#### FROM THE DEACONS...

On the Calendar:

March 4th - Lenten Bible Study start begins

March 8th – Girl Scout Sunday

Please join us for this year's Holy Week and Easter Services:

April 5th – Palm Sunday

April 9th - Maundy Thursday Service, 7 pm

April 10th – Good Friday, Service Details to be announced

**April 12th** – Easter Sunday – stay tuned for more details to come regarding Sunrise Service and 10:00 Worship Service

Rev. Taylor and the Deacons would like to ask a favor. If you know of a fellow church member who may be in need of pastoral support - if they are going through a difficult time due to illness, the death of a loved one, a hospitalization, or any other reason, **please let Rev. Taylor or one of the Deacons know**.

Also, if you notice that someone you usually sit near in church hasn't been there for several weeks, the **Deacons would like to know that as well** so we can reach out to let them know they've been missed, and to find out if they need support of any kind. Thank you in advance for your help!

The Deacons are looking for anyone who would be **interested in sharing a story or message from the pulpit**. If that's you, we'd love to hear from you. We have appreciated and enjoyed all the sermons church members have offered in the past. The Deacons will support you by leading the service, and Reverend Taylor will meet with you beforehand to offer support. Not only do we all benefit from hearing what is in the hearts of our fellow church members, but by having lay preachers fill in, we also save money for the church. The cost of a substitute Pastor is approximately \$250.

Please let your church family know of any life events in your family by contacting a Deacon. We would like to inform the Congregation of weddings, births and deaths in the church family.

Please check below for outreach branches - an alphabetical list of members, assigning each Deacon to a group of members. Please feel free to contact "your" Deacon for any reason, or any other Deacon, if you have any questions or concerns whatsoever (this list will be updated after our Annual Meeting on March 15<sup>th</sup>).

A – BE	Linda Sartinsky	LAR – MIC	Barbara Walker
BL – COR	Connie Richards	MIN – P	Paulette Evans
COY – ED	Allison Tharau	R – ST	John Mazzei
EI – GRA	Jodi Nasinnyk	SZ-Y	George Fetzer
GRO – LAN	Kim Bushka		-

**CALL TO CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - ANNUAL MEETING MARCH 15**: We will hold our Annual Meeting with a Potluck after service to discuss the state of the church, our path ahead given Rev. Taylor's upcoming retirement and review a proposal on how to change our lay leadership structures to meet our needs and reach the goals we wish to achieve. See the Meeting Agenda below.

#### Potluck assignments:

Council - Cold drinks (soda, iced tea, lemonade, juices) Last names A-H = Appetizers/Sides/Salads Last names I-O = Sandwiches/Main Course Last names P-Z = Desserts

Please join us as we celebrate Rev. Taylor's pastoral ministry, we reflect on what our church accomplished in the year past, and, we discuss our path forward, which we will do as a church community and family.

Maryann Burns Congregational Church of Burlington Moderator

## **Annual Meeting Agenda**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Opening Prayer Rev. Taylor
- III. Treasurer's Report and 2020 Budget
- IV. New Church Lay Leadership Proposal, Pastor coverage post Rev. Taylor's retirement
- V. Interim Committee Slate
- VI. The Year in Review, Committee Reports Highlights
- VII. Closing Prayer
- VIII. Adjourn

#### CALLING ALL GIRL SCOUTS - Girl Scouts Sunday is March 8th during Service!

Each year, Girl Scouts around the nation honor the day that Juliette Gordon Low officially registered the organizations first 18 girl members on March 12, 1912 in Savannah, Georgia. Girl Scout week is celebrated every March beginning with Girl Scout Sunday and ending with Girl Scout Sabbath (Saturday), and it always includes Girl Scouts birthday of March 12<sup>th</sup>.

This gives girls an opportunity to attend their place of worship and be recognized as a Girl Scout. On Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, all girls and adults who are or were Girl Scouts are welcome to wear their sash, uniform, or membership pin to CCB's worship service. "The Girl scout Promise and Law includes many of the principles and values common across religions. So, while we are a secular organization, Girl Scouts has always encouraged girls to take spiritual journeys via their faiths' religious recognitions such as the My Promise, My Faith Pin or P.R.A.Y. publishing recognitions." (GSUSA). In Connecticut, there are 37,000 registered Girl Scouts. The Foothills Service Unit (Burlington/Harwinton) has 120 girl members. If any Girl Scouts would like to hand out bulletins, help with coffee hour or read a scripture, contact Ann Jurkiewicz at annldj@comcast.net or call/text (860) 810-3938

#### FROM STEWARDSHIP - The Agape House Food Drive

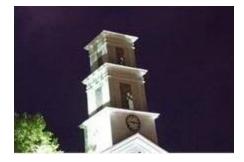


Our next local outreach will be for the Agape House food pantry Feb 9th - Mar 1st. The Agape House serves the homeless and people in need in the Bristol Community through multiple churches and multiple ministries (<u>www.theagapehousebristol.org</u>).

We will collect food items from the list on their website as well as their current immediate needs of paper plates and bowls, napkins, plasticware, sandwich size & gallon size resealable bags, powdered creamer, peanut butter, peanut butter crackers, jelly, granola bars, cup-o-soup, small Chef Boyardee pop top items, Hormel complete meals, non-refrigerated bottled water, canned soda, coffee, sugar 2 or 5 lb. bags, boxes of cereal, 55 gallon garbage bags and Walmart gift cards.

If anyone is interested and available, I need one or two people to team up with me and help in organizing and setting up the collection. Please let me know if you can join me or if you have any questions.

Thank you, Shawn Matel Stewardship Committee



# The Steeple was/will be lighted to the Glory of God

### December 15

In memory of Tiffany, so special and so beloved, whose life was cut short too soon, but whose memory lives on within all of us. Love from your family and many friends.

To light the steeple in honor/memory of a loved one or to acknowledge a special occasion, please fill out the form available in the Chapel Room or below and place it in the Secretary's mail slot in the Church or email the information to <u>secretary@ccburlingtonct.org</u>.

The lighting will be printed in the Church bulletin and newsletter. A suggested donation of \$5.00 will be applied to the cost of the lighting. Thank you.

The Steeple will be lighted to the Glory of God

Date:	
In loving memory of:	

To wish happy	/ birthday t	0:	

To wish happy anniversary to: \_\_\_\_\_

Other:

By:\_\_\_\_\_