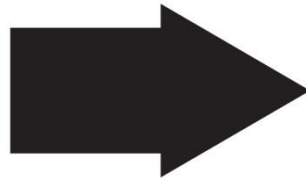


**Terryville Congregational Church**  
**October, 2020 Newsletter**



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**OCTOBER**  
**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**  
Outdoor Events Only

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**THANKS TO EVERYONE FOR  
MAKING THE GRAND RAFFLE  
SUCH A SUCCESS!**

***HORSE TOURNAMENT!***



***To Benefit Terryville Congregational  
Church***

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2020**  
***See attached flier for details***

# TERRYVILLE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

## October, 2020

Dear Members & Friends of TCC:

Greetings in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ! No matter what has happened since March, we are blessed to know God's love and abiding Spirit!

While we are still in "wait and see" mode when it comes to some of our events, I can report that for Sunday worship we will be able to go indoors once the weather is either too cold to be outdoors (or too rainy). The Governor recently announced that phase 3 begins October 8<sup>th</sup> which means 50% capacity indoors for churches. The Sanctuary is marked off for Social Distancing, and please wear a mask. We are going to eliminate as much touching as we can, so the offering plate will be in a stable place (rather than passed through the pews) and there will be a place in the service when you can place your offering in the plate. Please bear with us as we navigate this new set up. We will also continue to use the pre-packaged (sealed) Communion sets for Holy Communion.

Here's an updated version of our frequently asked questions:

**When will we be back inside for worship?** As soon as the weather is too cold (or too rainy) to be outdoors. Please distance, wear a mask, and limit any shared touching of objects. There is a sanitizing station in the Narthex which contains extra masks, hand sanitizer, and wipes. We will wipe down the Sanctuary after each use. We will not be able to have an indoor coffee hour, but we may be able to offer coffee "to go" outdoors and distance while we chat for a few moments depending on weather, etc.

**What is the plan for cleaning the building and keeping it sanitized once we return to indoor gatherings?** We have the Bioesque cleaning product which our cleaning company administers. We also will wipe down each room after it is used. We have guidelines posted throughout the building. All individuals/groups that use the building will have to adhere to the guidelines. We will have hand sanitizer and masks available as well.

**When we do return to worship indoors, what will it look like?** We will space out where we sit (the pews are marked for this), we will wear masks, and we are advised not to sing (due to the force of breath exhaled and potentially spreading germs). We had an indoor Memorial Service on Sept. 14 (for Linda Jones) and everything flowed very smoothly in terms of distancing, etc.

**In addition to indoor worship, what about other events that we normally have in Sept-Oct-Nov-etc.?** At the recent Church Council meeting, we decided not to have the Christmas Bazaar this year; our October concert/dinner had already been postponed to 2021; and other events such as BINGO are all on hold until we have more information. We do have an outdoor event - Horseshoe Tournament - on Oct. 3 (see enclosed flyer).

**What about Sunday school?** No decision has been made yet about Sunday school. We will keep you posted. We will continue the online Sunday school videos that we know have been very well received during this pandemic. These videos started Sept. 19th. (If you have missed any, you can always go back and watch them as they will remain on Facebook and YouTube). Confirmation Class began on Sept. 20 and the class has 5 students so we are able to meet in-person (distanced and with masks). We are planning and hoping to have Confirmation Sunday for last year's confirmation class on October 25<sup>th</sup>.

**What can we do (other than worship)?** We have our Annual (outdoor) Horseshoe Tournament on Oct. 3 (see enclosed flyer). Other events may arise and be scheduled depending on news and State of CT changes in guidelines. An example may be that we do a to-go meal fundraiser. Another example may be that we schedule more outdoor events.

**I am very encouraged** that our online videos have received hundreds and - in some cases - thousands of views. The Vacation Bible School videos were especially amazing!

**I am also encouraged** that many hospitals and some nursing facilities are now allowing visits (in some cases, outdoors only). Please let me know if you or someone you know is in the hospital and would like to receive a visit.

**In addition,** we continue to reach out to people in need. We just completed our 5th round of care packages (thank you all for your generous donations!) and we are now collecting for our 6th round of packages. We also just received a Thomaston Savings Bank Foundation, Inc. grant so that we can continue providing meals for the residents of Eli Terry Retirement and Gosinski Park for the 2020-2021 year. (We can do the meals take-out or to-go as needed).

**Please continue** to support our church during these times. You can give online at [terryvillecongregationalchurch.org](http://terryvillecongregationalchurch.org) or by mailing (or dropping at the office) your pledge. Our church has and continues to be a bright shining light of God's good news and love during these trying times, and we have to keep it going!

If you have any questions about anything mentioned here or another question about something not addressed in this message, feel free to call our office at 860.589.0182.

Continue to draw close to God in prayer and in Christian outreach and love!

Sincerely,  
Rev Zack

## OUR PRAYERS GO TO



### **PRAYERS FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF RALPH DAVIS WHO ENTERED ETERNAL LIFE ON SEPTEMBER 23, 2020**

**Members:** *Darlene Wartonick, Alex Morrell, Janet Waldron, Paul Hawes, Bill Hawes, Buddy Hawes, Hadley Waldron, Karen Reilly, Pam Eggleston and family and her mom, Carmela Heuschkel, Mary Mitchell, Diane Pratt, Dacy Pratt, Sue Piercy, Mary McLam, Wayne Hotchkiss (husband of Ellen Hotchkiss), Jean Mariano, Rachel Reynolds (recovering from hip procedure), Debbie Wartonick*

**Friends and Family:** *), Carole Kozikowski,(daughter of Curt and Mary-Alice Wilbanks)*

**NursingFacility/AssistedLiving/Retirement/LivingIndependent/Home:** *Ann Krampitz (Sheriden Wood Conv. Home), Rae Link, Doris Bondeson, (Farmington Station, Farmington, CT), Bill Fickett (Shady Oakes), Ray & Lois Douyard (Apple Rehab in Avon) Lois Kamens (Live Well, Plantsville), Barbara Plumb/Home, Mary Lecko/Home, Juney Cushman (Farmington Station, Farmington, CT), Edna Kirkby (Middlewoods, Farmington), Elaine Tedesco "E.T." (Ingrham Manor), Darlene Wartonick (Arden Courts of Farmington)*

**NOTE: Atria's Name has changed to Farmington Station.**

**Military:** *Derek Thibodeau*

**WE SUPPORT OUR MILITARY:** The church continues its support of service men and women in the Town of Plymouth. Donations are welcome in the church Narthex or they can be mailed or dropped off at the church office. To date contributions total \$245.41. Currently we are researching our options on how to best put the donations to use in our community. We will keep you posted. Thank you!

Notes:

Just a reminder, we have cleaned up the Family and Friends prayer section. If there is someone you would like to add or that we have removed that you would like back on the list, please let us know.

Also, we want to improve our prayer list by adding what we are praying for. If you are comfortable sharing a little information, please provide us with a brief description about why we are praying for the person on the prayer list. For Example: Rachel Reynolds (recovering from hip procedure) or Jane Doe (undisclosed illness)

## **ELECTED OFFICERS, LAY-READERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**\*Moderator** - Gerald Wunsch

**\*Vice Moderator** – Paula Anderson

**\*At-Large Council Members** – Jim Hannon, John Layton

### **\*Spiritual Group Leader - Rich Sauzedde**

**Diaconate** – Roseann Hannon, Andy Gagner, Holly Zemak

**Music Committee** – Barbara Benson, Sue Dillane, Sandi Ehmer

**Christian Education Committee** – Jolene Cahill, Betsy Dixie, Charlotte Audet

### **\*Business Group Leader – Ray Zalaski, Jr.**

**Finance Committee** – Bob Grosf, Wayne Harnish, Jackie Merchant, Wayne Waldron, Trustees Rep.

**Treasurer** – Candace Telke

**Assistant Treasurer** – Alison Reed

**Collectors** – Sue Dillane, Millie Perry

**Trustees Committee** – Jake Armbruster, Eric Armbruster, Dave Morrell, Bob Worden, Tom Zalaski

**Communications Committee** – Jeanne Zalaski, Tina Gagner

**Clerk** – Sylvia LaFreniere

### **\*Service Group Leader – Cindy Harnish**

**Outreach Committee** – Crista Furtado, Carol Barberi, Sharon Paradis, Candace Telke

**Fellowship Committee** – Ellen Cifone, Judy Harris, Jean Mariano

**\*Church Council Members**

## **Council Appointed Positions**

<b><u>By-Laws Manager:</u></b>	Curt Wilbanks
<b><u>Safe Conduct Advocate:</u></b>	Wayne Kamens
<b><u>Personnel Committee:</u></b>	1. Donna Wunsch 2. Holly Zemak
<b><u>Floral Committee:</u></b>	1. Ellen Cifone 2. Sue Kozikowski 3. Sandy Colasanto
<b><u>Church Historian:</u></b>	Charlotte Crockett
<b><u>Historical Committee:</u></b>	1. Charlotte Crockett 2. Dick Foote 3. Donna Wunsch
<b><u>Audit Committee:</u></b>	Sylvia LaFreniere

Updated: 2/19/20

**Special Events Celebrated During September, 2020**  
**along with one carried over from August**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Josh Mabe (Josh, please refer to the Historian's Corner section at the back of the newsletter for a special informational Birthday Gift. Hope you enjoy this bit of family history. Feel free to share it with your Mom and Connor.)	Aug. 29	13 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
Ray & Lois Douyard	Sept. 1	69 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
Justin Furtado	Sept. 1	Birthday
John Layton	Sept. 7	Birthday
Karen Riley	Sept. 7	Birthday
Lee & Paula Anderson	Sept. 8	Anniversary
Roland Anderson	Sept. 8	Birthday
Fred Telke	Sept. 9	Birthday
Dickie Zalaski	Sept. 9	Birthday
Ray Douyard	Sept. 12	Birthday
Ethan Bilodeau	Sept. 12	Birthday
Patricia Ashe	Sept. 13	68 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
Jim Hannon	Sept. 18	Birthday
Madeline Boughton	Sept. 22	Birthday
Curt & Mary-Alice Wilbanks	Sept. 23	42 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary
Sammy Grela	Sept. 25	Birthday
Bill & Linda Lamy	Sept. 25	Anniversary
Larry & Sylvia Lafreniere	Sept. 28	52 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary
Roseann & Jim Hannon	Sept. 29	52 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary
Jodi Waldron	Sept. 30	40 <sup>th</sup> Birthday

# Plymouth Community Food Pantry

## Items most needed as of 9/28/20:

Cereal	Pancake Mix
Baking Goods, Cake/Brownie Mixes	Jelly
Coffee & Tea	

## VOLUNTEERS:

Every Monday 1:30pm-3:15pm

Every Friday 9:00am-12:00pm

The first Monday of the month 4:00pm-5:15pm

Every other Wednesday (starting 1/22/20) 12:30pm-2:00pm

Please help us to support our Food Pantry by remembering to bring non-perishables each week. You can place your food donations into our “food pantry wagon” when it is pulled down the aisle during morning announcements.



2020 Food Collected for  
Food Pantry by TCC

<u>Month</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
January	150	
February	111	
March	138	
April	unknown	
May	unknown	
June		\$50.00
July		\$150.00
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		
<b>2020 Total:</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>\$200.00</b>

(as reported by the Food Pantry)



# Outreach Committee News



**Outreach Committee: Carol Barbieri, Cindi Harnish, Candace Telke, Sharon Paradis, Crista Furtado**

Outreach Committee will be planning dinners for Gosinski Park and Eli Terry in October and November. These dinners will be served "to go" style. We will also be planning a Veteran's Day donation supporting a Veteran's related cause. In addition, a donation will be made to the Plymouth Food Pantry for Thanksgiving. Please reach out if you have any suggestions for our Veteran's Day donation.

## **Dinners**

Over the next month we will be planning for the last two dinners for 2020. These dinners will most likely be served as take out at Gosinski Park and Eli Terry. Looking forward to providing the residents a special meal..

## **Upcoming Events**

### **Dinner Calendar for 2020 -**

January 11 - Gosinski Park

March 14 - Gosinski Park

October - Gosinski Park

February 8 - Eli Terry

May 2 - Eli Terry - Postponed to May 8

November - Eli Terry

### **Meeting Schedule for 2020 - Monthly on second Sunday at 9:15 in the Social Hall**

January 12 - no meeting

April 5 - no meeting

July - no Meeting

October 11

February 9 - no meeting

May 10 - no meeting

August 9

November 8

March 8 - meeting held

June 14 - email meeting

September 13

December 13

I hope everyone is safe and doing well handling our current social and physical distancing situation.

If you are interested in more information on upcoming Outreach events or helping the Committee, please contact any of our members. We'd love to have your support! As we all deal with this challenging time, let's keep each other in our thoughts and prayers.

Crista Furtado

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## **Terryville Congregational Church, thanks to you, 1 borrower is closer to their dreams!**

### **Loan Updates**

#### **Paid in Full**

##### **Romela - Bago 2, Negros Occidental, Philippines / General Store**

Romela is 45 years old and married with three children. Romela works very hard to provide for them. She runs a general store in the Philippines and requested a loan to buy items like canned goods, personal care products, etc. to sell in her general store. She has been in this business for 10 years. Romela would like to save enough to provide a secure future for her family. Since Romela's loan was not planned to be paid in full until February 2021, she must be doing well with her general store. Best wishes to Romela as she continues to prosper and benefit from her sales.

#### **New Loan**

##### **Christine - Lyons, IL United States - White Rose Hospitality Consulting -**

**Website -** [whiteroseconsulting.net](http://whiteroseconsulting.net)

#### **Christine's Story**

29 years ago, at 14 years old, I got my first job as a server in a small cafe in my hometown just outside of Chicago. Since then, I have worked many jobs in the hospitality industry, but the position that influenced me the most was when I started bartending at 21. As a single mom, I have always appreciated the way bartending allowed me to spend more time with my kids while still being able to provide for them. It is a great job for those that can handle it, but many people do not realize just how much responsibility falls on a bartender's shoulders. Some people think it's just about pouring drinks and counting money, but there is so much more to it.

Serving alcohol responsibly is a challenge for some bartenders, and many do not take that responsibility seriously. In 2017, I became a manager and instructor at a bartending school. Part of my job was teaching the state mandated responsible alcohol serving program known as B.A.S.S.E.T. (Beverage Alcohol Sellers and Servers Education and Training). Looking back, I did not expect it to fuel such a passion in me, but now I am immensely proud to be able to teach it.

Many alcohol servers (including myself at one point) go for the low-cost online version of the training when they need to get certified, but those tend to be rather tiresome and unengaging and the information is easily forgotten as soon as it is over. When I sat through my first in-person B.A.S.S.E.T. class, I learned so much more than I ever learned from the online courses and I was able to actually retain the knowledge because of the hands-on experience. Every single piece of information taught in this class is extremely important. It goes over the physical properties of alcohol, signs of intoxication, how and when to cut off a customer, stopping underage sales, DUI's, dram shop laws and victims' rights. Teaching it made me strive to make it captivating so the important information can actually be retained by each and every participant. I like to think I am doing everything I can to help stop drunk driving before it happens. I feel with every class, the roads become a little bit safer for everyone.

## **Business Description**

In addition to the B.A.S.S.E.T. certification, I also offer a cost-efficient, unbiased perspective with 30 years of knowledge and industry insight. I am tenacious in my quest to assist in making new or established businesses operate efficiently on all levels and turn a better profit. My uniquely curated consultation allows my clients to shine among the rest of the industry, allowing their customers, as well as their employees to have a better and more enjoyable experience. I also assist my clients with hiring and training, boosting team morale to aid employee retention, food and drink menu creation, increasing sales, reducing waste, marketing, sanitation and post-pandemic reopening procedures.

I have dreamed of being a business owner for most of my career. The last 3 years I was working for someone who was extremely manipulating and demeaning. Thankfully, instead of destroying me, it only pushed me to work harder to make this dream a reality and to do things the right way. Sometimes it takes something negative, to get a positive result.

I chose the name White Rose as an homage to my grandmother, Blanche Rose, whom I lost in 2016. She was a beautiful, caring woman and the epitome of compassion. When I see the name or logo, I am reminded of why I care so deeply about humanity.

As soon as I am able to do so safely, I will offer on-site consultations and classes anywhere in the Chicagoland area. Until then, I am currently assisting businesses (along with so many others during this pandemic) mostly from my home. As the business grows, I plan to rent a small office space for meeting with clients and eventually hiring a staff.

## **What is the purpose of this loan?**

I am extremely passionate about what I am doing, so I put everything I could from my personal savings into this business. Unfortunately, because of this pandemic, those funds are now just about depleted. One positive thing this pandemic has pushed me to do is reevaluate my goals and take some steps in achieving those goals.

I am applying for a loan with Kiva because I have faith in community, and I am confident the community will also have faith in me.

If funded, I will be able to make my dream a reality. I will be able to build a professional website, order business cards, purchase the needed educational materials and license, get insurance, advertise and get a refurbished laptop or a tablet I can use when I travel to teach classes.

Thank you so much for your help! Christine

If you are interested in more information on Kiva visit their website at [Kiva.org](http://www.kiva.org), view our lender page at <http://www.kiva.org/lender/terryvillecongregati3466> or if you would like to help in deciding our next loan recipient, please contact us!

*Crista and Justin Furtado*

## NICODEMUS, THE CHURCH MOUSE



Nicodemus here!

I'm so happy that Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> was a great day the weather was just right, all the Happy people enjoying time with each other. The music was such fun (bet you didn't know that we mice love to sing and dance) and the hamburgers were delicious. I didn't win any prizes, but I'm so happy for everyone that won. Again thanks to Roseann Hannon and Wayne Harnish for their hard work. Well done!!

I am also happy that we can come back to church. Remember your mask (I have not been able to find one for mice yet) I cant wait to see everyone.

Well I have to tell you about a very funny thing that I found out. I've been just hanging around and I heard people talking about the church mice (so of course that's me and my family, or so I thought). Well they are saying that the mice don't have to make and bake any pies because there is no Christmas Bazaar this year (bake pies? we mice don't bake). Then I hear about how clean they keep the kitchen (now this just doesn't sound right, we like the crumbs, why would we be keeping everything clean?). Now I'm beginning to hear names Dickie, Roseann, Ruth, Sue, Judy, Ellen, Jeanne, Sandy, Jean, Mary Alice, and Ann (now some of these name I know, I do have a cousin Ellen and Sue, but who are these other mice that they are talking about?). So now I have to find my cousin Ellen, she will know about these pies and keeping the church clean. I find her in the room called the music room looking at Matt's music (I told you we like to sing). Well I asked Ellen about making and baking pies and she starts to laugh and she keeps laughing so hard that I was afraid she might not be able to stop. She called me a crazy goose (I'm no bird).

## NICODEMUS, THE CHURCH MOUSE

She then told me that the church mice were a group of ladies that got together to make and bake pies for different church events. They also host parties and different events. And yes! They clean the kitchen and don't leave much for us real mice to eat. Now just imagine my surprise, why would a group of ladies that don't like mice say they were church mice, but I just laughed until my sides hurt. I found out that these ladies (or mice) do a lot of work to help the church. Thanks for your great work (Oh! By the way I like apple pie).

Well I have some other things to explore, so until next time remember to be kind.

All together in Jesus' love,  
Nicodemus your Church Mouse

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## SUCCESS



You can use most any measure  
When you're speaking of success –  
You can measure it in fancy home,  
Expensive car or dress;  
But the measure of your real success  
Is the one you cannot spend  
It's the way your kids describe you  
When they're talking to a friend

Submitted by: Ellen Anderson

# HELP WITH ADVERTISING CHURCH EVENTS



We are very fortunate to have Jeannie Zalaski, and Tina Gagner as our new Communications people for this church. They will be assisting in advertising different events for us. If you would like posters to be hung up and/or advertising put on radio, newspapers, etc. please email Jeannie with your info at [rzalaski@comcast.net](mailto:rzalaski@comcast.net) or call her at home at 860-582-7331. Be sure to always include YOUR contact name information and the event you are working on.

**SPECIAL DONATIONS FOR PER COST OF WINDOWS:** We would like to suggest to anyone who would like to, to donate whatever amount they feel they can to go toward payment of a new window. The cost per window is \$400, but a partial donation would be fine. We would like to put name plates under each window that has a donation

**The next newsletter will be in *November, 2020*. Special announcements, articles or events provided by *October 23<sup>rd</sup>* will be published in the *November 2020* issue. Please email to: [Terryvillechurch@hotmail.com](mailto:Terryvillechurch@hotmail.com)**

**We now have online giving on our church website. It is a secure system through pay pal. Go to [www.terryvillecongregationalchurch.org](http://www.terryvillecongregationalchurch.org) and click on “donate”. You can make a one-time donation or a recurring donation/pledge. Thank you.**