

Oxford United Church of Christ Congregational



No matter who you are or
where you are on life's journey
YOU are welcome here

MINISTERS IN THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH _____ The Congregation

PASTOR _____ Rev. Karen Jodice

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Organist _____ Jennie Kerney

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WORSHIP SERVICE

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2024

LAY READER _____ Ed Lubowiecki

DEACONS _____ Jane Harrison

FLOWERS are given by the Brozek Family in celebration of Kaitlin's birthday and by Sharon Lenahan and Rick Miles in memory of their father, Richard Miles.

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

Rev. Karen Jodice, Minister

Sunday, April 28 _____ Worship Service _____ 10:00 AM

Sunday, May 5 _____ Worship Service _____ 10:00 AM
(COMMUNION)

Sunday, May 19 _____ Worship Service _____ 10:00 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW MEMBERS MEETING: Pastor Karen will be holding a new members class on Sunday, May 5 after church. There will be a ceremony for new members on Sunday, May 19 during the worship service.

SEYMOUR/OXFORD FOOD BANK: For the month of April, the Food Bank is looking for the following items –
spam | beef stew | mustard | oatmeal

Thank you in advance for your contributions.

Any questions, call Darlene Swanat: 203-888-1635



THANK YOU LETTER FROM SEYMOUR/OXFORD FOOD BANK:

I am writing to express sincere gratitude for your generous donation of \$750 to the Seymour Oxford Food Bank, Inc. Your contribution will make a difference in the lives of many people who are struggling with hunger and poverty.... Thank you for your compassion and support. You are a true friend of our food bank and our community."

–Stephanie Miller, Corresponding Secretary



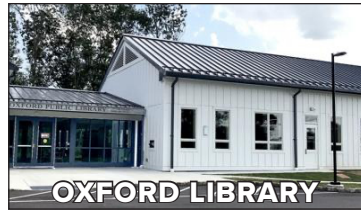
CE BRUNCH: Sixteen people attended our Christian Education Brunch this past Sunday. Don Miner read an inspiring story, *What Color is Love*, and we all enjoyed each other's company along with the delicious food—quiches, French toast casseroles, deviled eggs, coffee cakes and more.

—CE Fellowship

SAGES: We will meet on the 4th Friday of April – **April 26 at 12 noon** in the **Meeting Room of the OXFORD LIBRARY**. Bring your lunch; drinks and goodies will be provided.

The Adult Librarian will speak about all the wonderful programs, services, and materials offered to the community. Bring your library card or get one there and “check it out...”

The Oxford Library is available to people with library cards regardless of the town they live in.



CHEERS: The CHEERS Group is busy filling bags for the homeless. They will be accepting donations through **Sunday May 12:**

Bottled Water	NutraGrain Bars	Crackers w/ Tuna	Crackers w/ Chicken
Crackers w/ Cheese	Crackers w/ Peanut Butter	Nuts	Slim Jims
Fruit Snacks	Wrapped Candy	Gum	Tissues
Baby Wipes (non alcohol)	Small Antibacterial Cream	Sun Screen	Sun Glasses
Baseball Caps	Visors	Rain Capes/ Ponchos	Men's Socks
Tube Socks	Pads & Pencils	Gift Cards: Dunkin, McDonald's, Gas	Monetary Donations

A CHEERS donation box will be in the Parish Hall along with copies of the list of items needed. If you have any questions, please contact Jane Hulbert, Dee Cupole or Marcia Wrogg. Thank you for your generosity.

CARING MINISTRIES: Are any among you sick?

“They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them.” – James 5:14 (NRSV)

PRAYER CHAIN: This week please keep the following in prayer.

Family and friends of Pat Andreanna	Lori Hoyt	Brian Bowen and his wife Jo
Betty Koenig	Friend of Barbara Mechler	Susan A.
Dee's sister's grandson	Lorraine Bonito	Bo Duncan
Jeanette Rasmussen (Nancy Ziegler's mother)	Betty Lubowiecki (Eddie L.'s Mom)	Jack Beardsley
Family and friends of Jane (Kay's sister-in-law)	Ada Peifer (Martha's Aunt)	Jayne Collon
Jim Hoyt	MaryLou Severino	Peg Crowther
Carol Giselle	Donald Lord	Linda Vanalstyne
Susan's son-in-law and family	Al Henderson	Ted Birkmaier
Pam	Ruth Chandler	Nancy P.
Inez Carlson	James Carden (Karen K.'s cousin)	Tom Jensen
Geri Jensen	Michael Bednarik	Frankie Giana Dunn
Kay Birkmaier	Lee Canning	Barbara
Norean Woodin	Paula (Karan's sister)	Ken Wilson
Kim	Ella Savage	Bill Blackwood

Please remember and support all those who have lost loved ones.

Please review the Prayer Chain above, and let Dee know of any changes to the list. – Dee Cupole 203-525-2825.

ATTENTION: Please let us know if any of your contact information has changed, so we can update our database and notify Karan Schmelzle who sends out email communications. Thank you. – OxfordUCC@gmail.com

FLOWERS: Flowers for our regular worship services may be ordered at any time. Please write your name in the Flower Book on the sign-up table in Fellowship Hall with details of your dedication. The cost for a flower arrangement is \$30. Please only provide CHECKS made out to Oxford UCC, and clearly write “flowers” in the memo line. Thank you.



BIRTHDAY BANK: We will continue to celebrate birthdays on the first Sunday of each month. Donations to our Birthday Bank fund baby roses for baptisms and flowers for Sundays when orders haven't been requested.