



THE HERALD

First Church Congregational
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

April

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday 7:30pm

Good Friday 12 Noon

Easter Sunday

Sunrise at Jennings Beach 6am

Sanctuary at 9am & 11am

Please join us for
Wednesday morning
Bible Study at 10am, in
person and online.
We are reading Isaiah.



Women's Spirituality

First Church's Women's Spirituality group meets the last Wednesday of each month to discuss readings which have been chosen to explore life, spirituality and faith. Currently we are reading *Sacred Voices - Women's Wisdom through the Ages*. We meet in the Eunoia room from 6:30-8:00 p.m. and simultaneously via Zoom. Newcomers are welcome!

If you would like to join us for the first time, or wish for more information, please contact Amy-Alison at:
amyaliward@gmail.com

Children's Ministries

High Road meets
Sundays, 6-7:30
in Rhodes Hall
Disciple Road and
Middle Road meet every
Sunday during worship







YOU ARE INVITED!

FIRST CHURCH OF FAIRFIELD'S

Egg Hunt!

*1000s of eggs
& everyone's
invited!*



*Meet the
Easter
Bunny!*

 **EASTER SUNDAY** 

APRIL 9TH @ 10:00AM

For more info, email Kim at kfeeney@firstchurchfairfield.org

Hosted by First Church of Fairfield
& Disciple Road Sunday School
148 Beach Road Fairfield, CT
Meet on the front lawn @ 10:00am



UPCOMING EVENTS



The Working for Racial Justice Pathway gladly hosts the duo Reggie Harris and Greg Greenway in the performance and experience *Deeper Than the Skin* on Saturday. **April 15 at 8pm** in Wakeman Hall.

"Deeper than the Skin is an interactive, engaging invitation to take a step into a new reality. It is an affirmation of the notion that a more perfect union begins with us!"

Mark your calendars and don't miss it! All proceeds collected for this event benefit the Council of Churches of Greater Bridgeport's program Raising the B.A.R. (Becoming Anti-Racist). Tickets will be \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door.



First Church hosts the **38th Annual Fairfield Holocaust Commemoration** with a

Yom Hashoah observance **May 3rd 7:30pm** in the Sanctuary with the Honor Guard, Fairfield County Children's Choir and the Fairfield Ludlowe HS Chamber Orchestra, a proclamation from our First Selectwoman, and a Keynote address given by Rabbi Philip Lazowski.

A reception in Wakeman Hall will follow.

Save the Date: June 10th

The Deacons of First Church invite you to a day trip to The Cloisters, an extension of the MET in NYC. It will be a day for spiritual enrichment, art appreciation, fellowship, and activities for children too!





CROP Hunger Walk No. 49 - Sunday May 7, 2023



1:30 – 4:00 pm (rain or shine)

2+ or 1+ mile walk

United Congregational Church

2200 North Avenue, Bridgeport

This is the 49th year for our local CROP Hunger Walk in the Bridgeport area. It is the Community Appeal of Church World Service and fights hunger, locally, nationally and internationally and emphasizes self-sustaining agricultural practices. 75% of the money collected will be used by Church World Service projects and 25% remains local supporting 10 agencies that support our vulnerable neighbors here in the Greater Bridgeport area. Contributions are tax deductible.

Agencies we are helping this year are:

Bridgeport Rescue Mission, Bridgeport

Daughters of Charity Rescue Mission, Inc. Bridgeport

Operation Hope Food Pantry & Meals, Fairfield

King's Pantry, Bridgeport

Thomas Merton Center, "Eat Smart Marketplace", Bridgeport

Stratford Baptist Church Shepherds Food Pantry, Stratford

Trumbull Social Services, Trumbull

Council of Churches of Greater Bridgeport Hunger Outreach Network

Spooner House, Shelton

Monroe Food Pantry, Monroe

Registration: We encourage all participants to register online before the walk: crophungerwalk.org/BridgeportCT - and to fundraise online with the CROP Hunger Walk website. You can also register in person on May 7th at the walk at United Congregational Church at 1:30. If you are unable to walk, but would like to donate you may do so online or by check.

Donation forms will be sent at a later date and available at church.

Questions? Call Fairfield CROP Walk recruiter Debby Dwyer at 203-255-8835 (member of First Church Congregational, Fairfield).



MEMORIAL DAY 2023

Monday, May 29

*Join us for a fun morning of Memorial Day festivities
to kick off "almost summer!"*

Take a ride in the Re/Max Heritage HOT AIR BALLOON!

Breakfast Sandwiches - Bake Sale - Games
Pop-Up Shop (w/ local sellers)
Bounce House - Face Painting - & More!

We need volunteers to make this a wonderful event for all.
Bakers are also needed. All help is appreciated.

Please contact Joy Nazzaro at jnazzaro@optonline.net to sign up.

Thank you!
Joy Nazzaro, Suzanne Minatti-Lathbury and Rick Esper
Resource Development



A few highlights from our Square Dance on March 4th!
A fun time was had by all!



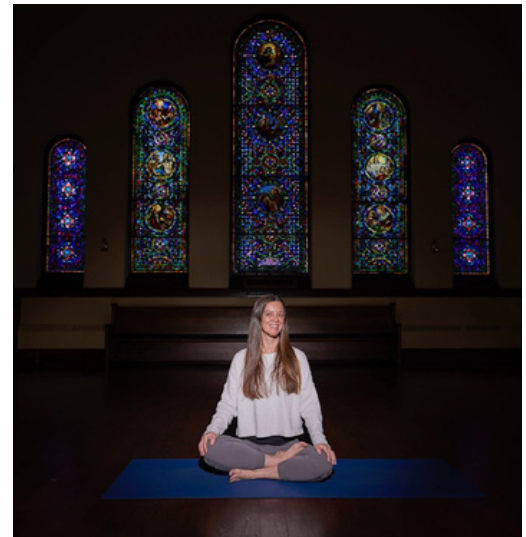
The IRRC (Interfaith Refugee Resettlement Committee) has exciting news- the family has arrived! Thank you for all of your support thus far with donations of furniture and household items. If you would like to volunteer or find out how you can help, please contact Emily Fuehring at ekey@mail.bradley.edu or 309-258-3804. Thank you!



Join us for Yoga!

You are invited to Gentle Yoga with Maggie Taylor in the Sanctuary Webb Room on Fridays at 10am. This is a gentle hatha healing yoga practice with deep stretching, strength building poses and breath work intended to soothe the nervous system. This class is available to all levels of fitness.

Sign up info: maggieyoga.com or contact Maggie at maggiebtaylor@gmail.com



Friday Gentle 10-11am 4/21 (NO CLASS 4/28), 5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2, 6/9 and 6/16
\$176 for 8 week session or \$25 per class drop in
There will be 4 classes anyone is welcome to join in early April --
Monday Gentle will be 4/3, Tuesday Flow 4/5, 4/11 and
Weds Gentle 4/5



Black Rock Sunrise Group

Closed Meetings Daily at 7am

Please call Matt D. for more information 203-394-2229

Daily Reprieve AA Group

Tuesday 8pm - Closed Big Book Meeting

Thursday 7pm - Open Step Meeting

Friday 8pm - Open Speaker Meeting

Sunday 8pm - Online Beginners Topic Meeting

Please call Len with any questions or for more information 203-333-4771

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