



THE CONGREGATIONAL  
CHURCH OF PLAINVILLE, UCC



*The Congregational Church of Plainville serves the  
community in the Spirit of Christ.*

*All Welcomed. All Valued. All Loved.*

## The Weekly Steeple

~ May 25, 2022 ~

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"Display Images" at the top of your email to make sure everything is displayed properly. Thank you!*

### *From the Pastor's Pen*

Dear Friends,

I will be honest and say that I am sort of speechless right now when it comes to the mass shooting in Texas. The trauma of Sandy Hook before yesterday remained fresh, if I am even more honest. No, I did not have a loved-one directly affected or lost 10 years ago. But my son was of the same age as those 20 1st graders in Newtown. I'd also say that I am probably too sensitive for my own good when it comes to the world's pain. I internalize it deeply whether I want to or not. That trauma from 10 years ago was reopened yesterday. I am in a raw space right now. But I know I am not alone... and how this saddens me too!

Please know I cry with you. Please know it is okay to feel empty and answerless. Many accompany you. And a heartbroken God accompanies all of us.

Peace,  
Rev Don

### *Notices & Information*



## All Together!

Donate via Text-to-Give:  
Text the phrase  
UCCSTC to 41444

It's easy and secure to support  
**Strengthen the Church**  
electronically!

Donate Online:  
[ucc.org/stc](http://ucc.org/stc)

\*Requires a mobile plan with texting and mobile data. Fees may apply. Contact your wireless carrier for information.

### **STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH**

The Strengthen the Church (STC) Offering reflects the shared commitment of people across the United Church of Christ to cooperatively build up the UCC. Conferences and the national setting equally share the gifts given by members and friends through their local congregations. The funds raised support leadership development, new churches, youth ministry, and innovation in existing congregations. By your generosity to this offering, you build up the Body of Christ.

As God calls our congregations to be the church in new ways, your generosity will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches and develop the spiritual life in our youth and young adults.

Our Strengthen the Church offering will be collected on **June 5th**.  
Contributions can be made online at any time [here](#).

## **CELEBRATIONS!**



### **Happy Birthday to:**

***Shelley Johnson (6/3), Mary Fuller (6/5),  
Bonnie Mazurek (6/11), Savannah Coté (6/20),  
Julie Zaleski (6/23), Karen Hodge (06/27)***

### **Happy Anniversary to:**

***Bert & Jocelyn Michaud (6/23)  
Robin & Christopher Anderson (6/28)***

## Every Week at C.C.P.

### Sunday

**10:00 a.m. Worship Service**

*~ In-person worship will be Live-Streamed via Facebook ~*

### Wednesday

**7:00 p.m. Theology Book Club ~ Gospel Song Study**

### Thursday

**7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal**

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## Chair Yoga

We are pleased to be offering an upcoming 4 week Chair Yoga session on Mondays beginning June 6th 4 to June 27th from 6:15 to 7:15 PM. Sign up and payment required to hold spot.

Interested.. Questions? Contact  
Bonnie Soucy at  
[dodowndog@gmail.com](mailto:dodowndog@gmail.com)



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## In Our Community

### Plainville Community Food Pantry

The Plainville Community Food Pantry has served the town of Plainville for decades, providing not only food assistance, but also clothing, heating assistance through the Fuel Bank, and referrals to crisis intervention services. It has been a lifeline for many. The pandemic has strained its resources, and strained its staff as well, as the work of volunteers had to be curtailed.

We can all help. Consider writing a check. Add the Food Pantry to your weekly shopping list...it will quickly become a habit.

The Food Pantry basket is in the Narthex ready to accept donations of food and other non-perishable items.

If you would prefer to make a financial contribution please send a check to The Plainville Community Food Pantry at 54 South Canal Street, Plainville, CT 06062.

If you have any questions for the food pantry or are in need of help please contact them at (860) 747-1919.

Thank you.





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**Webpage:** [uccplainville.org](http://uccplainville.org)

**Facebook:** [@uccplainville](https://www.facebook.com/uccplainville)

**Instagram:** [@CCP.UCC](https://www.instagram.com/CCP.UCC)

**YouTube:** [Click Here](#)

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Church Office via phone at 860-747-1901 or via email at [churchoffice@uccplainville.org](mailto:churchoffice@uccplainville.org).

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