

November Worship Services

*Sunday worship at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary; Sunday School at 9 a.m. in Wesley Center
Monday "Healing and Wholeness" worship at 7 p.m. in the Chapel, Wesley Center, 2nd Floor
Taize worship 4th Wednesday (Nov. 22) at noon and 4th Thursday (Nov. 23) at 6:45 p.m.*

NOVEMBER 5 ALL SAINTS SUNDAY: DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS – turn clocks back one hour! We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and remember all those who have died in the Lord since the last All Saints. (Please see list of remembrances so far in this issue). The sermon "Trust and Resist" will be based on Matthew 23:1-12. The Bell Choir will play the introit and postlude and the Adult Choir sing the offertory anthem. Following worship, the Sunday School teachers will meet in the Wesley Center. **Coats for the single-day coat drive are due today** (see Oct. "Beacon" article). This day is also the deadline to submit names of college students to receive **College Connection packets**. Contact Holly Firmender: 203.530.2621; holly.firmender@gmail.com. We will also distribute food bags for the food offering to be received November 19.

NOVEMBER 12 Pentecost XXIII The message "The Clock is Ticking" will be based on I Thessalonians 4:13-18 and Matthew 25:1-13. Our Mission Minute will be by a representative of Friends of Appalachia. After worship our United Methodist Women will host their "Second Sunday Soup Sale" with proceeds supporting their mission work.

NOVEMBER 19 THANKSGIVING SUNDAY/BIBLE SUNDAY Informal hymn singing begins at 9:45 a.m. The message by Pastor Dani "...9/10 of the Law" will be based on I Thessalonians 5:1-11 and Matthew 25:14-30. We will receive food bags with food for Christian Community Action (New Haven) and AIDS Project New Haven. Bibles will be presented to third graders and last spring's Confirmation class; and we will receive new members. After worship our Thanksgiving Dinner, hosted by the Men's Club, will be in Dodd Hall; and blood pressure screenings will be given in the sanctuary by Dianne Carroll, R.N.

NOVEMBER 21 COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE to be held Tuesday at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, 70 Gulf Street, Milford, hosted by the 7:00 p.m. Milford Clergy Association. The preacher will be the Rev. Matthew Lindeman, the new (since May) rector at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Music will be led by the music directors of St. Mary's Church and First U.C.C., Milford, including a community choir which will rehearse at 6 p.m.

NOVEMBER 26 THE REIGN OF CHRIST/UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY. The message "Be Careful What You Ask For" will be based on Psalm 100; Ezekiel 34: 11-16 and 20-24; and Matthew 25:31-46. We will receive a special offering for the Kelsey-Worley Scholarship Fund of our church, providing tuition assistance to qualifying MTMUMC college students; and United Methodist Student Day which supports college and seminary scholarships in The United Methodist Church. World AIDS Day (Dec. 1) will be remembered, including Mr. Ben Bloom, chair of the Board of AIDS project New Haven, speaking. Prayer and healing anointing will be offered during the closing hymns.

Advance reading of the scriptures is an act of spiritual formation.