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# Youth Group: How to Have an Awesome Life and Help Others Do the Same



Youth CPR & First Aid

Youth CPR & First Aid January 17, 2020 7:00 - 9:00 pm

We are having our CPR/First Aid Youth Group Lesson (non-certified) on Jan 17-7;00 pm-9:00pm. This class is being taught by a registered nurse and Captain of the Tolland Fire Dept.

Our hopes are to give our youth some basic training if they ever find themselves in a situation where an adult isn't around and 911 has not come yet.

This is open to kids outside of the church also. Invite someone who might be interested. Let Linda Shivers know if you and your youth are interested in attending

Youth Group Sleep Over January 17th to 18th, 2020 7 pm to 8 am

Bring a pillow, sleeping bag, and a breakfast or snack item to share with everyone. Invite a friend to join you.

Director of Christian Education is Linda Shivers.

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Dear Rockville Family,

Here we are, already finished with the year 2019 and ready to start our journey to greet the New Year of 2020. Before we cross over to this New Year, I want to let you know that I truly enjoyed our worship and events during the Advent-Christmas season – "Christmas Pageant," "Youth Night," and "Christmas family service." Those are all about children and youth ministry! I'd like to give thanks to all the teachers who worked hard to organize those special Christmas events – "Linda Shivers," "Bridget Joy," "Don and Allison Corne," "Geoff and Michelle Gerow," "Carol Macri," and "David Saunders."



Most of all, I thank God for our joyful and cozy Christmas Eve Candlelight service! As you saw, I was a little nervous when I stood on the pulpit to greet people and start the service, but my heart was full of joy to see that almost all the pews were filled with worship attendees! I want to share my joy and thanks with all of you! Especially, thanks for the wonderful decorations to "Carol Robbins," "Myrna Sawyer," and "Lisa Williams" from "Altar Guild," the members from "UMW" and "GOM"; thanks to "Don Ross" who ushered people to the pews; thanks to "Karen Stearns" who organized and played the music; thanks to "Janice Klingman" who led the Christmas prayer and candlelight; thanks to "Wayne Badstuebner" who controlled the computer and audio system; thanks to our youth who read the scriptures; thanks to the choir members; thanks to the kids in the "GSM" for the caroling; thanks to the sisters who played the handbells and "Nat Woodruff" who played flute for the last carol "Silent Night," which was the climax of the Christmas Eve service.

I really appreciate those meaningful and beautiful worship experiences during the Christmas season that will empower our new journey this year. Thank you to all for the great works you have done for the sake of God's glory, and because I know your faithfulness, I am looking forward to this New Year with a hope of growth in our worship and ministry.

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## Quote of the Month

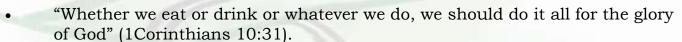
**"We spend January 1**st walking through our lives, room by room, drawing up a list of work to be done, cracks to be patched. Maybe this year, to balance the list, we

ought to walk through the rooms of our lives...
not looking for flaws, but for potential."

- Ellen Goodman

At the start of any new year, people tend to refresh their minds and souls and ponder what they hope to achieve for the year ahead. I have searched God's words to find the foundation of our pilgrim journey for this New Year, and I would like to share them with you:

- "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he or she is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come" (2 Corinthians 5:17).
- "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans PASTOR for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope" (Jeremiah 29:11).



- "Do not be anxious about anything but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your request be made know to God" (Philippians 4:6).
- "Brothers and sisters, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 3:13-14).

My sisters and brothers, we are starting a new journey again. We all want to have a meaningful and successful life. How can we achieve that? While we march together onward, let us remember that we are always sustained by the power of the Holy Spirit who keeps us in God's holiness, so that we will someday receive the crown of righteousness in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

May God bless you in Christ

Pastor Seok-Cheol Shin

#### Get Involved Survey

Please mail or put your response in the collection plate.
Check all that apply:
I'm interested in participating in: _ missions, _ events, _ fundraising, _bible study,
worship attendants, church maintenance, other:
The best time for me is: weekday morning, weeknights, Sunday morning,
Sunday afternoon, other:
How about we
I wish to remain anonymous
I would like to lead or help organize an activity:
Name: Phone:
Email:

### Christmas Un-Decorating Party January 11, 2020 9 am

We will be taking the Christmas Decorations down on Saturday January 11th at 9:00. Any help would be appreciated. Even a hour of your time is more help then you know!

Come join the fun!



The Church Bulletin is now on the website.

https://www.rockumchurch.com/worship/

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Church Un-Decorating Party January 11, 2020 9 am

> Youth CPR Class and Sleepover January 17, 2020 7 pm

#### Valentine's Breakfast

February 9, 2020

After Service Tea February 23, 2020 11 am

Ash Wednesday February 26, 2020



You'll Be Glad You Did!



## February Fellowship

**Valentine's Breakfast**: The Men of RUMC will cook and serve breakfast to the women on Sunday February 9, 202 before the worship service.

After Service Tea: Bring a book to recommend to help get us through the rest of the winter on Sunday February 23, 2020. Everyone is welcome to participate.

Souper Sundae: Fundraiser for the Youth Group program. Stay tuned for details.



## Give a Day of Fuel

Honor or remember someone special and help the church meet its fuel budget at the same time. A Day of Fuel sponsorship is only \$25.00. Fill out the form and drop it in the offering plate, or send it to the office with your check.

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### Holiday Gift Fund

Our heartfelt thanks to all who supported the 2019 Holiday Gift Fund. Your kindness has blessed families at the Cornerstone Shelter this year. The gifts were donated on December 19th. Many thanks for your support and generosity.

Thank you, Kathy Sunderland & Amy Velásquez



## Community Event:

South Windsor Community Chorus
Winter Concert

#### "Cold Hands, Warm Heart"

January 11, 2020 7:00 pm South Windsor High School



Bring new or gently used winter coats and clothing to the church for the Cornerstone Foundation Clothing Bank. The donation box is by the church's front door.

#### Can and Bottle Collection

Stan Culy is collecting redeemable cans and bottles for the Marri Family; Mohamed brings them to the store to be redeemed. We have a container in the front entry of our church.

Thank you for helping the Marri Family

#### Volunteer Opportunities

#### Through the Church:

Valentine Breakfast: February 9, 2020: Men are needed to cook, serve, and perform at a breakfast for the ladies of RUMC.

Worship Attendants: There are many opportunities to serve the church on Sundays: greeters, ushers, liturgists, hosting fellowship, or bringing the food donations to the pantry. The signup sheet is in Fellowship Hall.

Church Maintenance: The GOM's need your help! Since our Grumpy Old Men are getting even older there are many things they did without fanfare on Wednesday mornings that they can no longer do. We will start posting in the bulletin, on Facebook, and on the website activities where we need help; these are activities octogenarians should no longer be doing. Please keep an eye out for these opportunities, and help where you can.

Refugee Program: Please talk to Steve Yoder if you would like to help the Marri family.

Prayer Chain: If anyone is interested in joining the prayer chain, please contact the church office.

Food Collection: Volunteers are needed to bring the nonperishable food items in our donation box to one of the food pantries in town. The sign up sheet is on the volunteer bulletin board.

#### In the Community:

Cornerstone Soup Kitchen: Cornerstone Soup Kitchen is looking for volunteers who ServSafe Certified; they are the only volunteers who can cook the Soup Kitchen meals. Non-certified volunteers can serve the food or clean-up, but not prepare the food. Contact Sharon Redfern or Bryan Flint to volunteer. Sharon.Redfern@cornerstone-cares.org or Bryan.Flint@Cornerstone-cares.org



#### Special Needs

Nick - medical
Madison Kanneman - emotional
support & medical recovery
Kate and family and all displaced
by natural disasters
Colin Thorn - medical
Vetta - family tragedy
Bob Hornbecker
Rob Cook—medical
Domanik—healing
Anonymous— sobriety
Betty Ann Oppelt—medical &
spiritual
Tami Rizner—medical
Staci Rizner - medical

Jade - medical

Paige - medical

Brandon Holder - medical

Our Church Family
Marie Pierce—medical
Lucy Maupin – medical
Norine Veal—medical
Finn Halladay—medical
Linda Thouin—medical
Ginny Hickton—medical
Judy Wilkie—medical
Ray Clark—medical
John Ward - medical
Judie Culy - medical

#### Those in Christian Service

Dr. Belinda Forbes
Accion Medica Christiana,
Managua, Nicaragua
Pastor Kristin White,
Green Street UMC,
Augusta, ME

#### Those in nursing homes, Assisted Living and with limited mobility

Esther Harris-home Eleanor Schreiber-Crestfield Manor Shirley Edwards-Brookdale SW Vita Aiello-Fox Hill Pat Brandt—Pennsylvania Kay Lyke - Crestfield Manor Irene Surette-home Harry Thomas - Woodlake Janet McKercher—White Oaks Norine Veal-Woodlake Phyllis King—Vernon Manor Ray Clark - home Jane Thomas-home John Ward - home June Latkofsky - home Judie Culy - home



Judy Wilkie	January 7	Billy Spivey	January 21
Eileen Gay	January 8	Owen Longo	January 21
Sienna Spicer	January 14	Lucas Velasquez	January 23
Katherine Durham	January 16	Zachary Velasquez	January 23
Tommy Shivers	January 19	Craig Thompson	January 25
Xavier Rodriguez	January 19	Karen Perras	January 29

## The Church Council Minutes are now on our website.

https://www.rockumchurch.com/church-council-reports/

January 5

Isaiah 60: 1-6 Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14 (UMH)

Ephesians 3: 1-12Matthew 2: 1-12

January 12

Isaiah 42: 1-9 Psalm 29 (UMH) Acts 10: 34-43 Matthew 3: 13-17 January 19

Isaiah 49: 1-7 Psalm 40: 1-11 (UMH) 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9 John 1: 29-42

January 26

Isaiah 9: 1-4 Psalm 27: 1, 4-9 (UMH) 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18 Matthew 4: 12-23

#### Rockville United Methodist Church



Adult Study — 9:00 am
Sunday School 10:00 am
Worship Service 10:00 am
Coffee & Fellowship follow the worship service
Nursery Care is available for children 4 and under.



Office Hours 10am-2pm Tuesday-Friday

To update address information or to be removed from the mailing list, please call or e-mail the church office.

#### Our Mission Statement

Rockville United Methodist Church is a people seeking to be faithful to God; by reaching out to all, inviting each to a relationship with God, nurturing each in the love of Jesus Christ and sending everyone back into the world to minister in God's name.



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Dr. Belinda Forbes, Missionary to Nicaragua