The Quester



Fairfield Grace United Methodist Church

October 2018

A Message from Pastor Cho:

To my FGUMC sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus,

Hallelujah!

Peace, mercy and grace of the Lord, Jesus Christ be with you and your family.

A friend of mine gave me a 100 dollar bill along with a birthday card last month. Inside the card, he wrote, "I wish you live up to 100 years. Have a long and happy life!" Why a 100 dollar bill? It stands for 100 years, of course. A couple of days later, I thanked him for the 100 dollar bill and then, asked him jokingly to send me 20 dollars more. "Why?" he asked. I replied, "I want to live up to 120 years." Surprisingly, one of you knew my secret desire and sent me a card with 60 dollars, wishing, "have 60 years more, Pastor Cho."

What a wonderful surprise party you gave me on my 60th birthday, Sunday, September 2! You truly made it a memorable celebration for me and my wife, Kyong Hee. Thank YOU! Your birthday cards filled with thanksgivings and prayers meant a lot to me. Thank YOU, all of you! My thanksgiving knows no boundary. My cup runneth over.

I am now in the new life cycle according to the lunar calendar. Yes, this is the second month

of my new life. Yes, I am a tiny baby ready to grow in your midst. So do me a favor, everyone. Teach me how to walk and speak. Play with me. Smile at me. Correct me when I make a poor move. Guide me. Encourage me. Bear with me when I make a mistake. Hug me when I am down. Above all, buy me a cone of strawberry ice cream.

Marion Prescott, 104 years old, is in hospice care now. She has journeyed for more than 100 years in this world and is ready to go HOME. The other day, when I visited her, she welcomed me with a big and bright smile and said, "Kun Sam, I would like to sleep." Several seconds later, she said with a beautiful smile on her face, "just for a while." She knows that death is



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not an end, but a new beginning to welcome a new life that God has prepared for her.

We are a blessed people of faith. We do know we are in this world, but not of the world. Being redeemed and chosen by God's grace, we follow Jesus Christ, our Lord faithfully and do His ministry and mission confidently for the transformation of the world, looking forward to a new life beyond death.

Peace and Grace in the Lord,

Kun Sam, your ministry and mission (M&M) partner

Prayer Concerns

Dick Albani, Sheila Muscott's brother-in-law, health; Jessika Siccardi, friend of Joan and Dennis Robb, receiving cancer treatment; Daniel Thomas Pelletier, friend of Lori Stimpson, continued health concerns; Danny Lord, Marge Jenkins' grandson, extremely serious health concerns; Michael, (grandson of Bev Plucker) health concerns; Barbara Falcone (Joan Robb's sister-in-law), health concerns; Dana (friend of Laura Sherwood), undergoing chemo therapy; Amy M. Thornton (granddaughter-in-law of Al and Jean Oneto), health concerns; Peggy Karbovanec (neighbor of Fairfield Grace), received kidney transplant; Wanda Williams (Dennis Robb's mother), recovering from surgery; Andy Larsen (Leah's son), health concerns; Karen Price recovering from surgery; Pat and Warren Rozelle, health concerns; Pastor J Daeschner, recovering from surgery; Mel Holdsworth, recovering; Adriana Collen, expecting; Katie White, expecting; Bev Wenz, health concerns; Paul and Peggy Raymond, moved to Florida; Marion Prescott, in hospice care; Congregation of Mount Auburn UMC in Greenwood, Indiana (church of Julie Buck- daughter of Pastor J and Fredene - and her husband, Rev. Jeff Buck), difficult time; April Price, recovering from fall; Barbara Pennell, recovering from knee surgery at Carolton; Bob Chein (family friend of Cindy Block), cancer treatment; Colby Jaros (family friend of Cindy Block), health concerns; Mary Lou Morrison, (Franklyn McLean's Aunt), diagnosed with cancer; Sheila Iseppi (friend of Lee DelVecchio), diagnosed with lung cancer.

Homebound

Dorothy Albrecht (home); Pat Altieri (home); Ruth Citarella (Sullivan-McKinney Elder Housing), Nancy Fray (home), Emma Gilbert (home), Ormie Gilbert (home), Elsie Kerekes (Crosby Commons), Barbara McCarthy (Juniper Hill Village), Michelle Molnar (Stern Village), George Pennell (Carolton), Dorothy Patterson (home), Marion Prescott (Maplewood in Orange, Ct), Louise Rebecco (home), Warren Rozelle (home), Shirley Sims (home), Diana Stein (Jewish Home), Peter Trifiatis (home).

Ushers

Team #2

Craig Michelson Karen Benson Sheila Muscott Sandra Brown

Children's Messengers

Oct 7: Rev. Kun Sam Cho

Oct 14: Franklyn McLean

Oct 21: Nubia Jaramillo-Pennell

Oct 28: Fredene Daeschner

Fellowship Hour

Please contact Georgina Holdsworth if you can volunteer to help organize Fellowship Hour for any Sunday at 203-335-7129, or gholdsworth@optimum.net

Worship Leaders

Oct 7: Ben Collen

Oct 14: UM ARMY

Oct 21: Peter Lowerson

Oct 28: Cameron Bowcock

Communion Steward

10:00 am Karen Benson 1:00 pm Helen Lee

Fairfield Grace Families in Our Prayers

Week of:

Oct 7: Ruth Citarella, Collen family and Conroy family

Oct 14: Daeschener family, Daigle family and Darken family
Oct 21: Dot Daruka, Lee DelVecchio and DeNeutte family

Oct 28: Dowgiallo family, Claire Ervin and Nancy Fray

Scripture Readings for October, 2018

October 7, Job 1:1, 2:1-10; Ps 26 or 25; Heb 1:1-4, 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16

October 14 Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Ps 22:1-15; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31

October 21 Job 38:1-7 (34-41); Psalm104:1-9, 24, 35c; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45

October 28 Job 42:1-6, 10-17; Psalm 34:1-8 (19-22); Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

Wednesdays

9:30 am-10:00 am

Pray/Fast Together for the Vital Growth of the Church

Every Wednesday morning at 9:30 am, some of us will gather and pray in the Sanctuary.

We invite you to join us by either coming to the Sanctuary or praying from wherever you may be on Wednesday at 9:30 am.

Pray as if everything depends on God.

6:00 pm—7:30 pm CENTERING PRAYER/MEDITATION

Weekly Centering Prayer at the Sanctuary

Pastor Cho invites you to join him in the practice of Centering Prayer in the sanctuary **every Wednesday**.

It will help deepen our relationship with God.

The Sanctuary will be open from 6:00 – 7:30 pm. Please join us!

https://www.contemplativeoutreach.org

Adult Bible Study ~ 2018-2019

Adult Bible Study News:

"Discovering the Bible"

The 2018-2019 year will start with a 4 session series titled "Discovering the Bible".

The last session in this series is Sunday, October 7.

Revisiting "The Story"

Beginning on Wednesday, October 17

we will be taking a different look at The Story
(a narrative telling of the Bible) that will run through June.

More information on The Story will be coming soon. All are welcome to join!

Please contact Sheila Muscott
at 203-368-9199 or sheilamuscott@att.net with questions.

Discussion Groups will meet in Hood Parlor on:

~ Wednesdays at 10:10 am

~ Thursdays at 6:45 pm (Faith Circle arrive at 6:15 pm)

~ Sundays at 9:00 am.

Boy Scout Open House Wed, Oct 3, 7:30 – 8:30 pm



Adventure is waiting - build yours with Boy Scout Troop 88. Come see what a campout with Troop 88 is like on Wed Oct 3 from 7:30 – 8:30 pm at Fairfield Grace Church.

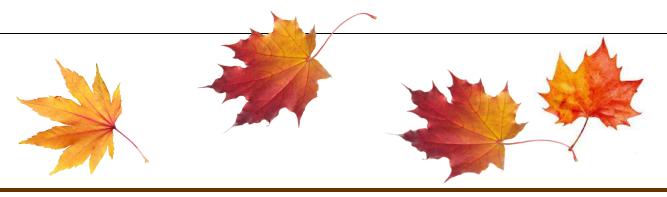
No previous scouting experience required, just a sense of adventure.

Contact Sue Ransden (sransden@optonline.net) for info.

Wesley Circle

October 4 at 10:00 am

Next Meeting is **Thursday, Oct 4** at 10:00 am in Tremayne Hall at Fairfield Grace.



Bring your pet to church on Sat., Oct. 6 at 9:00 am for a blessing from Pastor Cho. Meet on the front lawn of the Church. Please contact the church office with any questions at fairfieldgrace@sbcqlobal.net or 203-374-6528.



World Communion Sunday ~ Sharing of Bread October 7

We invite you to bring your ethnic bread to the Communion Table
Sunday, October 7
in honor of World Communion Sunday.



After the Service we will share the breads in the Fellowship Hall.



Serena Circle Women's Book Group

Monday, October 8

at 7:00 pm in Hood Parlor

All women are welcome to join this group that meets on the second Monday of the month.

Spaghetti Dinner News

4:45 PM-6:45 PM



Remaining Dates This Year:

Oct 13, Nov 10, Mar 9 and May 11

Please contact Charlene Brauns-Schindler, 203-371-5068. or at cbsfive5@gmail.com with any questions or if you can help out!

Baby Shower for Baby Girl Collen Sun., Oct 14 at 11:00 am

Ladies of Fairfield Grace are invited to a Baby Shower following the 10:00 am service on Sunday, October 14 in honor of Baby Girl Collen hosted by Katie White.

I am still looking for help with baby boy decorations, games, and a cake. Feel free to text me at 607-379-8252 if you can help. The baby shower will happen immediately after the 10:00 am church service.

Don't forget to RSVP to Katie White at kathleen2wm@gmail.com
Hope to see you there!

Eating Lunch Together: Let's Go "Dutch" at Duchess! Thurs., Oct 18 ~ 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Are you eating lunch alone? Why not share a meal with Fairfield Grace Church friends every Third Thursday of the month between 11:30 am and 1:00 pm, at the Duchess Restaurant on Black Rock Turnpike.

Come and see who will be waiting for YOU.

ALL SAINTS DAY NOVEMBER 4

On Sunday, November 4 at the 10:00 Worship Service, we will be remembering all those that passed away last year.

We are asking you to send a photo of your loved one to be remembered.

Please contact Anne in the church office at 203-374-6528 or at fairfieldgrace@sbcglobal.net with any names you would like to include.

Please send photos to email above or drop off at the office.



Hotdogs Snacks Drinks

TRUNK Fun Games

OR TREAT



5:30pm-7:00pm FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26th

Everyone is welcome!



How You Can Help
Run a Carnival Game

Donate Items
Help with Snack
Tech Crew

Be a Runner

Decorate a Trunk

Contact Katie: <u>kathleenewm@gmail.com</u>

607-379-8252



Fairfield Grace United Methodist Church Young Adults/Family Activities 2018-2019



Come and join us at FGUMC throughout the year. All ages are welcome. Contact the main office or Katie if you plan on attending any of the below events to help ensure enough food, tickets, and space. Kind donations for each event are welcomed. Please let us know if you need transportation accommodations.

Sincerely,

Katie White

Young Adults/Family Coordinator

Main office: 203-374-658

October

Saturday, Oct. 6th Blessing of the Animals at 9am

Saturday, Oct. 13th Spaghetti Dinner at 4:45pm in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, Oct. 14th Baby Shower for Baby Girl Collen 11am-12pm in the Youth Room

Friday, Oct. 26th Trunk or Treat 5:30pm *meet in the backyard (carnival games, snacks, & trick or treating)*

<u>November</u>

Saturday, Nov. 10th Spaghetti Dinner at 4:45pm in the Fellowship Hall

Saturday, Nov. 17th Holiday Fair

December

Saturday, Dec. 1st The Shore Line Trolley Museum *meet at the museum for 5:30pm, light dinner provided*

Saturday, Dec 15th Santa Breakfast 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, Dec. 16th Sunday School Christmas Pageant at the 10am service and Caroling, *meet at the church for 5:00pm*

Monday, Dec. 24th Christmas Eve Services 5pm & 10pm

Young Adults/Family Activities, continued

January

Friday, Jan. 25th Movie Night 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall (light snacks provided)

February

Saturday, Feb. 23rd Pizza & Game Night 5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall, bring your favorite game

<u>March</u>

Saturday Mar. 9th Spaghetti Dinner at 4:45pm in the Fellowship Hall **Saturday Mar. 30th** Bowling *meet at Nutmeg Bowl for 5:30pm* (pizza & drinks provided)

April

Saturday, Apr. 13th Bunny Breakfast at 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, Apr. 14th Palm Sunday service at 10am

Sunday, Apr. 21st Easter service at 10am

<u>May</u>

Sunday, May 3rd International Taste- tentative date. Stay tuned for an update.

Saturday, May 11th Spaghetti Dinner at 4:45pm in the Fellowship Hall

Friday, May 17th Movie Night 5:30pm (light snacks provided)

Vigil to End Gun Violence Wed, Dec 5 7:00 pm

Fairfield Grace will be hosting a candlelight vigil to end gun violence on December 5 at 7:00 pm.

This vigil will coincide with the national vigil service of mourning and loving remembrance organized by The Newtown Foundation. We are seeking volunteers interested in helping to plan this community event.

Please contact Laura Sherwood (lirauscher@yahoo.com) if you are interested in helping.

October Birthdays

05	Nathan Schindler
05	Judy Vindheim
05	Mary Carreau
06	Patricia Altieri
06	Ann Kisserberth
06	Bob Watson
09	Christine Speight
11	Allie LaVista
11	Lori Stimpson
11	Emily Wood
13	Finley Havens
13	Eric VanScoy
15	Ben Abbott
15	Patty Jurgielewicz

Logan Stein

16 Allen Gyang

17 Karen Price

21 Randy Russo

21 Art Thomas

22 Kirk Anderson

22 Judy Meyer

26 Joanne Hus

27 Greg Tanno

28 David Price

October Anniversaries

Oct 02	Fiona & Josh Kristy	8 yrs
Oct 09	Nancy & Craig Leppla	25 yrs
Oct 10	Kimberly & David Spangler	19 yrs
Oct 28	Cathy & Kirk Anderson	35 yrs

Submissions to Bulletin Announcements and Friday e-News

All submissions are due to the church office at fairfieldgrace@sbcglobal.net by Tuesday at noon for that week's editions. Thank you!

Deadline for the November Issue of the Quester is Mon., October 22

Consider a Bequest to Fairfield Grace in Your Will

Your gifts to Fairfield Grace ensure the means to continue the mission and ministry of the church into the future. Members and friends are encouraged to make a bequest in a Will to benefit the church or specific ministries of the church.
Ways to designate the amount of your bequest:
Specific Dollar Amount,
I give, devise and bequest to Fairfield Grace United Methodist Church located at 1089 Fairfield Woods Road Fairfield, CT the sum of dollars (\$) {or specifically described personal or real property} for its general uses and purposes. [The bequest can also designate specific ministries or purposes for its use.]
Specific Percentage,
I give; devise and bequest to Fairfield Grace United Methodist Church located at 1089 Fairfield Woods Road Fairfield, CT an amount equal to percent (%) of the value of my gross or net estate, both real and personal for its general uses and purposes. [The bequest can also designate specific ministries or purposes for its use.]
Residual Bequest,
I give; devise and bequest to Fairfield Grace United Methodist Church located at 1089 Fairfield Woods Road Fairfield, CT the entire residue of my estate, both real and personal for its general uses and purposes. [The bequest can also designate specific ministries or purposes for its use.]
The bequest can be added as a codicil/attachment to your current Will. If you don't have a Will the State of Connecticut will determine who receives your estate after your death. Anyone that owns a house should have a Will if they know who they want to receive their remaining estate. It will also keep the cost of settling the estate down.
(These are suggestions and should be approved by your attorney.)

CONGREGATIONAL AND PASTORAL PRIORITIES FEEDBACK

The Staff Parish Relations Committee is asking for your input. Every year we fill out an Annual Conference Evaluation and Church Profile report letting the Bishop know how our Congregation feels we, the Congregation and Pastor are fulfilling our Church's vision and purpose. We want everyone in the Church to give us your opinion on what you feel is important for our congregation and staff to fulfill our Church's Purpose Statement.

Below is a two-part, number in order of importance, short questionnaire. You can fill out this form and put it in the offering plate or return to the church office. Please return no later than October 14th. If you have other comments, please include them. Thank you. SPRC

PASTORAL PRIORITIES

Number to rank the following ministerial functions in order of importance, 1-9. **WORSHIP AND PREACHING** Planning and conducting services of worship. **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT** Serving as a volunteer or board member with community organizations. **DISCIPLE FORMATION (STAGE ONE: HOSPITALITY)** Overseeing or consulting with leaders to enhance the church's ministry to non-members; meeting with potential new members; teaching new member classes. DISCIPLE FORMATION (STAGE TWO: TEACHING) Leading adult study and spiritual growth groups and teaching the confirmation class. **COUNSELING** Counseling with individuals or couples, including pre-marital counseling. **ADMINISTRATION** Working with committees, helping to plan and coordinate the church's program and office work. **LEADERSHIP** Working with church leaders to live out the church's vision and mission. **VISITATION OF INACTIVE MEMBERS** VISITATION OF HOMEBOUND AND MEMBERS IN HOSPITAL **CONGREGATIONAL PRIORITIES** Number to rank the following congregational functions in order of importance, 1-6. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION/FORMATION FOR ADULTS CHRISTIAN EDUCATION/FORMATION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH WELCOMING VISITORS AND ASSIMILATING NEW MEMBERS ___CARING FOR OUR CHURCH MEMBERS REACHING OUT TO THOSE IN NEED IN OUR'S AND NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES.

BEING STEWARDS IN OUR CHURCH USING OUR TIME, TALENTS AND MONEY.



Tables to welcome Nursery School families at the start of the school year.

September, 2018



Judy Meyer visiting Pastor Cho at Panera Bread







Celebrating Pastor Cho's 60th Birthday! September 2, 2018













October, 2018



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