

THE CRIER

A voice cries out in the wilderness, "Prepare the way of the Lord!" Isaiah 40:3



The Second Baptist Church

Adult Education & Kids for Christ 9 am

Worship & Sunday School 10 am

100 North Main St, Suffield, CT 06078



The Baptist
Peace Fellowship



Carr's Comments

From the middle of May through June, graduations are on the minds and hearts of many people. To complete years of education in preparation for next stages in life is a tremendous accomplishment, whether that be graduating from high school, college or some other institution of higher learning. Most of these institutions hold ceremonies, often called commencement services, in which the graduates are recognized, diplomas given, and prayers and good wishes are offered as they begin a new phase of life.

Usually when we think about graduations what comes to mind is accomplishment, the culmination of years of dedication and hard work, the reaching of a goal. And that is true, but the use of the word "commencement" for the services surrounding graduations is an important reminder that a graduation is not an ending but a beginning - to "commence," or as the dictionary definition tells us, "to begin;" "to initiate formally by performing the first act of;" "to have or make a beginning." Graduation marks a new beginning for people of any age, a new phase in the journey of life.

On Sunday, April 28th, nine young people of Second Baptist Church entered the waters of baptism, professing their faith and intention to follow the Way of Jesus. It was a culmination of a process of preparation and reflection. At the same time, it was a beginning, a "commencement" in a life-long journey of faith. And it was a witness to all of us that each day, we "make a beginning" in our relationship with God, that each day we begin again with Christ as our Teacher, Companion, Guide and Friend.

How will you "make a beginning" on your own journey of faith, today?

Peace.

Tom

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Combined Worship Services with First Congregational Church

Our friends of the First Congregational Church in Suffield will be undergoing construction on many parts of their building beginning in June. As a way of helping our neighbors during their time of transition and to celebrate our friendship and unity in Christ, beginning June 23rd and continuing throughout the month of July, we will be worshipping together on Sunday mornings at 10:00 am on all but one Sunday in the Sanctuary of the Second Baptist Church.

Worship services on July 7, 21 and 28 will be held in our air-conditioned Sanctuary and on July 7th, we will have a special Blessing of the Animals service on the Suffield town green (all are invited to be part of this service whether or not you have pets!). The clergy of both congregations will be sharing leadership in worship and music will be offered as well.

As has been our custom for many years, throughout the month of August concluding on the Sunday of Labor Day weekend, we will worship at the historic First Baptist Church at 10:00 am on Hill Street.



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Our Doors are open Let it Shine April 2018—2021 Capital Campaign

Our Capital Campaign has collected 70% of pledges toward our goal of \$350,000 as we complete the first year of our 3 year Campaign.

Cash Collections toward Campaign	Income ITD
\$245,052.16	
Uncollected pledges	Uncollected
\$104,947.84	
Pledge Goal Anticipated	GOAL
\$350,000.00	

Anticipate finishing most of the work this year 2019.
Thank you for your continued generosity.

Many exciting things are in the works to open our church to new groups. A special thanks to the Building Use Ministry for their creative efforts and taking charge of the Kneece Chapel renovation.

Grace and Peace, Karen Santi, Capital Campaign Chair



June Flower Rep.: Christian

June 2

Ushers: TEAM A: Howard Beal, Richard Rinaldi,
Kaden Rinaldi & Jacob Quinn

Worship Leader: Kris Pryce

Nursery Volunteer: Sue Sheiber

Fellowship Time: Available

Flowers: Available

June 9 Pentecost

Ushers: TEAM B: Art Sikes RC Hubbard,
Greg Basso & Michael Hubbard

Worship Leader: Kira Johannassen

Nursery Volunteer: Heather Piezchala

Fellowship Time: Available

Flowers: Available

June 16 Father's Day

Ushers: TEAM C: Tucker Killam, Walt Malec,
Barry Sisk & David Burnaford

Worship Leader: Lucille Miller

Nursery Volunteer: Mary Nelsen

Fellowship Time: Available

Flowers: The Remington Family

June 23

Ushers: TEAM D: Bob Davis, Jim Grant,
Derek Burnaford & Laurie Gokey

Worship Leader: TBA

Nursery Volunteer: Kirsten Johannassen

Fellowship Time: Available

Flowers: Ahrens

June 30

Ushers: TEAM A: Howard Beal, Richard Rinaldi,
Kaden Rinaldi & Jacob Quinn

Worship Leader: Peg Carr

Nursery Volunteer: Sue Sheiber

Fellowship Time: Available

Flowers: Available



About Our Community

- ♥ **Max Bottomely, Peg Carr's father, passed away on April 24th.**
- ♥ **Congratulations to Jonah Berrien and John Killam on becoming Eagle Scouts recently.**



Backyard BBQs Save the Dates!

Backyard Barbeques The summer Backyard Barbeques are coming, Wednesday evenings, July 10th, 17th and 24th 6:00pm at the Carr's, 680 North Street. Bring a dish to share; hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers and other grilled goodies and drinks will be provided and \$2 per person. Everyone is invited.

Celebration
Sunday & Picnic



June 9th, 10 am CELEBRATION SUNDAY & PICNIC

On Sunday morning, June 9th, we will celebrate with our children and recognize graduates and enjoy an all-church picnic following the very brief congregational meeting in the Sanctuary. Our children and youth will lead our worship service at 10:00 am. Join us!



WOMENS NIGHT OUT! SOAP MAKING FOR THE LAZY HOSTESS

JUNE 14th at 6 pm

Cost \$5.00 (bring home a bar of handmade soap)

Contact Sue Schneller or the
Church Office for more information.

Suffield Climate Change Symposium

June 5th, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Climate change has become a buzz word; but what is it? How can we address the impacts the rapidly changing climate is having around the world and in our lives? How does it affect us? How is it impacting the poorest and most vulnerable around the world? And why is this a matter of our Christian faith? The Green Teams of Second Baptist Church, First Congregational Church, the Sierra Club and the Kent Memorial Library is sponsoring a gathering of local and state organizations to learn about the environmental and human impacts of a rapidly changing climate. Speakers from Zero Hour and Sunrise, along with local activists, will speak followed by discussion. The event will be held in our Fellowship Hall and is open to all.



We are Opening our Doors

Over the past several months, the Building Use Ministry (BUM) has received numerous new requests by groups to use Second Baptist Church meeting facilities. As we "Open our Doors" to new space-sharing opportunities, we will need to ensure that Tom and our staff are aware of the activities that are going on at the church at all times. Additionally, it is important that our rooms do not get "Double Booked". Therefore, we are asking everyone (non-members as well as members of the congregation) to complete a "Room Use Application" form for all non-routine meetings. A "Room Use Application" form does not have to be completed for routine meetings, such as Mission Committee or Bell Choir rehearsal. You can get this form from Alison during office hours and copies of the form can be found in the hanging file outside of the church office door. Please return the completed form to the church office. We are hoping that compliance with this request will ensure that our guests are satisfied with their experience here at Second Baptist Church. If you have any questions regarding this request, please talk to Evelynne Battle, Dave Battle, Nancy Drenzek or Laurie Gokey.

Adult Education Sunday Morning at 9 am

Throughout the month of June at 9:00 am each Sunday (except June 23rd), adults of every age are invited to join in to reflect on the stories and saying of the Gospel of Luke. This is an open and prayerful conversation, led by the Reverend Carr, a time to seek out the places where your heart and mind is moving. All are welcome.

June 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 8:30 am Folk Group Rehearsal 9:00 am Adult Ed./KFC 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Fellowship Time 4:00 pm 3rd Baptist Pastor Installation	3 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group) 7:00 pm AA (Grapevine Group)	4 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group) 2:20 pm Helping Hands 6:00 pm Boy Scouts 6:30 pm Spiritual Formation	5 9:30 am Great Courses 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group) 6:30 pm Climate Change Symposium	6 10:00 am Yoga Class 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group) 6:15 pm Handbell Rehearsal	7 12:00 pm FFFolders 6:00 pm Music Ministry Party at the Miller's	8 11:00 am Springfield Soup Kitchen
9 Pentecost & Advancement Sunday 8:30 am Folk Group Rehearsal 9:00 am Adult Ed./KFC 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Fellowship Time 11:30 am Council of Ministries	10 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group) 5:00 pm Special Needs Set-Up 6:30 pm Special Needs Fellowship Prom 7:00 pm AA (Grapevine Group)	11 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group) 2:20 pm Helping Hands 6:00 pm Boy Scouts 7:00 pm Diaconate	12 9:30 am Great Courses 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group)	13 10:00 am Yoga Class 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group) 6:15 pm Handbell Rehearsal 7:00 pm Suffield Land Conservancy	14 10:00 am Gorman Memorial Service 12:00 pm FFFolders 6:00 pm Soap Making	15
16 Father's Day 8:30 am Handbell Rehearsal 9:00 am Adult Ed./KFC 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Fellowship Time 11:45 am Music Ministry	17 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group) 7:00 pm House Committee 7:00 pm AA (Grapevine Group)	18 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group) 6:00 pm Boy Scout 7:00 pm Missions	19 9:30 am Great Courses 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group) 12:30 pm Calling and Caring Ministry	20 10:00 am Yoga Class 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group)	21 12:00 pm FFFolders	22
23 10:00 am Joint Worship with 1st Congregational 11:15 am Fellowship Time 11:15 am Bylaws Review	24 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group) 7:00 pm House Committee 7:00 pm AA (Grapevine Group)	25 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group) 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	26 9:30 am Great Courses 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group)	27 10:00 am Yoga Class 12:00 pm AA (Phoenix Group)	28 12:00 pm FFFolders	29
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- 1 Scott Miller
- 2 Madelyn Grace Eckley
- 3 Gary Seger
- 5 David Senter, Jr.
Richard Knapps
- 6 Katie Quitno
- 7 Elizabeth Ann Jamrog
- 8 Jennifer Sikes Harlow
Lauren Ralston
- 9 Avery Pierzchala
Jordan Stanley
- 10 Brian Colton
- 11 George Hastings
- 13 Steven Senter
- 15 Lois Vormstein-Schneider
- 17 Amy (Remington) Seiler
- 18 Jonathan Prajzner
- 24 Jonah Berrien
- 25 Jack Thomas Jamrog
Landon Altieri
- 29 Allison Craig



- 2 Win & Patsy [Dodge] Senter
- 11 Nancy & Michael Drenzek
- 13 Tom & Peg Carr
- 19 Ted & Sue Sheiber
- 21 Chris & June Hodges
- 22 Tara & Chris Beaulieu
- 24 David & Jean Jones
- 25 Cliff & Susan Barron
- 26 Bev & Art Sikes
Evelyne & David Battle
- 28 Robin (Colson) & Bob Arsenault

June Communion Offering

One Great Hour of Sharing

The Mission Team has designated the June Communion Offering to support the One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS). OGHS is the great ecumenical offering of many different Christian denominations including the American Baptist Churches, USA. This offering is a tangible effort to make the love of Christ real for individuals and communities around the world who suffer the effects of disaster, conflict or severe economic hardship, and for those who serve them through gifts of money and time. Projects are active in more than 100 countries, including the United States, Puerto Rico and Canada. OGHS works in partnership with organizations worldwide to provide access to clean water to help eradicate disease and transform communities, feed the hungry as a result of disaster, displacement or drought, and to empower men and women to provide for themselves and their families.

Please prayerfully consider your gift to the One Great Hour of Sharing offering during the month of June. Write checks to "Second Baptist Church" with "OGHS" in the memo line.



Great Courses for June

The Great Courses will be offered throughout the month of June on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 am in the Parlor. On May 22nd, we began our study of the first book of the Bible, Genesis, and throughout June, we will continue our sessions which begin with 30-minute lectures by Professor Gary Rendsburg, of the Department of Jewish Studies at Rutgers University. The lectures are followed by conversations led by the Reverend Carr. We will be meeting on May 29th and each Wednesday in June. All are welcome to join us.



Save Your Pull Tabs!

Please save your pull tabs from juice, soda and beer cans. Put them in the bear container on the table in the Welcome Center. They will be taken to Shriners Hospital where they will be sold and the money used to benefit the kids there.



If you have articles or announcements that you would like to have published in the July-August edition of The CRIER, the deadline for submission is Monday, June 17th.



Save the Date!
Vacation Bible School
July 8-12
\$15 per Child



Lillian Davis
 Ocean Lakes High School

Rachel Davis
 Howell Cheney Technical High School
 Valedictorian

Katelyn Killam
 Suffield Academy

Thomas Killam
 Suffield Academy

Gloria Peters
 Skidmore College

Shiane Wilkins
 American International University
 Cum Laude

Ben Campbell
 University of North Carolina



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Sunday Worship Service 10 am September – July. Childcare and Sunday School available.

We are accessible for people with disabilities from the back entrance, and hearing assistance devices are available upon request.

Sunday School for all ages. Adult Education at 9 am;
 Sunday School for Children Grades K-12 during the 10 am Worship Service

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