

# The Steeple

Dear Friends,

People joke that God must have a sense of humor, and I'm now convinced it's true: how else could we end up with a cover letter for *The Steeple* about . . . the steeple?

It's hard to know where to begin in thanking the many church members, lay leaders and staff, town officials, and fellow Westport congregations who have pitched in to help our church cope with the challenge of our leaning steeple. We have been similarly blessed by the gracious response of our congregation and staff, who conducted our worship service with enthusiasm and good humor in the Social Hall this past Sunday.

Our Trustees, led by David Mrotek and assisted by Bob Custer, Steve Orban, Ken Kosinski and others, have coordinated numerous inspections of the damaged steeple by outside contractors. The Trustees are soliciting proposals for the repair of the damaged steeple on both an interim and permanent basis. We expect to have several project proposals in hand by Friday, October 7. Once an engineering approach is chosen, repairs will begin. On a preliminary basis, we are hopeful that repairs can be completed in a matter of weeks, rather than months, allowing us to return to the Meetinghouse before cold weather sets in.

For the time being, we plan to continue holding worship services in the Social Hall this Sunday, October 2 and next Sunday, October 9. Once the Trustees have reviewed repair proposals and chosen a solution, we'll be able to decide whether to continue worship services in the Social Hall or move to an alternative location on an interim basis.

Peace,

Mark Kammert  
Moderator

Photo courtesy of Bob Atkins





## ***Planned Giving Project- Join In!***

*Thank you so much to everyone who has contacted us about the new Legacy Giving program at Green's Farms Church. One question that has come up is whether or not it is possible to designate a planned gift to be used for a certain purpose in the church. Please know we are very happy to discuss any specific desire to designate a planned gift.*

*There is still time- but just a little- to participate in the first phase of our planned giving project. There's no need to discuss amounts or share paperwork, just let us know your intentions via the church office. If you need another copy of our brochure or have any questions, just call.*

*We will recognize the Legacy Giving program's founding members on November 6, 2011.*

*Thank you,*

*Jane and Mark Mastrianni  
Lori and Alan Redmer  
Stewardship Co-chairs*

### **SAVE THE DATE NOVEMBER 12, 2011**

**We have a new format for "stewardship season" gatherings this year, an approach we hope enables personal connections among friends old and new.**

**In the evening, we will gather at the Meetinghouse for appetizers and a presentation, followed by small group dinners in area homes.**

**The camaraderie and community of these kinds of gathering is something one finds @ church.**

**Please hold this special evening open, and watch for further announcements.**

**We have just a few slots left for host homes.**

**If you enjoy entertaining, and wish to host dinner for 10 on this date, we'd love to hear from you.**

**Thank you!**

**Jane & Mark Mastrianni, [janemarkmast@yahoo.com](mailto:janemarkmast@yahoo.com)**

**Lori & Alan Redmer, [redmer@optonline.net](mailto:redmer@optonline.net)**



## Mission: 1

*One United Church on a shared mission for 11 powerful days to feed the hungry and confront food-related injustice. This is Mission 1.*

As an extension of our 300th Anniversary "Renew" campaign, Green's Farms Church will participate in **Mission: 1** by identifying and supporting eleven hunger and food-related causes. We need YOU!

- 1. Food Drive** – Organizations we support with food drives are in need! Let's fill our grocery cart ELEVEN times and help to restock pantry shelves!
- 2. Gillespie Center** – Westport's shelter feeds many people every day. GFC has committed to serve dinner twice each month. This wonderful and rewarding outreach opportunity is perfect for a family or a small group. ELEVEN more dinner hosts will bring us to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July!
- 3. Simply Smiles** – The Simply Smiles Village Project in the mountains near Oaxaca, Mexico helps to feed the impoverished people of this region and to make coffee farming a viable way of life again. Help support this effort! Pick up a bag (or eleven!) of Simply Smiles coffee during Social Hour. Only \$11 each. Proceeds from the sale of ONE bag will feed ONE child for three weeks. ELEVEN bags will feed ONE child for eight months!
- 4. CROP Walk for Hunger** – On Sunday, April 29, GFC will participate in the Westport/Weston CROP Walk. **Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty.** For over 60 years community-based and interfaith groups have joined forces to help fight hunger and poverty locally and internationally. An ELEVEN member leadership team is needed.
- 5. Hungry Hearts** – Each month (for ELEVEN months so far!) our Middle Schoolers, in partnership with our Education & Outreach Departments, prepare 200 bag lunches for the people at Norwalk Emergency Shelter.
- 6. Cookies & Conversation** – Another Outreach/Education collaboration has our Middle Schoolers spending one Sunday per month baking cookies (a minimum of ELEVEN dozen...usually more!) while learning about an agencies GFC supports. The goodies go to the organization of the day.
- 7. CO-OP Re-entry Project** – This organization will make a presentation to our High School Youth Group and in return we will collect and donate items critical to the success of the re-entry program.
- 8. Heifer International Project** – Our Sunday School will procure (at least) ELEVEN hens which is ELEVEN eggs every day! Or, perhaps a heifer that will provide milk for ELEVEN people each day, to a needy family through Heifer International.
- 9. Communion Sunday** – Smack in the middle of 1-1-11 and 1-11-11 is Sunday, November 6, our next communion Sunday, and monthly canned food collection.
- 10. Team 11** – Choose ONE of the ELEVEN agencies with which GFC has an affiliation (Burroughs Community Center, Mercy Center, Homes for Hope, Bridgeport & Norwalk Emergency shelters, Pivot House, CCA, Domestic Violence Center, McGivney Center, Indian Gospel Mission, Council of Churches of Bridgeport, Simply Smiles) and pledge ELEVEN service hours per individual or family or team...or shall we go for 111 or 1111 hours as a church?!
- 11. Mission 1: Challenge** – What is YOUR idea?



## YOUTH NEWS

from Karen

Greetings!

Icthus gathered for our first meeting on September 22nd in our new youth room. Jan did such a wonderful job and all of the kids expressed nothing but adoration for the room. Thank you again, Jan. It was great to see everyone together again and to welcome our high school freshmen. While it was a small gathering, I am hoping October brings more high school students out to enjoy our new "digs" and each other's company.

Our High School "Sunday Morning Discussion Group" has been put on hold until further notice due to space constraints.

We have a busy month ahead of us. On October 6<sup>th</sup> we will prepare care packages for our college and armed service alumni. On the 13<sup>th</sup> we will host "To Tell The Truth," presented by the Council of Churches Re Entry program. In support of this important program, we will collect supplies critical to its success. Watch your email for details. On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will head up to Six Flags New England for our annual Fright Fest and then on October 28<sup>th</sup> we will have our Second Annual Halloween party with karaoke and food, bobbing for apples, pumpkin carving and other fun ghoulish activities. You are never too old to celebrate Halloween!

I am looking forward to spending Thursday nights with this amazing group of kids and know that all together we will continue to form Christ within us.

### Confirmation

Confirmation classes will begin in January. There will be a Confirmation Parent Light Supper and Information Meeting on Wednesday, October 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Parents of eighth graders, please mark your calendars. The program runs from January until May. There are weekly meetings on Tuesday evenings, retreats and various faith adventures on the docket.

### Mission Trip

We are in the planning mode for the mission trip/trips planned for 2012 for all incoming 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Mark your calendar now for an informational meeting for parents and kids on Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7:00 - 8:00 in the Social Hall. This will take the place of our weekly youth group meeting.



## High School Youth Group September - December 2011

No Meeting	Thursday September 29 <sup>th</sup>
Prepare College Care Packages for our alumni	Thursday, October 6 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
To Tell The Truth with the Council of Churches	Thursday, October 13 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
No Meeting (Fright Fest on Saturday)	Thursday, October 20 <sup>th</sup>
Fright Fest @ Six Flags	Saturday, October 22 <sup>nd</sup> 12:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Halloween Party	Thursday, October 27 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Mission Trip PARENT/YOUTH Info Meeting	Thursday, November 3 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Youth Group Hosts Pivot House for dinner	Thursday, November 10 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
West Side Story @ SHS	Thursday, November 17 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
No Meeting	Thanksgiving
Icthus Hosts Advent Service Fellowship	Thursday, December 1 @ 7 pm
Rock Climbing	Thursday, December 8 <sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Icthus Caroling & Christmas Party	Thursday, December 15 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
No Meetings	12/22/10 through 1/12/12



## Did You Know? . . .

Did you know that **Caroline Barney** is already back in the classroom with our youngest students, age 3, 4 & 5, who are enjoying song as a way of worshipping God? They'll be bringing their enthusiastic voices to the Meetinghouse on November 13, be sure to mark your calendars!

Did you know that **Kirsten Horton** is starting a **Family Band** this Fall for children and adults who play musical instruments and want to make music together? They'll be playing a Christmas carol in this year's Nativity Pageant! Rehearsals start in November, contact Kirsten at [kirstenhorton@hotmail.com](mailto:kirstenhorton@hotmail.com) and come join the fun.

Did you know that **Lisa Laudico** kicks off a new monthly program for our Middle School students on October 16 called "**Faithful World**"? Students will have the chance to explore the Christian faith by learning about other religious traditions and how diverse faiths can coexist peacefully in God's world. Parents if you'd like to be part of the classroom team this fall, or join us on field trips this winter, please contact Lisa at [lisa@laudico.com](mailto:lisa@laudico.com)

Did you know that we have lots of high school students volunteering in classrooms each week? Staples seniors **Dani Kosinski** and **Sofia Ribolla** are teaching the Threes class, freshmen **Lucy Nevin** and **Jack Rider** are assisting in the Fours and Fives class, **Laura Judd** is helping with some of our youngest students, and juniors **Allie Daut** and **Kirsten Flicker** are working with the Bible Detectives, our elementary students. If you get a chance, please let these teens know how much we appreciate the time they spend with the younger kids. Or, if you'd like to join the fun in one of the Sunday School classrooms, contact me at [lynnrider@mac.com](mailto:lynnrider@mac.com), we will find a spot for you!

Did you know that **Hungry Hearts**, our middle school commitment to providing 200 bag lunches every month to our neighbors at the Norwalk Emergency Shelter? This program is off and running thanks to the generous support of the **Outreach Committee**, adult leaders **Brad Cosgrove**, **Ellen McNees**, and **Bob Bowman**, and high school interns **Gabrielle McNees**, **Alex Collins**, **Jack Bowman**, and **Jack Rider**. This year students are also bringing non perishables to stock the empty shelves of the food pantry to each session. And beginning October 2, we'll be meeting on the first Sunday of each month to tie the work of feeding God's hungry people in to our celebration of the Lord's Supper.

Did you know that **Cookies and Conversation**, our other middle school program, is also in its second year? Each month, with the expert baking help of cookie moms **Cathy Rotondo**, **Heidi Flicker**, and **Rita Guinta** and high school interns **Catherine Rotondo**, **Kari Flicker**, and **Sky Guinta** students in grades 6 - 8 bake dozens of cookies for the folks served by one of our church's ministry partners. Then a **member of the outreach committee** talks about the work that organization does, who they serve, and what it's like on site, answering any questions and helping students understand why giving to others is an integral part of a life of faith. If you smell warm baked chocolate chip cookies on a Sunday morning you'll know our middle school students are sending a tangible reminder of our church's support. (And if you're really lucky you might get to sample one of their treats, this group knows how to bake!)

With so many talented and faithful volunteers sharing God's love it's no wonder GFC is the place to be on Sunday mornings! See you at church, Lynn Rider



## MUSIC NEWS

October, 2011

Eileen Hunt, Minister of Music

What a wonderful beginning for our 2011-2012 season! We enjoyed gorgeous music on Homecoming Sunday, September 12, and it was great to see everyone after the summer holidays. We are in the midst of rehearsing lots of fabulous music which will be coming up this fall, and we are already looking forward to the seasons of Thanksgiving, Advent and Christmas during which time we have some spectacular musical treats in store for all of you. Meanwhile, I want to draw your attention to a couple of musical opportunities.

**Bell Choir:** You may recall that we had a fine group of ringers comprised of folks of all ages in March, 2011. We would like to reconvene a group of ringers with the goal of playing in worship on Sunday, November 13, 2011. A minimum of ten ringers is needed in order to play successfully. We will coordinate rehearsal times based on your availability, and we normally plan on a series of six rehearsals. This is a fun way to participate in our Music Ministry, enjoy some good company, and have a really good time! Ringers of all ages and experience are invited to join us. If you are interested, please sign the interest sheet at church, or contact either Eileen Hunt or Nancy Braun for more information. Hope you will come and ring with us.

**Chancel Choir:** We meet on Thursday evenings, 7:45 - 9:15 PM, and on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM. We would love to welcome you to this extraordinary vocal ensemble. Come when you can; we realize that everyone can't make it every single week. If you cannot come on Thursday evenings, just plan to join us on Sunday mornings. We typically rehearse two or three weeks ahead on Sundays, in addition to the music for that particular day. Our talented section leaders are invaluable in helping you through the music as we rehearse, and the more you sing, the better your skills are! All that is required is a love of singing and a desire to participate in worship in a very meaningful way. We have marvelous music coming up, and would love to have you come and join us. Singers of all ages and all voice parts are invited.

See you at choir!



On one of the TOP TEN most gorgeous days of the season, the fellowship department enthusiastically served up what has become our traditional fare: hot dogs, assorted chips, cookies, brownies and lemonade! As always, the congregation was extremely grateful for fellowship's share of the festivities!!

And I felt that same gratitude to all of those who were on board to help:

- Scoutmasters Gareth Noble, Bill Rubidge and Iain Overton and several of their VERY polite and capable boy scouts
- Fellowship Committee members: Sally Judd, Stacey Berman, Colleen Caffery, Laura Riguzzi, Jessie Domenico and Ashley Welker. You gals are pros at this point and TONS of fun to work with...THANK YOU for always having a smile on your face and a willingness to do whatever it takes to pull off this event!

As we look to the year ahead and the congregation that seems to be growing in size and showing very consistent weekly attendance, I am formally asking if you might be interested in joining our committee. We would ask that you be available to sign up for a one month tour of duty...basically, that you are willing to help out on 4 consecutive Sundays during the year. Of course, we are very flexible so if need be, dates can be swapped (and they are all the time!). We are just looking for some consistency as we try to grow the committee in accordance with the larger group that engages in and seems to LOVE our social hours! We are a scant group at the moment and would like to change that quickly so that we do not have to change what you have come to enjoy and expect when you come out onto the front lawn or enter into the social hall...PLEASE email me or call me if you'd like to know more!

Here's to a FABULOUS fall and all that the season of renewal has to offer...

Susie Daut  
susieheyred@aol.com nor 203-912-9287



New to Green's Farms Church?? Or, have you been worshipping here a while and want to know more about our church family or membership? Join us for these upcoming Inquirer's Series: **Sunday, October 2**, immediately after worship, **Wednesday evening, October 5** at 7:00 PM (includes light supper) and **Sunday, October 9**, immediately after worship.

All sessions meet in the parlor. Childcare is available, just let us know in advance.

Please contact Rev. Jeffrey Rider at 203-227-2728 or email [jeffreyrider@mac.com](mailto:jeffreyrider@mac.com), to ask questions or let us know that you plan to attend. On behalf of the Membership and Community Department, we look forward to seeing you!

# WELCOME HOME!



FOOD ~ FRIENDS ~ FUN



## UPCOMING GFC SENIOR EVENTS

### Wednesday, October 26 – Westport Playhouse – 2 PM Matinee

We have reserved a group of rear orchestra seats at \$20 per ticket for William Shakespeare's classic comedy – **Twelfth Night**.



The Twelfth Night is a festival that marks the coming of the Epiphany and the conclusion of the 12 days of Christmas. This romantic comedy was written to be performed as Twelfth Night entertainment.

To sign up contact: **Del Horsfall at 203 255-0806 or [delhh28@optonline.net](mailto:delhh28@optonline.net)** by Wednesday October 19. Del will then submit the master list to the Playhouse and you can stop by and purchase your tickets starting on Friday, October 21. Cancellations are permitted up to Monday October 24 by calling Del. Newcomers and friends are most welcome.

### Wednesday, November 30 – Christmas Show at Radio City Music Hall



During October we have a second opportunity to purchase additional front orchestra seats at the discounted price of only \$65 per person including a one hour backstage tour before the 2 PM show. We have room on our 47 passenger coach bus for an additional 17 persons. The cost of the bus which leaves GFC at 10:15 AM will be \$20 to \$25 per person payable on board.

This year the show will feature new technology where Christmas scenes will be projected on the side walls giving the audience a 3 dimensional effect.

If you are interested, please call Wayne at 203 762-2063 and also please make out a check payable to Wayne Balfanz and mail it to 2 Wilton Hunt Rd, Wilton CT 06897 so it arrives before October 30.



## **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

**THE SPIRITUAL GYM** will be open for thoughtful exercise during October as we consider the gospel of John (that is, after we finish with the letters, not the usual approach but then we don't do usual). We'll meet in the parlor at 8:45 am and all manner of questions, insights, arguments and sheer brilliance are welcome. There is sometimes coffee too. So rise up and stretch your mind and spirit with perhaps the greatest apostle of them all.

**WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP** started Thursday, September 22, from 10:00-11:15 am in the parlor. The first session was an introductory one in which we became reacquainted with each other, welcomed new members, and caught up on all summers events in our lives. We also heard again about our Prayer Shawl Project, and were urged to take an active part in this important service to the church, our families, and friends. Then, we heard an overview from Diana of 1 & 2 Chronicles, understanding that it was written in a time for Israel of peace and reinstatement in after a long and painful exile to Babylon. Even though these books cover the same material as Samuel-Kings, these are now a people that are not looking for reasons for their misfortune, but ones that are optimistically looking to a bright future in the homeland of their hearts.

It is not too late to come to this welcoming group of women who meet weekly to expand their knowledge of the Bible, becoming friends in the process. Study Guides are available in the office for \$10. Call Diana for a study plan.

**PRAYER CIRCLES**, many of which have met during the summer months, are all meeting again as fall returns. While they are well attended, there is still a need for additional people to spend **ONE-HALF HOUR A MONTH** praying for the growing list of families and friends on our Prayer Chain. Please consider this invitation to attend one of the four Prayer Circles held each month and call one of the prayer leaders: Diana Mrotek, Diane Parrish, or Jeff Rider.

## SOPHIA'S CIRCLE NEWS



**SOPHIA'S CIRCLE** is looking forward, as I write this, to it's first gathering next Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> from 7:30-9:30 pm at Carolyn Twiname's house. It is the **Wine and Cheese Open House**, and we are looking forward to welcoming returning women, as well as those who have never attended a Sophia event. We have a wonderful Planning Board this year, made up of ten returning members and five new members who will be at the open house to tell women all about our fall program and listen to requests for future gatherings.

Nancy Esteva, our Communications Chair, sent you the **Evite** you received for this gathering, and you will receive similar Evites to all of our gatherings. If you didn't receive one, and would like your name to be added to our distribution list, please let me know: dianamrotek@gmail.com or 203-226-9034. We also will publicize each event by handing out flyers prior to the gathering on the Sunday(s) preceding it, it will be announced in Sunday Bulletin at least one Sunday before it takes place, and often, we will also do announcements at the Sunday service.

Additional gatherings are the following:

- *October Shore Stroll*, Thursday, October 20 at 12 Noon to 2 pm, Sherwood Island Pavilion, Jo Ann Davidson, host.
- *Thanksgiving Blessings*, Wednesday, November 16, 7:30 pm, location TBA.
- *Women's Christmas Coffee*, December 8, 9:30-11:30 am, GFC Parlor.

### **PRAYERS & CONCERNS**

We pray for the DeMonico family as they mourn the loss of Nick's father, Arnold "Nick" Demonico.

We pray for healing and support for our brothers and sisters in faith: Marge Allen, September Bigelow, Betsy Blomfield, Norman Blomfield, Carol Brown, Gail Calandra, Henry Chilton, Francisco Estevez, Ethel Ferenc, Tony Fiore, Margot Hayward, Emma Kriewald, George Lenfest, Jonathan Miller, Brad Myers, Annette Nielsen, Lori Redmer, Charlie Raymond, Don Rider, Walt Schlenker, Bickie Shull, Ford Slater, Lillian Smith, George Taylor, Charlie Watson, and David Hanson Wright.



## JOYS & BLESSINGS

We celebrate the birth of Harper Day Caffery, born to Allie (Parkhurst) and Will Caffery on September 10, and congratulate her grandparents, Maggie & Jeff Parkhurst and Colleen & Bill Caffery. Best wishes to long time member, Phyllis McCoy, on her move to Charleston, SC. Phyllis will be missed by her GFC family!



Rev. Peter Allen has dedicated a brick in honor of his mentor, Rev. Bill Bryant, in the Honorary Walkway of the Andover Newton Theological School. Both Rev. Bryant and Rev. Allen are graduates of Andover Newton. You can learn more about the Walkway at [www.ants.edu/walkway](http://www.ants.edu/walkway). Pictures of the Walkway and Rev. Bryant's brick are posted on the community bulletin board located outside Rev. Rider's office.



Our heartfelt thanks to Sandy Atwood, who volunteers her time to ensure our Sunday bulletins and Steeple Newsletters are error free; to Donna Reisner, who makes sure the Steeple Newsletters are mailed out on time; and to Joyce Bottone for the exquisite Confirmation Scrapbook she created! We are truly blessed to have such dedicated volunteers.



GFNS is in full swing now, hallways full of giggles and busy feet on their way out to play. New friendships have been made, new classrooms and toys explored, new teachers now familiar and safe. We cheered on the new school year with School Spirit Days, with everyone in their green chanting their our favorite cheer, "G!F!N!S! We! Are! The! BEST!!!" Mrs. O added to the cheer with the start of her new weekly Music and Movement class, and it was wonderful to hear all the children in song again!

October will be full of festive fun, with our first 4's field trip to Warrups Farm, the return of our annual Pancake Breakfast on the 22<sup>nd</sup>, and our annual Halloween Parades at the end of the month. We hope you will join us in the many celebrations!

GFNS still has available space in select classes ages 2 through 5. Please call (203.227.9363), email ([director@gfns.org](mailto:director@gfns.org)) or stop by the front office to inquire. We welcome visitors at all times, and hope you will come see us soon!

All the best,  
Christina McKay, Director



Did we miss your birthday? Let us know— 203-227-2728

- Oct 1 Judy Manchester  
Jim Masiello  
Susan Schmidt  
Annie Shoup
- Oct 2 Judy Hlawitschka  
Jessica Parkhurst
- Oct 3 Richard Stowe
- Oct 5 Kirsten Flicker  
Wally Hansen  
Nicole Najarian  
Marlene Wehmhoff
- Oct 6 Jack Rider  
Elizabeth Rubidge  
Tyler Speed
- Oct 7 Thad Eidman  
Peter Hlawitschka  
Carol Wright
- Oct 9 Jack Daut  
Audrey Demetres  
Amy Randich
- Oct 10 Cindy Boester  
Alisyn Kercher  
Nicole Kosinski  
Donna Lint  
Tammy Pincavage  
George Taylor
- Oct 11 Kate O'Brien  
Natasha Stowe
- Oct 12 Jonathan Sellon
- Oct 13 Tom Hofstetter  
James Howe  
Chris Perry

- Oct 14 Adrian Allen
- Oct 16 Carol McKay  
Hunter Peterson
- Oct 17 Emily Bowman
- Oct 18 Reilly Miller  
Sam Nevin
- Oct 19 Elizabeth DeVoll
- Oct 20 Karen Eickhoff
- Oct 21 Allison Blauvelt  
Deborah Welch
- Oct 22 Daisy Bagno  
Lydia Donovan  
Sarah Fitch  
Kelly McIntosh  
Aidan Middlebrook  
Stephen Penwell  
Jolie Shey
- Oct 24 Bruce Blomfield
- Oct 25 Carson Burke  
Noah Hofstetter  
Jim Marpe  
Jerry Walker
- Oct 26 Abigail Miller  
Gina Orban
- Oct 27 Sloane Redmer
- Oct 28 David Mrotek  
Jack Phelps  
Maddie Phelps
- Oct 29 Jennifer O'Brien
- Oct 30 Alec DeMonico  
Raymond Stackhouse
- Oct 31 Lee Backus  
Pam Gau



# THE STEEPLE CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>World Communion</b> 2 <b>Food Sunday</b> 8:45 AM Spiritual Gym 9:00 AM Choir 10:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Child Care 11:00 AM Social Hour 11:00 AM Inquirer's Series	3	4	5	6 10:00 AM Women's Study Group 11:30 PM Prayer Circle 7:00 PM Education Mtg 7:00 PM <i>Icthus</i> 7:45 PM Choir	7	8
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## Worship Schedule

**October 2 Communion & Food Sunday**  
10:00 a.m. Rev. Jeffrey P. Rider preaching

**October 9 Columbus Day Weekend**  
10:00 a.m. Rev. Peter Powell preaching

**October 16**  
10:00 a.m. Rev. John D. Twiname preaching

**October 23**  
10:00 a.m. Rev. Jeffrey P. Rider preaching

**October 30**  
10:00 a.m. Rev. Jeffrey P. Rider preaching

**Donations for weekly altar flowers & steeple lighting:**  
Contact the church office at 203-227-2728

**Steeple Deadline for the November edition is**  
**Friday, October 21**  
Email articles to [jlabella@greensfarmschurch.org](mailto:jlabella@greensfarmschurch.org)



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