

Nichols UMC - 8.31.22 Weekly Nichols' Notes

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Nichols United Methodist Church  
Trumbull, CT

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**August 31, 2022**

**Sermon Title: *Created for a Purpose***

**Please Click Below for This Week's Scripture Passage:**  
[Jeremiah 18:1-11](#)



**Starting the first Sunday after Labor Day**

8am – Traditional Service w/Communion  
9am – Contemporary Service w/Praise Band  
10am – Traditional Worship Service & Livestreamed

10am – Children's Sunday School      Nursery Care at 9am & 10am

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**Give Now - Virtual Offering Plate**

**Weekly Calendar**

**United Women in Faith**

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## Carillon

### Announcements & Ministry Opportunities

**Volunteers Needed for the Tech Team** - We are looking for individuals who are willing to join our Tech Team! What is the Tech Team? It is the people who support the electronic aspects of our worship services including sound, PowerPoint slides, and live streaming. While no experience is necessary, it is important that volunteers are reasonably comfortable with computers. Ideally, Tech Team members would help run the service one to two times per month. Our greatest need is with the 10am service. We would ask that our volunteers arrive at 9:15am and stay until the end of the 10am service. In addition, we are looking for help with the 9am Contemporary Service worship. This service is not live streamed but requires one person to run the slides for our worship songs. If you want more information or are willing to sign up, please contact Holly Piscatelli at [hmpisky@gmail.com](mailto:hmpisky@gmail.com). We will be happy to train you in this important role.

**NUMC Rally Day Picnic** - Sunday, September 11th. Bring your blankets, chairs, and appetites and join the fun immediately after the 10am service at the NIA Gazebo. Lots of food and fellowship. Burgers, hot dogs, salads/sides and desserts will all be provided! A RSVP is needed to Sue DelVecchio at [delvecs523@gmail.com](mailto:delvecs523@gmail.com) by Sept. 4th. We could always use some picnic elves for set-up, serving and cleanup. Please let Sue know if you are available to help. Thank you and see you there!

**We Want to Know** - As part of our TGIF (The Gang In Fellowship) program being held in October, we will be playing Family Feud. Like the game show, which surveys individuals, we will be surveying our congregation. We would like to have at least 100 people respond. So even if you are unable to attend TGIF please consider helping us out with the survey questions. You can complete this survey online, by clicking here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3X6V3YH>. Responses will be collected through Sunday, October 9th. If you prefer, there are paper surveys located in the back of the sanctuary and in this month's Carillon. Paper surveys can be dropped off in the designated basket in the back of sanctuary.

**Altar Flowers** are needed for September 18th. If you'd like to dedicate flowers please call Becky Virgalla 203-788-2889 to give her your order information and bulletin dedication. Thank you in advance for helping to beautify our altar on Sunday mornings.

**Confirmation** starts Sunday, September 11th at 9 AM in the lounge.

**Sunday School returns on September 11th.** All children ages 4 through 7<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to attend the opening service in the sanctuary, participate in our children's sermon with Pastor David, and then attend Sunday School in Fellowship Hall. All families will need to fill out a registration form for each child at the start of the year. Forms will be available in the Sunday School Office. Our faith journey continues with exciting Bible stories from the Old and New Testament, crafts, games, music, and discussions. Come share in this very special time as we grow in our faith together and build our relationship with God. If you are interested in volunteering in our Sunday School program please contact Debbie Redin at [debtea123@aol.com](mailto:debtea123@aol.com) or 203-375-1129 so she can arrange for Safe Sanctuary training.

**9-9:45 a.m. Sunday Bible Study** will begin on Sunday, September 11th. This study is taught by David Preusch and meets in the Judges classroom. It focuses on the

book of II Kings. This story began with King Solomon and a unified powerful and influential Israel, which slowly unravels and culminates into a divided kingdom. It is relevant for us today as we live in such divisive times. This is an inclusive group study, and no preparation is required, just bring your Bible.

**Youth Group** will kick off on Sunday, September 11th at the church picnic. We will provide games for all ages. I will bring parent consent forms to fill out for all Youth Group participants. I will be available for any questions you might have about Youth Group. We will meet on Sunday, September 18th from 5-7pm, and on Saturday, September 24th we will participate in Habitat for Humanity (16 years of age and over). Any questions please contact Chrissy Ferrante, Youth Director: 203-558-7848, [chrissy842001@comcast.net](mailto:chrissy842001@comcast.net).

**Peace & Prayer: Mid-Week Time of Devotion** - Wednesdays 11:30-11:45am - Every Wednesday Judy Lang will have a brief time of devotion and prayer via Zoom. During these unsettling times, this will be an opportunity to spend about 15 minutes centering ourselves in reflective thought and prayer. Click [Prayer & Peace](#) for the link for this mid-week centering time (it is the same link as our worship service **OR Dial in: (646)-876-9923, Meeting ID: 366 149 7977, Password: 35#**).

**Word & Coffee Thursdays, 9-10am on Zoom** - Pastor David leads a study on the book Genesis. Come and learn how it all began as we discuss these first stories of God interacting with the created world. Each week we will open in prayer, read the passage, and discuss what we have learned/questioned during our reading and reflection. All are welcome, and you may drop in (via Zoom) any week. If you would like to attend please email [pastordavidnumc@snet.net](mailto:pastordavidnumc@snet.net). NOTE: a recorded video version will also available upon request for those who cannot attend the live session.

**NUMC Body and Soul Yoga** - will return this fall. Beginners are welcome! Come and experience the wonder of yoga. Meditate, stretch, and strengthen as Laurie leads you through this rejuvenating hour leaving you relaxed and stress-free. Laurie Trupp, Instructor - 7 week Fall Session begins Tuesday, September 13th 7:30-8:45pm in Fellowship Hall. \$70 for a 7-week session, walk-ins welcome for \$12 a class.

**Nichols United Women in Faith Fall Fair Saturday October 1st – 9am-3pm (sneak peak Thursday, September 29th 3-7pm)** - Our Nichols United Women in Faith will host their Annual Fabulous Fall Fair with a few changes. There will be no food served, however there will be our ever popular Bake Sale with pre-packaged items, along with pies and homemade soups to purchase. We have a huge selection of attic treasures, beautiful gold, silver and costume jewelry, and specialty vendors. Come early to get the best selection! Our team of fair elves have been working very hard to get things ready. For additional information please contact Becky Virgalla at [bvirgalla@yahoo.com](mailto:bvirgalla@yahoo.com) or 203-788-2889. Helpers are needed on Sunday, September 25th to bring fair items up from basement after the 10am worship service and throughout that week for set up. Thank you.

**Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound...**

Barbara Amsden  
Ruth Liptak  
Marge Thoma

## Moment for Mission

This month the outreach offering will be for Mobility Worldwide, a faith-based, volunteer-powered, humanitarian, and world-wide organization. This project began in

1994 when a missionary in Zaire, Africa saw a great need for three-wheeled, hand-cranked wheelchairs for victims of polio and landmines. A friend designed a model & several were made and shipped to Zaire in 1995 to be tested under the worst conditions possible. Today Mobility Worldwide is working in over 106 countries to help people be mobile and to be able to support their families. The goal of Mobility Worldwide is the GIFT OF MOBILITY for all of God's people's in need. Please take the time to read more about Mobility Worldwide on line & see how it has provided a means of transportation for so many people in the world. A life of crawling on the ground to being mobile can be changed for \$350. Hopefully with our donations we'll be able to provide several carts. Checks may be made payable to NUMC with Mobility Worldwide in memo. Thank for your support of this life changing program.



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