

MARY TAYLOR MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Order of Worship

10:00 a.m.

(* Those who are able may stand. °°° Late arrivals will be seated.)

INFORMAL HYMN SINGING (9:45 a.m.)

THE BELL TOLLS – *Welcoming us to worship God*

PRELUDE “Musette” G. Young

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

(Please keep our focus on the worship of God by sharing those items not published elsewhere.)

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Look to the left, for there is your neighbor.

People: ***Look to your right, for there is your brother and your sister.***

Leader: Look behind, for there is evidence of how God has blessed us.

People: ***Look forward, for there is endless potential.***

All: ***Look to the cross, for there is the love that makes each moment possible.***

*HYMN #657 “This is the Day” This is the Day

The Adult Choir sings the “Leader” and the Congregation is “All,” sung twice.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (unison)

Lord, you are undivided. You are One. As the Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, you freely share with one another, and you call us to do likewise. You have commanded us to love one another, so that the whole world may see who you truly are and glimpse your kingdom here on earth. We place all our trust in the love you showed to us in your son, Jesus Christ, and it is in His name we pray. Amen.

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM *Lily Elizabeth Pirulli* Hymnal p. 39
daughter of Laura and Jelani

*HYMN #2051 “I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry” rear cover

THE EPISTLE I John 2:7-11 Bible p.1110

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: ***Thanks be to God.***

*THE GOSPEL John 13:34-35 Bible p.982

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord. People: ***Praise to you, Lord Christ.***

*HYMN #548 “In Christ There is No East or West” McKee

THE SERMON

“John 13:34-35”

Bill Katt

HYMN #561 (*seated*)

“Jesus, United by Thy Grace”
(Verses one and two)

St. Agnes

PRAYERS OF PETITION AND INTERCESSION

Leader: Lord, in Your mercy, People: ***Hear our prayer.***

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Hymnal #895

***THE PEACE**

L: May the peace of the Lord be always with you. P: ***And also with you.***
(Greet one another with signs of Christ’s peace.)

EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY SPOTLIGHT “*Our Church: from the perspective of youth*” Olivia D’Andrea, Sarah O’Brien, Jamie Georgelos, Tanner Georgelos

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory: “This Little Light of Mine” arr. by H. Helvey
*Presentation: “The Doxology” Hymnal #95

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*HYMN #555 “Forward Through the Ages” St. Gertrude

***RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION**

Leader: Go now into the world to love and serve one another.

People: ***Go and let your love be a witness to others of the sustaining power of our living God.***

All: ***Go to love and be loved because God first loved us.***

***THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Hymnal #672

***God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.
Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus feet;
Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.***

*THE BELL TOLLS – *Sending us to walk with and witness for Jesus*

*POSTLUDE Improvisation on “St. Agnes” D. Hegerty
(During the postlude you may leave following the pastor or remain seated).

THE WORSHIP IS ENDED: THE SERVICE BEGINS.

2051

I Was There to Hear Your Born-ing Cry



1. "I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be
3. "When you heard the won - der of the Word I was
5. "In the mid - dle ag - es of your life, not too
7. "I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be



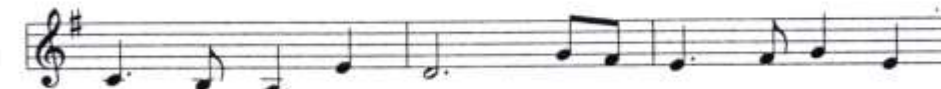
there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you
there to cheer you on; you were raised to praise the
old, no long - er young, I'll be there to guide you
there when you are old, I re - joiced the day you



were bap - tized, to see your life un - fold.
liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
through the night, com - plete what I've be - gun.
were bap - tized, to see your life un - fold."



2. I was there when you were but a child, with a
4. If you find some - one to share your time and you
6. When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you



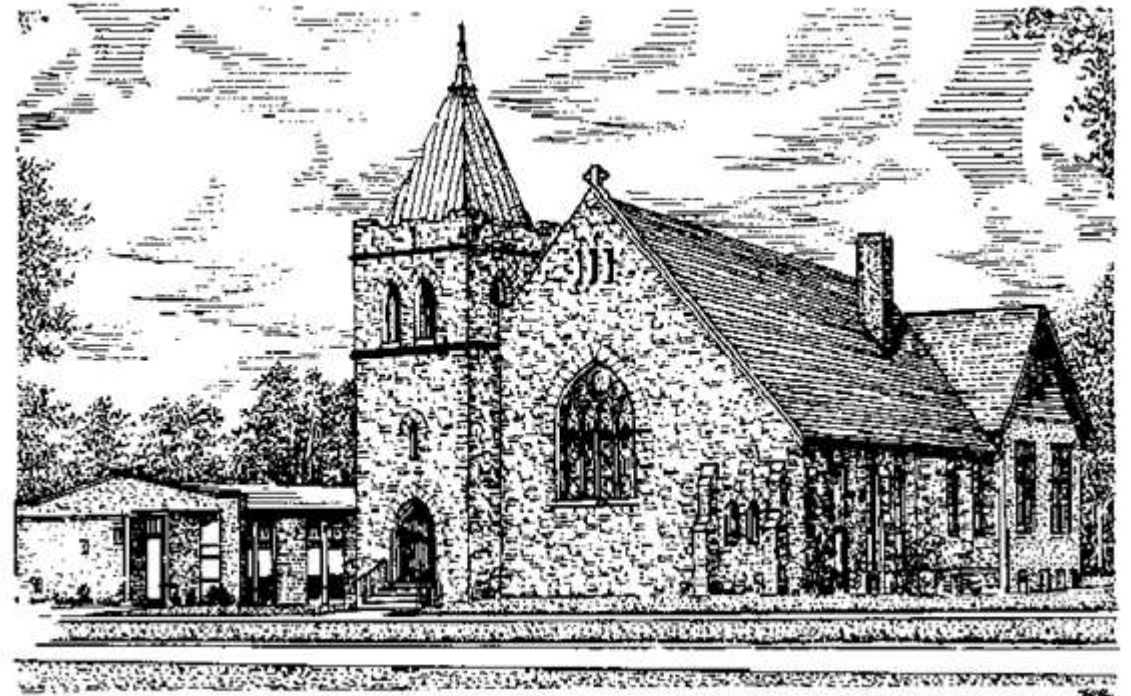
faith to suit you well; in a blaze of light you
join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your
shut your wea - ry eyes, I'll be there as I have



wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell.
vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun.
al - ways been with just one more sur - prise.

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Mary Taylor Memorial United Methodist Church

First Methodist Church in Milford: 1843

Current building dedicated: 1893

Merged with Myrtle Beach Community Church: 1969

*Whoever you are, wherever you are
on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.*

**LAITY SUNDAY
PENTECOST XXII
October 20, 2013**

~Calendar at Mary Taylor Memorial~

Sunday, October 20 **LAITY SUNDAY/PENTECOST XXII**
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages – Wesley Center
 10:00 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary
 11:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour-Dodd Hall
 11:15 a.m. Blood Pressure Checks-Sanctuary
 11:30 a.m. New Member Class – Pastor’s study

Monday, October 21 7:00 p.m. Service of Healing and Wholeness – The Chapel
Tuesday, October 22 5:45 p.m. 2014 Confirmation Class
 7:00 p.m. Extravagant Generosity study – Gunn Library
 7:00 p.m. Disciple I Bible Study

Wednesday, October 23 10:00 a.m. Incubator Training-Egan Room
 10:00 a.m. Extravagant Generosity study – Gunn Library
 10:00 a.m. Mailing November “Beacon” – Chapel
 6:00 p.m. Gay-Straight Alliance meeting – Gunn Library
 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
 7:45 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 24 5:30 p.m. MTMUMC Community Supper
 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee – Gunn Library
 7:30 p.m. Long Range Planning Committee meeting-Egan Room

Saturday, October 26 9:00 a.m. 5K Trick or Trot Run/Walk for Beth-El

Sunday, October 27 **PENTECOST XXIII**
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages – Wesley Center
 10:00 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary
 10:00a.m. New Members received
 11:00 a.m. Fellowship Hour-Dodd Hall
 11:00 a.m. Men’s Club Soup & Sandwich Luncheon
 11:30 a.m. Visitation Ministry meeting – Wesley Center
 3:00-5:00 p.m. Sunday School Harvest Festival

Monday, October 28 7:00 p.m. Service of Healing and Wholeness – The Chapel
Tuesday, October 29 5:45 p.m. 2014 Confirmation Class
 7:00 p.m. Extravagant Generosity study – Gunn Library
 7:00 p.m. Disciple I Bible Study

Wednesday, October 30 10:00 a.m. Extravagant Generosity study – Gunn Library
 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal
 7:45 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal

Grace Notes
October 20, 2013

Dear Mary Taylor Memorial family,

The word “laity” comes from the Greek “laos totheon,” “people of God.” Today is Laity Sunday throughout the world-wide United Methodist Church, recalling our roots as a renewal movement comprised of laity. Our Co-Lay Leaders, Leigh Bak and Kelly O’Hara, planned today’s service. We thank them as well as all the laity participating today, and every week, in leadership in worship and service.

One privilege reserved for the clergy is celebrating baptism, which we do today for Lily Elizabeth Pirulli. We welcome her, her parents Laura and Jelani, and their families today. Please extend a warm greeting to all.

Thanks to Lily’s aunt, Sarah O’Brien, along with Olivia D’Andrea, Jamie Georgelos and Tanner Georgelos, for presenting the “Extravagant Generosity” message today. We very much appreciate the active involvement of these youth.

If you’d like to order a pie to support MTMUMC missions, today is the deadline. See the table in Dodd Hall. If you’d like to have your blood pressure checked, please see our Parish Nurse in the sanctuary after worship.

Let us give thanks to God for the active and vital ministry that is Mary Taylor Memorial United Methodist Church.

Sincerely in Christ,

Pastor Brian

MARY TAYLOR MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Ministers	All the People of God	Bishop	The Rev. Dr. Martin D. McLee
Lay Leaders	Kelly O’Hara & Leigh Bak	Superintendent	The Rev. Kenneth Kieffer
Prayer Chain	Stacy Meszaros	Pastor	The Rev. Dr. Brian R. Bodt
Administrative Assistant	Mary Lou Kampert	Pastoral Assistant	The Rev. Harold V.W. Vink
Sexton	Bruce Rumford	Music Director	Dr. Richard L. Riccardi
Child Care Coordinators	Betty Laferriere and Nicole Ellerbeck		

AT WORSHIP TODAY

Head Usher –Kelly O’Hara

Liturgist –Leigh Bak

Acolytes –John and Cody McFadden

Greeters – Jim and Phoebe Repetsky

Cross Bearer –Tanner Georgelos

Bible Bearer –Taylor Wilmot

GREETING YOU AFTER WORSHIP is Bill Katt at the Narthex door and Leigh Bak at the Dodd Hall door.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given in celebration of Elaine's birthday given by Ken Hawkins.

TO ASSIST YOU IN WORSHIP, see our ushers for:

- Large print Bibles, hymnals and bulletins
- Hearing Assist Devices
- Children's bulletins for ages 3 – 6 and 7 – 12

PLEASE OFFER PRAYER CONCERNS using the "Blue Sheets" in each pew or obtain one from an usher. Ushers collect them on the opening hymn and our Lay Leaders speak them during the Prayer of Intercession and Petition. Please obtain others' permission to share their concerns. These prayers are included in our on-line prayer chain and Monday night Healing Service. Please also speak your concerns as invited during the prayer.

TODAY'S LITURGY is from Holy Scripture, The United Methodist Hymnal (1989), and The Faith We Sing (2000). The liturgy was prepared by our Co-Lay Leaders, Leigh Bak and Kelly O'Hara.

SERMON COPIES from October 13 are available in the rear of the church and on-line: www.mtm-umc.org.

CHURCH INFORMATION is available in the racks in back of the church.

CHILD CARE: *For children 5 and under* is provided in Wesley Center, building next door to sanctuary – OR – the service may be heard in Dodd Hall, if you wish to use it for restless children during service. *Please note that children over five are expected to remain in the sanctuary; the child care in Wesley Center is not staffed to provide for older children. Our Safe Sanctuary policy requires that children leaving the sanctuary must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.*

OUR LIFE IN PRAYER, MINISTRY AND MISSION

OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. If Wesley Center is locked, call Mary Lou at 203.874.1982 or Pastor Brian (203.895.3753).

FOOD BASKET: Please place non-perishable food items in the basket located in the back of the church & monetary donations in the Beth-El envelope.

ANIMAL SHELTER DONATIONS: CAT FOOD is desperately needed for seniors with pets. Please leave food items in the back of the church or take to the Milford Animal Shelter at Silver Sands State Park.

ALTAR FLOWERS ORDERS are taken at any time for Altar Flowers OR "In Lieu of Flowers" to support missions (UMCOR, UM Army and others – please see info. table in back of church for list). **A donation in lieu of altar flowers is honored with a cross and miniature mission scarf placed on the altar.* Please contact Beth O'Brien at 203.877.8668 or bgobrien11@optonline.net or Beth O'Brien, 7 Breakneck Court, Milford, CT 06460

CONTACTING THE PASTORS: Pastor Brian (brian.bodt@yahoo.com: 203.874-1982, ext. 11 or 203.895.3753) is typically in office 9 – Noon, Mon. – Thurs. **Pastor Hal Vink** can be reached at 203.878.8977 or vinkhaljane@yahoo.com. Please inform them or the office (203.874.1982, mtmumc@sbcglobal.net) of pastoral care needs and hospitalizations.

"FIX IT BOX" is in Dodd Hall. See a need? Drop a completed form in the box.

WE HOST Alcoholics Anonymous AND Gamblers Anonymous WEEKLY. Please call the church office for the schedule or see it posted on the bulletin boards.

VITAL CONGREGATION WEEKLY REPORT FOR OCTOBER 13:

Total worship attendance all services: 155 (Oct. 13, 149; Healing and Wholeness Oct. 14: 6)
Total Offering: \$4566.57 Amount given to Charities and Benevolences: \$350; Total Number Persons Engaged in Small Groups 112 (Sunday School, 27; Methodist Youth Fellowship: 25; Confirmation, 14; Disciple, 9; EG Adult Study, Tues., 9; EG Adult Study, Wed., 2; Building Committee: 8; Prayer Shawl: 7; Staff-Parish Relations: 11; No Bell or Adult Choir last week).
Total number persons received on profession of faith: 0; Total Persons involved in local, national, and international missions: 0. **Important! Small Groups – please email the church office (mtmumc@sbcglobal.net) or call (203.874.1982) with your attendance.*

PLEASE NOTE: Should there be a medical or other emergency during the worship service, someone designated by the head usher will call #911. Do not call on your cell phone. Multiple calls may delay response. Thank you.

Fall Fundraiser - Think Holidays!



This year the **Mission Committee** will be selling Lyman Orchard pies that will be delivered in time for Thanksgiving. Mission had the pleasure of taste testing a pie and it was **Delicious**.

Look for us during Fellowship Hour to place your orders, (and maybe consider taking an order form with you for outside orders). Ask your family, friends, and co-workers to order pies!

Lyman Orchard Pies "Bringing the orchard right to your table". Lyman Orchard pies are hand-made all natural fruit pies made one at a time. Starting from scratch with every pie, they peel and slice fresh hand-picked fruit from their Middlefield Orchards. Fruit pies (\$15) are frozen unbaked, so you bake them at your convenience. All other pies (\$16) are thaw and serve.

Collect the money when taking orders. Turn all forms and money in to Anna Henry; 203-339-5091; annamhenry@gmail.com

DEADLINE FOR ORDERS IS TODAY, OCT. 20th

\$15 pies:

Hi-Top Apple Raspberry

Chocolate Cream

Hi-Top Apple

Banana Cream

Apple Crumb

Bumbleberry (apples, cherries, raspberries,
blueberries, & blackberries)

Pumpkin

\$16 pies:

Chocolate Peanut Butter Cream with Brownie Bottom

Orchard Blueberry

Strawberry Rhubarb

Pecan

GENTLY USED JEWELRY SALE COMING SOON!

This benefit for Missions will be Sunday, Nov. 10 immediately following worship. Donations of gently used jewelry are still being sought. Please contact Maryann Petremont (203.877.0612) or Jane Vink (203.878.8977).

ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION TODAY

- **WELCOME VISITORS!** May you experience God's presence with us. Please complete a red visitor's card (in the pew racks) and wear the "Visitor" name tag to help us greet you warmly. Our Ambassadors will look for you!

- **FELLOWSHIP HOUR** follows worship in Dodd Hall, hosted today by the Gay-Straight Alliance. Next Sunday's hosts are the Methodist Youth Fellowship.
- **OUR UPDATED "SAFE SANCTUARY" POLICY** is now available in the rear of the church or from the church office. It was approved unanimously by our Church Council on Sept. 19th and will be voted upon at our Nov. 21st, 7:30 p.m. Church Conference (all welcome, vote reserved to members of MTMUMC). If you have questions about the policy, please contact Dennis Darak at 203.874.5881.
- **BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS** follow worship in the sanctuary.
- **FINAL NEW MEMBER CLASS** meets in the pastor's study at 11:30 a.m.
- **"COLLEGE CONNECTION"** deadline is today. If you know of a Mary Taylor Memorial student to whom we could send a care package, please provide his or her name and address to Meg Dennis (megdennis@optonline.net) or Shauna Paton (203.874.9390).
- **REPOINTING OF THE CHURCH** continues under the direction of the Trustees and is expected to last two weeks. There may be some limited access at various times. We will keep you advised as work progresses
- **WE WELCOME NEW YOUTH TO SERVE AS BIBLE BEARERS, ACOLYTES AND CROSS BEARERS.** Please contact Noel Fino: 203.877.3005.
- **LITURGISTS** volunteers are needed beginning in November. If interested please speak with Laura Perregaux, Worship Chair, today or at 203.520.8183.
- **NEED A NEW OR REPLACEMENT NAME TAG?** Please contact (mtmumc@sbcglobal.net or 203.874.1982, ext. 10) with your request. **PLEASE KEEP NAME TAGS** on for Fellowship Hour and return them before leaving.
- **SEE THE CALENDAR FOR THE WEEKLY MEETING SCHEDULE.**

THIS WEEK

"EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY" ADULT STUDY CONTINUES THIS WEEK: Tuesday at 7 p.m. with Kelly O'Hara; and Wed., Oct. 23, 10 a.m. with Laura Perregaux. The study concludes Nov. 5 & 6. No Sunday sessions are held. Come to either Tuesday or Wednesday's classes or contact Laura at misslmp@yahoo.com or 203.520.8183.

MAILING VOLUNTEERS meet Wed., 9 a.m. to mail the November "Beacon."

BULLETIN NOTICES FOR OCTOBER 27th are due by Noon on Wed., October 23rd, hard copy to the church office or to mtmumc@sbcglobal.net.

COMMUNITY SUPPER AT MTMUMC is this Thursday, October 24th We need volunteers anytime between 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. Tasks including prep, serving and clean-up. Membership and Evangelism hosts this month. Please contact Deb Dubien at 203.877.4959.

MILFORD 5K TRICK OR TROT RUN/WALK EVENT is this Saturday, October 26th, 9:00 a.m. We will meet at 8:30 a.m. at Lisman Landing in Milford. The race begins at 9:00 a.m. Costumes are encouraged! For details visit www.milfordtrickortrot.com. Contact person for this event is Leigh Bak, 203-877-4807. As always, friends are welcome for these events.

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR: a production by Lauralton Hall will be at the Parsons Center Auditorium this Friday, Oct. 25 at 7:30 p.m.; Sat., Oct. 26 at 7 p.m. and Sun., Oct. 27 at 2 p.m. Tickets at the door at \$15 adults, \$10 seniors and students. Info at 203.877.2786.

NEXT SUNDAY

REFORMATION SUNDAY/Pentecost XXIII: “*What’s in Your Bucket?*” will be the Message based on Joel 2:28; Matthew 6:33 and Colossians 3:1. Our third Extravagant Generosity theme is “Vision and hope are inspirations of the heart with a video presentation by Bill Katt. New members will be received and healing anointing will be offered during the closing hymn.

A SOUP AND SANDWICH LUNCHEON will be hosted by the Men’s Club after worship next Sunday in Dodd Hall. No charge! All welcome to this fellowship and food event.

VISITATION MINISTRY TEAM meets next Sunday, 11:30 a.m. on the first floor of the Wesley Center. Get a sandwich and soup and come on over!

HARVEST FESTIVAL/TRUNK OR TREAT will be held next Sunday, 3 – 5 p.m. This festival for our children will include lots of new games, delicious food, fellowship and, of course, Trunk or Treat. Parents are needed to help with decorating, games and trunks (of your car) with treats. Costumes are optional but fun: no devils or witches, please. Contact Sylvia Elliott at 203.877.7587 or at elliottb2@me.com to help.

COMING SOON

ALL SAINTS REMEMBRANCES: We annually remember those who have died, in the church and among our dear ones, on the first Sunday in November. If your dear one is not listed here, please send the name and family or friendship relationship to Mary Lou Kampert, Administrative Assistant, at mtmumc@sbcglobal.net or call her at 203.874.1982, ext. 10. Our list so far includes:

Monica Adams (mother of Gavin O’Brien)
Rickey David Dubien (Al’s brother)

June Costello
Thomas Graybill

Joan Hackett (Missy Hackett’s mother-in-law)

George Johnson (Edie Reichard’s uncle)

Sandra Martin (Sylvia Elliott’s sister)

Mary Ann Quesinberry

Linda Siebert (mother of Jennifer Siebert)

Spirit X (David Scott Ude) Missy Hackett’s brother

Phyllis Jensen

Dorothy Law

Thomas Myers (Diana Cable’s dad)

Myra J. Sheldon

Albert Sullivan

Daniel Tashlein (Sally Chapin’s nephew)

OTHER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

BIBLES FOR PAST CONFIRMANDS – your help is needed!

This year’s presentation of Bibles to confirmands elicited interest in making the same presentation to recent confirmands. To the best of my knowledge based on the information I have obtained, Bibles were not presented to confirmands are Mary Taylor Memorial Church in recent years.

Therefore, I am attempting to obtain the names of those who did not receive one and wish to do so. If you, or someone in your family, falls among this group, please send their FULL name to me as this will be embossed on the Bible. Please do so no later than Sunday, November 24. You may reach me at brian.bodt@yahoo.com or 203.874.1982, ext. 11.

It is my hope that we will have Bibles ready for this group prior to Christmas. Thank you for your assistance.

In Christ,

Pastor Brian

ST. JOSEPH HIGH SCHOOL, 2320 Huntington Turnpike in Trumbull, will be hosting an Open House for seventh and eighth grade students and their parents on Sunday, October 27th. The program will begin promptly at 1:00 p.m. The entrance exam for eighth graders will be held on Saturday, November 2nd, from 8:00-11:00 a.m., at the school. For more information, please call the Admissions Office at 203-378-9378, or visit SJHS online at: www.sjcadets.org.

CHURCH SECURITY: please look to see if you are the last to leave the sanctuary complex or Wesley Center. If so, please lock up! Many thanks.