

## Nichols UMC - Weekly Nichols' Notes 6/15/23

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Date: Thursday, June 15, 2023 at 10:30 PM EDT

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**Sermon Title: *Making Disciples***

**Please Click Below for This Week's Scripture Passage:**

[Matthew 28:16-20](#)

**Give Now - Virtual Offering Plate**

**Weekly Calendar**

**United Women in Faith**

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**Carillon**

**Celebration of Ministry**

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As most of you know, Pastor David's last day at NUMC will be Sunday, June 25, 2023. There are various ways you can express your love and appreciation for Pastor David and Holly:

- If you would like to send Pastor David and Holly a card or letter, you may do so by mailing them to: Nichols United Methodist Church, 35 Shelton Road, Trumbull, CT 06611, Attn: SPRC.
- We are also collecting contributions towards a cash farewell group gift. If you would like to contribute to this group gift, please do so with a check as follows: make check payable to NUMC, make a notation on the check "Pastor David's Gift," and mail the check to church office or place it in Sunday's collection plate.
- The SPR Committee is preparing a photo/video slideshow to honor Pastor David's time at NUMC. We are requesting photos and short (10-15 sec) video clips be emailed to Kate LaPietra at [kate.lapietra@gmail.com](mailto:kate.lapietra@gmail.com) **before June 21st**. Please consider sharing a favorite memory or message of well wishes.
- The SPR Committee is creating a scrapbook for Pastor David and Holly to present to them at the Celebration of Ministry luncheon on June 25<sup>th</sup>. We need your help filling it with memories of our church family! NUMC families are invited to create a personalized scrapbook page to include in this memory book. Blank scrapbook pages have been provided on the back table in the sanctuary, or you can also purchase and decorate your own 12x12 scrapbook page. A collection box is located next to the back table in the sanctuary. We are asking for completed scrapbook pages to be placed in this box no later than **Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>**. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Marcie Rockwell at [marciebeth86@gmail.com](mailto:marciebeth86@gmail.com) or 740-629-1489.

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## Announcements & Ministry Opportunities

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**Sunday Worship** – a friendly reminder that there will be only one service at 10:00 A.M. through the summer.

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### **Vacation Bible School—*"Shine Jesus' Light"***

#### **Thursday evenings, starting July 6th**

Are you looking for a summer activity that will help your family grow closer to Jesus? Then join us for our 2023 Vacation Bible School! Children will learn through Bible stories, fun songs, exciting games, and crafts how Jesus' light shines in all of us. This Thursday-evening program is open to children in the community ages 4 through graduating 5th grade. VBS 2023 is being offered to all children free of charge thanks to a generous sponsor!

**When:** Thursday evenings, July 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, August 3rd

**Time:** 5:30pm – 7:45pm

**How to Register:**

[Link to Student Registration Form](#)

[Link to Volunteer Registration Form](#)

**Deadline to register:** June 22, 2023

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### **Summer Bible Study: Abraham and Lot**

#### **Tuesday evenings, starting July 11th**

“There is a way that seems right to man, but in the end, it leads to death” (Proverbs 14:12). We will meet for six consecutive weeks through August 15. We will begin at 7:00 pm and finish about 8:15. The study will focus on the story of Abraham and Lot found in Genesis. It begins with God’s call and promise to Abraham and what follows as he and Lot experience the blessings of obedience and the consequences of disobedience in a world of wickedness influenced by sin. The study is participatory and includes readings of the scripture followed by questions for discussion. As always, context, both biblical and contemporary, informs our understanding of relevance for us today. There is no homework or preparation required. Just come with a bible in whatever translation and format you prefer. All are welcome. Bring a friend. The study will be led by David Preusch [dpreusch@yahoo.com](mailto:dpreusch@yahoo.com).

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### **Have you heard about MOTHER’S DAY OUT?**

**MDO** is a CT State licensed preschool program that provides two and three-year-old children with enrichment and learning opportunities, peer socialization, art, music, stories, and games. Check out our website at [mothersdayoutnumc.org](http://mothersdayoutnumc.org) to learn more about us. Interested? Call or text Debbie Packnick, Director, at 203-668-5350.

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### **School Supplies Drive - Happening July 9 - August 6, 2023**

Each year Nichols UMC takes part in a backpack and school supply drive for children in the Covenant to Care program. This year’s drive will run from **Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>**. A box will be placed in the hallway to Fellowship Hall for your donations of school supplies and backpacks. Our goal is to donate 30 backpacks, each full of supplies. If you are unable to shop for them but would like to donate, checks should be made out to NUMC with Covenant to Care in the memo. Debbie Redin would be happy to do the shopping for you. For the full details and to learn more, [click here](#).

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**Peace & Prayer: Mid-Week Time of Devotion** - Wednesdays 11:30-11:45am - Every Wednesday Judy Lang will have a brief time of devotion and prayer via Zoom. During these unsettling times, this will be an opportunity to spend about 15 minutes centering ourselves in reflective thought and prayer. Click [Prayer & Peace](#) for the link for this mid-week centering time (it is the same link as our worship service OR Dial in: (646)-876-9923, Meeting ID: 366 149 7977, Password: 35#).

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### **Please Pray for Our Sick & Homebound...**

Barbara Amsden

Marge Thoma

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## Moment for Mission

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This month our outreach is for [Henderson Settlement](#), which began as a result of a murder trial in 1925 in Frakes, KY, when Rev. Hiram Frakes, dismayed at the lawlessness of the people who refused to lay blame for a number of killings in the area, decided to devote his ministry to “the valley people”. With no land or money, he determined to create a school for all children. He went to his bishop, Theodore Henderson, to lay the groundwork for financial support. Land was donated by land owners and a teacher was obtained. Following the birth of the Henderson Settlement School, another school was built and dormitories constructed for orphans and students who lived too far away to walk. These children would do chores to help pay for their education. A community bonded together to build up the Settlement, counteracting the area’s reputation for moonshining and feuding. Later a church was constructed, a farm was started, a nurse and dentists came on board, along with electricity and a dirt road – progress made possible by the Methodist Board of Missions and Churches around the country. To learn more about this organization, visit [hendersonsettlement.com](http://hendersonsettlement.com). To donate please make checks payable to NUMC with *Henderson Settlement* in the memo. Thank you for your support.

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