

- Jan Parsons, who is recovering from a broken foot.
- Carolyn Dion who is recovering from surgery.
- Rob, Traci Poeti's brother, who has a muscular disorder.
- Alexis, Chris Martirano's niece, who is going through chemotherapy.
- Bonnie Knapp's sister-in-law, Linda, whose kidneys are improving but still has a few more chemotherapy treatments remaining.
- Terri Hudak's cousin, Julie Spence in Virginia, who is battling cancer.
- Terri Hudak's aunt in California who has been diagnosed with breast cancer.
- Steve Bowers, who is now on dialysis and has been added to the transplant list.
- Laurel Partrick's cousin, Cynthia, is facing her third recurrence of cancer.
- Emily Nixon's cousin, who has been diagnosed with cancer.
- Marlene Davis' son, who is undergoing chemotherapy.
- Kay Jones' niece, Sherri, whose cancer has returned.

Our Life in Community

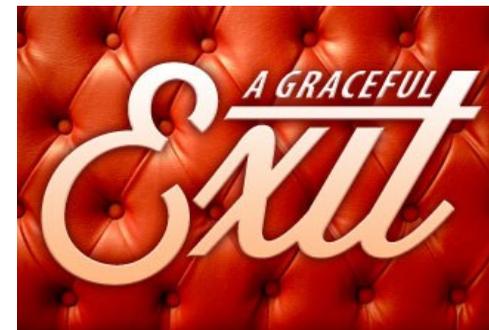
For more information about any item listed below, please contact the Church Office at 860-354-4596 or office@newmilfordumc.org

Father's Day Cards—TODAY is the last day to purchase Father's Day Cards. If you have questions, please contact Bonnie Knapp at (860) 355-0559.

Summer Services—Our summer worship schedule begins TODAY! Chapel in the Pines will be our traditional service at 9:00 a.m. with a Devotional Service in the Sanctuary at 10:30 a.m. The Open Door service will move to Wednesday evenings beginning June 24. The service will be at 7:00 p.m., with a dinner beforehand at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. If you would like to volunteer to make a meal for the Wednesday evening services, please contact Pat Tripp at 860-354-8720 or pltripp3@gmail.com.

Pastor Paul Potluck—Mark your calendar for the Potluck Farewell for Paul at 5:30 on June 27th. Bring a dish to share. Ham, beverages and a cake will be provided. Snacks, salads, more main dishes and a variety of desserts would be appreciated. Come and send Pastor Paul off to his new Methodist Church family with our prayers and blessings. Please direct any questions to Jan Parsons (860) 354-8885 or Ann Tibbatts (860) 868-0413.

Methodist Movers - An important message from: The Methodist Movers—Relay for Life event activities start Saturday, June 27th at 2:00 p.m. at the Sarah Noble School Track and run through until 6:00 a.m. Sunday, June 28th. Methodist Movers will be having a bake sale booth (if anyone would like to donate) and a game booth. Anyone wishing to make a donation may do so at any time, either by contacting Linda Slater or on line at Relay for Life; Search our team name. Luminary bags are still on sale for \$5.00 to display in honor of or in memory of. The Luminaries light the track as the Relayers walk the silent ceremonial around 9:00PM, which will be directed by Linda Slater, so please stop by to show support. This event has activities for all ages., food, entertainment, games, music and much more. Please stop by and participate and see the beautiful quilt made by Roxanne Martin.



The Service of Worship

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

4th Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, June 21, 2015 at 9:00 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. 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 #158

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

SPANISH HYMN

Call to Worship

We come with praise for the wonderful works of God.

Even before we speak, God knows us completely.

The Holy One knows us and sustains us,

even in our moments of confusion and doubt.

We come to take up the cross that is laid before us.

We come with praise for the wonderful works of God.

All Sit.

Prayer for Illumination

Holy Shaper of hearts and minds, as Jeremiah came to know you

in the work of the potter's hands, teach us your ways

in the reading of your word.

Lead us into a deeper understanding of your ways,

that we may know and do your will. Amen.

New Testament Lesson

1 Corinthians 3:10-11

Page 167 in the New Testament of your pew Bible.

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ.

Please stand, as you are able, for the reading of the Gospel

Gospel Lesson

Page 78 in the New Testament of your pew Bible.

Luke 14:27-30

Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, "This fellow began to build and was not able to finish."

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

The children are invited to come forward and sit at the chancel with the pastor as the congregation sings the first verse of Hymn 191, "Jesus Loves Me."

Children's Sermon

The Lord's Prayer

OFFERING

Invitation to Offering

Offertory

Please stand for the Doxology

Presentation

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Offering Prayer

All Sit.

Prayer

Boundless Shaper of people and nations, you are beyond our knowing, yet closer to us than our every breath.

You are before us and behind us, surrounding us with your love, and fashioning all of creation in the secret depths of your heart.

With every thought, with every song, and with every prayer, turn these fragile, earthen vessels of our lives, into the Spirit-filled body of Christ. **Amen.**

RESPONSES

Special Offering

Angels in the Pews 2

Please stand as you are able for the singing of hymn.

Hymn 583

"Sois la Semilla (You Are the Seed)"

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Morning Prayer

Joys and concerns are lifted before God and the congregation.

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer of Confession

God of our lives, you search us and know us.

We have refused to take up your cross, to bear the burdens that are ours to carry.

We have not given up our attachments to possessions or to self.

We have not counted the cost of walking into an unknown future with you.

Help us turn away from evil, that we may walk with you once more.

Words of Assurance

Passing the Peace

The congregation joins in repeating Psalm 19:14

Let the words of my mouth,

and the meditation of my heart,

be acceptable in your sight, Lord,

my strength and my redeemer.

Sermon

"Exiting Gracefully: Where We Are"

Rev. Paul A. Fleck

Hymn 572

"Pass It On"

PASS IT ON

SENDING FORTH

JOYS AND CONCERNS

we are thankful:

- Kitty's granddaughter who graduated from Delaware University.
- Steve, friend of the Kerns, who is cancer free.

our prayers are with:

- Bonnie Knapp who is out of the hospital and is recuperating from pneumonia.
- Alma Hough who is in failing health.
- Tom Burns who is having shoulder surgery this week.
- Adrienne Kern's co-worker Dan, whose father passed away following a heart attack.
- Adrienne Kern's co-worker, Tony, whose wife passed away unexpectedly.