

**Joys and Concerns**

our prayers are with:

- Giovanni Thomas who is in Hartford Children’s Hospital being treated for a cancerous mass behind his kidney.
- Carol Muska’s friend, Mack, who is recovering from open heart surgery after suffering a heart attack.
- The family of John Farrell as they grieve his loss.
- Louise Fazio whose kidney transplant stopped working.
- Robert Cerrato as he heals from leg injuries and heart surgery.
- Jerry Jones as he recovers from an arm injury.
- Marlene Davis’ son, whose cancer is more serious than originally thought.
- Kay Jones’ niece, Sherri, whose cancer has returned.
- Jan and Gene Parsons’ friend, Brad, whose cancer has returned.
- Eileen Clark, who recently had a stroke.
- Sue Sterling’s cousin, Mary, who has lung cancer
- The LaBella family whose daughter is undergoing chemotherapy.
- Millie Ackerly’s daughter who is receiving cancer treatment.



**Our Life in Community**

For more information about any item listed below, please contact the Church Office at 860-354-4596 or [office@newmilford.org](mailto:office@newmilford.org)

**Angels in the Pews Sound System Fundraiser**—through the generous support the congregation, \$4,098 has been raised in support of purchase, installation and training for a new set of speakers and digital mixing board. As a result, we will be able to lift up our voices and make all of our voices heard on Rally Sunday, September 7. Much thanks to all of you who contributed!

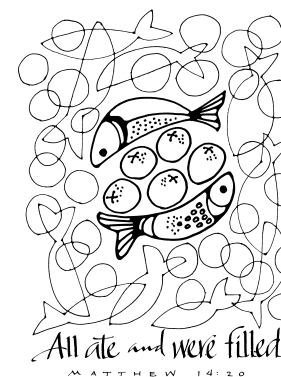
**Our Daily Bread** is in need of pasta, canned meat or fish, fresh vegetables, and hot dogs (may be placed in the refrigerator in the Fellowship Hall kitchen clearly marked “Our Daily Bread.”

**Safe Sanctuary Training** will take place on Sunday, August 17, at 1:30 p.m.. Anyone who works with children and/or youth must come to this mandatory training and complete a background check. Our Safe Sanctuary Policy can be found online at [www.newmilfordumc.org](http://www.newmilfordumc.org). For more information about this training, contact the Church Office at 860-354-4596 or by email at [office@newmilfordumc.org](mailto:office@newmilfordumc.org).

**Rally Sunday-** A joint service will be held on Sunday, September 7 at 10:00 a.m. for our Rally Sunday—when we welcome families back to church for the Sunday School year. We will be kicking off a new sermon series entitled “Why?,” exploring topics such as “Why Faith?” “Why Prayer?” “Why Worship?” and “Why Jesus?” Please be sure to join us!

**Worship Retreat**—A worship retreat will be held on Saturday, September 13th from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon in Fellowship Hall. We’ll be discussing the upcoming Advent season as well as plans for the coming year. Anyone who would like to join us is invited to attend.

**Fall Fair**—Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 4th for the Annual Fall Fair. More information will be coming soon!



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Rev. Paul A. Fleck, Pastor  
 Sandy Lybe, Music Minister  
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 Emily Nixon, Open Door Band Leader

*Ninth Sunday After Pentecost*

**Blended Service—Sunday, August 10, 2014 at 10:00 am**

*You are invited to worship with us in the quiet of prayer, in the joy of song, and in the desire to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. We especially welcome every visitor today. We are very glad you came. Part of our mission is to be a place for all people. All are welcome here! Whatever your gender, age, race, religious background, economic status, sexual orientation or condition of ableness, we greet you as a beloved child of God.*

**ENTRANCE AND PRAISE**

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

**Hymn 593** “Here I Am, Lord” HERE I AM, LORD

**Call to Worship**

Over the turbulent waves in our lives, Jesus calls us.  
**We get so busy watching the waves, we block out Jesus’ call.**  
 Look again. Jesus is calling to you.  
**Lord, help us hear your voice.**  
 Come, place your trust in Jesus.  
**Lord, forgive our doubts, receive our lives. Amen.**

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Eternal God,**  
**in the reading of the Scripture, may your Word be heard;**  
**in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known;**  
**and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown.**  
**Amen.**

**Epistle** Romans 10:5-10  
 Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law that ‘the person who does these things will live by them.’ But the righteousness that comes from faith says, ‘Do not say in your heart, “Who will ascend into heaven?”’ (that is, to bring Christ down) ‘or “Who will descend into the abyss?”’ (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? ‘The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart’ (that is, the word of faith

**Meetings & Opportunities this week:**  
 Mon., Aug. 11 at 10:30 am Tai Chi in Fellowship Hall  
 at 6:00 pm Open Door Band in Sanctuary  
 at 6:30 pm United Methodist Men in Fellowship Hall  
 Tues., Aug. 12 at 5:30 pm Vendor Fair in Fellowship Hall  
 at 5:30 pm Worship Committee in Sanctuary  
 at 7:00 pm Trustees in Conference Room  
 Thurs., Aug. 14 at 3:00 pm “Our Daily Bread” in Food Barn  
 at 7:00 pm Ed Center Board in Fellowship Hall  
 Fri., Aug. 15 at 3:30 pm Loaves and Fishes—off-site  
 Sat., Aug. 16 at 7:15 pm Family Fun Bowling—off-site  
 Sun., Aug. 17 at 8:30 am Chapel in the Pines Worship Service  
 at 10:00 am Blended Service in Sanctuary  
 at 1:30 pm Safe Sanctuary Training  
 at 2:30 pm Youth Group

Monday - Friday at noon AA meeting in Fellowship Hall

