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Friends in Christ,

It is wonderful to be back among you after being away for the last two weeks! Thank you so much for the opportunity to get away and recharge. I am especially grateful to the Reverend Joanne Myer , our Interim Associate Pastor, who so capably and faithfully fulfilled the pastoral office while I was away. It is a real blessing and privilege to work and serve with her.

The preaching conference I attended in Nashville was inspiring. I came away with many fresh and exciting ideas! I also enjoyed my time with family. During my week in Florida I was able to visit my parents, my brothers and their families, three of my adult children (the fourth, Maggie, lives here in Connecticut with us), and spend time some time playing with my four-year-old grandson. God is so good! Thank you all again for making my time away possible.

This week is Music Appreciation Sunday. It is the day we set aside each year to celebrate the many musical gifts with which God has graced our church and recognize the hard work and dedication of those who so freely share these gifts with us. In addition to our own outstanding Sanctuary Choir, who will bring the Word in song during our sermon time, our worship this Sunday will be enhanced by the musical ministry of the Contemporary Choir, the Transformers, the Joyful Noise bell choir. It promises to be a joyful, uplifting service of song and spirit. Please come and show your appreciation for God's extraordinary gift of music and thank some of the many musicians among us. Where would we be without them?

This Sunday is also Communion Sunday. What a wonderful time to ponder the ways we are called to live in harmony with God and one another! I pray that we will all learn to hum the tune of God's love loudly as we participate in the great symphony of life.

With you on the journey,
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REMINDERS....

ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, June 9 immediately following the Worship Service

Summer Sunday School is in need of teachers and assistants. It is one class for ages 3 years-5th grade. A sign-up sheet will be posted by the Library. Curriculum will be provided.

Vacation Bible School, June 24-28: There are still openings for children ages 3 years-5th grade. Registration forms are available from the Church Office or contact Linda Shivers or Debi Hockenberry.

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Women's Fellowship Retreat: If you have not signed up yet there is still time to do so on the Women's Fellowship bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. A deposit of \$56.50 is required. Please make your check payable to Women's Fellowship and mail to Millie Oliphant , 30 Crestridge Dr. Vernon , CT 06066 .