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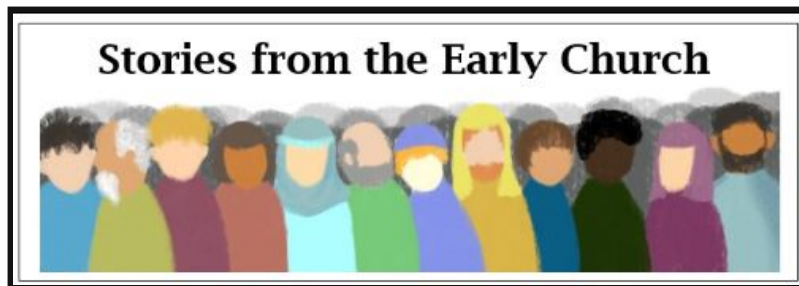
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 Trumbull, CT

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May Sermon Series

May 8th – *Being Jesus' Hands & Feet*, Acts 9:36-43

May 15th – *Changing Boundaries*, Acts 11:1-18

May 22nd – *Gathering & Sharing*, Acts 16:9-15

Please Click Below for This Week's Scripture Passage:

[Acts 9:36-43](#)

Give Now - Virtual Offering Plate

Weekly Calendar

United Methodist Women

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Announcements

Word & Coffee Beginning THIS Thursday, May 5th 9-10:00am on Zoom - Pastor David will lead 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. NOTE: a recorded video version will also be available upon request for those who cannot attend the live session.

Special Coffee Hour - Mother's Day, THIS Sunday, May 8th. Attention Moms...join us in Fellowship Hall immediately following the 10am worship service for a special Coffee Hour Celebration.

NUMW Paint & Snack, Friday, May 20th, 6:30pm – 9:30pm, NUMC Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite appetizer or dessert to share and \$5 for supplies. For more information and to make a reservation (needed to order supplies) please contact Sue DelVecchio at delvecs523@gmail.com.

Footsteps in the Sand - Tres Dias has been refreshed as a new and shorter Christian renewal weekend called Footsteps in the Sand. Many of us have attended weekends in the past and have been blessed by the experience. The Women's weekend is May 20nd-22th, and the Men's weekend is June 3rd-5th. If you're interested, more information is available at the Footsteps website: www.footsteps-sand.org.

Youth Group - Some of the highlights in May: Monday, May 9th there is an opportunity for high school seniors at Norton Presbyterian Church. If you have enjoyed Youth Group throughout your high school years and want to stay connected to Jesus when you head off to college this is for you. This event will provide you with all the information and contacts you'll need to help your faith survive college and prepare you to grow even more deeply in your relationship with God. InterVarsity staff and students will be there to answer questions and plug you in to your campus ministry. There will be games, snacks, discussions, and Q & A time. We could grab dinner first and then head to the event. ALL high schoolers are welcome to come and see what it's all about. We will be going to a concert at Black Rock Church on May 12th, at 7:30. The Cory Asbury "Songs and Stories Tour 2022" is stopping in Fairfield. If you would like to go, order your tickets online at platform.tickets.com and just let me know so we can go as a group. If you would like to go but can't order tickets for any reason, please let me know and I will gladly get them for you. Habitat for Humanity is letting people work on sites again. Available dates to help are July 23rd and September 24th. If you are 16 or older I would LOVE to serve with you. NUMC gives to Habitat and this allows us to help build homes in Bridgeport. If anyone would like to serve with me please let me know ASAP so we can get signed up. Lastly, if you are feeling led to serve the youth we are looking for someone to provide a meal on Sunday May 29th. Upcoming meetings:

May 9th - Intro to Intervarsity, meet at NUMC Parking lot at 5pm

May 12th - "Cory Asbury concert" at 7:30pm

May 15th - No Youth Group (Chrissy in Kansas City)

May 22nd - Youth group 5-7pm

May 29 - Youth group 5-7pm

For more information contact Chrissy Ferrante at Chrissy842001@comcast.net or 203-558-7848.

Sunday Bible Study in Person - 9-9:45am in the Judge's classroom off Fellowship Hall - This study is taught by David Preusch and focuses on the books of I & II Kings. This story begins 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.

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#**).

Recycle That Bicycle! - Have a bicycle you aren't using anymore? Golden Hill UMC is looking for donations of bikes for their annual Used Bike Giveaway on June 4th for families in need. Bikes should be in decent shape (a few minor repairs is ok). Deadline to donate is May 21st. Please contact Phyllis Grafton at 203-386-8973 with any questions and to arrange pick up.

Frozen Unbaked Pies Available - Blueberry and peach pies \$14 each. Please call Phyllis Grafton (203-386-8973) to order.

Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound...

Barbara Amsden

Ruth Liptak

Judy McAllister

Moment for Mission

This month's outreach is Project Learn, an after-school program at Summerfield United Methodist for elementary children to help them with their homework and provide a safe haven. This school year the program is 80 percent virtual and 20 percent in person. Students have all been given loaner laptops courtesy of Summerfield. Students connect with via Zoom and Teams. The program runs Monday-Friday (3-5pm). For those students who are in need of snacks, etc. they allow parents to pick up an assortment of weekly snacks each week so students can have during virtual breaks. Next fall the students will return to full time in person. Students from the local colleges provide tutoring and also provide age-appropriate health promoting activities, such as cooking classes to reinforce proper diet and nutrition, and bullying prevention activities designed to raise awareness and to increase self-assurance and self-esteem. Youth With a Purpose is for older youth up to early 20's. The mission of this program is to break the cycles of poverty, lack of education, unemployment, teen parenthood/single parenthood, incarceration of young men and women, and crime in Bridgeport. Professionals from the community have helped to mentor over 100 at-risk kids in the community, helped place over 40 students in colleges and universities, and helped many of the other young people to obtain jobs. Please give generously to support these programs. To make a donation please make checks payable to NUMC with Project Learn in the memo. Thank you for your support.

UMCOR Advances: Our March mission project was the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) that responds to emergencies. While our donations to UMCOR help cover all the administrative costs of worldwide UMC relief efforts, contributing to the following advances will allow **100% of your donations to be used to support the war in Ukraine**. Checks may be made payable to NUMC and should indicate the UMCOR Advance# in the memo.

Advance #14053A: Eurasia in Mission Together -- Ukraine and Moldova. Donations to this Advance account will be quickly transferred to the bank account of the UMC of Ukraine, which has a system in place to receive these donations, put them to immediate use, and provide reporting on the usage of these funds.

Advance #982450: UMCOR International Disaster Response. Donations to this Advance account will be directed to UMCOR, which is already partnering with agencies on the ground in Eastern and Central Europe to assist those displaced by the fighting.



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