

TERRYVILLE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

JUNE 2025 NEWSLETTER



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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Members & Friends of TCC:

Greetings and summer blessings! This newsletter will cover June-July-August, so please note the following important dates:

June 1- Confirmation Sunday

June 14 - Annual Church Fair

June 21 - BINGO

June 28 - Memorial Service for Lois Douyard

July 7-11 - Vacation Bible School

July 12 – Memorial Service for Doris Bondeson

July 13 - Final mission trip meeting (at the Simsbury church)

July 19 - BINGO

August 2-7 - Mission Trip to Maine working with Mission at the Eastward

August 16 - BINGO

August 22-24 - Terryville Country Fair (our church will have a baked goods booth)

Also Please note: Worship Services will be at 9:30am for July & August, shared with Plymouth Congregational Church. July's services will be in our Social Hall (with air conditioning), and August's services will be in Plymouth's Social Hall (also with air conditioning).

My oldest son, Josh, is graduating from high school this June. Can you believe it? He will be headed off to college this August (as of this newsletter writing, he still is not 100% sure which college, but he's narrowed it down to two choices). It will be an interesting summer of getting ready for a huge life transition!

May God bless us all for a safe and meaningful summer!

With Christian Love, Rev Zack

WEEKLY CHURCH COLLECTION

Date:	*In- Person Attendees:	Online Attendance:	Notes:	Collection (offering)
Sunday, May 4	74	350	Communion	\$2,381
Sunday, May 11	75	381		\$1,217
Sunday, May 18	116	398		\$1,007
Sunday, May 22	At Plymouth	771	At Plymouth	Included in June 1

PRAYER SHAWLS – 26 Donated in the Month of May 2025

Knitters & Crocheters: just a reminder we are always in need of prayer shawls

Please contact the Church Office with any questions.

Hour: Monday – Friday, 10am - 2pm



Thank you to all knitters & crocheters past, present, & future!



Special Events to Celebrated in April 2025

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Robin & Paul Bilodeau	May 1	15 th Wedding Anniversary
Lila Cahill	May 2	Birthday
Karen	May 6	Birthday
Peggy & Rudi Witecy	May 10	15 years as Church Members
Steve Armbruster	May 10	Birthday
Ray Zalaski	May 10	Birthday
HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!	May 11	
Hedy Kelley	May 15	Grad School Graduation
Bernie & Marie Licki	May 27	58 th Wedding Anniversary
Stephanie Trelli	May 27	Birthday
Gregory McGinn	May 30	Birthday

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!!

JUNE 15, 2025

Note: Anyone who wishes to have their Special Event listed in our Monthly Newsletter, please write it on the whiteboard in the Narthex or contact our church secretary, Tracy at 860-589-0182.

OUR PRAYERS GO TO



PRAYER LIST

Family and Friends of Doris Bondeson. Doris entered eternal life.

Joan Luba (Ingraham Manor), Karen Reilly, Diane Pratt, Joy Armbruster, Al Morsch, Lila Cahill, Roseann Hannon, Rachel Reynolds (Apple Plainville), Wayne Kamens, Ann Krampitz, Eleanor Shinglar, Gail Foote, Roberta Layton, Buddy Hawes, "Skip" Vaino Skarp, Lowd Family, Lawton Wood, Betsy Caswell, June Lozewski, Lee Grela, Janet Waldron, Dacey Pratt, Jean Mariano.

Friends and Family:

Eugene Seeley (Valerie Manor, Torrington/Millie Perry's Nephew), Catherine Palmer (Karen Reilly's niece), Patty Ososki, James Nodine Jr. (Jennifer Zalaski's Brother), Terrance Hannon (Jim & Roseann Hannon's son), Mark Tompkins (Dickie Zalaski's son), Damien Howell (grandson of Toby & Ester (Atwood) Vega), Shirlene Nordgren (Aunt of Tracy Fitzpatrick), Kristine Hodline (Diane Pratt's sister), Laurie Fonck (Millie Perry's daughter), Sue Prime (friend of Rosann & Jim Hannon), Aiden Waldron (grandson of Glenn & Carmel Waldron – friends of Rachel Reynolds), Peter Salerno (Millie Perry's son-in-law), Gloria Waskey (friend of Rachel Reynolds), Steve LaFreniere (Larry LaFreniere's brother), Arianna Rocinetti (Jim & Roseann Hannon's great granddaughter), Dave and Marie John (friends of Terri Faragher), Randy Wagoner (brother of Russ Wagoner), Carmela Heuschkel (Pam Eggleston's mother), Carole Kozikowski (Curt & Mary-Alice Wilbanks' daughter).

Nursing Facility/Assisted Living/Independent Living/Home: Denise O'Donnell (Grandview, New Britain), Bill Hawes (Sheriden Woods, Bristol), Juney Cushman (Farmington Station, Farmington), Ellen Anderson (home). 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 designated donation can at the front of the church or they can be mailed or dropped off at the church office. To date contributions total \$848.58. Thank you to everyone for continuing to support our military!

Have you ever considered being a Living organ donor?

Learn more about living organ donation for: **Kenneth Carattini**

Contact for More Information:

Center for Living Organ Donors

Yale New Haven Transplantation Center

Call: 866-925-3897

Ynhh.org/organdonation

An adult can be considered for living kidney or liver donation at the Center for Living Organ Donors, Yale New Haven Transplantation Center. Living organ donors express great satisfaction in saving the life of another human being.

Shared by: *Rebecca & Stefanie Trelli*

JUNE FAIR

AT
TERRYVILLE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

233 Main Street
Terryville, CT 06786



Saturday, June 14th

10 am–3 pm



**** LARGE TAG SALE**

**** BASKET RAFFLE ** VENDORS**

**** LIVE MUSIC ** FAMILY ACTIVITIES**

**** FOOD** – fried dough, hamburgers, hot dogs, strawberry



shortcake & brownies



CHICKEN BARBECUE 12PM TO 3PM

Includes: ½ BBQ chicken, potato, coleslaw, baked beans, & roll. To order BBQ Tickets Call the Church Office: (860) 589-0182 (between 10am-2pm, M-F)

JOIN US FOR A DAY FULL OF FUN!

JUNE FAIR SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025 10AM TO 3PM

HELP NEEDED!

TAG SALE – Beginning your Spring cleaning? Please think of “treasures” to donate to the June Fair Tag Sale. Donations will be accepted on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (June 10 – 12) of the week before the fair. ITEMS NEEDED: items that are clean and in good condition such as glassware, books, puzzle, children’s toys. Anything you no longer need that could be someone else’s treasure. EXCEPTIONS: no clothes, stuffed animals or anything bigger than will fit in a car trunk. No Christmas items – please save them for the November Bazaar Christmas past room. We do not have a place to store it here until November.

RAFFLE – the donation of baskets & prizes is very appreciated! We ask that the items be new or very gently used. All baskets & prizes should be wrapped, labeled, and dropped off no later than Wednesday, June 11th during church office hours. The prizes will be recorded and numbered Wednesday night. Late donations may not make it into the raffle.

VENDORS – We are looking for homemade craft vendors for the June Fair. The spaces are 10’X10’ outdoor spaces. Vendors are responsible for bringing their own tables, chairs, and tents (if needed). The spaces are being rented for \$30. We are looking for 7 more vendors.

VOLUNTEERS – Are needed for the following booths: strawberry shortcake, food booth, tag sale, chicken BBQ, raffle, bake sale, & setup & breakdown. The booths are manned in 2.5-hour shifts (10am – 12:30pm and 12:30 – 3pm). Please reach out the chair person of the booth you are interested in volunteering at.

Chair of Each Booth:

Strawberry shortcake – Diane Pratt

Food Booth – Barbara Benson

Raffle – Barbara Benson

Chicken BBQ – Jake Armbruster

Bake Sale – Paula Anderson

Tag Sale – Crista Furtado

Setup & breakdown - Barbara Benson

BAKE SALE – baked goods are needed for the bake sale. Please label all baked goods (i.e.: brownies, chocolate chip cookies, banana bread with walnuts, etc.) If you would like your plate/container back, please put your name on the on the back (disposable plates/container are preferred). Baked goods can be dropped on Friday, June 13th all day in the church kitchen.

SETUP/BREAKDOWN – can you come early or stay late to help setup and breakdown? Sometimes this important part of an event is overlooked.

For general questions, please contact the church office at (860) 589-0182 or chairperson, Barbara Benson, (860) 620-2058.

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS. EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU MAKE THIS EVENT A SUCCESS EACH YEAR. WE COULDN’T DO THIS WITHOUT THE VOLUNTEERS.

Tag Sale

Annual Church Fair - Tag Sale
Saturday, June 14, 2025

ITEMS NEEDED

Items that are clean and in good condition such as glassware, books, puzzles, children's toys
Anything you no longer use or need that could be someone else's treasure

EXCEPTIONS

No clothes, stuffed animals or anything bigger than will fit in a car trunk
Please hold onto your Christmas and holiday items until the Christmas Bazaar in November

OTHER NEEDS

Helpers for setup, cleanup and working the day of the sale to assist customers.

SET UP and DROP OFF TIMES - Social Hall

Tuesday, June 10, from 4 to 7
Wednesday, June 11, from 2 to 5
Thursday, June 12, from 5 to 7

TAG SALE HOURS

Early Bird buyer sale - \$1.00 per person from 9:30 to 10
\$5 Bag Sale will start at 2
Cleanup and bagging will begin at 3 for vendor pickup at 4

QUESTIONS??????

Contact an Outreach Committee member
- Carol Barbieri, Crista Furtado (email - CFurtado419@gmail.com)

COFFEE HOUR IS NOT TRIVIAL

A very important part of Sunday worship come, interestingly enough, *after* the worship service, in the fellowship time which follows. This is the *ministry* we call *Coffee Hour*.

By offering refreshments (coffee, tea, etc.) people hang around and it is during that time that significant things can take place. A visitor can be properly welcomed and we begin to build new friendships. It can also be a time for members to connect with each other and share in joyful celebrations or offer support to each other during times of struggle.

We can also connect with “ministry representatives”, that is, members of our various boards and committees. It gives you an opportunity to “network” and develop interests in your committee and hopefully fill vacant slots that occur or create a list of individuals who may be interested in helping with scheduled projects.

Coffee hour should be viewed as a great seed – planting opportunity rather than a drudgery; a blessing rather than a burden.

Enjoy those coffee hours!!!!

Coffee Hour 2025

<u>Month:</u>		<u>Committee:</u>
January	⇒	Deacons
February	⇒	Council
March	⇒	CE
April	⇒	Music
May	⇒	Trustees
June	⇒	Outreach
July	⇒	Deacons
August	⇒	At Plymouth Congregational Church
September	⇒	Council
October	⇒	CE
November	⇒	Music
December	⇒	Vacant

Note: the committee assigned coffee hour does not have to do coffee hour – they just need to arrange coverage for coffee hour.

Terryville Congregational Church Coffee Hour Instructions



The following supplies are provided by the church for coffee hour:

Decaf Coffee	Cups
Tea	Napkins
Creamer/Milk	Paper Plates/Plastic Silverware (if necessary)
Sugar	

Coffee:

You will need to prepare 60 cups of coffee. You should start to percolate it before service starts so it will be ready by the time service is over. Coffee is in a can in the cabinet to the left of the sink. You will need 3 cups of grounds to 60 cups of water (fill to #60 line on large silver percolator). Plug it in and let it brew. We usually only brew decaf coffee. However, if we have regular coffee in stock you may choose to make percolate some regular coffee too in a separate coffee maker. The suggested split would be 40 cups of decaf & 20 cups of regular.

Hot Water

Fill the small silver electric hot water tea pot with water. Plug it in the outlet on the counter in the social hall near the water fountain (make sure pot is pulled out from under cabinets).

Cups

Styrofoam cups should be in the same cabinet with the coffee. Use about 50 for coffee and 10 for tea. Place 25 cups on the left of the coffee hour table and 25 on the right. Place 10 cups on the counter near the hot water tea pot.

Sweeteners, Stirrers and Creamer/Milk

You need to prepare three containers with a combination of sugar, Sweet N Low, Equal and/or Splenda packets. You will find them on the shelf under the cabinet in the kitchen closest to the small refrigerator. Two containers will go on the coffee hour table. One container will be placed next to the hot water. Pour the milk and half n half just before coffee hour begins. Two pitchers of half n half should be on the coffee hour table (one on each side) and one container of milk should be placed with the hot water. Empty pitchers can be found in the kitchen under the cabinet where the coffee pot is plugged in. Place four spoons on the coffee hour table and one placed with the hot water. Don't forget to put out a basket or container with the tea bags in it.

****NOTE: THE COMMITTEE OR PERSON(S) HOSTING COFFEE HOUR CAN CHOOSE IF THEY WANT TO PROVIDE SNACKS, JUICE, PUNCH, ETC. WITH THE COFFEE & TEA.****

Instructions for optional snacks, juice, punch, etc.

Cookies, pastry, cheese/crackers, etc.

Cookies or other snack items should be placed on a platter and put on the same table as the punch (if included punch or juice).

Punch (recipe: ginger ale, fruit juice, and ice (the church does not have ice onsite))

Use the enclosed punch/juice dispenser (found on the kitchen counter) and empty one container of fruit juice to one half to two thirds of ginger ale. Just before everyone comes down from service, add the bag of ice. Punch cups are located in the upper cabinet all the way to the right of the sink.

Miscellaneous

You should put out napkins on the coffee hour table, the punch table and the counter with the hot water for tea. Please remember to put out a basket for donations.

Updated: 1-19-24

USHER/GREETER'S DUTIES

- 1-Always greet people attending church service in a warm and friendly manner.
- 2-Hand them a copy of Sunday's Bulletin, the current Newsletter if they don't have one and answer any questions they may have.
- 3-Once the service starts and during the first hymn, please take the attendance. It is easier to do this from upstairs in the balcony. Count each adult, child and participant in the service.
- 4-During the Offering, take the plates from the minister and pass them to each pew in the congregation. Bring them back to the altar during the playing of the Doxology. At the close of the prayer, hand them to the minister.

Important Note: Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. The elements are to be prepared and distributed by the Deacons listed below. [Note: CU = Cleanup; SU = Setup]

June 1, 2025	1. Rebecca Trelli (SU) 2. Alex Morrell(SU) 3. Larry LaFreniere(CU) 4. Paula Anderson (CU)
June 8, 2025	1. Russ Wagoner 2. Lynne Wagoner
June 15, 2025	1. Alison Reed 2. Paula Anderson
June 22, 2025	1. David Merchant 2. Jackie Merchant
June 29, 2025	1.Diane Pratt 2. Peggy Witecy

LAYREADER GUIDE

PREPARATION

- The church office will provide you with an advance copy of the Scripture Reading, plus a copy will be on the lectern for your use. Please review the reading and the order of service (Bulletin) as needed.
- Arrive and meet with the Minister in the Narthex at least 15 minutes prior to the start of Worship. As may be needed, clarify with him/her the pronunciation of any unfamiliar biblical names/places. (You may also talk during the week leading up to Sunday if needed).
- Proceed to the Altar with the Minister at the start of worship.

WORSHIP SERVICE

- Following the musical prelude and the Minister's opening statements, introduce yourself & ask for any announcements, prayer requests and celebrations from the congregation.
- Read your parts – which will usually be one or two scripture readings.
- Help as needed with any special events that may be happening that day, such as a Baptism.
- Stand beside the Minister during the Benediction and proceed to the Narthex with him/her.

LAYREADER SCHEDULE

June 1 – Scott Scholl
June 8 – Hedy Kelley
June 15 – Peggy Witecy
June 22 – Charlotte Audet
June 29 – Wayne Harnish

If you are not able to be Layreader as scheduled above, please contact Curt Wilbanks (860-583-3910). He will obtain a substitute for you. Also, contact Curt and let him know if you obtain a substitute on your own. Thank you.

ELECTED OFFICERS, LAY-LEADERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

***Moderator** – Gerald Wunsch

***Vice Moderator** – Barbara Benson

***At-Large Council Members** – Jim Hannon, Charlotte Audet

***Spiritual Group Leader – Rich Sauzedde**

Diaconate – Hedy Kelley Scott Scholl, Alex Morrell, Lisa Dixie, Rebecca Trelli

Music Committee – Diane Pratt, Sandi Ehmer, Betsy Dixie

Christian Education Committee – Robin Bilodeau, Cari Vieira, AJ Hawes

***Business Group Leader – Jake Armbruster**

Finance Committee – Ron Benson, Wayne Harnish, Paula Anderson, Vacant

Trustees Committee – Eric Armbruster, Dave Morrell, Tom Zalaski, Alex Morrell

Communications Committee – Committee Event Members/Volunteers

***Service Group Leader – Crista Furtado**

Outreach Committee – Crista Furtado, Carol Barbieri, Heather Noccio, Leif Erikson

Clerk – Samantha Lowd

***Church Council Members**

Update: March 16, 2025

Council Appointed Positions

By-Laws Manager: Curt Wilbanks

Safe Conduct Advocate: Terese France

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

Church Historian: 1. Millie Perry
2. Richard Foote

Updated: March 26, 2025

Plymouth Community Food Pantry

Most Needed Items (plymouthfoodpantry.org:

Cereal & Oatmeal	Canned ravioli/SpaghettiOs
Pancake mix	Macaroni & Cheese
Pasta	Spaghetti
Canned fruit	Applesauce
Baked Beans	Boxed Potatoes
Coffee	Tomato Paste
Soup	Tea
Syrup	Nutritional Drinks
Ensure/Boost	Glucose Control
Baking Products: cake/brownie/muffin mixes, flour, sugar, etc.,	
Condiments: ketchup, mustard, mayo, salad dressing, etc.,	
Personal Care Items: deodorant, shampoo, bar soap, adult diapers (large/extra-large), etc.	
Gift Cards to Adams IGA	

HOURS:

Monday – 12 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Wednesday – 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Friday- 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

To volunteer contact the food pantry at (860) 584-1750 for details.

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.
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2025 Food Collected for \$1.70/POUND
Food Pantry by TCC

<u>Month</u>	<u>Pounds</u>	<u>Dollars</u>
January	^305	\$518.50
February	^96	\$163.20
March	^237	\$402.90
April	^153	\$260.10
May	^308	\$523.60
2025 Total:	1099	\$1,868.30

^ reported by Rich Sauzedde & includes produce grown in the community garden.

COMITTEE NEWS & UPDATES!

(copies of council & committee minutes are available in the social hall on the table under the events bulletin board)

MUSIC COMMITTEE NEWS

Committee Members: Diane Pratt, Sandi Ehmer, Betsy Dixie

Next Meeting: Please contact a member of the committee for the date, time, & location of the next meeting.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE NEWS

Committee Members: Carol Barbieri, Crista Furtado, Heather Nuccio, Leif Erikson

Meeting Schedule (church members are welcome to attend): The committee usually meets when they serve Outreach dinners. If you are interested in attending a meeting contact a member of the committee for the next meeting schedule.

Update: See Outreach Committee News on page 16.

TRUSTEE COMMITTEE NEWS

Committee Members: Tom Zalaski, Eric Armbruster, Dave Morrell, Alex Morrell

Meeting Schedule (church members are welcome to attend): 1st or 2nd Sunday of each month at Coffee Hour (no meetings in July or August with some exceptions, see below)

Next Meeting: Please contact a member of the committee for the next meeting date.

June 2025 - Ray Zalaski

July 2025 - Eric Armbruster

August 2025 - At Plymouth Congregational Church

CE NEWS

Committee Members: Robin Bilodeau, Cari Vieira, A.J. Hawes

If you are interested in attending a meeting – contact a member of the committee for the meeting schedule.

DIACONTE NEWS

Committee Members: Hedy Kelley, Scott Scholl, Alex Morrell, Lisa Dixey, Rebecca Trelli

Meeting Schedule (church members are welcome to attend): Typically, the 3rd Sunday of the Month after church.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 15, 2025 after church

Next Deacons Potluck: Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 6pm in the Activity Room

FINANCE NEWS

Committee Members: Ron Benson, Wayne Harnish, Paula Anderson, (1) Vacant

Meeting Schedule (church members are welcome to attend): Wednesday, May 4, 2025 in the Chapel

COUNCIL MEETING

Council Members: Charlotte Audet, Gerald Wunsch, Barbara Benson, Jim Hannon, Rich Sauzedde, Jake Armbruster, Crista Furtado

Meeting Schedule (church members are welcome to attend): typically, the 4th Wednesday of the Month at 6pm in the Chapel.

Next Meeting: August 27, 2025

FLOWER DONATIONS FOR THE ALTAR



If you would like to donate flowers to beautify our altar in someone's memory, in honor of, or to congratulate someone on any given Sunday, please contact the church office and give your information to the Secretary or one of our floral volunteers.

Floral Volunteers:

Brenda Conners

Susan Kozikowski

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BINGO

DATES 2025

January 18, 2025

February 15, 2025

March 15, 2025

April 26, 2025

May 17, 2025

June 21, 2025

July 19, 2025

August 16, 2025

September 20, 2025

October 18, 2025

7:00 P.M. Terryville Congregational Church – Doors open 6:00 P.M.

WHO ARE THE TCC CHURCH MICE? A group of volunteers who help with the upkeep and care of the interior of the church and assist with events. The mice are members that typically work quietly under the radar without expectation of recognition. However, if the mice are too quiet, we find that we don't know how much they do. We also need the mice to mentor new incoming mice. Some examples of things that the mice do:

- make baked goods for events
- assist the deacons with funeral receptions
- clean, organize, and restock the church kitchen
- assists the deacons with tidying the sanctuary (if needed)
- help during church fairs, events & dinners
- restock restrooms with toilet tissue, paper towels, & soap for events



*Please note the list above is not limited to the mice. Anyone can volunteer to help with these tasks.

* Please contact the committee or event chair to volunteer.

TCC CHURCH MICE

<i>Name</i>
Charlotte Audet
Joann Keenan
Crista Furtado
Carol Barbieri
Peggy Witecy
Hedy Kelley
Sue Zalaski
Diane Pratt
Robin Bilodeau
Pam Kamens
Teri Faragher
Ann Kuelsa
Paula Anderson
Joy Armbruster
Jean Goodwin
Brenda Conners
Dickie Zalaski
Roseann Hannon
Ruth Guay

THANK YOU TO OUR DEDICATED MICE!

TCC DEACONS	NAME
	*Joy Armbruster
	*Dick Foote
	*Bob Grosf
	*Paula Anderson
	*Phil Armbruster
	*Barbara Benson
	Gail Beale
	*Cheryl Brazee
	*Brenda Conners
	*Lisa Dixey
	*Jean Goodwin
	*Roseann Hannon
	*Pam Kamens
	*Hedy Kelley
	*Larry LaFreniere
	*Alex Morrell
	*Diane Pratt
	*Alison Reed
	Rachel Reynolds
	*Richard Sauzedde
	*Scott Scholl
	*Rebecca Trelli
	*Russ Wagoner
	*George Wartonick
	*Curt Wilbanks
	*Mary Alice Wilbanks
	*Dickie Zalaski
	*Ray Zalaski, Jr
	*Sue Zalaski
	*Tom Zalaski
	*Holly Zemak

*** Names with an asterisk are Deacons willing and able to serve Communion ***

Deacons Homebound/Nursing Home & Independent Living Facilities/Out of State

TCC DEACONS	NAME
	Ellen Anderson
	Michele Benson
	Pam Eggleston
	Janet Waldron

Outreach Committee News



Outreach Committee: Carol Barbieri, Heather Nuccio, Leif Erickson, Crista Furtado

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Outreach Committee happenings for 2025

January

- ✓ Submission for Annual Report

February

- ✓ Budget review

March

- ✓ Donation to Terryville High School After Grad
- ✓ Donation to Community Garden

April / May

- ✓ Dinner at Gosinski Park – May 24
- Dinner at Eli Terry – May 31

June

- June Fair Tag Sale
- Coffee hour

August

- Dinner at Gosinski Park
- Back to School - Town Human Resources

October

- Dinner at Eli Terry

November

- Help with Christmas Past Room
- Dinner at Gosinski Park
- Food donation to Food Pantry (Thanksgiving)
- Christmas gifts for veterans at Rocky Hill Medical Facility
- Small Wonders Holiday Program – gifts for children

December

- Christmas Party Dinner at Eli Terry
- Donation to Simply Smiles

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!

Crista Furtado



Supporting 15 open loans - total of 170 supported - \$4,285 loaned
Paid in Full

Rna - Jenin City, West Bank, Palestine - Poultry Farming

Rna is a hardworking woman who tries her utmost to help her family live a decent life. She is a refugee, living with her family in a village near Jenin, West Bank. She works in poultry breeding to meet her family's needs. Rna requested a loan to buy more poultry and fodder. This will improve her work and enhance her income. This loan helps Palestinian people, specifically those living in refugee camps throughout the West Bank and Gaza. By supporting this loan, marginalized people are helped in developing business and meeting other important financial needs.

New Loans

SuperBee – Thailand – Eco-friendly alternatives to single use plastics

A woman founded social enterprise whose goal is reducing tons of plastic pollution and providing higher paying jobs in Thailand.

SuperBee is on a mission to reduce single-use plastics and promote environmentally friendly alternatives, while creating high social and environmental impact. Plastic pollution is a major global challenge, with 19–23 million tons leaking into aquatic ecosystems annually, threatening wildlife and human health through microplastic contamination. Plastic production relies on fossil fuels, significantly contributes to climate change, and carries a massive economic cost.

SuperBee is a woman-founded, certified B Corp in Thailand producing and selling innovative, eco-friendly alternatives to single-use plastics. While their beeswax wraps remain their flagship product, they offer a diverse range of sustainable household items, including loofah sponges, paperless towels, Hexawash, wool dryer balls, bamboo brushes, and toothpaste tabs.

The social enterprise has reduced over 20 tons of plastic waste, providing 5,000+ households with eco-friendly alternatives, and created 50+ quality local jobs in Chiang Mai, paying staff 20-30% higher incomes than their previous jobs.

Kiva's loan will enable SuperBee to grow production of plastic alternatives and reduce an estimated 12,250 kg of plastic pollution and tens of billions of microplastic particles in our ecosystem.

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 reach out!

Crista and Justin Furtado

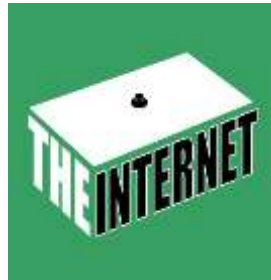
SPECIAL DONATIONS FOR PER COST OF WINDOWS: We would like to suggest to anyone who would like to, to donate whatever amount they feel they can to go toward payment of a new window. The cost per window is \$400, but a partial donation would be fine. We would like to put name plates under each window that has a donation. **NOTE:** all windows in the sanctuary, narthex, balcony, & social Hall have been fully funded. The remaining windows are on the west end of the building or facing Eli Terry.

Our next newsletter will be in September 2025. Special announcements, articles or events provided by August 26, 2025, will be published in the *September 2025* 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 is looking for members to assist the church secretary with advertising different events for the church. If you are interested in volunteering to help with advertising church events, please contact the church office 860-589-0182. If you would like posters to be hung up and/or advertising put on radio, newspapers, etc. for a church event, please email the church office with your info at terryvillechurch@hotmail.com or call the church office. Be sure to always include YOUR contact information and the event you are working on.