



Off the Record



WELCOME TO SEPTEMBER!!

Fall is almost here!!!! Where has the summer gone? School has already started in many cities and towns. Labor Day is on Monday and we thank the Lord for a wonderful (but very hot) summer and begin to prepare for the wonders that the fall season will bring us. The country fairs have already begun and we look forward to the colorful beauty that will grace our surroundings. We are truly blessed with all the beauty in our lives.

In keeping with our blessings, we would like to thank all the visiting ministers that we have been blessed to have with us during the month of August. They are: August 4 - Rev. Kevin Butler, August 11 – Rev. Dr. Michael Friday, August 18 – Rev. John Roy and August 25 – Joy Veronessi. We thank them all for being with us to celebrate and for bringing and sharing God's message to us all. We also want to thank Rev. Kenneth Smith for his continued devotion in visiting all our shut-ins. He has brought a spirit of love and caring to all during his visits.

Rev. Richard Woodward will be here Sundays for September, except September 15, when Rev. John Roy will fill the pulpit. As you know, Rev. Woodward has been with us in the past and we welcome him back. Below is a brief synopsis of his experience.

***Rev. Richard H. Woodward** was born in Detroit, the eldest of four boys, graduated from Royal Oak Kimball High School, Central Michigan University and Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. "Pastor Rich" served as pastor in East Freetown Congregational Christian Church and was the pastor of the Evangelical Congregational Church of Dunstable, Massachusetts from 1989 to 2013. In September 2014, he became the intentional Interim Pastor at Greenwoods Community Church in Ashley Falls, Massachusetts. In October 2016, he became interim of the Sherman Congregational Church. He is married to Martha and they have three grown children and two grandchildren. He is living in the Lime Rock Village section in Salisbury, Connecticut. Pastor Rich will be preaching four out of the five Sundays in September. He enjoys hiking, swimming, reading and playing with his grandchildren.*

We encourage you to participate while Rev. Woodward is here and encourage you to offer your feedback.

September Sermons



SORRY, NONE AVAILABLE THIS MONTH



DAILY BIBLE READINGS SEPTEMBER 2019



Come Together in Faith and share the Joy of the Lord.

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| 1 Mark 2:18-28 | 11 Proverbs 4:1-27 | 21 Ecclesiastes 2:1-26 |
| 2 Mark 4:1-20 | 12 Proverbs 14:1-35 | 22 Ecclesiastes 3:1-22 |
| 3 Mark 4:21-34 | 13 Proverbs 15:1-33 | 23 Ecclesiastes 5:1-20 |
| 4 Mark 7:1-23 | 14 Proverbs 16:1-33 | 24 Ecclesiastes 7:1-25 |
| 5 Psalm 1 | 15 Proverbs 17:1-28 | 25 Ecclesiastes 8:1-17 |
| 6 Psalm 2 | 16 Proverbs 18:1-24 | 26 Ecclesiastes 9:13-10:20 |
| 7 Psalm 19- | 17 Proverbs 22:1-29 | 27 Ecclesiastes 12:1-14 |
| 8 Psalm 25 | 18 Proverbs 23:1-35 | 28 2 Kings 22:1-20 |
| 9 Proverbs 1:1-33 | 19 Proverbs 24:1-34 | 29 2 Kings 23:21-30 |
| 10 Proverbs 3:1-35 | 20 Ecclesiastes 1:1-18 | 30 Job 28:1-28 |

All in the Family...

We begin this month with condolences to the family of **Virginia (Leukhardt) Powers**. Virginia was a former member of FBC in Waterbury and served a term as board president of ABCCONN until she and her husband Bill moved to Hyannis, MA in 1984, upon his retirement... We also offer condolences to **Julie Andring** in the passing of her mom, Joanne... Please continue to keep **Betty Salerno** in your thoughts and prayers... We want to thank **Rev. Kenneth Smith** who continues with regular visitation to all our shut-ins... **Aurelia Woodbeck** fell down some stairs and broke her arm. We wish her a speedy recovery.

As always, please keep all of our **shut-ins** in your thoughts and prayers.... Remember, if possible, a card, text, telephone call, email or note to them is always greatly appreciated.

MISSION OFFERING - SEPTEMBER

During the month of September, we will be having a Mission Offering for our Adult and Children's Sunday School materials. We are looking to purchase visual aids to augment lessons.



Back to School

We wish all our children a safe and happy return to school. May you have a very successful and rewarding year.

CLOTHES CLOSET GIVEAWAY

The Fall Clothes Closet Giveaway is coming up – date(s) and time to be announced. Helping hands are always needed. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Julie Andring at jamusitherapy@optline.net or at 860-283-8587 or call the church office at 860-283-6181 and leave a message if no one is available to take your call.



RALLY DAY – Sunday September 15th

Come back to worship and Sunday School for the fall! We will be having an ice cream social during Fellowship Time to celebrate everyone's return.





THE MUSIC CORNER

SEPTEMBER 2019

Labors of love

Thomas Merton, an American monk, writer and social activist, said, “It is in the ordinary duties and labors of life that the Christian can and should develop his spiritual union with God.” As the United States observes Labor Day, may we find meaning not simply in marking summer’s end but in celebrating the ways nearly all “duties and labors of life” can empower ministry and faith.

Whether as a dentist, parent, artist, teacher, mechanic, gardener, city councilor, farmer, day laborer, attorney or anything else, a Christian can begin each workday or shift by praying for opportunities to serve whoever they’ll encounter. We also can pray for and seek ways to grow in “spiritual union with God”: cultivating spiritual fruits; actively loving God and neighbor; seeing Jesus in the vulnerable; practicing humility, gratitude and praise.

In Labor Day, may we find inspiration to make all our labors loving and faithful!





Diane Holder	9/1
Benzina Rose	9/3
Scott Johnson	9/4
Lynn Fairchild	9/6
Leighton Mannix	9/15
Jayson Brown	9/21
Rev. Michael Wu	9/26
Joyce Drew	9/29





GROWING generations


Honor your grandparents with a gift that all generations can enjoy.

What you need:

- Cups (various sizes)
- Pencil
- Family photos
- Scissors
- Colored paper
- Hot glue (and adult help)
- Clothespins
- A small potted tree or bush

What you do:

1. Use a cup to trace a circle around faces in the photos. Cut out the circles.
2. Cut larger circles out of paper. Glue each photo onto a paper circle.
3. Glue a clothespin to the back of each photo. Clip photos to the branches.
4. Present the gift to your grandparents, and tell them you're glad to be in their family tree.

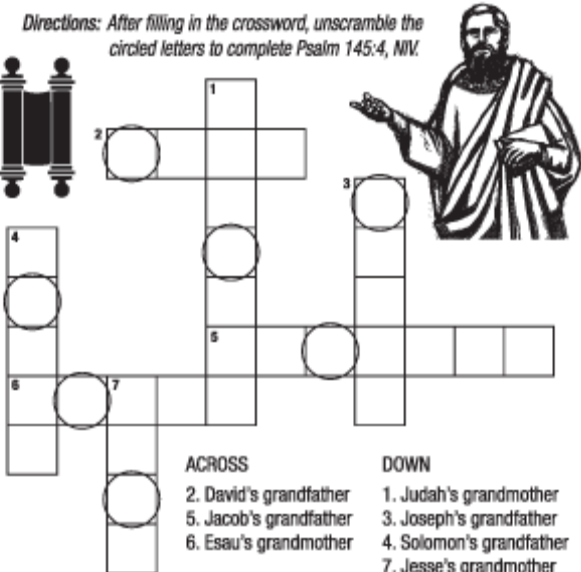


PUZZLE

Grandparents of the Old Testament

Can you name these biblical grandparents? If you get stuck, find an Old Testament family tree in your Bible or online.

Directions: After filling in the crossword, unscramble the circled letters to complete Psalm 145:4, NIV.



ACROSS

2. David's grandfather
5. Jacob's grandfather
6. Esau's grandmother

DOWN

1. Judah's grandmother
3. Joseph's grandfather
4. Solomon's grandfather
7. Jesse's grandmother

One G _ N _ _ _ _ _ N commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts. Psalm 145:4, NIV

Answers: ACROSS 2. Obad, 5. Abraham, 6. Sarah; DOWN: 1. Rebekah, 3. Isaac, 4. Jesse, 7. Ruth, Generation

†PURPOSE†

“God calls us together; we seek to respond to His word as disciples of Jesus Christ by ministering to one another, to the community in which we live, and to all humanity.”



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