September Link

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24

It is September! Time for new clothes, new classes, new friends and new activities. I always felt that the best part of being in school was that each new year, you could begin again. Even if the last school year felt like the worse one ever, this year is a new start; a new opportunity. All of last year is over and done - the slate is fresh once again.

Every day on our Christian journey is a day to begin again. In our Christian journey, every day offers a chance to start over, to embrace new beginnings, and to grow in our faith.

When we truly allow Christ into our hearts, all our yesterdays, all our regrets, all our errors are taken away and we begin anew.

Each new day in Christ, we have the opportunity to renew our spirits, to learn, and to build meaningful connections with those around us. Every day in Christ, we live with a sense of joy and gratitude, knowing that we have been given the gift of a fresh start.

Let's embrace this new season with open hearts and minds, ready to explore the possibilities that lie ahead. Whether it's through our studies, our friendships, or our faith, may we find ways to grow and thrive. Let us rejoice in the new beginnings that September brings, and let us be glad in it.

In Christ,

Pastor Barbara



We have a new District Superintendent

Installation Service for D.S. Rev. Heather Sinclair will be on Sunday, October 12, 4:00 PM at Nichols UMC, Trumbull.

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Our Annual Church Conference has tentatively been scheduled for Sunday, November 9, from 3:00 to 5:30 PM. Location to be determined.



Sunday School will begin on September 7<sup>th</sup>.

Food Bank Wishlist

Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Brown Rice, Tuna, Applesauce

No time to shop for the food bank?? Donations can be made here: https://www.paypal.com/ncp/payment/J36KTCUVNFYRY





## **Gospels for September**

September 7: Luke 14:25-33 September 14: Luke 15:1-10 September 21: Luke 16:1-13 September 28: Luke 16:19-31

## **September Schedule**

|                                                             | <u>Cleaners</u>                                                                                                  | <u>Lectors</u>                                                | <u>Ushers</u>                                                                                                           |  |  |
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| September 7<br>September 14<br>September 21<br>September 28 | Volunteers Needed<br>Volunteers Needed<br>Volunteers Needed<br>Volunteers Needed                                 | Janet LaGrange<br>Tom Lucas<br>Kathy Loomis<br>Suzanne Gerber | Dawn Renfrew & Shelley Bailey<br>Steven Shaw & Judy McKay<br>Sandy Slemmer & Janet LaGrange<br>Peg Palmer & Cliff Hoxie |  |  |
|                                                             | <u>Greeters</u>                                                                                                  |                                                               | Coffee Hour                                                                                                             |  |  |
| September 7<br>September 14<br>September 21<br>September 28 | John Lundy & Jay LaGrange<br>John Lundy & Jay LaGrange<br>John Lundy & Jay LaGrange<br>John Lundy & Jay LaGrange |                                                               | Angela Root<br>Volunteers Needed<br>Volunteers Needed<br>Volunteers Needed                                              |  |  |
|                                                             |                                                                                                                  | <u>Counters</u>                                               |                                                                                                                         |  |  |
| September 7<br>September 14<br>September 21<br>September 28 |                                                                                                                  | Jennifer Lambour<br>Jennifer Lambour                          |                                                                                                                         |  |  |
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As you can see by the calendar, we are in need of volunteers for Coffee Hour and Cleaning. Sign up sheets are in the Narthex on the Besse table.



# **September**

| SUN.                                                                                               | MON.                               | TUES.                                                                            | WED.                                                                              | THUS.                                             | FRI. | SAT. |
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|                                                                                                    | Pabor Day                          | 2<br>10:00AM<br>Prayer Group                                                     | 3                                                                                 | 2:00 – 4:00PM<br>Food Bank                        | 5    | 6    |
|                                                                                                    |                                    | 8:00PM AA                                                                        |                                                                                   | 6:45PM AA                                         |      |      |
| 7 10:00AM Worship Service with Holy Communion  Whappy Communion  Grandpourts  Outpourts  Outpourts | 8                                  | 9<br>10:00AM<br>Prayer Group<br>7:00PM<br>Admin./Finance<br>Meeting<br>8:00PM AA | 9:00AM - Noon<br>Scrapbooking<br>with Carolyn<br>4:00 - 6:00PM<br>Food Bank       | PATRIOT DAY  9.11.01  ME WILL HEVER FORGES  * * * | 12   | 13   |
| 14<br>10:00AM<br>Worship Service                                                                   | 15                                 | 16<br>10:00AM<br>Prayer Group                                                    | 17                                                                                | 18                                                | 19   | 20   |
| 11:15AM<br>Trustees Meeting                                                                        | 4:00 – 7:00PM<br>Food Bank         | 8:00PM AA                                                                        |                                                                                   | 2:00 – 4:00PM<br>Food Bank<br>6:45PM AA           |      |      |
| 21<br>10:00AM<br>Worship Service                                                                   | HAPPY<br>FIRST DAY<br>OF A<br>FALL | 23<br>10:00AM<br>Prayer Group<br>8:00PM AA                                       | 24<br>9:00AM – Noon<br>Scrapbooking<br>with Carolyn<br>4:00 – 6:00PM<br>Food Bank | 25<br>6:45pm AA                                   | 26   | 27   |
| 28<br>10:00AM<br>Worship Service                                                                   | 29<br>4:00 – 7:00PM<br>Food Bank   | 30<br>10:00AM<br>Prayer Group<br>8:00PM AA                                       |                                                                                   |                                                   |      |      |
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## **September Announcements**

The annual Christmas Fair is scheduled for early November, which seems very far away, but it takes time to create the many arts and crafts that we need to sell.

Many hands and many talents are needed. If you craft, knit, or do woodcraft, please begin to create your wares.

If you know of someone who is not getting the Link but would like to, please contact Re with their information and email address so they can be added to the list. If they don't have access to emails, just give us their mailing address and we will mail it out to them. We will also leave a few copies on the Besse table.

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

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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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