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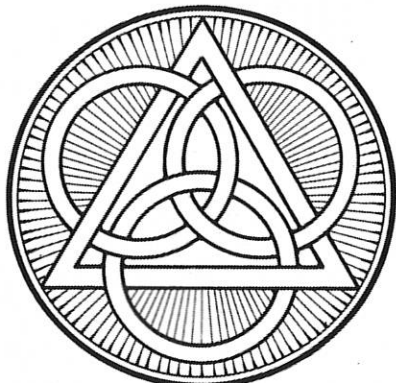
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## MINISTER'S COLUMN, Scott Couper

Dear Friends in Christ:

For a number of months, I and our church have been participating in Paul Nickerson's Vitality Team Coaching Program ([nickersoncoaching.com](http://nickersoncoaching.com)) that seeks to enable churches to move from a state of stagnation or decline to one of relevance and growth (see the latest newsletter about audio-visual media use and on-line presence using Instagram, church apps, interactive websites, etc...). This is not an easy task, for there are many 'mega-trends' that are acting against our beloved church.

First, like other churches, Centre Church is experiencing the decline of mainline Christianity in the United States. The United Church of Christ (as well as all mainline denominations) has been in a state of decline for six decades. The total number of congregations in the United Church of Christ (UCC) declined by 40.2 percent between 1957, when the denomination was founded, and 2017. The total membership within the UCC declined by 61.1 percent between 1957 and 2017 (<http://sowhatfaith.com/2018/10/28/6-decades-of-decline-in-the-united-church-of-christ/>). Un-culled and thus 'padded' membership rolls combined with inactive and homebound members surely render these national percentages conservative and the actual decline is much higher.

A myriad of reasons explain this decline: societal secularization (especially in Vermont, the most secular in the Union), post-modernism (relativism), increased divorce rate (fewer nuclear families attending church), women's rights (more women working as single parents or in dual income families, therefore fewer dedicated volunteers as the church historically has been supported by women), aging population (more older people and less younger people), increased individual mobility (people can commute to any church, folks no longer attend only hometown churches), increased competition for youth involvement (universities prefer sports and academics than worship services and youth groups), declining economies (less disposable income for families to tithe), busier lives (with few people able or willing to give-up any remnant of free-time left to them), and modernization (in terms of social media and electronic communication, the church is antiquated when compared with business and educational institutions) (*BarnaTrends 2017, What's New and What's Next at the Intersection of Faith and Culture*, Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2016).

In addition, as congregations become smaller and poorer, historic buildings get older and thus more expensive. Hence, buildings help the churches go 'under water'. As it concerns our building, we have major obstacles. In the next five to ten years, we will need a roof replacement, the installation of a lift or elevator, a redesign of our space to accommodate fire codes, and the creation of parking bays on the south side lawn. In the past, there was more ability and less need; now there is more need and less ability.

Our current Vice Chair, Margo Neale, is encouraging us to undertake a more formal long range visioning and planning process. Where do we really want to be as a church community three years from now? How can we nurture and care for the young families and older adults who form the majority of our congregation, and still draw folk in their middle years? Are there particular themes that would lend themselves to nurture growth in our church community and beyond? If so, how can we begin to work on those themes with the people we have with us?

We don't have to plan all by ourselves. There are many resources available to us among which is the Church Vitality Team Coaching Program that seeks to grow and strengthen the church in the midst of wider church decline. The emphasis in that coaching is twofold. First, the minister must be out and engaged in the community, networking, meeting new people, and supporting causes. Second, the congregation must, as a matter of constant practice, be inviting new 'unchurched' people to worship and events held by the church. No one must think that because the church is simply 'welcoming', that people will come. That will not happen. Times have changed. I cannot remain in my office and members cannot remain in their homes hoping that people will walk through the church door and stay. Only through exposure to the community by the members and constant enthusiastic invitations will we as a church hope to see growth and vitality.

Love always in Christ, Scott

## Council Chair, BILL McCARTY

We held our Annual Program meeting on Sunday, May 19 and our new church year has begun.

We have new members on Council, Boards, and Committees. I am looking forward to a full and constructive year ahead.

Where are we? What are our plans? Council has been reviewing and discussing the many areas in which we can grow and carry out Centre Church's mission.

A new "Vitality Team Coaching Program" has been started and will continue for a full year. Hopefully a new growth plan can be effected and successfully inculcated into our existing programs. The full year initiative is assisted by the Conference along with our own contribution. We will have periodic updates from the Team as matters develop.

A very special THANK YOU to all of our retiring Council and Board members. Their work is appreciated and was acknowledged at the Annual Meeting.

There are many new and exciting plans being developed by our Boards and Committees. Keep reading the Board reports for the particulars as they develop over the next year.

Remember, if any help is needed or you have a particular idea or time available for CCC, you are welcome (and needed) to assist any Board or Committee. Your assistance on an 'ad hoc' basis is appreciated. Many people can't commit to a full year, but can assist on a 'per item' basis. A short 'sprint' is needed and good for Centre Church. All are welcome!

Thank you again to all of our great and dedicated members and friends. Without your assistance there wouldn't be much here!!

Thanks again and see you at Church or a meeting!

## **CENTRE BELLS**

### **JUNE 2019**

The newsletter of  
**Centre Congregational Church,  
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## Music Director, MARYMILKEY-MAY

Judging by the weather, one would be hard pressed to believe summer is around the corner, but indeed it is. With summer, comes a change in the music program as both the Adult Choir and the Children's Choir will be enjoying a well earned vacation. The adults will be singing on June 2 which will be their last Sunday until the fall. The children will sing on June 9 (Children's Sunday) and they will begin anew in September. My thanks go out to both of these groups for their dedication throughout the choir season!

During the summer, the tradition at Centre Church is to recruit soloists, both vocal and instrumental, to provide special music for the anthem time. We have been fortunate in the past to be able to fill all of the Sundays but it is always challenging. If you would be willing to help out, please contact me and sign up for a Sunday. I would love to have them filled in June rather than going week to week hoping for someone to come forth. I'm always happy to rehearse with anyone and also help choose the music. Please see me if you are willing to help on a Sunday.

Also, on the last Sunday in August (25th) Centre Church usually hosts a combined choir as that is our day to host Guilford, W. Brattleboro and Dummerston folks for the Union Service. Please save that date and join us in the choir loft!

## DEACONS

The Deacons and Scott decided to put the pew registers away and try another approach with visitors. Whenever we see someone new in church we encourage them to come to Fellowship Hour. There will be a new visitors' book. Both Member Care and the Deacons are asked to watch for new people in church. Take them to coffee hour and to the book. Help them sign in with an address and phone number/email address, stand in line with them for a coffee and a treat, and introduce them to the Centre Church family.

This helps Scott see on Monday morning who is new and to contact those that may be interested in finding a new church.

Wendy Randall is the June Deacon of the month.

Hope you're all noticing the beautiful flowers in front of our church. Each day more are bursting forth with magnificent colors!

Our best, Carlene McCarty, *chair*

## FUNDRAISING

The Strolling of the Heifers parade will be **Saturday, June 8**. During the parade, we are hosting our annual bake sale front of the church as a fundraiser. We will need lots of baked goods, bottles of water, juice boxes, and volunteers! The best way to prepare the baked goods is to make sure they are packaged for individual servings (we don't take knives and utensils up there) so they are easy for customers to purchase and take along the parade route. We start at 8am, so healthy breakfast items do well at the start (think muffins or scones or quick breads). We use the church's coffee maker, so we need milk and sugar too. By the time the parade starts cookies and brownies are always a hit and when the sun is high over the steeple it can get warm so fresh fruit (bananas, oranges and apples) are also welcome. Lastly, if you volunteer to help us at the tables, it is a GREAT place to watch the parade with your children.

Donations can be brought to the BCC office on the day before the parade or left on the table in the parlor. We'll store them overnight (wrap them so they will stay fresh) and bring them upstairs the morning of the parade.

Thank you!

-Nan Mann and Anne Doesburg

Everyone is invited to the  
***MOMENT for PEACE***  
Friday, June 7 • 5:30-6:00pm

*Opening to the Peace Within.* There is a Peace we can encounter, when we meet together "in that which is Eternal", when we gather with the intention of opening our hearts. Join people of all faiths and none for a time of shared opportunity and listening in the Quaker tradition. Hosted by Noah Merrill and Honor Woodrow, Quakers active locally and across New England.



## WOMEN'S SPIRIT

We may be meeting in a new room, but it's the same group reading and discussing the book *Women Rowing North*. Plans are to follow this book with David Brooks' *Second Mountain*.

Everyone is welcome.

## MEMBER CARE

### Church Picnic 2019

You don't have to make reservations! You don't have to sign up anywhere! Just plan to come to the All Church Picnic held annually in June since the beginning of who knows when?

**Time:** right after worship, **Sunday, June 9**

**Place:** Kiwanis Shelter, Living Memorial Park

**Attire:** casual

Member Care sets up the tables and provides hot dogs, hamburgers, tofu burgers, plates, utensils, drinking cups, condiments, beverages, and lots of smiles!

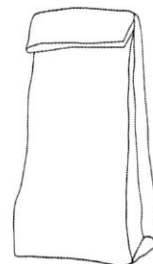
What should you bring? People with last names starting with letters A through K, bring salads and serving spoons. People with last names starting with L to the end of the alphabet, bring desserts.

It is requested that the heartier among us please park further down from the picnic shelter, thus leaving closer parking space for those with mobility problems.

See you there.

-Marion Daley for Member Care

## BROWN BAG LUNCH GROUP



**Wednesday, June 5** is the time for the next get-together to have some good noontime conversation. Just bring your lunch and spend an hour catching up on everything. At that time, we will decide whether to continue through the summer months.



## LOAVES & FISHES

*SPEECH TO THE CONGREGATION, Palm Sunday, 2019*

This is my short speech to the congregation as a Loaves & Fishes volunteer.

Good morning, and thank you. My name is Vincent Panella, and I'm a retired teacher and a writer. I've been living in Vermont since 1976. I volunteer at Loaves and Fishes for the Friday meal – as you know we also serve a meal on Tuesdays.

So, if I were to tell you what it's like to work there, I'd like to characterize it in a few words – so let's say, satisfying, inspiring, and tiring. Satisfying because I'm lucky enough to be able to give up one day a week to a good cause. Inspiring because this is a tangible way of adding some good to a world lacking in compassion. Tiring because one never stops moving until the last fork is put away.

Growing up in an Italian family in which food was a part of physical and mental sustenance, it was natural when I looked around for a place to volunteer that I would gravitate to the kitchen.

So with all that said, let me try to describe my day on a job from eight in the morning to one or one-thirty in the afternoon, a job in which it's impossible for me to describe every thing I do – but I will try.

When I arrive at the kitchen at eight or so, Ruth and Phil and John and Josie are already cooking the soup and meat courses and preparing desserts and planning for the day's meal and for next Tuesday's meal as well. I have evolved into the salad bar and prep man. The first thing to do after talking with Ruth and the others about what to prepare, is to check the walk-in cooler and whatever food has been donated from the supermarkets and local businesses like Amy's and the coop. We also set up a coffee bar for early arrivals, which are usually people who just like to hang out or come in from the cold, but who also help with whatever jobs they're willing to do or offer to do.

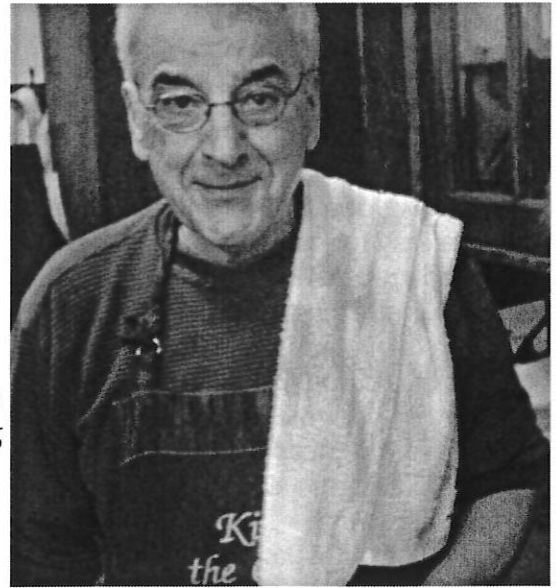
Then we decide how to use what we have. Much of my work is chopping and peeling. I may cut potatoes for boiling or cauliflower for roasting. I often prepare a mix of vegetables – tomato, zucchini, onion, peppers. By then other volunteers show up to help with my job, or to set the tables, or to put food away for next time. We also prepare meals for the four daycare groups in the church, and organize shopping bags full of food for families in need. Simultaneous with my cutting and chopping and carrying we help set up a share table with snacks and prepackaged food from local sources.

We set up the salad bar with a bowl of fresh greens and smaller bowls of grated carrots, diced peppers, diced onions, olives, cucumbers, whatever is available for toppings. We make do – if we have avocados we make guacamole. If we suddenly have cabbage, we make coleslaw, or chop the cabbage for a hot dish. With enough fresh basil we make pesto for freezing or for a pasta dish.

In other words we make something with whatever we have with an emphasis on freshness and quality and with mutually made decisions. There's a spirit of cooperation in the face of the pressure to get everything done in time.

The actual meal begins at eleven-thirty, but by ten-thirty we hope to have soup and salads ready for early arrivals. At eleven-thirty someone rings a bell – a Loaves and Fishes tradition – and after a prayer the menu is announced and we serve the meal. People are already lined up and waiting, usually thirty or more at first, and then a steady flow for an hour. These are mostly homeless and working poor, those for whom a meal and food to go are so important to their lives. Many ask for takeout meals for one or more. Everyone appreciates the food we provide and nothing is refused.

The meal is truly a community event. It's not hard to see how people enjoy sitting and eating with each other. At the same time others less sociable may come in by themselves and eat alone or grab one more takeout meals and leave. This is no problem.



At twelve thirty, when we begin to close down, the real work begins – cleanup and food management, the washing of dishes and the scrubbing of the pots and pans in which the food is cooked. We decide what to save and what to throw away because it won't last until next Tuesday. Meanwhile others are sweeping and mopping and putting dishes and pots and silverware away, managing the recycling, counting the servings and the take away meals.

As I mentioned, the work is satisfying on more than one level, one is to serve the public, the other is to work with people like myself, mostly retired, people who work with a sense of humor and a sense of purpose. We are comfortable with each other. There's an atmosphere of humor and seriousness. We chat while we work, of family, the weather, even politics with a light touch. All of us understand without saying that what we're doing is important and that we're doing some good in a world that has much to be desired.

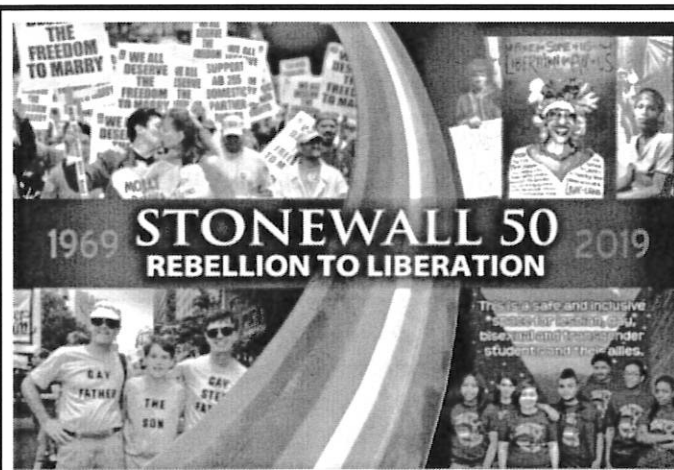
Finally let me close with a plea for volunteers. We always need volunteers, especially in the summer when the kitchen is hot and some of our full timers take a vacation or work elsewhere. So those of you who want to contribute, you don't need to know how to cook, all you need is a willingness to help. If you don't want to use a knife, we will find something for you to do commensurate with your skills and desires – believe me, there's always something to do. You can just put in a few hours. You don't even need to stay until the last fork is put away.

Thank you for listening.

**A BOOK STUDY / GUIDED MEDITATION** will be held at the Centre Congregational Church chapel on ten successive **Tuesdays, starting 11 June through 13 August**. The study will begin at **5pm** and end at **6pm sharp** in order to allow folks to attend Meeting Night and Council on the second and third Tuesdays of the month, respectively.

The book discussed will be *A Science of Consciousness: Pneumatology for a New Millennium* by our new member Shiva Shankaran. Participants will read a scheduled portion of the book on a weekly basis to which for forty minutes Shiva will speak and invite questions and discussion. The remaining twenty minutes will be spent on a relaxing guided meditation that relates to and parallels the book study.. In his book, Shiva asks, "What is Consciousness? What is Holy Spirit? What if the ancient word Saint Paul used of Spirit, *Pneuma*, were to be interpreted as equivalent to Consciousness as we are striving to understand it today? What would be the effects of this upon our understanding of ourselves, our work and the greater Creation?"

Shiva has worked as a spiritual coach in the mental health field for many years. A student of world religions his whole life, he grew-up in New York City and has lived in Brattleboro, Vermont since 1993. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in English Literature from Saint Francis College (New York) and a Master of Arts degree in Religion, Religious Education and Pastoral Counselling from Fordham University (New York). Shiva has studied philosophy as an academic and personal interest. Please, come, join us!



On **Friday, June 28, 2019 at 5pm**, Centre Congregational Church (UCC) will host on behalf of the Brattleboro Area Interfaith Leaders' Association a Gay Pride event that will focus on the **50th Anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising**. Centre Congregational Church, other area UCC churches (Guilford, Dummerston, West Brattleboro, etc...), other Christian churches (St. Michael's Episcopal, All Souls, etc...), and other religious communities in Brattleboro will gather in front of Centre Church (steps) to begin our event. We will proceed to view a brief documentary film about the Stonewall Uprising in the chapel and then participate in a liturgical celebration in

the sanctuary. We will conclude outside again on the steps with singing from a community choir. Please come and celebrate our O&A status and support the LBGTIQ community in own church and in the wider community.

## PEOPLE



A word of good cheer would be warmly received by members and friends of our church who are in nursing homes, assisted living centers, or are housebound as of March 26.

**The Rev. David Cutting**—Pine Heights #406  
187 Oak Grove Ave., Brattleboro, VT 05301

**Fran Burrows**—Langdon Place  
136A Arch St. #150, Keene, NH 03431

**Jeanne Rueter**—Thompson House  
80 Maple St., Brattleboro, VT  
254-4977

**Nancy Clarke**—Pine Heights  
187 Oak Grove Ave., Brattleboro, VT 05301

**Wanda Godfrey**—Vernon Hall  
13 Greenway Dr., Vernon, VT  
254-2444

**Phyllis Hickok**  
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515-337-1956

**Jane Reed**—Valley Cares  
461 Grafton Rd., #101, Townshend, VT 05353  
802-221-4213

**Karen Getty Peter**—Pine Rock Manor  
3 Denny Hill Rd., Warner, NH 03278

*Please let the Administrator know  
if we've missed someone.*

### NEW CONTACT INFORMATION

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**Ann Reed:** 802.246.7609

### BIRTHDAYS

- 9 Jack Bixby
- 10 Roger Miller
- 12 Carolyn Smith
- 13 Jenifer Ambler
- 14 Ann Reed
- 18 Bob Keller
- 19 Marion Abell  
Patti Neubauer
- 23 Allen Vander Meulen
- 26 Morgan Randrup, Jr.



## BULLETIN BOARD

**RESIDENTIAL HANDICAP ACCESSIBILITY RAMP AVAILABLE:** 20' long, approx. 24" rise, wood stained with one side railing. For more information, contact Jim Atamaniuk: 802.258.0868

**NEEDED**--gallon and half gallon containers for use in serving the broader community. Please check your 'summer supplies' to see if you could spare such containers. Contact Margo Neale: 802.579.1602 / [margoblue@myfairpoint.net](mailto:margoblue@myfairpoint.net).

**SEEKING:** A couple of bedrooms, kitchen, and bathroom, in a big shared house—or-guest house for my youngest daughter and five-year-old grandson. They need to move back to Guilford, Brattleboro, or Putney.

She is also looking for work; experienced with food, caregiving, and is an herbalist.

It could be a summer situation until the fall; a house that you need house sitting for, animals that need care.

Contact: [jnushka07@gmail.com](mailto:jnushka07@gmail.com)

**SINGING OPPORTUNITY:** Animaterra, Keene and Monadnock's women's chorus, and Becky Graber, of the Brattleboro (VT) Women's Chorus, together offer a session of "Summertime Sings for Women" this June. There will be three weekly rehearsals of summertime songs beginning **June 4:** Singers will attend Tuesday evenings in Keene (at the UCC Church on the Square from 7 - 9) and/or Thursday mornings in Brattleboro (10 - 12 at the Brattleboro Music Center and Centre Church). The singers from two places will then combine in a culminating summertime sing, open to all, on **Friday June 21** at the beautiful Sumner Knight Chapel in Keene, from 7 - 8:30. That sing will be part performance, and part singalong. For more information and to receive a registration form, contact Becky Graber: [becky@beckygraber.com](mailto:becky@beckygraber.com) / 802.254.8994.

### CAREGIVER AVAILABLE

I am looking to connect with anyone who is in need assistance with:

- animal care
- house cleaning, house sitting
- personal care, help of any kind for an elder or other.

Jeanushka Fishell: 802.275.7791 / [jnushka07@gmail.com](mailto:jnushka07@gmail.com)



# JUNE 2019

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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## JUNE LECTIONARY TEXTS

**Sunday, June 2**—7th Sunday of Easter  
Acts 16:16-34; Ps 97; Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26

**Sunday, June 9**—Pentecost Sunday  
Acts 2:1-21 or Gen 11:1-9; Ps 104:24-34, 35b; Rom 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-17, (25-27)

**Sunday, June 16**—Trinity Sunday  
Prov 8:1-4, 22-31; Ps 8; Rom 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

**Sunday, June 23**—2nd Sunday after Pentecost  
1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7), 8-15a and Ps 42 and Ps 43; or Isa 65:1-9 and Ps 22:19-28; Gal 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

**Sunday, June 30**—3rd Sunday after Pentecost  
2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 and Ps 77:1-2, 11-20 or Ps 43; or 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21 and Ps 16; Gal 5:1, 13-25; Luke 9:51-62



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