

If you are visiting today, welcome!



We invite you to fill out a Connection Card found in the pew and place it in the offering plate. Members of the church leadership are always available to answer questions you may have. Please feel free to call (860) 647-9141 or e-mail office@southumc.com if you would like to learn more about the church or how you can get plugged in. We also invite you to join us for a time of fellowship following the 9:30 am service in Reception Hall, located next to the Sanctuary.



Now you can give using a text message!

Using your cell phone you can send a gift to the church by text message. The number is 860-512-7185 - then type in the text message the amount of your gift followed by one of the key words.

For general giving - \$ amount SUMC
Other key words are UMCOR HABITAT CROP



Our sermons on YouTube are now accessible directly from our Church Website! (www.southumc.com) Click the link at the bottom of our Home page or on the Sermon Podcast page, and you will be taken to all of our uploaded sermons!!

Young Adult Ministries



This year's Young Adult Christmas Party will be on Thursday, December 19th, from 6:30-8 pm at the Virginia Ryan Next Gen Home (21 Hartford Road)! All of our Young Adults are invited to gather together in their best Ugly Sweaters for food, fun, and fellowship, and plus ones are welcome and encouraged! Please RSVP to JT by text if you plan to attend: 623-670-2612

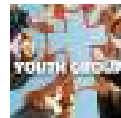
Next Gen Updates

Youth: Our Youth will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast in Cooper Hall on 12/8 following the Christmas Pageant! Advance purchase of tickets will be available after each service today, and today's cost is \$3 per Child, \$5 per Adult and \$15 Max per Family. Day of purchases will be slightly raised so buy your tickets ahead of time! Youth will also be caroling for tips so please come prepared. All that is raised supports our Youth Mission Fund!

The Youth Christmas Party will be on 12/15 from 6-8 pm at the Virginia Ryan Next Gen Home (21 Hartford Rd)! This event will follow the Candlelight Service and a Pizza Dinner will be provided! Youth and Youth friends are invited to a merry time of fun, food, games, and more! Any questions, contact JT at 623-670-2612.

Dec 1st
Dec 8th

Youth Group @ 5pm @South
Youth Group at Pancake Breakfast



Joy of Community Sharing

SUMC has "adopted" 15 Manchester families this season. We need everyone's help to make this a success! There are several ways you can help:

- Continue to donate non-perishable items: stuffing, cranberry sauce, gravy, chicken broth, canned corn, peas, or green beans, bottles of juice, cans of coffee, and tea bags.
- Buy a turkey or ham for one of the families (we need more hams than turkeys for Christmas). Sign up in Reception Hall or The Café.
- Buy a gift for a child or adult. Gift information is available TODAY in Reception Hall or The Café. Sign out an index card with gift ideas and return instructions; return the wrapped, well-labelled gift by December 15th.
- Cash donations may be placed in the offering plate, labeled "seasonal sharing."
- Help us pack up the food baskets on **Friday, December 20th (time TBD) in Cooper Hall.**
- Make a delivery on **Sunday, December 22nd between 10:30am - noon.** Sign up in Reception Hall or The Café.

Women of South Church Holiday Tea



This is open to all women of South Church. We will meet in Reception Hall for Tea and Christmas Cookies on Tuesday, **December 17th from 7-9 pm.** We will be making gingerbread houses. Please RSVP to Jenn Dupont at 860-729-8603 or JennDupont01@gmail.com.

- Coming Soon -
**December 8 ~ One 10am Service
The Nativity Pageant**



**Pancake Breakfast to follow
Buy tickets for the Breakfast in Advance
Today or Next Sunday after services.
\$3 per child, \$5 per adult,
\$15 max per family**



CHRISTMAS MINI-FAIR

Dec 15th
in Reception Hall
before & after 9:30 service



In addition to all our other wonderful gifts available to purchase, the Craft group is taking orders for personalized Scrabble tile ornaments for \$5 each. Personalize them with the name of your favorite child or holiday word (8 letter maximum). To order your unique, handmade ornament, fill out the form on the back table of reception hall or contact Deb at (860) 645-1958 or quilter327@gmail.com by **Wednesday, December 11th**. Ornaments can be picked up at the Christmas mini-fair. For more information or questions, contact Ginny at (860) 646-3962 or ginhartz@gmail.com. Remember, all purchases support mission work - local and around the world!

Annual Church Conference Tuesday, Dec 3 at 7pm In The Café



All members are invited
and encouraged to attend



The GIFTS OF LOVE ...
CHRISTMAS EDITION
IS OPEN TODAY!

Stop by after church to select a special gift that keeps on giving! ALSO, beautiful gift Bibles are available for your purchase. What a beautiful Christmas gift for someone on your list! The shop is open each Sunday through December 22, and each week will feature new merchandise so plan to stop by often! Merry Christmas!