

PLANTSVILLE CONGREGATIONAL
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

An Open and Affirming Church

April 21, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Easter 10:00 A.M.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: Ballade CLAUDE DEBUSSY

†Call to Worship

One: Come, let us gather to find the green pastures and still waters He provides.

Many: **We come seeking peace in the presence of our Shepherd.**

One: He restores our souls and guides us in paths of righteousness.

Many: **We follow in trust, for His goodness and mercy accompany us all our days.**

†Hymn The King of Love My Shepherd Is *Pilgrim #80*

†Opening Prayer

Gracious God, as the Shepherd cares for the flock, so You care for us. Open our hearts today to hear Your voice, feel Your presence, and follow Your paths. Help us to find the green pastures and still waters in our lives, so that we may be restored and renewed in Your grace. Amen.

Children’s Sermon

Scripture Reading The 23rd Psalm

Anthem A Joyful Call to Praise LLOYD LARSON

Sermon and Prayers "Finding Green Pastures" Rev. Jane Willan

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn In Heavenly Love Abiding *Pilgrim #343*

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

†Doxology *Pilgrim #515*

†Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, bless these offerings that they may be used to extend Your peace and grace to others. May our giving reflect our trust in You as our Shepherd, leading us to green pastures and still waters. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

†Hymn Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us *Pilgrim #327*

†Benediction

Postlude Tarantella, Op. 102, No. 3 FELIX MENDELSSOHN

† Please stand if you are able

Sun. Apr. 21	Sunday Worship	10:00 AM
Fill the Truck 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM		
Mem. Garden Bake Sale		11:15 AM
Play Rehearsal		1:00 PM
Youth Grp @ St. Paul’s		6:30 PM
Mon. Apr. 22	Knitting	12:30 PM
	Fair Mtg	5:00 PM
	Bible Study	6:30 PM
Wed. Apr. 24	KnitWits	6:30 PM
Thurs. Apr. 25	Mem. Garden Brd	4:30 PM
	Bell Choir	6:30 PM
	AI-Anon	7:00 PM
	Vocal Choir	7:30 PM
Fri. Apr. 26	Youth Play Rehearsal	6:30 PM
Full Cast Rehearsal		7:00 PM
Sat. Apr. 27	Play Rehearsal	9:00 AM
Sun. Apr. 28	Sunday Worship	10:00 AM
Play Rehearsal		1:00 PM

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*We Offer a **WARM WELCOME** to everyone gathered for worship here or live on Facebook or YouTube. We are blessed by your presence/viewing.*

Sunday School for children is offered during worship after the Children's Sermon. Following the service, all are invited to gather in Fellowship Hall for refreshments.

Our Greeters are happy to direct you or assist you in any way.

Online gifts are an easy way to support the work of the church.



PCC Church Staff

Minister
Music Director
Office Administrator

Rev. Jane Willan
Marilyn Cannata
Jill Battaglia



Ye Olde Country Fair Meeting

The first meeting for the 2024 Ye Olde Country Fair will be on **Monday, April, 22nd at 5pm** on Zoom. The Zoom link can be found in the weekly email or by contacting the office.



Sunday School

Classes for children from Kindergarten to Grade 5 are offered in our Sunday School classroom after the “Children’s Sermon” in the worship service. The Sunday School theme for April is “hope.”



Youth Group

PCC is part of the shared Southington Youth Group open to middle school and high school youth. Join your youth group leader Tony, tonight at **St. Paul’s Episcopal Church at 6:30pm** for the theme “How Service Changes Us.”



Monday Night Bible Study

Join us for Monday Night Bible Study at 6:30pm on Monday evenings. These sessions will be offered hybrid, newcomers are always welcome! Please check the weekly email for the Zoom link or contact the office.



Memorial Brick Fundraiser

The Memorial Garden Board is holding its Memorial Brick Fundraiser this year from March 1st through May 31st. The cost for each Memorial Brick is \$50. From March through May order forms will be available every Sunday after church in Fellowship Hall as well as extra forms in the Memorial Garden mailbox in the church office. If you have any questions, contact Wendy Fortin at (860) 621-6038.



PCC NEWS

Sunday, April 21st Fourth Sunday of Easter

Mystery Dinner Tickets

Tickets for this year’s Mystery Dinner Play are now on sale! Don’t miss your chance to see the PCC Players present “Mystery and Mayhem at the Mansion!” Show dates: **May 3rd and 4th at 6pm and May 5th at 3pm**. Tickets are \$35 and include dinner and a show! Tickets will be on sale every Sunday after worship or by contacting the church office throughout April.



Volunteer Sign Ups: Volunteers are needed for all three days of the Mystery Dinner for Setup and cleanup, food preparation, serving and youth hosts. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

Fill the Truck

Fill the Truck for Southington Community Services continues today, **April 21st from 11am to 2pm**. The truck will be located in the upper parking lot of the church. Requested items include: Any baking items (flour, sugar, etc.), canned fruit, shelf milk, children's snacks, soup, dinner sides (such as rice, mash potato mix, etc.) canned foods (such as spaghetti sauce, ravioli, vegetables) canned juice, cereal.



Memorial Garden Bake Sale

The Memorial Garden Board is having a bake sale today, **April 21st after worship**. There will be a large variety of baked goods available for purchase. Don’t miss it!



Operation Stay Warm

PCC will join Southington Community Service’s **Operation Stay Warm** for the month of **April**. We will be collecting coats for Southington residents in need. A box will be located in Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your support.

