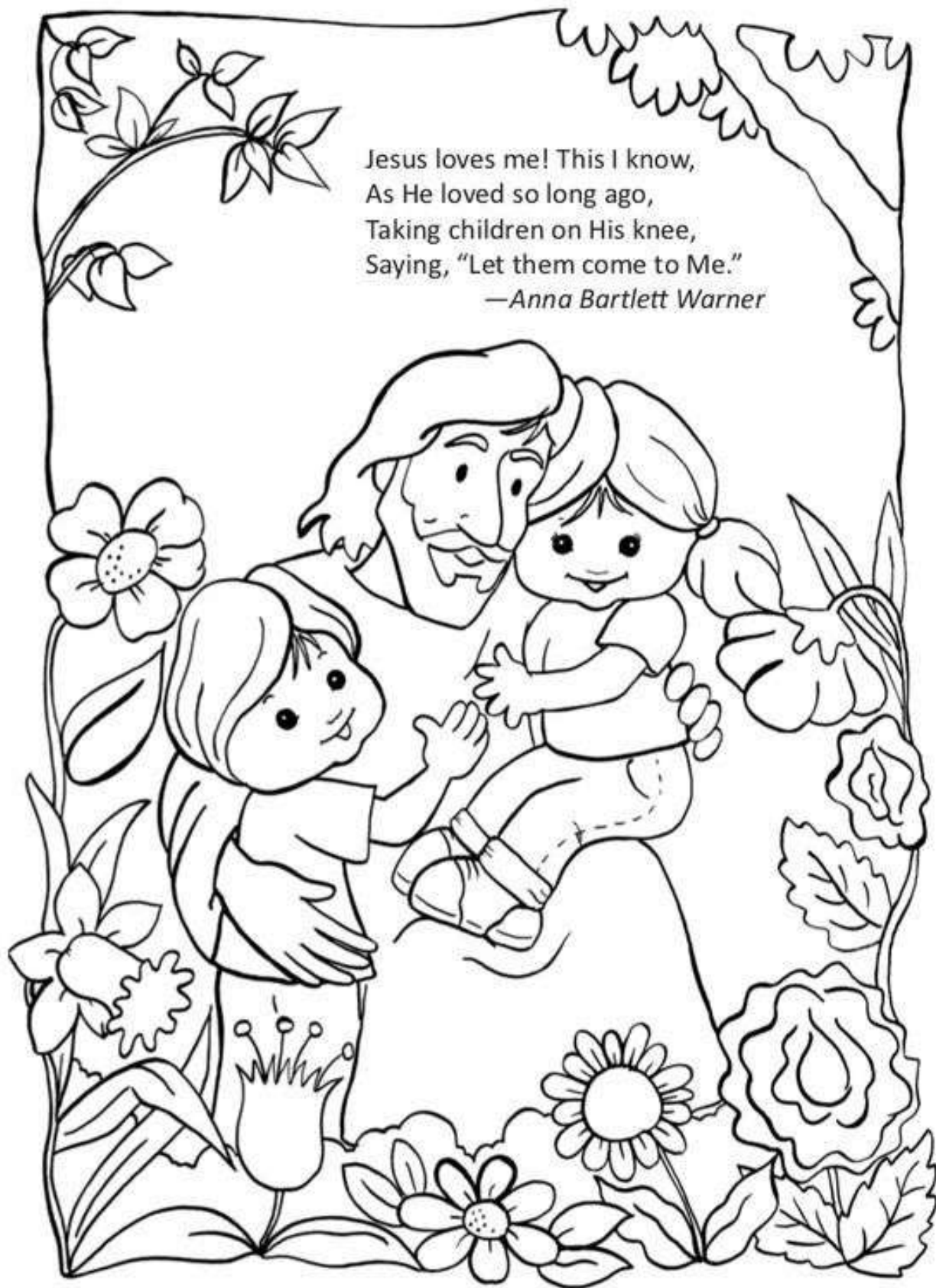
JOY
LOVE
MERCY
OBEDIENCE
PATIENCE
PEACE
SALVATION
SPIRIT
TRUTH
WISDOM



KID'S COLORING PAGE

Jesus loves me! This I know,
As He loved so long ago,
Taking children on His knee,
Saying, "Let them come to Me."

—Anna Bartlett Warner





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