

September Link



To everything there is a season and time for every purpose under heaven. Ecclesiastes 3: 1

Well, summer is over and done. That is always a sad time for me. I love the freedom of summer filled with swimming, sunshine, picnics, hiking, well all of summer. Sitting in the sun with a good book is my favorite activity. So, I am sad to see the summer fade away.

Or at least I am sad until I realize that Fall is coming. I love that season, too. I love the season of crisp air, autumn colors, pumpkin flavored everything and well, sitting in the cool day with my newest favorite book. Every season has its purpose and its joy.

As I climb up in years, I realize more fully that every season of life also has its purpose and joy. One of the advantages of a church family is a diversity of ages.

Our young people are learning about faith and the pureness of their understanding enriches us all. We are able to share sweet smiles and gleeful enthusiasm with them. We are able to be young again through them.

Watching our young adults finish schooling and begin new journeys reminds us of possibilities of life. And the life stories and wisdom of our seasoned members is priceless. You will be amazed when if you take time to listen to what they have lived and known.

It is such a gift that we are able to experience in New England every season anew each year. Savor each moment of each season. So, too, savor each season of life for every season of life is a gift. God has a purpose for each one of us throughout every day and every season of our lives. Live each day to the fullness and to the glory of God.

Blessings

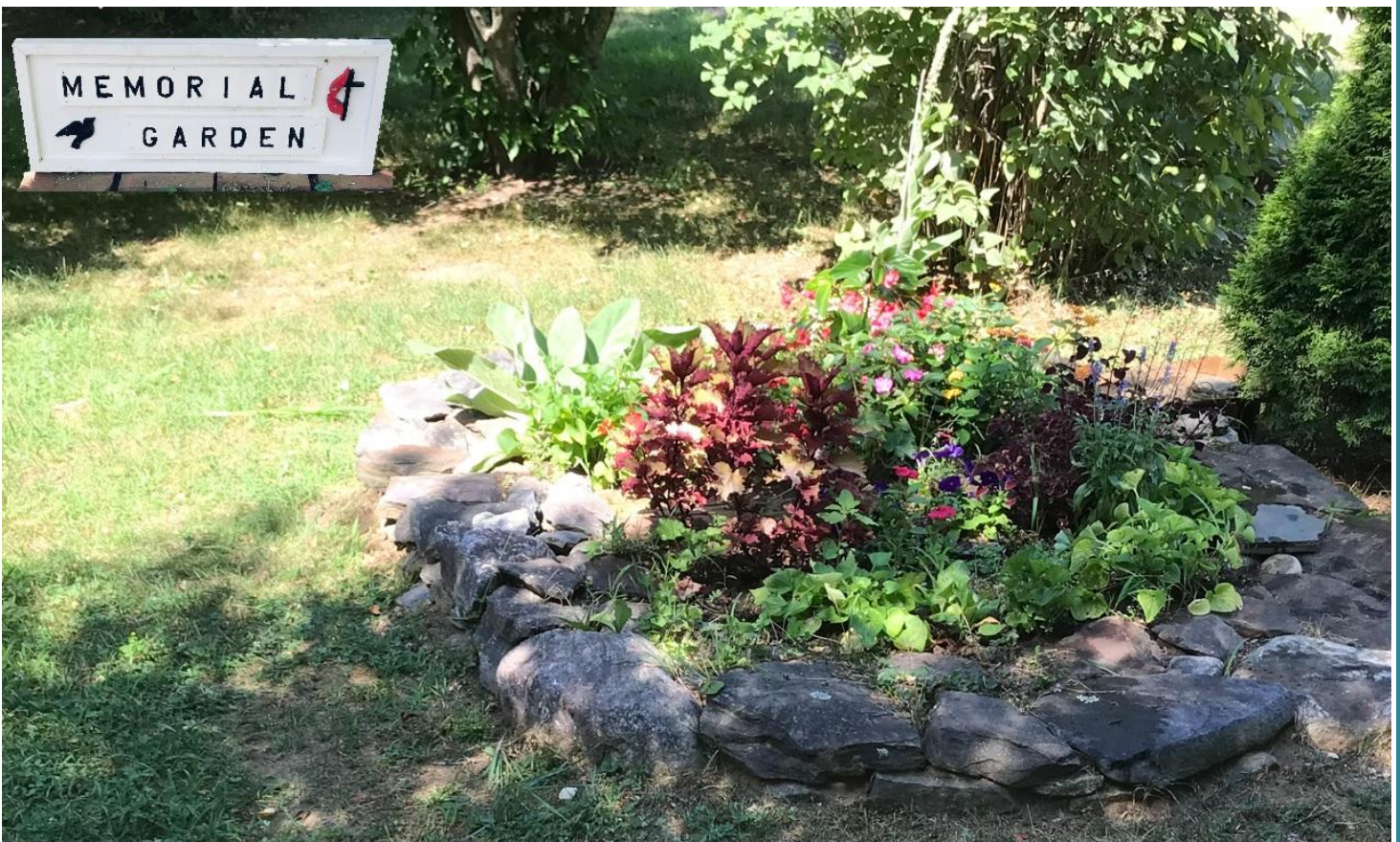
Pastor Barbara



WELCOME BACK SUNDAY & POT LUCK LUNCHEON!

Need something to look forward to now that summer is ending? SEPTEMBER 11th will be **WELCOME BACK SUNDAY! Sunday school** will begin again for the kids, and after church there will be a **pot luck luncheon** featuring hot dogs and whatever other delicious treats turn up. Even if you can't bring a special food item to share, please come to celebrate the arrival of Fall and getting everyone together again.

Many thanks go out to Ted and Frank for the time and effort they put in to keep our Memorial Garden looking great!



New Members

On September 11th, we will be receiving new members to our church. If you have not yet officially joined Pleasant Valley UMC and are interested in doing so, see Pastor Barbara.

Special Charge Conference

On September 25th following the worship service, we will meet for a Special Charge Conference to consider merging with Winsted United Methodist Church. All church members are invited to attend and hear the details of this important and blessed joining of our two churches. If you have questions, please see Pastor Barbara or members of Administrative Council.



Prayers and Blessings for our students and teachers returning to school this month. May they have a successful and happy year.

Happy Grandparents Day



Grandparents are
a delightful blend
of laughter,
caring deeds,
wonderful stories,
and love.

Gospels for September

September 4: Luke 14:25-33
September 11: Luke 15:1-10
September 18: Luke 16:1-13
September 25: Luke 16:19-31

September Schedule

****We are holding back on the schedules until we know more about when and how services will resume in person. However, if you'd like to do something please reach out to Pastor Barbara at barb_drew@hotmail.com**

September 4 September 11 September 18 September 25	<u>Nursery Care</u>	<u>Cleaners</u> Bonnie & Darlene Slater Bonnie & Darlene Slater	<u>Ushers</u> Steve & Barb Bailey Sandy Slemmer & Janet LaGrange Barbara Sherwin & Shirley Green Bonnie & Darlene Slater
September 4 September 11 September 18 September 25	<u>Greeters</u>	<u>Lectors</u> Tom Lucas Bonnie Slater Steve Bailey John Baum	<u>Coffee Hour</u>
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****Because of the COVID-19 virus all meetings and Church Schedules are tentative. Please call or email me to confirm.**

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<u>SUN.</u>	<u>MON.</u>	<u>TUES.</u>	<u>WED.</u>	<u>THUS.</u>	<u>FRI.</u>	<u>SAT.</u>
				1 2:00 – 4:00PM Food Bank 6:45PM AA	2	3
4 10:00AM Worship Service with Holy Communion	5 	6 10:00AM Prayer Group 7:00PM Trustees Meeting 8:00PM AA	7	8 6:45PM AA	9	10 10:00AM Service for Ted Church
11 10:00AM Worship Service New Member Sunday Start of Sunday School Pot Luck Lunch Grandparents Day	12 6:00 – 8:00PM Food Bank	13 10:00AM Prayer Group 7:00PM Admin./Finance Meeting 8:00PM AA	14	15 2:00 – 4:00PM Food Bank 6:45PM AA	16	17
18 10:00AM Worship Service	19	20 10:00AM Prayer Group 8:00PM AA	21	22  6:45PM AA	23	24
25 10:00AM Worship Service Special Charge Conference	26 6:00 – 8:00PM Food Bank	27 10:00AM Prayer Group 8:00PM AA	28	29 2:00 – 4:00PM Food Bank 6:45PM AA	30	

September Announcements

If you, or someone you know, is in the hospital in need of a visit please call either Pastor Barbara or the Church office to schedule a visit. Because of privacy laws, hospitals can no longer give out this information.

Children's Message

If you would like to volunteer to give a Children message during worship, or if you would like to volunteer to be a liturgist (Reader) let Pastor Barbara know.

Church office hours are Monday, Tuesday, and Friday from 9:00AM to Noon. If there is a Monday holiday, office hours for that week will be Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00AM to Noon.

Pastor Barbara will be in the office Monday and Tuesday from 9:30AM to 1:00PM, or by appointment.

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