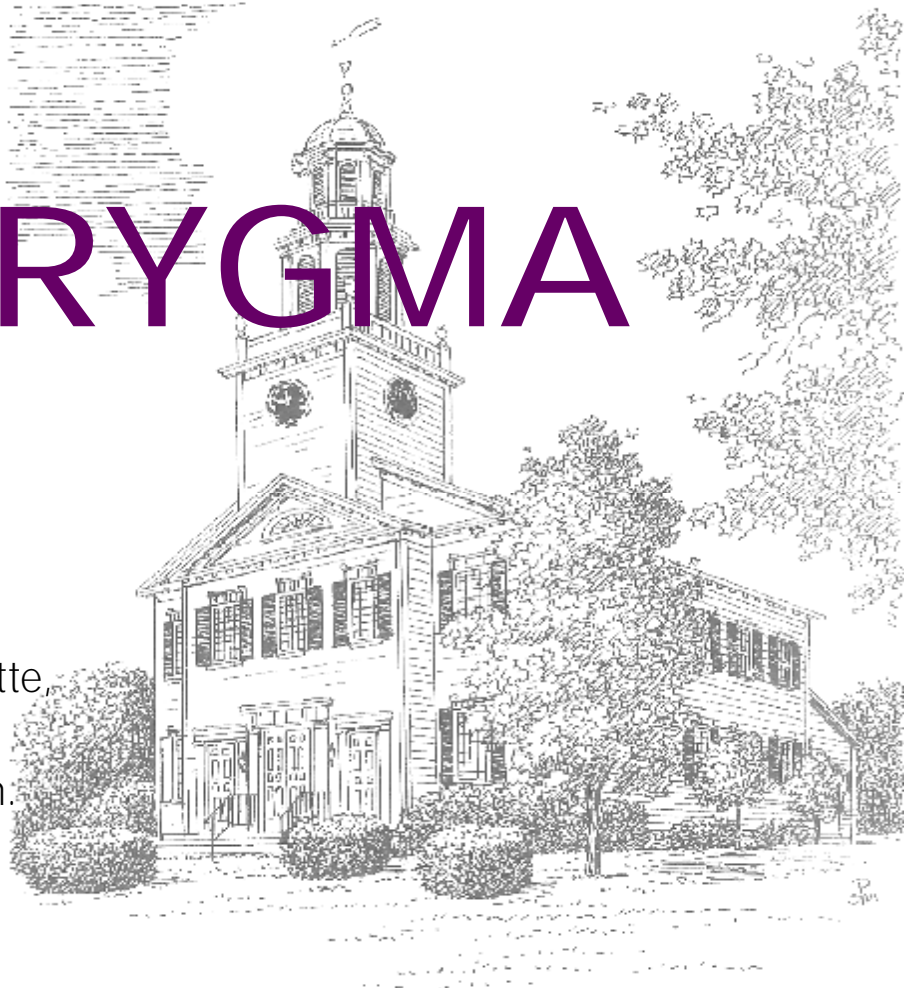




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Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, October 5, 2008, Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
The Reverend Suzanne Personette, preaching
World Communion Sunday/Neighbors-in-Need Special Offering
Ex 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Psalm 19; Phil 3:4b-14; Matt 21:33-46

Sunday, October 12, 2008, Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
Guest Preacher
Ex 32:1-14; Psalm 106:1-6; Phil 4:1-9; Matt 22:1-14

Sunday, October 19, 2008, Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
The Reverend Suzanne Personette, preaching
The Holy Baptism of Danielle Albrecht
FALL MEETING AND POTLUCK LUNCH
Ex 33:12-23; Psalm 99; 1 Thess 1:1-10; Matt 22:15-22

Sunday, October 26, 2008, Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost
The Reverend Suzanne Personette, preaching
Deut 34:1-12; Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; 1 Thess 2:1-89; Matt 22:34-46

New Office Hours
Tuesday, Wednesday, 9 - 3
Thursday 10 - 2
Friday 9 - 12



God Bless
Our Troops



PILGRIM PASTOR

“For man, autumn is a time of harvest, of gathering together. For nature, it is a time of sowing, of scattering abroad”. ~Edwin Way Teale

Greetings, and a Fabulous Fall to you, my friend.

I’ve been in the early stages of reflecting upon what I will have hoped to have left you/the church when my interim ministry comes to a close. This morning my husband told me my calling in the church is to be a joyologist! So, maybe that’s it. I hope to have re-introduced joy into the church. In the Gospel of John, Jesus sums up pretty much everything by saying, *“These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full”.* (-John 15:11)

I find your church an extremely joyful place, and I have so enjoyed my time with you! I think being loved and forgiven by God ought to put a real kick in our step, coupled with the fact that resurrection abounds - that the dark night of the soul becomes the joy of the morning (in due time). That is the Christian promise. I cleave to that promise and hope with every ounce of my being.

Now, I do have to laugh a little, because a visitor recently shared with me that they find the congregation a little stuffy! While this is not my experience, I think it’s a worthy comment to pass on to you. We certainly want to be known as a church that spreads the *Good News!* If you are a cheerful sort of person, I would ask that you become more intentional on Sunday morning in reaching out to new folks, passing the peace with them, and inviting them to coffee hour. And, if you are stuffier, stiff upper lip sort of person, take it as a challenge to soften your face with a smile and make an overture of welcome and friendship on Sunday! Know that as with everything, you will reap what you sow. May you receive multiple blessings as you extend blessing upon your neighbor.

As the owner of the vineyard in Jesus’ parable kept going back into the marketplace to round up all those workers who had been left out, deem it as your mission to invite everyone to feel included in this community, and **integral** to its well-being.

On September 7, I married the church to itself in worship. If you weren’t in attendance, consider yourself married! It was a joyous occasion. Here’s what we did:

Will both sides of the church turn and face one another: Dearly beloved, we are gathered here as the people of God to witness the marriage of this side of the church to this side of the church. We come to share in their joy and to ask God to bless them. Before God and this congregation, I ask you to affirm your willingness to enter this covenant and to share all the joys and sorrows of this relationship, **whatever** the future may hold. This side... will you have that side to be your church, and will you love them faithfully as long as you both shall live? If so, say, we will, with the help of God. This side... will you have that side to be your church, and will you love them faithfully as long as you both shall live? If so, say, we will, with the help of God.

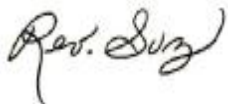


This side, repeat after me to this side, We promise to love and sustain you in this covenant, from this day forward, in sickness and in health, in plenty and in want, in joy and in sorrow, as long as we both shall live. This side, repeat after me to this side, We promise to love and sustain you in this covenant, from this day forward, in sickness and in health, in plenty and in want, in joy and in sorrow, as long as we both shall live.

This side and this side, you have committed yourselves to each other in this joyous and sacred covenant. Become one. Fulfill your promises. Love and serve God, honor Christ and each other, and rejoice in the power of the Holy Spirit. By their promises made before us this day, the church has united themselves in sacred covenant. **Those whom God has joined together let no one separate.**

May God continue to bless you forevermore... Amen

Light Shines!



Interim Minister

United Church News

The United Church of Christ website is www.ucc.org. Check it out! You can also subscribe to the United Church News on the website, or phone 888-732-3826. It's a free bi-monthly publication, but they do ask for a contribution. This is a good way to know more about our denomination. You will also be sent the Connecticut conference news, which is called ConnTact. Our Connecticut Conference website is www.ctucc.org; phone 860-233-5564.



KERYGMA – to cry or proclaim as a herald, preaching good news to the poor, the blind, the captive: Jesus began his public ministry in the synagogue of his hometown, Nazareth in Galilee. He was handed the scroll of the prophet Isaiah and read: *“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”* Jesus rolled up the scroll and sat down. With all eyes in the synagogue upon him he said, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing” - (Luke 4:16-21).

Welcome Letter to our Guests

We're so happy you've worshiped with us at The Congregational Church in Killingworth, United Church of Christ! It is a joy to welcome you to our church.

Our doors are open wide to all those seeking to find a safe, but invigorating place for spiritual life, growth and fellowship. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.

Our hope is that visitors encounter the tender presence of God in our worship services. These times are marked with joyful worship, warm fellowship, and relevant teaching from the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ--a combination that touches the heart and lifts the soul.

A closer look will show that you are surrounded by people just like you--people who are filled with hopes and fears, joys and sorrows, strengths and weaknesses. Our common thread is that we are all committed to growing stronger and wiser through all the hills and valleys of life.

Our church attracts families large and small, whether you are a family of one or more. If you have children, we have a very active Christian Education program, and on any given Sunday there can be 36 children who come forward for the children's message!

So, whether you are a spiritual seeker who's just starting to ask questions about God, or a committed believer who wants to sink the roots of your faith even deeper, you can find a home at The Congregational Church in Killingworth, United Church of Christ. I'd be most happy to meet with you.

Please join us as we lift our hearts in worship, and extend our hands to serve a loving God.

Blessings Galore!,

Middle School Youth Group:

Our group is off to a great start!

Here are the events for the month of October:

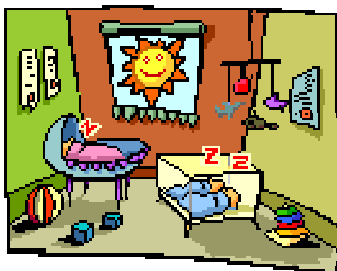
10/5: Crop Walk 12-1:30 pm

10/12: Camp Hazen Team Building 12:30- 4:30 pm

10/26: Lyman Orchards – Maze and apple picking 12-3 pm



Please call Kris Foley at 663-3536 with any questions.



The Infant and Toddler Room is open and staffed. Please consider helping out one Sunday per month.

If you would like more information, please contact Tina Moore or a member of the Christian Education Committee.

Sunday School Corner

By this time of the year you're probably feeling a chill in the air and seeing the vibrant red, orange and golden leaves on the trees and ground. Animals are busy getting ready for winter. Just like the squirrels gathering the acorns, we too are getting your children ready. In Sunday School we are getting your children ready to lead Christian lives.

We had a great start to our Sunday School year. There were many familiar faces as well as some new faces. It's still not too late to register, so if you know of someone who might be interested please let them know that they can still register. We had many members join us for the church family picnic. A big thanks to all those who brought a dish to share and the entire CE committee for organizing the event. Hopefully your child has shared with you one or more of the stories he or she has learned over the last few weeks. Maybe they told you the story of "David and Goliath".

On October 5th we will finish our collection of school supplies for Church World Service. On that particular Sunday the children will see a movie that talks about Church World Service. They will put together the school supply kits. First through sixth graders will begin a new workshop rotation during the middle of October. The workshop rotation is entitled "Mary of Bethany anoints Jesus". It will teach the children about life in biblical times. Pre-K, Kindergarten, seventh and eighth graders will continue to meet with their regular teachers.

Please mark your calendars with the date of our annual Harvest Dinner which will be held on Friday, November 7th at 5:00pm and 6:30pm. The tickets will be \$12.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children. The money from this dinner goes to support our scholarship fund. There will be a sign-up for people to donate turkeys, cook turkeys and help out on the night of the dinner!

God gave us all gifts and talents. The CE committee could sure use some of these gifts and talents. We could really use some volunteers to help teach classes, especially our workshop rotations. You'd only be committed to teaching for three to four weeks. I pray that some of you consider this opportunity to serve in your church. Remember God is always with us!!!

Sincerely,
Tina Moore
Sunday School Superintendent
(860) 345 - 8828
mooreavonpl@hotmail.com



September

9/28 Gavin Figurelli

October

10/24 Jessica Randall

10/26 Drew Sodergren,



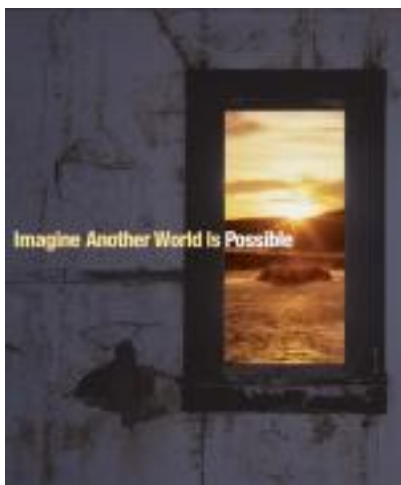
Notice is hereby given of the Fall Meeting of The Congregational Church in Killingworth to be held according to the By-Laws during the month of October. The meeting will be held on Sunday, October 19, 2008 following the worship service.

The meeting is called for the following purposes:

1. To approve the minutes of the Spring Meeting of May 18, 2008.
2. To receive and act on Reports of Boards, Committees, and Officers.
3. To approve the Amendments to the By-Laws as proposed by the By-Laws Committee and approved by the Church Executive Council.*
4. To authorize the Board of Trustees at act upon requests from individuals or groups to serve alcoholic beverages at functions being held on church property.
5. To transact any other business proper to come before the meeting.

Annette Cook, Clerk
September 18, 2008

* Those persons receiving the Kerygma via e-mail, the proposed Amendments are sent under separate attachment. Those persons receiving the Kerygma via mail, copies are available at the Church office.



**October 5th
World Communion Sunday and
Neighbors in Need Special Offering**

**Look in your October 5th Bulletin for
Special Offering Envelope.**

Neighbors in Need (NIN) is a special mission offering of the UCC that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects.

Most UCC congregations will receive the NIN offering on October 5, 2008 as part of their World Communion Sunday observance. however, some local churches select another date. NIN contributions can be made on-line at any time at www.ucc.org/nin.

COMMITTEE NEWS

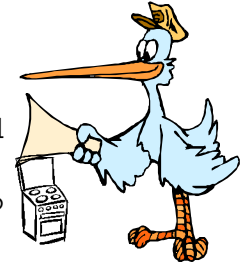
From the Flower Committee

There are still some Sundays available in the next months for memorial, special occasion, or celebratory flowers for the sanctuary during morning worship. The sign-up sheet is located in the Parish Hall on the bulletin board next to the door from the handicap ramp. You will be contacted by a member of the Flower Committee two weeks in advance of the date. Questions?? call Judy Lentz (663-1361).



From the Trustees

The Trustees are proud to announce the delivery of a healthy "gently-used" 10 burner range. It's a big one, and very adorable— platinum blonde and very shiny. (They are working hard to keep the griddle from the old stove—so keep your fingers crossed.)



Join the Choir

Calling all church members who wish to share their talented voices with the congregation! Church choir meets Sunday mornings prior to each service as well as one night per week. See Carolyn Engle if you think you might want to join. The choir is open to anybody grade 9 through adult.



Prayer Shawl Meeting

The Prayer Shawl group will start up again on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Our meeting will follow the Wed. Eves who meet in the Parish Hall from 1:30 - 3:00 pm. (All are welcome and bring a friend to the Wed. Eves meeting. Dessert is served after the meeting.) The Prayer Shawl ladies will meet from approx 3:00 - 4:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Questions or suggestions, call Jan Jette at 663-1686. See you on Wed. October 22nd.

Church History Books

Tom Lentz's book 'History of the Congregational Church in Killingworth' is now available. Along with a detailed history of Killingworth, there are many pictures from the archives as well as many photos from not so long ago. This book is a wonderful tribute to the past and present.

Books may be purchased any Sunday during coffee hour, from the church secretary during regular office hours, Banknorth, or the Town office building. Books can be ordered and sent first class mail. Call the church at 663-1789 or Janet Johnson 663-1456.





The Wednesday Eves of The Congregational Church
273 Route 81, Killingworth, will sponsor a
Fall Rummage Sale on

Friday, October 10th, 5:30—8:00 pm

And

Saturday, October 11th, 9:00—12:00 pm

Donations of clothing and household items are appreciated and
accepted all day Monday, Oct. 6th through Friday,
Oct. 10th until 3:00 pm.

Please, NO computers, TV's or electrical appliances.
Children's car seats or strollers will not be accepted.



St. John Church is involved with Angel Food Ministries. This is a Non-profit, Non-denominational Food Assistance Program, which is open to EVERYONE. No Applications or Pre-qualifications are Necessary. Menu's can be found in the back of the Church. Anyone looking to Place an order or get involved in this program at St. John Church of Old Saybrook, Please contact Sherri Potter, or Stop by the Rectory and see Isabelle Esteves.

All Monetary Considerations St. John Receives From the AngelFoodMinistries Will Be Donated To the Shoreline Soup Kitchen.

Rev. Joseph C. Ashe

Pastor

Benefit Concert for Haiti.

At St. John RC Church O.S.

Anyone interested in enjoying this free Concert by Spiritn3D, to promote awareness, and possibly find a way to help.

Please Come to St. John School Gym on:

October 4, 2008 at 6:00pm-9:30pm.

We hope to see you there & Bring a Friend

For more info. Please contact Sherri Potter @ 395 0692.



La Leche of Killingworth meets every 3rd Monday at 10:00 am at the Congregational Church in Killingworth. The mission of La Leche League is to help mothers to breastfeed through mother-to-mother support, encouragement, information, and education, and to promote a better understanding of breastfeeding as an important element in the healthy development of the baby and mother.

Yoga is fun with Cindy!

Join us in the Old Town Hall on
Tuesdays 10 am, Wednesdays 6:15
pm, and Thursdays 8:30 am
For more info. Please call Cindy at
663-2629

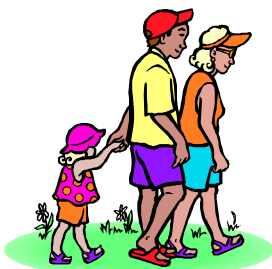


Happy Birthday!

Oct. 1	Louis Des Jardins	Oct. 15	Susan O'Connor
Oct. 3	Dorothy Swan	Oct. 21	James Hughes
Oct. 4	Evan Gross	Oct. 22	David Gumbart
Oct. 6	Wesley Forster	Oct. 23	Dolores Sansing
Oct. 7	Chris Moore	Oct. 26	Shannon Bugbee
	David Lewis	Oct. 27	Steven Miller
Oct. 9	Susan Morgan		Patti McClay-Saari
	Alyson Ricketts		Brooke Faircloth
Oct 12	Karen Montross	Oct. 29	John Raudat
Oct.13	Allyn Chase	Oct. 30	Cassandra Sodergren



Cook & Care Walk-a-Thon Sunday, October 19th, 2008



Please plan to join us for our 12th Annual Cook and Care Walk-a-thon on Sunday, October 19th at 1 p.m. Individuals, families and groups are encouraged to participate in this fun 3 mile walk at the beautiful Edgerton Park in New Haven. Walkers enjoy live entertainment, delicious refreshments and receive event T-shirts. Proceeds help the elderly, the poor, and the needy right in our own communities via the work of the Community Soup Kitchen, the Downtown Evening Soup Kitchen, FISH of Greater New Haven, and Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers. For more info visit our website at www.cookandcare.org or call us at 230-8994. *Thank you for your support*

Please contact Charlie Smith 663-1583 to donate or walk

49th Annual Fair Update

Thanks to all of you who were part of the Fair, from the donations to the sorting to manning stations to setting up and cleaning up. There is a saying that "Many hands make for light work". It takes the efforts of so many to make this event happen.



The fair brought in over \$16,000 in revenue. The money we raise from the fair is an important vehicle to help balance the budget and keep the Church running. The activities putting it all together, the day of and after the Fair stimulate camaraderie within the Church family, it is also an outreach to the community and overall a fun event.

As we start to plan for our 50th Annual Fair we have a quick survey to help us next year. Please complete and drop in the collection basket or return to the Church. Thank you!

Did you like this year's event? Yes _____ No _____ Unsure _____

What events did you attend?

- BBQ Dinner _____
- Quilt Raffle _____
- Road Race _____
- Silent Auction _____
- Crafters _____
- Food _____
- White Elephant _____
- Touch a Truck _____
- Jewelry _____
- Baked Goods _____
- Coffee/Donuts _____
- Books _____
- Jelly/Jams _____
- Children's Games _____
- Plant Sale _____

Of the events you attended, tell us what are your TOP 5 picks:

What did you like? _____

What didn't you like? _____

Should anything be added? _____

Should anything be discontinued? _____

Any other thoughts? _____

Thank you,

The Fair Committee

Church Executive Council: Rick Albrecht, Dave Montgomery, Rich Nelson, Bruce Bowman, Dawn Tischbein, Annette Cook, Jim Puska, Geoff Cook/Glenn Johnson, Clas Thelin, Lorraine Oeschlager, Debbie Fredericksen, Pastoral Relations Chair (tbd), Elizabeth Bowman, Randy Puska, Charlie Smith, Judy Lentz, Cheryl Fine, Cynthia Vogt, Nominating Chair (tbd), Joan Reed-Wilson, Jim Skelly, Rev. Suzanne Personette

Moderator: Rick Albrecht

Vice-Moderator: Dave Montgomery

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Missions Committee: Chair, Lorraine Oeschlager; Marlene Turnbull, Joan Lewis, Helen Coulter, Rosemary Vidoli, Vacancy

Christian Education Committee: Janet Johnson; Karen Gagliardi, Walt Tischbein, Jennifer Figurelli, Debbie Fredrickson

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Stewardship Committee: Chair, Clas Thelin; Chuck Langevin, Charlie Smith

Membership Growth Committee: Charlie Smith, Vacancies

Pastoral Relations Committee: Denise Acker, Ally Glass, Lorraine Oeschlager; Members-at-Large: Carol Ann Nash, Delores Tyner, Tommie Peterson

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Auditor: Jim Benjamin

Investment Committee: Jim Skelly, Richard Gruber, Vacancy

Board of Ushers: Charlie Smith, Dave Montgomery, Angela Thelin, Erin Ford, Anita Gomez Valle, Gerry Kukta, Matt Link

Memorials Committee: Randy Puska, Vacancy

Flower Committee: Judy Lentz, Dawn Tischbein, Annette Cook

Memorial Garden Committee: Glenn Johnson, Grady Slocombe, Cheryl Fine, Bruce Campbell, Pastor

Card Ministry: Faith McKenzie

Historian: Thomas Lentz

Wednesday Eves: President, Eleanor Sanderson, and a very large group of women!

Nominating Committee: Cheryl Fine, Joann Wright, Chris Moore – please see/call if you'd like to serve!

Women's Fellowship meets every Tuesday evening to visit, talk, share, and laugh. It provides a great opportunity to develop new friendships and enjoy the company of other women. This is the only church group that exists just for the pleasure of being together! Please see/call Cheryl Fine if you're interested in coming and she'll let you know in whose home the group will next meet.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 *9:30 N/A *6:15 Yoga 7:00 Tai Chi 7:00 Deacons *7:30 AA	2 *8:30 am Yoga Choir 7:00 pm *7:30 AA	3 *7:00 NA	4 7:30 AA
5 World Communion Sunday Neighbors In Need Special Offering 8:30 PSC 9 am Choir	6 1:30 Sr.'s Group	7 *10:00 Yoga 7:30 WF	8 *9:30 N/A *6:15 Yoga 7:00 Tai Chi *7:30 AA	9 Yom Kippur *8:30 am Yoga Choir 7:00 pm *7:30 AA	10 5—8pm Rummage Sale *7:00 NA	11 9-12pm Rummage Sale 7:30 AA
12 8:30 PSC 9:00 Choir Columbus Day	13 Indigenous Peoples' Day	14 *10:00 Yoga 6:30 Trustees 7:00 CE 7:30 WF Kerygma D'line	15 *9:30 N/A *6:15 Yoga 7:00 Tai Chi *7:30 AA	16 9:45 Staff Mtg *8:30 am Yoga Choir 7:00 pm *7:30 AA	17 *7:00 NA	18 9:00 CCD 7:30 AA
19 8:30 PSC 9:00 Choir Holy Baptism of Danielle Albrecht Fall Meeting/Pot Luck Lunch	20	21 *10:00 Yoga 7:30 WF	22 *9:30 N/A 3:00 Prayer Shl *6:15 Yoga 7:00 Council 7:00 Tai Chi *7:30 AA	23 *8:30 Yoga 6:30 Wedding Rehearsal 7:00 Hist. Society *7:30 AA	24 United Nations Day *7:00 NA	25 9:00 CCD 4 pm Purslow/Garamella Wedding 7:30 AA
26 8:30 PSC 9:00 Choir 6:00 Confirmation Meeting	27	28 *10:00 Yoga 7:30 WF	29 *9:30 N/A *6:15 Yoga 7:00 Tai Chi *7:30 AA	30 *8:30 Yoga Choir 7:00 pm *7:30 AA	31 *7:00 NA 	
	• * = Meets in Old Town Hall			WF = Women's Fellowship (Call 663-1789 for meeting place)		

NOVEMBER KERYGMA DEADLINE Tuesday, October 14, 2008