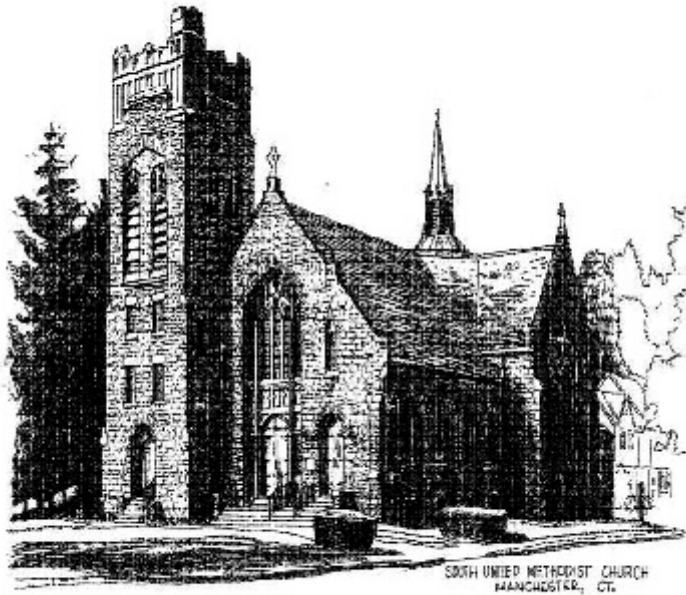


South United Methodist Church



~Welcome to South Church *On-Line*~

Pastor: Rev. John Marshall, Jr.

Director of Ministries: Terry Marshall

Next Generation Ministries: JT & Catey Himmelstein

Director of Music: Earle Bidwell

Organists: Christopher Walton & Tatiana Lukyanova

Office Managers: Colleen Olbert & Patti LaForest

Lay Leaders: Deb Grehn & Don Wilby

Sextons: Ken Schaller & Don Wilby

Retired Clergy: Rev. Richard Thompson

Missionary: Dr. Belinda Forbes, Nicaragua

Order of Worship

for Sunday *On-line* Worship

10-18-2020

our focus Scripture verse today is...

“More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ”
Philippians 3:8, NRSV

Opening Music

Welcome/Announcements

Music

Theme of the Day

“In challenging times, there is no greater value than knowing Christ as our Lord.”

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship: **Psalm 19:7-10, NLT**

Children’s Moment

Music

Pastoral Prayer for the People

Please submit prayer requests to be included either by email: Prayer@southumc.com or by phone: 860-337-2793

The Lord’s Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading: **Philippians 3:7-11, NRSV**

Message “What Really Matters” Pastor John

Offering

Blessing

Closing Music

NRSV - The New Revised Standard Version of the Holy Bible
NLT - The New Living Translation of the Holy Bible

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Mon. & Fri.
9am-Noon

Wed. & Thur.
5pm-8pm

In the initial stage of re-opening South Church we will have limited **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**
Some things to keep in mind. . .

- * Please enter the building via the Main St. door
 - * Please wear a mask inside the church office
 - * Please keep to a max. of 4 persons at one time (INCLUDING STAFF MEMBERS) in the church office
 - * Please limit walking through the church building for the safety of staff and others required to be there.
 - * Please exit the church building through the Parsonage side door.
- ~Thank you in advance for your cooperation.~

If you need to reach Pastor John or Terry
Please call the Parsonage at 860-643-4014

SUMC Re-Opening NEWS

In-Person Worship: our target date for inside, in-person Worship in the Sanctuary (at 9:30am) is Sunday, 11/01/2020. We hope to live-stream this service as well, for those still not able to attend in person. Safety procedures and regulations will be forthcoming.

The 11:15 outdoor service will eventually move to Cooper Hall as the weather turns colder. More info. to come.

Sunday School Options for children are on hold at this time, however we are moving in the direction of having in person small group gatherings such as rehearsals, classes, Bible studies, work groups, committees & commissions for youth (possibly) and adults. These will initially all be held at times other than Sunday mornings. More info. to come. Up until this time most of the above has been taking place via ZOOM or facebook live.

Our church office is open for your convenience please find times and procedures elsewhere in this document.

PLEASE continue to keep our RE-OPENING in your prayers.

Important Notice: We will be having our ANNUAL CHURCH CONFERENCE via ZOOM on Tuesday, October 20 at 7pm Please watch your email from Pastor John for link and password.



THANK YOU for your continued support of SUMC
People are still being reached with the love of God
because of our combined commitment to Christ
through SUMC and our shared ministries.



You can continue to support our church. . .
*Through the "Giving" tab on our website
*Through Text giving - the number is 860-512-7185
*Through Mailing a check to the church (address above)
~ Together we can continue to make a difference! ~

Outreach News



MANCHESTER COMMUNITY
CROP HUNGER WALK
TODAY - SUNDAY, October 18, 2020
Walkers AND donors are needed.

www.crophungerwalk.org/manchesterct/



We ARE collecting shoe boxes this year!
Please prepare your shoe box
using the website below for guidance
and be ready to drop off
whenever the church building is open
between 11/01 and 11/15

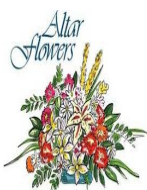
www.samaritanpurse.org/?s=shoeboxes

The SUMC Drive-by MACC Bin



Thanks to John Raymond & Eileen Packard We have a BIGGER bin!
People have been very generous in
making food donations for the MACC
food pantry so a bigger bin was in order.
FOR MACC DONATIONS PLEASE drive
through and place items in the bin!
(by the upper ed wing ramp door) Items will
be brought by SUMC staff members
directly to MACC for distribution.

ZOOM Youth Group Sunday at 6:00pm
Don't forget "Fall Serve" for the
Hartford Project is 10/24! Connect w/
JT for info at 623-670-2612



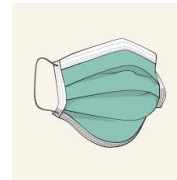
Altar flowers are given
in loving memory of:

Mary Jo Powell

by Jodonna Powell

"WHO'S BEHIND THE MASK???"

During these "unprecedented times",
please wear your SUMC Name Tag
when we are together so we know
who's behind the mask! If you don't
have one, or need another, contact;
terry@southumc.com or call her at
860-643-4014. THANK YOU!



PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES at SUMC. . .



Weekly Prayer ZOOM Meetings
on Tuesday's from 6:15-6:45pm
email: prayer@southumc.com
to receive ID & password info.
If you'd like to join in.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

ALSO FOR SUNDAY MORNINGS...

If you would like Pastor John to pray over your requests
during our Sunday Morning services... please submit them
via email: prayer@southumc.com or by phone: 860-337-2793
by Saturday morning of each week.



If our outdoor Sunday service is
ever cancelled due to weather, you
will find that info. on the following
TV stations; Channels 3, 4 & 6,
(CBS, NBC & FOX61). You can also
call the church number
(860-647-9141 ext. 5) or check the
church website for cancellation
info. at www.southumc.com

South Church is now on Instagram!

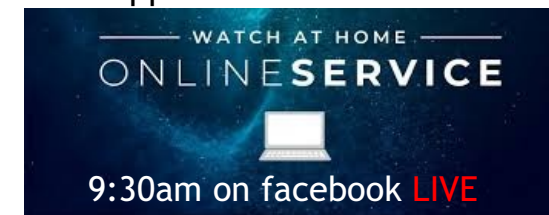
Please follow us 'Southumc_ct'
Please join us in prayer that God would expand
His Good News through us all the more as we
expand our social media presence and reach.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY UPDATE

Thank you to all of our HABITAT donors and volunteers!
Volunteers from SUMC & NUMC were able to do painting,
landscaping & deck staining w/ prospective homeowner,
Mohammed. The house is expected to be dedicated in
December.

CURRENT SUNDAY WORSHIP opportunities at SUMC



We will continue to live stream a modified service
for those not yet able to attend in person
~ SUNDAY'S at 9:30 am ~
~AND~



In person OUTDOOR worship service,
following suggested CDC and local guidelines

~ SUNDAY'S at 11:15am ~

the location is on the side lawn of the church building
outside the outdoor pulpit.

~ Please bring your own lawn chair or blanket ~

EVERYONE will be responsible for sitting/keeping
at least 6 feet from those not from your
household.

Please note: No entry will be allowed into the
church building on Sunday mornings for any
reason, but port-o-lets will be available for use
outside if needed.

Masks will only be required if you are unable to
keep the suggested 6 foot distance from those NOT
from your household, but we anticipate since we
will be out side, they will not be needed.

At this time we are not allowed to provide any
refreshments so please feel free to bring
water/snacks etc...

There will be at least 10 reserved parking spots
for those with mobility issues, but still wish to
participate in the outdoor service. All other
parking will be across Hartford Rd. in church lot