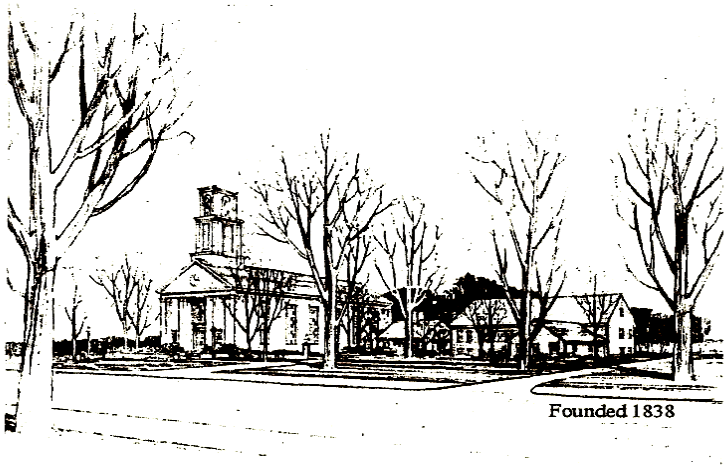
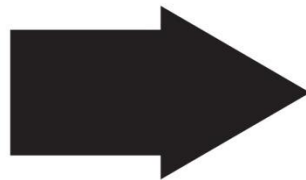


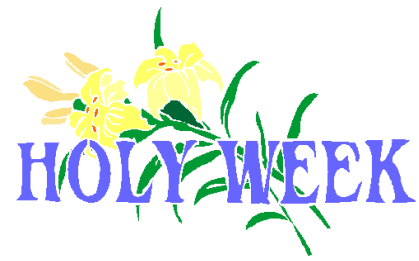
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ADDRESS CORRECTION
REQUESTED



April 1, 2021
7pm Maundy Thursday Service

April 2, 2021
12pm Good Friday Service

April 4, 2021
6am Easter Sunrise Service at
Plymouth Congregational Church

April 4, 2021
10am Easter Day Service

APRIL EVENTS:

April 17, 2021
4pm to 6pm
Take-out Roast Beef Dinner
(See details on page 11)

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TCC Buddy the Beefalo T-Shirts & Reusable Grocery Bags For Sale!

(See page 14 for details)

TERRYVILLE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

APRIL, 2021

Dear Members & Friends of TCC:

By the time you receive this newsletter, we will be in the midst of Holy Week. Holy week this year begins on March 28 with Palm Sunday and continues with the following events:

Thursday, April 1: 7pm Maundy Thursday Service followed by sharing Hot Cross Buns (to-go)

Friday, April 2: 12pm Good Friday Service

Sunday, April 4: 6am Easter Sunrise Service (at Plymouth Cong. Church)

Sunday, April 4: 10am Easter Service including Holy Communion

All of the Services will be offered in-person as well as livestreamed on Facebook (and later posted to Youtube as well).

Other things happening in April:

Saturday, April 3: To-go meals being served by the Outreach Committee to all residents of Eli Terry Retirement Community

Sunday, April 11 & April 18: Matt Miskin will be away and Sandy Kamens will be playing the organ for us

Saturday, April 17: Annual Roast Beef Dinner (to-go)

I want to thank everyone for supporting our dinners! The Chicken dinner was so very successful - sold out days in advance of the event, and the to-go process ran very smoothly and efficiently thanks to our volunteers. We are hoping that the Roast Beef Dinner will be just as successful! You can order your tickets by calling the office 860.589.0182.

And mark your calendars now for these two upcoming Memorial Services (which were previously postponed due to Covid):

May 19, 11am: Memorial Service for Barbara Plumb

May 22, 11am: Memorial Service for Ray Douyard

Both of these services are happening at our church.

Starting in March, I have started to resume a lot of nursing facility visits as well as in-home visits (following local protocols, of course, and making sure folks have been vaccinated). Please let me know if you know someone who would like to receive a visit (and again, making sure that the protocols will allow for it). As weather permits, outside visits can also happen.

In closing, I have two service project - related things to share. First, I want to share something about our local Plymouth Community Food Pantry. As you hopefully know by now, I recently began serving on the Board of Directors for the Food Pantry. The Pantry is in the midst of a big renovation project. If you don't already know, the Pantry is located in the downstairs Social Hall of the Ss. Cyril & Methodius Church here in town. (The Pantry originated in our church, many years ago, and has gone through a few different locations as it expanded before it eventually landed where it is now). The downstairs Social Hall is being renovated to better fit the needs of those who utilize the pantry to fulfill their food needs. During the renovation, the pantry has moved to the upstairs Social Hall of the Ss. Cyril & Methodius Church. The project began around March 20 and the hope is that it will be complete in mid-May. Sometime in June or July (still being planned), there will be a grand re-opening ceremony. It is important that everyone know that this renovation was made possible by a large, single

donation that came to the food pantry; the renovation is not coming from money that was donated to buy food. If you ever have any questions about the pantry, feel free to ask. The pantry has done an amazing job, especially in this past year, to ensure that our local residents in need are fed. Just as it originated in our church, our church continues to be a big supporter of the pantry -- both in donations as well as many volunteers from our church who work at the pantry. I am happy to serve on the Board and look forward to continued work supporting this important organization in our town.

Second, I want to share something about Rebuilding Together. Many of you may remember that for several years in a row, our congregation helped with Rebuilding Together. Rebuilding Together is a national organization with local branches. For several years, we helped with the New Britain branch. Rebuilding Together serves local people in need by doing yard work and house repairs to people who are low income, disabled, special needs, and/or veterans. At the time when we were helping with the New Britain branch, we did not realize that there is also an active Litchfield County branch. During this past year, I have been in touch with the Litchfield County branch and they are excited to add Terryville to the other number of towns that they help. Therefore, this coming year, we will be able to volunteer with Litchfield County and we can help residents within Terryville with house repairs and yard work. Rebuilding Together projects normally happen on the last Saturday in April every year. However, due to Covid, the 2021 date will be a Saturday in September (either the 18th or 25th, TBA). In the meantime, Rebuilding Together is asking us for three things: 1) Do you know anyone in Terryville who is low income, special needs, disabled, and/or veteran who needs home repairs or yard work? 2) Do you know any contractors or people with expertise in home repairs who would like to volunteer with us in September? If you know either of these, please let me know. 3) Even if you do not have expertise in home repair, you are welcome to volunteer (those with the expertise will tell us and teach us/show us what to do)-- so please start thinking about it, save those dates, and let me know if you would like to volunteer with our team in September.

With Christian Love,
Rev Zack

OUR PRAYERS GO TO



Members: Darlene Wartonick, Alex Morrell, Janet Waldron, Paul & Marie 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, Wayne Hotchkiss (husband of Ellen Hotchkiss), Jean Mariano, Rachel Reynolds (recovering from hip procedure), Debbie Wartonick, Marian McLam, Andrea Armbruster.

Friends and Family: Carole Kozikowski, (daughter of Curt and Mary-Alice Wilbanks). Rocky Fench and Raymond Dery (son-in-laws of Millie Perry), Evelyn Herrin (friend of Carol Barbieri), Jon Carlson (friend of Millie Perry).

Nursing Facility/Assisted Living/Retirement/Living Independent/Home: Ann Krampitz (Sheriden Woods), Rae Link, Doris Bondeson (Brandywine), Juney Cushman (Farmington Station), Lois Douyard (Apple), Edna Kirkby (Middlewoods), Elaine Tedesco "E.T." (Ingraham Manor), Darlene Wartonick (Arden Courts).

Military: Derek Thibodeau. **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 \$114.41. 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: Please help us update our prayer list. We would like to offer a brief reason why we are praying for each person so that we can better direct our prayers (see the example above for Rachel Reynolds).

ELECTED OFFICERS, LAY-READERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

***Moderator** - Gerald Wunsch

***Vice Moderator** – Paula Anderson

***At-Large Council Members** – Jim Hannon, Sandra Kamens

***Spiritual Group Leader - Rich Sauzedde**

Diaconate – Roseann Hannon, Ray Zalaski Jr., Holly Zemak

Music Committee – Barbara Benson, Sue Dillane, Sandi Ehmer

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

***Business Group Leader – Vacant**

Finance Committee – (1) Vacancy, Wayne Harnish, Jackie Merchant, Wayne Waldron, Jake Armbruster

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 – Tina Gagner, Church Secretary, Committee Event Members/Volunteers (Temporary)

Clerk – Sylvia LaFreniere

***Service Group Leader – Cindy Harnish**

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

Fellowship Committee – (1) Vacancy, Judy Harris, Jean Mariano

***Church Council Members**

Council Appointed Positions

By-Laws Manager: Curt Wilbanks

Safe Conduct Advocate: Wayne Kamens

Personnel Committee: 1. Donna Wunsch
2. Holly Zemak
3.

Floral Committee: 1.
2. Sue Kozikowski
3. Sandy Colasanto

Church Historian: Charlotte Crockett

Historical Committee: 1. Charlotte Crockett
2. Dick Foote
3. Donna Wunsch

Audit Committee: 1. Sylvia LaFreniere
2.

Updated:

Special Events Celebrated During March, 2021

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Rev. Zachary Mabe	March 4	Birthday
Monica Westover	March 5	Birthday
Brody Wunsch	March 5	17 th Birthday
Cindi Harnish	March 7	Birthday
Sue Kiszka	March 7	Birthday
Pam Kamens	March 8	Birthday
Phil Armbruster	March 11	Birthday
Jase Viera	March 13	5 th Birthday
Carol Hopkins	March 14	Birthday
Linda Miskin	March 14	Birthday
Millie Perry	March 15	80 th Birthday
<i>Happy St. Patrick's Day to Everyone – 3/17</i>		
Emery Austin	March 18	Birthday
Macklin Lowd	March 19	6 th Birthday
Steve Kozikowski	March 21	39 th Birthday
Karen Austin	March 23	80 th Birthday
Cheyenne Kovaleski	March 29	Birthday

Caylee Brown earned a Phi Lambda Pharmacy Leader Society Award from her college as proudly announced by her grandmother, Susan Kozikowski. Sue, I can't believe 4 years have gone by already. Congratulations, Caylee!

Thanks to Paul Bilodeau for adding his musical talents to our services. The four of you sounded especially good on Sunday, March 21 – Rev. Zack, Matthew, Curt and Paul.

Note: Anyone who may want their Special Event listed in our Monthly Newsletter, please call Mary-Alice at 860-583-3910 or our church secretary, Tracy at 860-589-0812.

Plymouth Community Food Pantry

Items in Short Supply (plymouthfoodpantry.org 4/1/21):

- Laundry Detergent
- Crushed Tomatoes
- Baked Beans
- Small/Medium Adult Diapers
- Coffee & Hot Chocolate

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.



2021 Food Collected for \$1.67/POUND
Food Pantry by TCC

<i>Month</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
January	60	\$100.20
February	25	\$41.75
March	46	\$76.82
April		
May		
June		
July		
August		
September		
October		
November		
December		
2021 Total:	131	\$218.77

*as reported by the food pantry

Outreach Committee News



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

Town of Plymouth Small Wonders Christmas 2020 program recognized Terryville Congregational Church for our donations to support Christmas for area children. From the article, "2020 was a year like no other, but as Christmas drew near, one bright spot emerged. The Town of Plymouth Small Wonders Christmas Program, as always, brought out the best in this town's generosity and togetherness. This year's program filled the wishes of 98 children from 41 families. This was all made possible by our residents, businesses, churches and other organizations that each year open their hearts and their wallets to provide for the children of our community." The Outreach Committee sponsored 5 children from this program.

On Saturday, March 13, dinner was served to the Gosinski Park community. We served Chicken Florentine, mashed potatoes, and cookies to 60 residents "to go" style. Everyone was appreciative and excited to receive their dinner.

Our next dinner will be served to Eli Terry residents on April 3. Please reach out if you are interested in helping or would like to provide a dessert.

We are thankful to Thomaston Savings Bank for their grant of \$1,500 to continue to support the Gosinski Park and Eli Terry dinners. The Bank's generosity is much appreciated.

Dinner Schedule for 2021

Outreach Committee will be serving "to go style" dinners to residents of Eli Terry and Gosinski Park communities on the following dates:

February 6 - Eli Terry	March 13 - Gosinski Park
April 3 - Eli Terry	May 1 - Gosinski Park
October 9 - TBD - Eli Terry	November 7 - TBD - Gosinski Park

Tentative Meeting Schedule for 2021

- January - email meeting to decide on dinner schedule for 2021
- February 6 - after Eli Terry dinner if needed
- March 13 - after Gosinski Park dinner if needed
- April 3 - after Eli Terry dinner if needed
- May 1 - after Gosinski Park dinner if needed
- June 6 - email meeting if needed
- July - no Meeting
- August 1
- September 12
- October 9 - TBD - after Eli Terry dinner
- November 7 - TBD - after Gosinski Park dinner
- December 5

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 and ideas!

As we all deal with this challenging time, let's keep each other in our thoughts and prayers.

Crista Furtado



Supporting 14 open loans - total of 118 supported - \$2,975

Loan Updates

Paid In Full

Norma Noemi - Acari, Peru - Clothing Sales

Norma is a hard-working woman, 43 years old, who lives with her partner and 2 children in the locality of Acari. She works selling clothing in her retail space which, with great effort, she managed to open. Norma is always seeking to have a variety of clothing to attract new customers and keep her existing customers coming back to shop. She asks for the microloan to be able to purchase clothing such as sweaters and school jackets to stock her business, increasing her sales volume. Norma hopes in the future to improve her house and to continue offering her children a good education, so that they become people of many values and professionals.

This loan is special because:

Expands access to financial services for rural clients.

New Loans

Geogina / Uma, Fiji / Personal Housing Expenses

Geogina and her family survived on just about \$30 a day from selling fish, so the chances of them repairing their home that was damaged by Tropical Cyclone Yasa were slim to none. Everyone on the island of Rabi, where Geogina's village, Uma, is situated has in one way been affected by the recent cyclone, so fish sales have not been good either, further affecting the family. Help has been slow to arrive to the island, so Geogina humbly seeks a loan to make things happen for her family as they need to get back on their feet as soon as possible, especially for the sake of the children. She requests a loan as she hopes to first repair the damage done to their home and because she also wishes to set up a canteen business to feed the family and send the children to school, among many other things. She believes that a canteen business will thrive in the community because food items are imperishable and she is willing to work towards making hers a success.

This loan is special because:

It provides emergency funding to clients affected by tropical cyclone Yasa.

Some information on Cyclone Yasa (from [Wikipedia](#))

Severe Tropical Cyclone Yasa was the strongest tropical cyclone in the South Pacific since Winston in 2016, as well as the fourth most intense tropical cyclone on record in the basin. It was also the second Category 5 severe tropical cyclone in 2020 after Harold in the 2019–20 South Pacific cyclone season.

[Highest wind speed](#): 162 mph

[Total fatalities](#): 4

[Damage](#): > \$246.7 million (2020 USD)

[Lowest pressure](#): 899 hPa (mbar); 26.55 inHg

[Date](#): December 11, 2020 – December 24, 2020

[Affected areas](#): [Fiji](#), [Vanuatu](#), [Tonga](#)

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

TERRYVILLE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

233 Main Street
Terryville, CT 06786

ANNUAL ROAST BEEF DINNER

Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Carrots, Green Beans,
Cottage Cheese, Chickpeas, Rye Bread, & Dessert

Adults \$17.00 **SAT. APRIL 17** Children 5-10 \$8.00

“Take-out meals only”



4 to 6 P.M.

FOR TICKETS CALL: 860-589-0182

Proceeds benefit the church's general fund

The Lilies decorating our Sanctuary Are dedicated to the
glory of Easter
April 4, 2021

GIVEN BY:

Donna & Jerry Wunsch

Jake, Kaitlyn, Tony, & Family

Steve & Susan Kozikowski

Millie Perry & Family

Gail Beale

Ellen Cifone

*Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Hotchkiss
& Family*

Dave & Jackie Merchant

Curt & Mary Alice Wilbanks

IN MEMORY OF:

Conopask & Wunsch Family

*Barbara Anne Armbruster
Kimberly Armbruster-Jaques*

All Our Loved Ones

Amanda Dery (granddaughter)

*Ernest Henne
Jack Beale*

*Mike Cifone
Norma & George Plumb*

*Mrs. Ellen Armbruster
Mr. Ralph Armbruster, Sr.*

Alexander Merchant

*Daniel Wilbanks (son)
Joe & Mae Fusco (parents)
Carey & Laura Wilbanks
(parents)*

The Lilies decorating our Sanctuary Are dedicated to the
glory of Easter
April 4, 2021

GIVEN BY:

Wayne Krampitz

Wayne & Cindi Harnish

Herman & Andrea Armbruster

Phil & Joy Armbruster

Anonymous (2) Lilies

IN MEMORY OF:

*Glenna & Fred Krampitz
Anne Krampitz*

Patricia Harnish

*Norman Crepon Sr.
Ellen & Ralph Armbruster Sr.*

*David G. Armbruster
Ellen B. Armbruster*

TCC Buddy the Beefalo T-Shirts & Reusable Grocery Bags!

Support our church and enjoy these new items! \$15 gets you both a T-shirt and a reusable grocery bag! These items will be available in the church office during the week and at all our events. Get yours soon before they sell out!



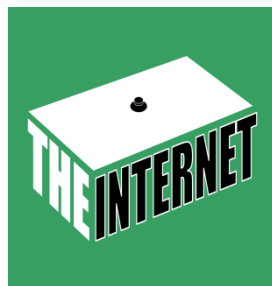
SPECIAL DONATIONS FOR PER COST OF WINDOWS: We would like to suggest to anyone who would like to, to donate whatever amount they feel they can to go toward payment of a new window. The cost per window is \$400, but a partial donation would be fine. We would like to put name plates under each window that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

The next newsletter will be in *May, 2021*. Special announcements, articles or events provided by *April 23, 2021* will be published in the *May 2021* issue. Please email to:

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 and click on “donate”. You can make a one-time donation or a recurring donation/pledge. Thank you.

HELP WITH ADVERTISING CHURCH EVENTS



Our communications committee, Tina Gagner and the church secretary will be assisting in advertising different events for the church. If you would like posters to be hung up and/or advertising put on radio, newspapers, etc. please email the church office with your info at terryvillechurch@hotmail.com or call the church office at 860-589-0182. Be sure to always include YOUR contact name information and the event you are working on. If you are interested in volunteering to help with advertising church events please contact the church office.