
Subject: Pastor's Weekly Email

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Friends in Christ,

This Sunday our new Associate Pastor, Robin Bird, will begin her ministry among us. I am looking forward to working with her, and with all of you, as we continue to reach out to our neighbors and build connections with our community. I hope you can be here on Sunday to welcome Robin to her new church!

We will also welcome new members this week! Eight new people are joining in covenant with us. This week we will receive into membership **Carol Jensen** of Vernon, **Tania Ryea** of Tolland, **Peg Leary** of Tolland, and **Helen Ellsworth** of Tolland. Then on Sunday, November 10, we will receive into membership **Steven Leary** of Tolland, **Janet DiTarando** of Vernon, and **Rick and Holly Olmstead** of Vernon. I give thanks to God for calling these believers to partner with us in ministry. Their presence among us and the gifts they bring to the body of Christ are great blessings! Please plan to stay after worship for a *very brief* congregational meeting to vote to receive them all into membership in our faith community.

Our scriptures this week call us to remember the wondrous works of God and give thanks. As I consider all that God has done in my life and in the life of our church, I am filled with gratitude, and hope. May you be reminded today of God's great love for you and all the ways God has moved in your own lives, and give God thanks.

With you on the journey,

Meg

Coming Up...

Memorial Garden Work Day: Saturday, October 19. Anyone willing to lend a hand is welcome.

Sunday School Celebration of Families Breakfast: Sunday, October 20, 9:15-10 AM. All families are invited to attend and meet the Board of Christian Education members, our Sunday School Superintendents and teachers. If you can bring a breakfast item to share, please sign up at BCE table in Fellowship Hall.

Trunk or Treating: Sunday, October 27, 11:30 AM in the church parking lot (parsonage side). Adults are invited to decorate their car trunks and hand out candy to the children who will be wearing their Halloween costumes to church. And, kids...don't forget to bring a bag for all the candy you will collect!

Youth Fellowship - Please Note: Due to a conflict with Battle of the Bands at Rockville High, our trip to Lake Compounce has been re-scheduled to

Saturday, Saturday, October 26 from 4-11 PM. Cost: Rides and Graveyard - \$29.99; Rides Only - \$22.99. **Sign-up is mandatory** so we can plan for transportation. Permissions Slips are needed if you have not already filled one out for the 2013-2014 year.