

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ!

In The United Methodist Church, specific Sundays are designated as "Special Sundays", which have been approved by the General Conference of the denomination. On the Special Sundays, local churches celebrate the calling of the Church as God's people. One of the Special Sundays is "World Communion Sunday", which is traditionally observed on the first Sunday in October. According to *The United Methodist Book of Worship*, Presbyterian churches started to observe this day in 1936. In 1940, the Federal Council of Churches adopted this day, and Methodist and Evangelical United Brethren churches celebrated this day. Since then, The United Methodist Church has continued to observe "World Communion Sunday" along with the Methodist churches around the world. This day the church celebrates the steadfast and boundless love of Christ.



Another Special Sunday in October is "Laity Sunday". This day the church celebrates the work of laity of all ages everywhere they serve the disciples of Jesus Christ. The quadrennium theme of "Laity Sunday" of the denomination in 2021-2024 is "Rise Up!", and this year's theme is "Rise Up—Retain" (2 Tim. 1:14). Traditionally, this day has been observed on the third Sunday in October, but each local church may celebrate this day which best works for them. On the first Sunday in October, Mike, one of the lay leaders of our church, will deliver the message.

These two Special Sundays remind us that we are Christ's church with fellow sisters and brothers in Christ in the world. I don't stand alone; you (singular) don't stand alone; but we stand together and work together. Christ called every one of us to his body, and we responded to obey his invitation. As the people of God, we care for one another and worship God with one another. As each of us individually has a relationship with Christ, we all encourage one another to stand firm and trust in the Lord. In October, may God bless us and help us grow in Christ.

Looking forward to seeing you on Sundays,

Your brother, KC

The United Methodist Book of Worship, p. 430.







Bible Study on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm on ZOOM.

If you'd like to join us, just call the office (413) 533-6093 and Merrilee will send you the Zoom link.

There's always a lively discussion, some humor and some insights into scripture.



How can you serve your church to ensure it remains a thriving place of worship?

Do you have a talent to share? Is there a committee you would like to join?

Serving your church can be as simple as straightening the hymnals, taking out the trash to bigger endeavors like a committee chairperson.











## **Memorial Giving**

Anyone, at any time, may establish a memorial to a departed loved one, simply by making a gift. It does not necessarily mean the one whom you wish to honor was a member of this church, but simply that he or she lies close to your heart. Gifts may be made to the Memorial Fund in any amount, large or small. The name of the person memorialized will be inscribed in the Book of Remembrance. The name of the donor will be recorded also but no record of the amount of the gift will appear.

All such memorial gifts are added to the Memorial Fund, to be used in such a manner as the Memorial Committee may determine to increase the religious beauty of the church or add to its service of Christian worship. Such funds will be expended for permanent projects of a tangible nature, which may be readily identified and will not be spent on items shown in the church budget under current operating expenses. The Memorial Committee will purchase every memorial object.

\*Please fill out the Memorial Giving sheet below to make a Memorial Gift.

# **Memorial Gifts**

The Memorial gifts will be dedicated on All Saints Sunday, November 3, 2024. The last day to make a Memorial Gift is Sunday, October 27, 2024. If you wish to make a memorial gift, please complete this form. All checks should be made out to Faith United Methodist Church indicating "Memorial Fund" in the memo section. This may be mailed to the church or placed in the offering plate by October 27, 2024.

Mail to:

Faith United Methodist Church

**191 Montcalm Street** 

Chicopee, MA 01020

**Attention: Memorial Committee** 

A gift in Memory of:\_\_\_\_\_

Given by:\_

Please print out all the names exactly the way you would like them to appear in the Memorial Booklet. Include an address if a family member is to be informed of your donation.

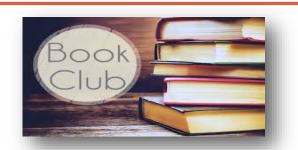
### PLEASE HOLD THESE PEOPLE IN PRAYER:

Ferne Garceau Scott P Warner Cross family Family of Dr. Anthony Morgan Family of Estelle McCray **Rev. Megan Stowe & Family** Edwina Lessard David Beeler **Bob Ramsey** Sally Latham Lynda Henderson **Elizabeth Morgan Jane Schneeloch** Eileen Diane & Jay Janet Valley's sister & brotherin-law **Janet Lavoie** Ryan & Maloah McCarron Sylvia & Arlie Burns **Our Country** FOLKS TO VISIT: Nancy Burke-Home Neil Marshall – Home Eunice Bock – Home **Barbara** Atherton – Home Connie Harris – Home Carol Glancy – Home Dottie Squires – Home



Card Making With Joanne Milloy Friday, October 11, 2024, 10:00 am

Come and enjoy the fellowship and take home some handmade cards to share with family and friends



The next meeting of the Book Club will NOT be until November 18th at 6:30 pm at the home of Joan Forgie. We will be discussing the book *"Finley Donovan is Killing It" by Elle Cosimano* 

When Finlay is overheard discussing the plot of her new suspense novel with her agent over lunch, she's mistaken for a contract killer and inadvertently accepts an offer to dispose of a problem husband in order to make ends meet. She soon discovers that crime in real life is a lot more difficult than its fictional counterpart and becomes tangled in a real life investigation.

If at any time you read one of our book choices and would like to join the discussion, we would be happy to have you join us. Call Joan for directions.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

<u>Sunday, October 6th</u> – Crop Walk at Trinity 1 pm registration, 2 pm walk starts <u>Friday, October 11th</u> – 10:00 am – Cardmaking w/ Joanne <u>Monday, October 21st -</u> NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS DUE

Tuesday, October 22nd – 4:00 pm – Trustee Meeting

Sunday, November 3rd – All Saints Sunday – Please let the office know if you have a friend or family member you would like to have honored/remembered. Provide the office with name (s), dates, and photo (optional) by <u>October 27th</u>

<u>Tuesdays – Men of Faith – 9:00 am</u> <u>Wednesdays – Bible Study – 7:00 pm on ZOOM</u>

- October 5—Marie Rainey
- October 11—Ryan McCarron
- **October 16—Dottie Squires**
- October 30—Jeffrey Mason

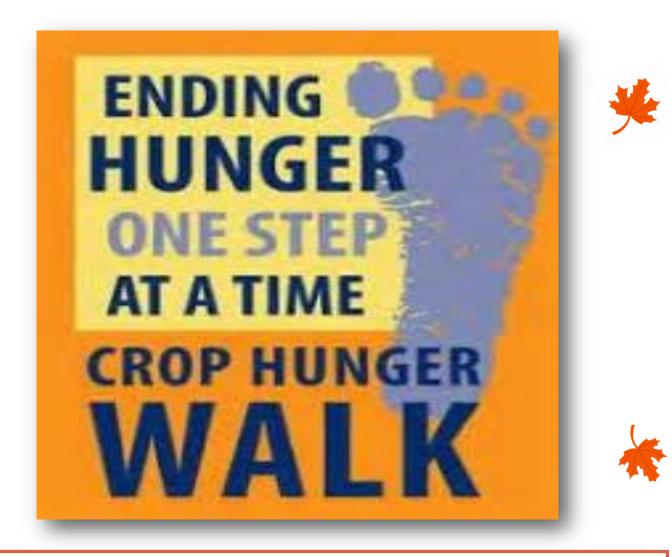




October 5—Rick and Janine Hidde October 6—Merrilee and Alan Riopelli October 20—Cathy and Robert Allen October 26—Laurie and Ed McCarron







There will be Greater Springfield CROP Hunger Walk at Trinity United Methodist Church on <u>Sunday October 6<sup>th</sup></u> (361 Sumner Ave, Springfield, MA 01108). Registration will start at 1pm and the walk will begin at 2pm. To find out more, please follow the link below:

<u>https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/team/team-trinity</u> -springfield-2





<u>Liturgists</u>	Greeters	<u>Counters</u>
10/6—Lee MacLean	Joanne Milloy	10/7— Joanne Milloy & Cheryl Boucher
10/13—Sondra Spence	Bette Lacey	*10/15—Sallie Adelman & Susan Cassidy
10/20—Ron Jackson	Joy Jackson	10/21—Joan Forgie & Joy Jackson
10/27—Rich Pearson	Joan Forgie	10/28—Bette Lacey & Lorrie Ludwin
*Counting done on Tuesday as Monday is a bank holiday		

Looking for Liturgists —please let Joanne Milloy or the office know if you would like to read



**Neighbors Helping Neighbors** 

These are the top five categories, but **<u>anything</u>** is greatly appreciated

**Tomato Products** 

Soups

Cereal (Hot plain oatmeal and the flavored variety boxes) HOT ITEM !!

Canned meat (Spam, beef stew, tuna, hash, etc.)

Personal Care (shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, women's products, diapers, etc.) **ALWAYS NEEDED!!** 

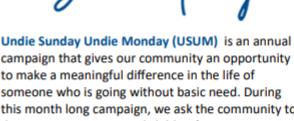
We will be collecting these items in an ongoing basis. Anything that you can donate will be greatly appreciated.

The "Campbell's Soup" Barrel will be set up just inside the front door

A collection bin will be set up in the Fellowship Hall to collect the items listed below.

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## Thank you in advance for your generosity!!



this month long campaign, we ask the community to donate men, women, and children's **new** underwear, **new** undershirts and/or **new** socks to the Springfield Rescue Mission.

All donations will be distributed to residents in our Men's New Life Program, guests of our Emergency Shelter and Give Away Center and those we meet in the community through our mobile-feeding program called Operation SONshine.

This annual campaign runs from **October 1 to October 31**. Please return all donations by **Nov. 10**. You can drop off your donations at the Springfield Rescue Mission (address below) between **Monday through Saturday, 8am to 6pm.** 

This is a great opportunity for individuals or groups through schools, churches and/or work places to get involved!

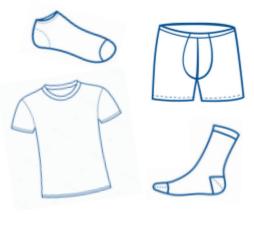
Another way to support us is to purchase any of these suggested items online through our website under Shop to Give. Your donation will be shipped directly to the Rescue Mission.

For questions and more information, please contact: Robin Gobeille, Development Coordinator, at 413-732-0808 ext. 237

#### Suggested NEW items to donate:

- Men's Boxer Briefs, Undershirts, Socks (all sizes)
- Women's Underwear, Undershirts, and Socks (all sizes)
- Children's Underwear, Undershirts and socks (all sizes)

Due to our Men's Programs, boxer briefs sizes large and XL and undershirts sizes XL and 2XL are most needed





10 Mill Street, Springfield, MA 01108 | www.springfieldrescuemission.org | (413) 732-0808



https:// radafundraising.com/? rfsn=917913.0cac7f

Follow the above link to order your cutlery From <u>**Rada**</u> your purchase supports the church. Catalog available outside church office.



# **Stained Glass Crosses**

They are ornament sized and have a loop on the top for a hook or nail.

They are 2 3/4 " wide X 4" tall.

If you have purchased one or more, please have \$12.00 fee available with "crosses" in the memo if writing a check or in an envelope labeled "crosses" and your name if paying cash.

The deadline was September 30th!



Roger LaCross—Organist Sondra Spence: Lay Servant Minister Mike Adelman : Lay Servant Minister Merrilee Riopelli : Administrative Assistant

> Church Office Hours Tues. through Friday 8:30 am—1:30 pm www.chicopeeumc.org Email : office@chicopeeumc.org

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