

## WEEK OF OCTOBER 19, 2025



**From Woody:** We sometimes think that the times we are currently in are the worst of times. I happened upon a documentary about the year 1968 this morning and it made me rethink that conclusion. There have been many times in which human beings have thought they were in the worst of times. Certainly, in modern times 1968 was such a year. The Vietnam war was going full blast as was the anti-war movement which brought with it massive demonstrations by those opposed. Both racial and economic problems were in the forefront. In March, President Lyndon Johnson announced he would not seek re-election and the race was on. Drug use and a real generational divide seemed prevalent. Then our great Civil Rights leader, Dr. Martin Luther King was murdered in Memphis while there to support the city's sanitation workers. It took authorities over two months to catch someone who probably was not Dr. King's killer. Then, the leading Democratic candidate for President, was shot minutes after being named the winner of the California primary. Robert Kennedy was killed in the Ambassador Hotel kitchen right after giving his acceptance speech. Riots followed both assassinations and people wondered how our nation would survive. There was further violence that summer in Chicago at the Democratic convention. It was really "the worst of times" but we survived. These current days are difficult as well but, with God's help, we also will survive and hopefully become a better nation as a result of what we are going through. So, with the grace of God, our hope is that we continue to be the voices of the Lord of peace, justice and compassion as we move forward. With God, hope springs eternal.



**Craft Fair:** Saturday November 29<sup>th</sup>, 9am-2pm. set up Friday November 28<sup>th</sup>, 6-8pm. We need:

- baked goods donations
- Attic Treasures (donations for clean and ready for sale items)
- Handicrafts (sewers/crafters donations for the handcraft table)
- Help setting up and breaking down
- Manning tables in 1-2 hour intervals
- crafters/vendors (we need you)

Kristi Citak (text 603-486-9910) with any questions for interest in helping or joining as a vendor.



**Photos Needed:** Lynn is looking to redo the hallway bulletin boards and am in search of photos from our picnic in July, Children's Sunday in May, and any other recent CCNB events. If you have a photo to share, please send them via email to me at [lwawrzyniak@comcast.net](mailto:lwawrzyniak@comcast.net) JPEG format is most appreciated.



**Need Website Help:** As the keeper of the church website, I know there are sections that need updating including pictures. But I need your help! I don't know about the content of parts of the website, so I am asking you to review the parts that are pertinent to you—and send me updated information and pictures. You can email the information and pictures (JPEG please) to me at [barbarawoodland@comcast.net](mailto:barbarawoodland@comcast.net) . The pages I need help with are:

Outreach, Music, Church School, Stewardship, Clifford Nyquist Fund, Peace Pole and Garden, Volunteer Opportunities



**Sunday School and Junior Choir In Full Swing:** classes have begun for students in grades K-6. For now, students in grades 7-12 are welcome to attend and assist with the younger students. Our studies this fall will have us finding God and messages from the Bible in Disney movies! Junior choir rehearses with Ms. Sam directly after service.



**Flowers for Worship:** We asking that you sign up if you would like to provide flowers for worship- it helps with planning and making sure every service is provided with flowers. Please sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board next to the church office or contact Ellen Anderson ([andersel@njms.rutgers.edu](mailto:andersel@njms.rutgers.edu), (973-747-2321) for special Requests or questions.



**AED / CPR Certification** In a continued effort to support a safe and welcoming environment at CCNB, The Trustees of Expenditures is once again promoting the training of members of the congregation to get an AED/CPR certification for 2025. The certification is good for two years. TOE is seeking \$1000.00 in funding for the training and 12 volunteers to take it. Once the funding and volunteers have been secured, the

training will be scheduled. If anyone would like to take the training a signup sheet will be placed next to the AED in the hallway, or you can email Bill Vickery at [bvickery123@gmail.com](mailto:bvickery123@gmail.com). For anyone .who would like to donate towards this activity, please contact Lydia Peak at [nbcctreas@gmail.com](mailto:nbcctreas@gmail.com)"



**Peace Quote:** What does the Lord require of us but to do justice, love kindness and walk humbly with our God.....*Micah 6:8*



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