

CAMP MEETING 2026

Our Theme: “Love in any Language”

August 1-9, 2026



*“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you,
so you must love one another.” John 13:34 (NIV)*

Program Committee: Andrew Apy, Martha Babcock, Scott DeGuilo, Sue Donnelly, Jessica James, Christina Kovachev, Connie Schenenga, Joe Vile, John Wolcott, Debra Welkley (Chair) - **Advisory:** Rev. Dr. Jonathan Malone and Dan & Pam McInerney

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

7:00 a.m. Rising Bell
7:45 Breakfast
9:00 **Registration** begins - Hospitality Table, the Preachers' Stand
10:00 Annual Meeting, presided by Association President, David Apy – Live and via ZOOM
12:30 Lunch
1:00-2:00 Historical Center open
1:00-2:00 Helping Hand Country Store open
4:00-5:30 Choir Rehearsal, Chapel
6:00 Supper
7:00 Concert – Alisa and Gianni, followed by Tent Fellowship

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2 – Heritage Day

7:00 a.m. Rising Bell
7:45 Breakfast
9:00 Choir Rehearsal, Chapel
10:00 Worship Service – Rev. John Tate
12:30 Dinner
1:30-3:00 Archive/Heritage Cottage Tour – Preachers' Stand followed by visits to cottages
3:00-4:00 Helping Hand Country Store open
3:00-4:00 Historical Center open
3:30 – 4:30 Pickleball with Bryce Whiting – Black Top (by Miniature Golf Course)
5:00 Vespers Service, Fairview Park – Rev. Dan Whitney
6:00 Supper

MONDAY, AUGUST 3

7:00 a.m. Rising Bell
7:45 Breakfast
8:30 Morning prayer, Fairview Park
9:00-3:00 Camp Bethel Youth - CBY (ages 10-18)
9:00 Bible Study with Rev. Jonathan Malone – Preachers' Stand. **Focus:** *Love Actually*
10:15-ish Announcements & coffee break

10:45 “Love in Action” Bible Study Discussion - Co-Facilitators: Andrew & Jen Apy
12 noon Lunch
1:30-3:00 Make Your Own Heirloom Jewelry or Button Keepsake Part I (Wendy Scott) – Dining Hall
2:00-3:00 Hands On! ASL at Camp Bethel, Pam McInerney – Preacher's Stand
2:00 Board of Trustees Meeting, Lounge
3:00-4:00 Helping Hand Country Store open
3:00-4:00 Historical Center open
4:00-5:00 Chat with the President
5:00 Vespers, Fairview Park – Rev. Dan Whitney
6:00 Supper
7:15-8:15 “Engaging the Community with Jesus' Heart” Tammy Gerhard - Preacher's Stand

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4 – MISSIONS DAY

7:00 a.m. Rising Bell
7:45 Breakfast
8:30 Morning prayer, Fairview Park
9:00-3:00 Camp Bethel Youth - CBY (ages 10-18)
9:00 Bible Study with Rev. Jonathan Malone – Preachers' Stand. **Focus:** *A Covenant of Love*
10:15-ish Announcements & coffee break
10:45 “Love in Action” Bible Study Discussion. Facilitator: Lee Watkins
12 noon Lunch
1-2:00 Cottage Owners Meeting - Lounge
2:30-3:30 Missions Presentation - Chapel
3:30-4:30 Helping Hand Country Store open
3:30-4:30 Historical Center open
3:30 – 4:30 Pickleball with Bryce Whiting – Black Top (by Miniature Golf Course)
5:00 Vespers, Fairview Park – Rev. Cheryl Caronna
6:00 Supper
7:30 Capital Campaign Committee Update and Open Discussion - Lounge

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5

7:00 a.m.	Rising Bell
7:45	Breakfast
8:30	Morning prayer, Fairview Park
9:00-3:00	Camp Bethel Youth - CBY (ages 10-18)
9:00	Bible Study with Rev. Jonathan Malone – Preachers’ Stand. Focus: <i>Family Ties</i>
10:15-ish	Announcements & coffee break
10:45	“Love in Action” Bible Study Discussion. Co-Facilitators: Joe Vile & Jonathan Malone
12 noon	Lunch
2:00-3:30	Bethel Olympics
5:00	Supper – BBQ (<i>supper will be earlier today</i>)
7:30	Ice Cream Social and Camp Bethel Trivia, Dining Hall

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

7:00 a.m.	Rising Bell
7:45	Breakfast
8:30	Morning prayer, Fairview Park
9:00-3:00	Camp Bethel Youth - CBY (ages 10-18)
9:00	Bible Study with Rev. Jonathan Malone – Preachers’ Stand. Focus: <i>I Love You THIS Much</i>
10:15-ish	Announcements & coffee break
10:45	“Love in Action” Community Members (VOX Church; Deep River Congregational; Bethany Covenant; and others from the area).
12 noon	Lunch
1:30-3:00	Make Your Own Heirloom Jewelry or Button Keepsake Part II (Wendy Scott) – Dining Hall
2:00-3:00	Helping Hand Country Store open
2:00-3:00	Historical Center open
3:30-4:30	Books with a View ~ <i>The Hiding Place</i> by Corrie Ten Boom (Lori DeCrescenzo & Barbara Whiting) - Lounge
4:00-5:00	Chat with the President
5:00	Vespers, Fairview – Pastor Carleen Frost
6:00	Supper

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

7:00 a.m.	Rising Bell
7:45	Breakfast
8:30	Morning prayer, Fairview Park
9:00-3:00	Camp Bethel Youth - CBY (ages 10-18)
9:00	Bible Study with Rev. Jonathan Malone – Preachers’ Stand. Focus: <i>Love, Perfectly</i>
10:15-ish	Announcements & coffee break
10:45	“Love in Action” Bible Study Discussion. Co-Facilitators: Bryce Whiting & Friend
12 noon	Lunch
1:00-2:00	Hands On! ASL at Camp Bethel, Pam McInerney – Preacher’s Stand
3:00-4:00	CB Youth Guided Hike
4:00-5:00	Helping Hand Country Store open
4:00-5:00	Historical Center open
5:00	Vespers, Fairview – Rev. Dan Whitney
6:00	Supper

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

7:00 a.m.	Rising Bell
7:45	Breakfast
8:30	Morning prayer, Fairview Park
9:00	Bible Study: Rev. Jonathan Malone - Reflections and Wrap-up
12 noon	Lunch
1:30-2:30	2025 Elder School II Presentation: <i>The Story Behind the Hymn</i> – Sue Donnelly, Chapel
2:45-4:15	Helping Hand Annual Meeting
5:00	Vespers, Fairview – Rev. Dan Whitney
6:00	Supper
7:00	Christmas in August: Hymn Sing & More, followed by “Tent” Fellowship

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

7:00 a.m.	Rising Bell
7:45	Breakfast
9:00	Choir Rehearsal, Chapel
10:00	Farewell and Communion Service – Rev. Dennis TeBeest
12:30	Dinner
1:00-2:00	Helping Hand Country Store open
2:00–3:00	Program Committee Meeting, Lounge

CHAT WITH THE PRESIDENT

You will note two opportunities (Monday and Thursday at 4:00) to “Chat with the President.” This is your chance to sit with the President of the Association to ask questions, share concerns, and make suggestions for our future. Location to be announced.

“Love in Action” During Vespers

Members of the Camp Bethel community have been asked to answer, “How do you show love in any language?” Hear their stories at Vespers:

Sunday	Lea DeGuilo
Monday	Becky Bohy
Tuesday	Jessica & Josh James
Thursday	Caroline Welkley
Friday	Donna Wolcott
Saturday	Joe & Sandy Vile

CAMP BETHEL YOUTH

We’re so excited that CBY is happening again this year! It’s an opportunity for the youth of camp (ages 10-18) to start making fond memories, as many of us did when we first started coming to camp. We’ll be meeting Monday through Friday at 9 am at the fireplace in front of Memorial Hall. Some exciting activities to look forward to include continuing work on Camp’s trail maintenance, creating additional trails, fitness, swimming, crafts, and outdoor games. We will start each day in Scripture, with a mid-day reflection/journaling time, and wrapping up with music around 3 pm. Our schedule will be posted on the bulletin

board during Camp Meeting; be sure to stop by and check it out!

CAMP BETHEL CHOIR

The McInerneys invite each of you to join the choir and fill the campground with joyful music! See the program schedule for practice times and days.

COTTAGE TOURS

The Archive/Heritage Presentation on Sunday will involve cottage tours on the south grounds and Fairview Park! Meet under the Preachers' Stand at 1:00 PM on Sunday, August 1st. The self-tours will last until 3:00 PM. The Historical Center will then be open until 4:00 PM.

HISTORICAL CENTER

To arrange to visit the Historical Center at other than scheduled times (listed in this bulletin and posted on the bulletin board across from the Dining Hall), **please contact Robin Garner, 203-605-7481, Cottage #36 or David Gephard, 860-304-8574, Cottage #35.** Though quite small as museums go, the Historical Center contains a wealth of historical information including photos, memorabilia and artifacts. Make time for a visit this year.

HOSPITALITY TABLE

Don't forget to visit the Hospitality Table at the Preachers' Stand to sign in **for Camp Meeting 2026**, register for events, and receive your name badge, bookmark, and Camp Meeting 2026 notebook. The Camp Meeting Bulletin for this year is available digitally, with a small number of print copies available for those who need them.

The Hospitality Table will be staffed:

- ◆ **Saturday, August 2:** 9:00-10:00 AM, and following the Annual Meeting for ½ hour.
- ◆ **Monday and Tuesday:** During coffee break.

POOL HOURS

Pool hours will be posted on the bulletin board across from the Dining Hall. However, 3-4 pm will be "Adult Swim Hour".

Swimming after 9 pm should be quiet and respectful of people in the Lodges and RV park. The pool is closed during all Sunday and Vesper services. **Please abide by the posted rules.**

Online Daily Camp Updates!

This year we will have short daily camp update videos online as well as video recordings of the Sunday morning services and our vesper services. There will also be podcasts of our morning Bible studies. So, check out the **CAMP MEETING 2026 website** starting Sunday, August 2, 2026!

WHO'S WHO AT CAMP MEETING 2026

Association President..... David Apy
Program Director..... Debra Welkley
Bible Study Teacher/Scholar.... Rev. Dr. Jonathan Malone
Music Directors Pam and Dan McInerney
Food Service Manager..... Ellen Miller
Chef..... Bill McKay
Sous Chef..... Ivan Petroka
Camp Bethel Youth (CBY) Josh and Jess James
Preacher's Stand Fellowships..... Mary B. & Justine S.
Technology/Sound/WIFI D. Taylor Durand
Audio/Visual Andrew Apy

CARETAKER/CAMP MANAGERS

Michelle and Thom -- can be reached at
860-845-7410, Cottage #44

DINING HALL MEAL RESERVATIONS

	Adult	Child (under 12)
Breakfast	\$ 6.00	\$ 4.00
Lunch	\$ 9.00	\$ 5.00
Supper	\$11.00	\$ 6.00
Sunday Dinner	\$15.00	\$ 8.00
All Breakfasts (9)	\$ 54.00	\$ 36.00
All Lunches (7)	\$ 63.00	\$ 35.00
All Suppers (8)	\$ 88.00	\$ 48.00
All Sun. Dinners (2)	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	<u>\$ 16.00</u>
	\$235.00	\$135.00
All Meals (26)	\$175.00	\$ 90.00

For planning purposes, it helps if you reserve your meal tickets in advance. Please contact Ellen Miller (campbethelsecretary@gmail.com or text 413-775-3109) for reservations. Tickets may be purchased at the door, but are on a first-come, first-served basis.

LODGING

Lodging rates for Bethel Hall and Helping Hand are \$40 per night, including linens, etc. (\$35 for members and immediate family).

Rates in the RV Camping Park are \$30 per night, including water and electric hookups (\$25 for members and immediate family). Tent sites are \$15 per night (\$10 for members and immediate family).

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED: Contact Liz Van Guilder at rentals@campbethelct.org. Last minute reservations, please call or text 617-966-5444.

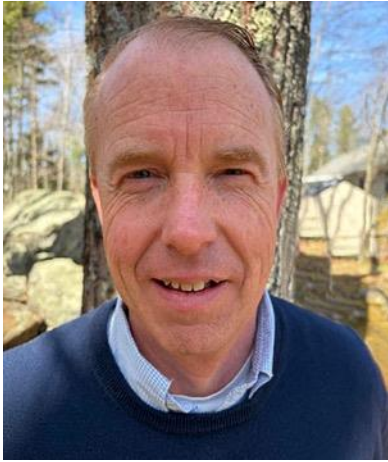
Guest Preachers / Presenters at Camp Meeting 2026

In order to get to know our presenters better, each was asked to reflect on the following question related to our theme this year: "How have you experienced 'love in action'? and/or What ministry have you been a part of that has demonstrated 'love in action'?"

1st and 2nd Sunday Morning Services

Rev. John Tate

1st SUNDAY Morning Service - August 2, 2026



John Tate serves as the senior pastor of the Emmanuel Advent Christian Church in Rochester, New Hampshire. He shares in this ministry with his wife Lisa and their three children, Bryn, Ingrid, and Brooks. John has been in pastoral ministry for over thirty years and has served church families from the Deep South to the Desert Southwest and up into New England.

As the call to full-time ministry often took Pastor Tate to places far from his own family, many times he experienced love in action as strangers welcomed him into their homes, holidays, budgets, and lives - making him as true a member of their families as any blood relation was. While pastoring in Windsor, Connecticut, Pastor Tate was especially blessed by that church's ministry of love and caring to the young people residing at the Connecticut Children's Place in East Windsor. Be sure to ask him about this most wonderful and blessed work of love!

(Written by Rev. John Tate)

Rev. Dennis TeBeest

2nd SUNDAY Morning Service - August 9, 2026

Camp Bethel became a part of my life in the 1990s. A Midwesterner, the whole concept of New England Camp Meetings was new to me. But what began as occasional visits to my in-laws' cottage matured into my appreciation of the relationships and faith values of Camp Bethel. In the last few years, my retirement and the move of my wife, Betty, and me to Haddam year-round has allowed me to keep in closer relationship to Camp, including current service on the Board.

In retirement I continue as an ordained minister in the Reformed Church in America, serving as Chaplain to retired pastors and spouses in New England. Over the past couple years, I have served as Bridge Pastor for congregations in Connecticut and Massachusetts; I try to limit that work to 2-3 months each year, with occasional supply preaching in the other months. We eagerly fill all the time we can with my Virginia daughters, Anne and Sarah, and their families (2 beloved granddaughters), and with Betty's children and three grandchildren.



Speaking of beloved--I have long deeply believed that love *is* in action. In my Christian faith, love is a verb. It is who God is, deeply incarnated in Jesus. When I am open and sensitive I can see or feel it happening in family, friendships, and in the actions of strangers. But because love is patient and kind, not envious or boastful or rude, it slips through almost unnoticed. Love is happening when trust is being strengthened and bridges are being built. Honesty (sometimes painful honesty) is love in action.

I think that love most happens in the invisible small ministries of faithful people and of the church. But if pressed to name a visible ministry, one obvious one for me is the Second Sunday ministry of the last church I served. One Sunday evening each month, 20-or-so volunteers of the congregation put on a supper and program for 100+ adults with disabilities in area group homes. The joy and kindness flow so freely in all directions; everyone comes out of the (exhausting!) evenings renewed in hope.

After all, *"faith, hope and love abide...but the greatest of these is love."*

(Written by Rev. Dennis TeBeest)

Saturday Evening – August 1, 2026 – 7 PM – Christian Concert

~ Alisa & Gianni ~

“An Acoustic Duo Fueled by Faith”

Alisa & Gianni are both full-time musicians that met while performing in a New England wedding band. After developing a deeper connection with each other through their faith, they decided to come together as a duo and use their gifts to glorify God. They began serving together at Elevate Life CT in Wallingford as worship leaders and were soon called to bring the gospel outside of the church walls.

They use the universal language of music to speak the Word of God over all people, reminding them that He sees them, hears them and loves them no matter who they are or where they came from.

Regarding love in any language, Alisa & Gianni experience love in action every day as they deepen their relationship with God and each other. Through composing and sharing music about their faith journey, their love continues to grow every day along with their music ministry. With God's guidance, they are being used as intentional instruments to help reach souls, plant seeds and lead them to a true relationship with Jesus.

(Written by Alisa Velasquez)

COME AND ENJOY A TIME OF WORSHIP THROUGH THEIR MUSICAL TALENT!!!!

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Throughout the Week – Bible Study, Music, Vespers, & Monday Evening Speaker

Rev. Dr. Jonathan Malone

Bible Study Leader & Scholar: MONDAY – SATURDAY



Jonathan Malone is the former pastor of First Baptist Church of East Greenwich, Rhode Island. Currently, he has an outdoor/wilderness ministry, leading individuals and groups to experience God through various ways in nature. Jonathan has been our Bible Study leader and/or Scholar in residence for Camp Bethel for the past eight years and is excited to be back again this summer.

Jonathan shared “this past May I was with a group of young adults in Iceland. One of the days we were there we were cleaning a local beach; lots of plastic, metal, rope, and anything else you can imagine washes up on the beaches of Iceland. We were carefully walking along the black, jagged rocks, looking for anything that clearly did not belong there when we saw a seal in the water. We then saw another and then

another. Soon there was a family of seals on the rocks about 50 yards away from us. We all stopped and watched the baby get in and out of the water, explore the surroundings, and perhaps playing. We watched one parent nudge the baby onto some rocks and the other parent keep a careful watch, making sure we would not get too close. This was a moment of love in action on many levels. We were cleaning the beach, expressing a love for God's creation in our caretaking and stewardship. We found a deep gratitude and love for the creatures of the ocean and what a joy it was to see them in their natural environment. Perhaps most profoundly, we experienced the love of a family. It was the love and care between the seal-parents and the child. It was a love that allowed the baby seal the confidence and comfort to explore and play.

That particular group of young adults had all been through the foster system in one way or another. I can only wonder what it was like for them to see such familial love expressed by such beautiful creatures. I don't know if there was yearning or hope in witnessing such a moment. I do know that we were all silent and still and that collectively we all agreed that it was a sacred moment expressing in a tangible way the Divine love we all strive to embrace.” (Written by Rev. Dr. Jonathan Malone)

Pam and Dan McInerney **Music Directors for the Week**

The McInerneys are long-time friends of the DeGuilos. Pam recently retired from a 32-year career as a music teacher at the Rochester (NY) School for the Deaf and has worked in church music ministry for almost the same amount of time. She is currently the music director at St. Catherine's Catholic Church in Mendon, NY.

Pam shared that she has been “continuously involved in music ministry since joining the children's choir at my church at the age of six or so! In the intervening years, time spent in the junior choir, teen choir, adult choir, and various bell choirs, and then as assistant and full music director of my current church have given me more examples of showing love in action than I could possibly remember or describe at this point!

Knowing that those in music ministry help to support the main singing ensemble (God's people!!) is humbling and beautiful every time we come together to sing and play instruments. This love of God is translated into our love of music being shared with our brothers and sisters in moving, inspiring, and profound ways...from the heartfelt traditions of our Advent and Christmas music to the anguish and reflective tone set on Good Friday, to the jubilant victory of our



hymns on Easter Sunday. Every gathering is a gift received again and again to respond to the call to share musical talents with our church community, and it is one that I will never grow tired of!"

Dan is a Choir Section Leader at Asbury First United Methodist Church in Rochester, and has sung in various choruses (large, small, community, and professional) in the Rochester area for over 30 years. He also has a background in arts management and works for UPS.

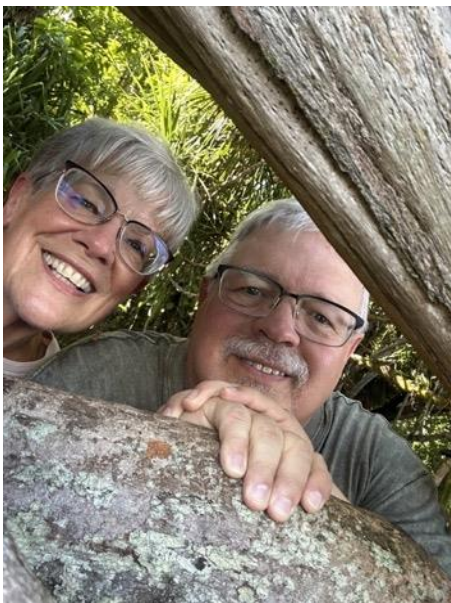
Dan stated, "as far back as I can remember, I always sang in church - but just from the pews. My first real church choir experience came after college when I was hired to direct a small church choir. After Pam & I got married, we jumped right in and joined the music ministry at our church - and we've been involved ever since. Music ministry IS love in action. Not only do we lend our voices and talents, but we give of ourselves, amplifying and reinforcing God's love through word and music for our faith communities at their most joyous, and most sorrowful, moments. It took me a while to realize that. For us "in the business" we can get wrapped up in the details, worry about the choir not being prepared, be disappointed on a Sunday when the music wasn't perfect. But none of us are perfect. And it never seems to fail that when something doesn't go quite as planned, someone from the congregation will be right there to offer thanks and praise for the music and the folks in music ministry. God's love in action - giving and receiving, over and over again. Looking forward to seeing you all this summer!"

We can't wait to put our musical love in action again!

(Written by Pam and Dan McInerney)

Rev. Dan Whitney

SUNDAY, MONDAY, FRIDAY, and SATURDAY Vesper Services



Dan Whitney was raised in Reading, PA (Think the Reading Railroad on the Monopoly board) in a devout Christian home. After High School he attended Eastern Nazarene College where he received a degree in Music Education. More importantly, he made the acquaintance of a beautiful young lady in the alto section of the college choir. After vigorous pursuit, he managed to win this lady's hand, and a few weeks after graduation, they married and moved to Port Huron, MI, where they both taught school and Dan served as Associate Pastor, youth leader and choir director. It was during this time that Dan felt the call of God to prepare for pastoral ministry and changed directions. He and Nancy eventually moved to Kansas City, MO, where Dan received his Master of Divinity degree, and dear Nancy worked as a teacher to support the family. Since then, they have provided pastoral leadership to churches in New York, Michigan, Rhode Island, New Hampshire and Connecticut. The Whitneys have two adult sons, Jonathan and Gregory, and now reside in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

When thinking about "love in action," we often think of our first months in seminary, when we had difficulty finding jobs. People from our previous churches sent us gifts at "just the right time" to help us meet our bills, until Nancy landed a teaching job. On the flip side, volunteering in a local food bank, summer lunch

programs, and doing taxes for seniors free of charge keep us connected in love to our community. And there still isn't anything as satisfying as taking a homemade dessert to a neighbor for no particular reason at all! (Written by Rev. Dan Whitney)

Rev. Cheryl Caronna

TUESDAY Vesper Service

Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Caronna is the first Female Solo Minister in the history of the Deep River Congregational Church. She serves on the Board of the Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries (SSKP) and the Deep River 250th Committee. Her greatest joy is as a grandmother of two beautiful grandchildren. Her favorite scripture is Ecclesiastes 3 because she really believes there is a season for everything.

Love in action? I have experienced love in action every time a car pulls over for emergency vehicles, the simple act of holding the door for a stranger carrying groceries, the sound of children playing on the playground cheering each other on and so many more.

(Written by Rev. Cheryl Caronna)



Pastor Carleen Frost
THURSDAY Vesper Service



“Love in action,” let me count the ways!!!! As I've grown in faith mostly since 1999, God has been working in and through me with 27 years of action: from choir, elder, session committees, clerk of session, back to college to earn a degree that enables me to be a supply pastor at any Presbyterian Church USA (PCUSA) church in the Geneva Presbytery and currently at Rock Stream Presbyterian Church. Prior to 1999, God led me to raise three dear loving children and meet Vern Frost in 1993. All the way, God's love was/is fully active. Praise and thanks be to God!
(Written by Pastor Carleen Frost)

Tammy Gerhard
MONDAY Evening Speaker (August 3, 2026) ~ “Engaging the Community with Jesus’ Heart”



Tammy Gerhard is an award-winning children’s author, speaker, ordained chaplain, certified mental health coach, and co-owner of [Silk City Coffee](#), a nationally recognized specialty coffee company known for its commitment to community. Through her writing, speaking, and everyday work, Tammy encourages people of all ages to live loved, extend compassion, and care well for others. She is the founder of Anavah Publishing, author of children’s books that promote kindness, empathy, and connection, and a partner in Nutmeg Lit Fest, supporting and connecting authors across Connecticut.

“I’ve experienced “love in action” through the everyday work of building community. As a co-owner of Silk City Coffee, I’ve watched our team live out our motto, “Love Coffee Love People,” by caring for customers, supporting local nonprofits, creating welcoming spaces, and showing kindness in both big and small ways. My children’s books reflect that same message: every person has value, kindness matters, and simple acts of love can make a lasting difference. For me, love in action is taking the love we’ve received from Jesus and sharing it with others in practical, tangible ways every day.”
(Written by Tammy Gerhard)

Afternoon Activity Highlights ~ See the Schedule for Specific Days and Times

Heirloom Jewelry Keepsake – Facilitator: Wendy Scott (2-part session -- Monday & Thursday)

This class will guide you through creating your choice of a **tree, wreath or cross** (the size can vary on the amount of jewelry or buttons you have collected). **Pre-registration was required.** If you have any questions please, **contact Wendy Scott** (wscottcae@gmail.com). Similar crafting experience not required, but you will need some strength to cut metal backs from jewelry (doesn’t apply if you choose to make a button tree). Come discover how you can display sentimental items such as vintage costume jewelry or buttons from one or more generations and share the stories behind them with others.



Hands On! ASL at Camp Bethel -- Facilitator Pam McInerney (two days – Monday & Friday)



“I love watching sign language interpreters!” “Sign language is so beautiful and expressive!” “Sign language would come in so handy in loud environments!” “The kids did a wonderful job signing their song last year at the Talent Show, I wish I knew what they were saying!”

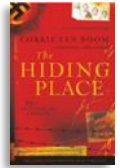
We have just the opportunity for you! Please join the hands-on fun to learn a little ASL (American Sign Language) in two one-hour sessions with Pam McInerney, retired Rochester School for the Deaf, NY music teacher. We’ll begin by getting to know where everyone is in their curiosity about and knowledge of ASL, dip into a little Deaf history and Deaf culture, learn how to fingerspell our names, and be able to sign some simple phrases that can be used immediately when we have the chance to use our new sign skills back home.
Hands of all ages are welcome!

Pickleball – Instructor Bryce Whiting (two days – Sunday & Tuesday)

Pickleball is the fastest-growing sport in America! No previous experience is needed, and people of all ages can play. This is a fantastic, low-impact mix of tennis and ping-pong that's easy to pick up.

Books with a View – Facilitators Lori DeCrescenzo & Barbara Whiting (Thursday)

The book selected is *The Hiding Place* by Corrie Ten Boom. No homework required—just come ready to engage and converse about Corrie Ten Boom's incredible story of resilience, love, and faith while living in Holland during World War II. We will have thoughtful discussion and meaningful connections with one another as we discuss [The Hiding Place](#).



The Story Behind the Hymn – Facilitator Sue Donnelly (Saturday)

As we examine some well-known hymns, we will learn about the lives of the authors and the inspirations behind their heart-felt lyrics. Often written centuries ago, their words still resonate with us today. We will also have an opportunity to sing some of these favorites.

CAMP BETHEL OLYMPICS – WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON – 2 – 3:30 PM

Camp Bethel Olympics is almost here! Everyone is invited to come together Wednesday afternoon during Camp meeting for an afternoon of laughter, friendly competition, and interactive games designed for everyone. There will be pickleball, corn hole throwing, plastic ax throwing, and more! Whatever your age, there's a place for you to join the fun and make lasting memories together! Whether you're competing, cheering, or simply enjoying the fellowship, this is an event you won't want to miss!

A Prayer for Each Day ~ Camp Meeting 2026

All are welcome to come to Fairview Park each morning for group prayer at 8:30am. However, if you are unable to come each morning and/or be at camp, we invite you to still join us in prayer each day!

Sunday, August 2

God of life abundant, we celebrate with joy your steadfast love poured out for us through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, our Savior. Empower us to live with the confidence that we are never alone but are always supported, sustained, and saved by your love. *Amen.*

Monday, August 3

Eternal One, you are immeasurable love. Expand my heart and imagination to receive more of what you want to give me and help me conform my life according to the magnitude of this gift. Mold my heart to your generosity so that I may pour my love through service to others. God of Mercy, immerse me. *Amen.*

Tuesday, August 4

God of all, help us to pause to share stories with one another. Inspire us to reach out and delight in the vulnerability of connecting with people who are different from us, following the example of Christ, our Savior. *Amen.*

Wednesday, August 5

God of past, present, and future, we give you thanks that you are present with us at all times and places. By the power of your Spirit, may we face the past with honesty, the present with courage, and the future with hope. *Amen.*

Thursday, August 6

God, alone I cannot solve the problems of the world. Thank you for your church and all who work together to share the life-giving and liberating ministries of Jesus. Help me to draw nearer to you, knowing you have already drawn near to me. *Amen.*

Friday, August 7

Heavenly Father, our story turns into a song when it conforms to the Truth, who is your Son come to share our humanity. Tune my life and bring me into harmony with your eternal, loving design. Loving Creator, make me true. *Amen.*

Saturday, August 8

Lord Jesus Christ, in all we say and do, may our lives witness to you. We are grateful that you have chosen to become fully seen and known. Make us bold to share your presence with a world in need. *Amen.*

Sunday, August 9

O God, you call us to turn, to dare to trust and follow you: In the midst of life's hardships and struggles, fill us, we pray, with the sense of your presence, shield our hearts from fear and confusion, and by the power of your Spirit grant us the strength to step out into the unknown, knowing that you are right there with us; all this we ask in the name of Jesus, our Savior and friend. *Amen*

QUESTIONS FOR MORNING PRAYER REFLECTIONS

You can also reflect on these questions each morning and throughout the week along with the scripture(s) that will be covered during Bible Study each day.

1. **Sunday** - What parts of your life seem cold and gray? Where do you most need God's love?
2. **Monday** – What would change about your life if you reflected more on God's unconditional love?
3. **Tuesday** – Where have you found God in a life filled with noise and demands from others plus relentless daily duties?
4. **Wednesday** – Have you received generosity, abundant love or extravagant service? When have you given these loving gifts?
5. **Thursday** – When have you felt His loving Spirit?
6. **Friday** – How does loving one another challenge you?
7. **Saturday** – How do you carry Jesus into the world?
8. **Sunday** – At Camp what always reminds you of God's Majesty?

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

In order to make our Camp Meeting a positive experience for all, we need the cooperation of all Camp Bethelites, young and old, in following guidelines developed for Camp Meeting in response to safety concerns expressed to the Program Committee:

- ◆ Bikes left outside Association buildings (such as the Chapel and Dining Hall) should be stored on the side of those buildings (or out of the way). There is a bike rack at the Dining Hall and the Bible School Buildings.
- ◆ People riding bikes on the grass and in between cottages need to be careful of the oldest and youngest Camp Bethelites. Please be watchful and careful.
- ◆ Driving through the grounds should be ***no more than 5 mph***. Be watchful of children and others.
- ◆ Please remember that all dogs are to be on a leash when outside of their cottage.
- ◆ By 10:00 p.m. children not accompanied by a parent (or other adult) should be in their cottages.
- ◆ During chapel services, we ask that children who are not in the service be at their cottage or with a parent or guardian. Playing around the chapel and frequent going in and out of the chapel during a service can be distracting to those in worship. Please be respectful of those in worship services.
- ◆ Recreational facilities (pool, basketball court, miniature golf, etc.) are closed during Sunday and Vesper services.
- ◆ Please refrain from using strong fragrances in consideration of those with respiratory difficulties.

**Thank you for adhering to these guidelines and
ENJOY CAMP MEETING 2026!**



BETHEL CAFÉ MENU – SAT., AUG 1 – SUN., AUG 9, 2026



Chef Bill McKay – Sous Chef Ivan Petroka

Day	Breakfast*7:45am	Lunch 12 noon/Sunday 12:30p**	Supper 6pm, Wed 5pm**
Sat Aug 1	French Toast, Sausage, Home Fries	Philly Cheesesteak Bar, Assorted Cold Cuts, Chips Brownies	Meat or Veggie Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Italian Veggies Cookies
Sun Aug 2	Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon	Roast Turkey, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Roasted Green Beans, Cranberry Sauce Apple Crisp w/Ice Cream	Noodle Bowls w/Chicken or Beef, Egg, Veggies Ice Cream Sundae Bar
Mon Aug 3	Breakfast Burrito Bar	Tacos...build your own! Mexi-Rice, Fiesta Corn Cranberry Oatmeal Cookies	Rosemary Lemon Chicken Thighs, Orzo, Veg, Cranberry Sauce, Chocolate Fondue Assortment
Tue Aug 4	Veggie Omelets, Sausage, Home Fries	Chicken Salad, Tuna Salad, Egg Salad, Potato Salad` Chocolate Pudding, Cookies	Meatballs w/pasta or Meatball Grinder, Ricotta, Mozzarella Biscotti
Wed Aug 5	Scrambled eggs, bacon, Home Fries	Chicken BLT Wrap with Spicy Aioli, Chips Peach Crisp	5pm Burgers, Dogs, Chips, Watermelon 7:30pm: Bethel Trivia night & Ice Cream Sundae Bar
Thu Aug 6	Ham & Cheese Omelets, Home Fries	Mac 'n Cheese Bar, Grilled Chicken, Bacon, Ham, Veggies, etc. Assorted Desserts	Chicken & Mashed Potato Bowl, Veggies, Cranberry Sauce Banana Pudding
Fri Aug 7	French Toast, Sausage, Home Fries	Pizza, Chips Chocolate Chip Oatmeal Cookies	Swedish Meatballs, Buttered Parsley Noodles, Peas Raspberry Cream Pie
Sat Aug 8	Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Sausage, Home Fries	Chicken or Sweet Potato/Black Bean Enchiladas, Mexi-Rice Flan	BBQ Pulled Pork, Baked Beans, Coleslaw Watermelon
Sun Aug 9	Breakfast Burrito Bar	Chicken Marsala w/Mushrooms, Garlic Butter Pasta, Roasted Italian Veggies Tiramisu	<i>Thank you for dining with us. It has been our blessing to serve you.</i>

* Breakfast meals include bagels & cream cheese, fresh fruit, granola, yogurt, hard-boiled eggs, fruit toppings, maple syrup.

** Lunch/Dinner/Supper meals include fruit & salad bar with fruits, greens, veggies, grilled chicken, tofu, nuts, cheeses. Dressings: Bleu Cheese, Caesar, Italian and Ranch. Vinaigrettes: Olive Oil Balsamic, Raspberry.

Meal Prices

- Individual Meal Prices Adult/Child (under 12): Breakfast \$6/\$4, Lunch \$9/\$5, Supper \$11/\$6; Sunday Dinner \$15/\$8
- Daily Rates Adult/Child (under 12): Monday-Saturday \$26/\$15, 1st Sunday \$32/\$18, 2nd Sunday \$21/\$12
- Weekly Rates Adult/Child (under 12): \$175/\$90

Questions: Call/text Ellen Miller - 413-775-3109

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