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Call to Worship	Michael Pickering		
Songs	Jim Hopper		
Lord's Table	Nick Godano		
Sermon	Randy Walker		
Closing	Ray Lewis		



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	Dan Garrick		
<u>Minister</u>	Finance		
	Don Garrick		
	Fellowship		
	Elton Hodge		
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# Fooling Ourselves

Self-awareness can be described in many ways. Knowing the person you are inside is the



beginning of a successful life (or so they say). The ability to look at oneself in the mirror objectively is a difficult achievement because many of us look into a "magic" mirror which hides the person we truly are. With Satan's help our society is becoming more and more permissive, convincing us that no matter what lifestyle we choose it should be accepted and embraced as long as

it falls into a skewed sense of morality.

However, for the disciple of Christ that illusion is shattered when we look into the "perfect" mirror of God's word. In it we learn that there are "none righteous" (Rom. 3:10) and "all have sinned and fall short" (Rom. 3:23). All people need the forgiveness of God in Jesus Christ through obedience and if we believe "I'm OK" without obeying God then we are just fooling ourselves (Gal. 6:3). We're not to think more highly of ourselves than we should (Rom. 12:3) and the Lord will reject the proud heart but accepts the humble (James 4:6). If the Apostle Paul who possessed a great faith, preached boldly, and suffered for the Gospel yet said he was the "chief of sinners" where does that leave us? We must never be convinced that sin is all right but having a realistic view of ourselves and having a sense of self-worth are two different things. God loved us so that He gave His Son for us and that we are "worth more than many sparrows" (Matt. 10:31).

Jay Launius

## **Prayer Request**

- Marion Samaha's sister Joanne who lives in Florida has asked for prayers for her son Michael who had emergency surgery for colon cancer. The surgery was scheduled on Thurs., Feb. 16th.
- Jo Harvey's sisters friend Mary Lou Volpe has been diagnosed with stage 4 ovarian cancer. Pray for Mary Lou and her family. Jo Harvey's friend Anne Mccutchan has cancer of the esophagus, consequently it had to be removed. Due to Gerd, Anne had to have part of her stomach removed. She will be on a feeding tube for several months. Pray the treatments work.
- Bob & Joe Harvey's grandson Jacob had an intake schedule on Thurs., Feb 16th to evaluate his focusing issues in school. Pray that his evaluation yields helpful resolutions
- Zoom meeting attendee Tom Moore is getting some oral procedures done. Pray that it will not be to painful and his healing goes well
- Continue prayers for Doug Vile who has been diagnosed with Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) and his wife Jere who is always by his side and a constant support
- Continue prayer for Don & Doris Garrick's son-inlaw Kurt Ogrinc
- Pray for DcOC minister search
- Pray for safe travels for our congregation members
- Pray for our visitors
- The work in Mozambique and Zambia
- Pray for our missionaries and families
- Pray for our deacons, teachers, leaders, and each other

# Praise and Thanksgiving

- Bob Harvey's stepmother Ernestina Harvey hips have healed and walking with a walker. She also has recovered from covid. She has been discharged from rehab. She now has to sell her home by spring. Pray for the speedy sale of her home
- on Tues., Feb 14th the results of her latest scan and her pancreatic cancer tumor is stable and has not grown. Continued prayers as she soon starts a regimen of radiation and chemo infusions Monday through Friday each week at MD Anderson in Houston.
- Sue Barbarotto's office sales rep. Diane Warner's friend Cindy whose cancer has spread to her ovaries and lung. She has stage 4 cancer for 10 years. The doctors are going conduct a new trial. Cindy will be traveling pray for her lung capacity.

# Phone Call

Donna Grimes' sister Kimberly Strickland age 55 was diagnosed with lung cancer. Pray for Kimberly

# Services & Meetings: Week of February 19, 2023

Sunday AM Worship 9:30 am
Sunday AM Bible Classes for ALL AGES 11:00 am

<u>Wednesday - Pray & Bible Study</u>

\*\*Zoom Meeting\*\* Virtual 7:00 pm—8:00 pm

If you are interesting in attending email: infoldanburycoc.org@gmail.com

#### **Event Calendar**

Feb 23rd Bowling Fellowship 12:15 pm—2:00 pm Strikers—840 Federal Rd—Brookfield, CT Contact : Michael P.

#### **Bible Classes**

11:00 am —Sunday Classes for ALL AGES

### **Adult Upstairs Class**

"Israel in the New Testament" - Part 2—Gene Pollastro

# Ongoing Meeting (church building)

⇒ Mad Hatters Barber Shop Tues. 7:00 pm Rehearsals

 $\Rightarrow$  Al-Anon Thurs. 7:00 pm—9:00 pm

⇒ Narcotics Anonymous Thurs. 6:30 pm—9:30 pm

















# Wednesday—Pray and Bible Study \*\*Virtual\*\*

\*\*Zoom Meeting\*\*
7:00 pm—8:00 pm

If you are interested in attending the virtual bible study, please email us at info1danburycoc.org@gmail.com

It's a chance for us to connect, come together digitally to share, laugh and see each other as we unlock the bible together.

Come join us!



# Weekly Fellowship

## Thursday—Bowling fellowship

12:15 pm—2:00 pm Strikers 840 Federal Rd., Brookfield

