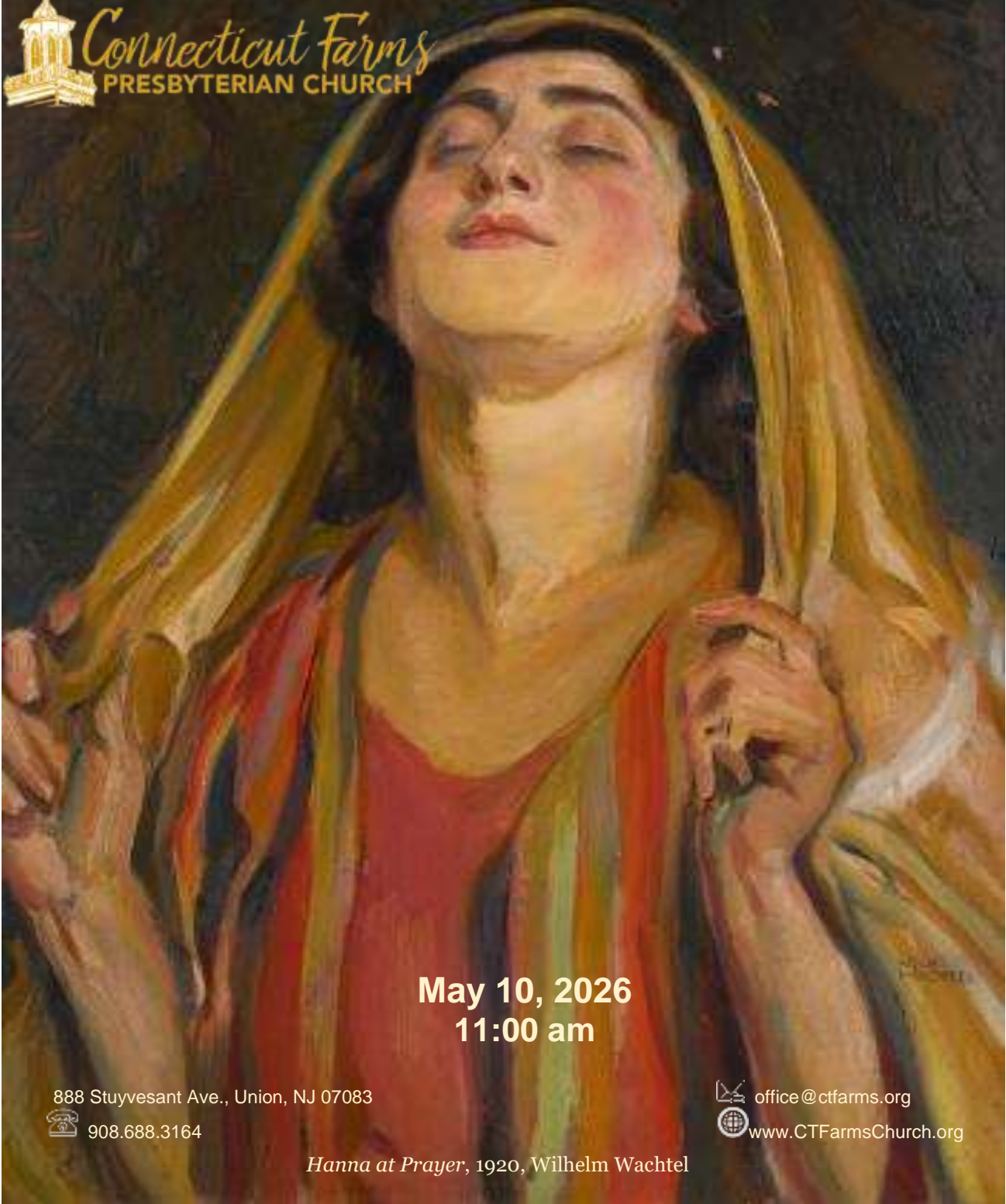




Connecticut Farms
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



May 10, 2026
11:00 am

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Hanna at Prayer, 1920, Wilhelm Wachtel



May 10, 2026
11:00 am
Mother's Day

An **asterisk** * in the bulletin invites all to **stand**. If unable to do so, please remain **seated**.

Childcare is available during worship service at the Nursery on the left side of Sanctuary.
Please fill out the information in the **RED WELCOME FOLDERS** and leave the filled pages on top of folder.
Please find the **blue BIBLE AND HYMNAL** in the pew racks

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Leader, **People**)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.
And also with you.

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 42

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God
My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.

These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng
***and led them in procession to the house of God,
with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving,***

Hope in God, for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.
***Deep calls to deep at the thunder of your torrents;
all your waves and your billows have gone over me.***

By day the Lord commands his steadfast love,
and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.
Let us worship God.

*HYMN NO. 172, *Hymnal*

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Indwelling God, We come to you as parents and children, brothers and sisters,
Not intending to hurt each other.**

**Yet we resent our dependence, we consider some separation
part of growing up, and sometimes take each other for granted.**

We imagine we understand each other, when often we misjudge.

**Guide us in faithful listening, in praying for each other, in forgiving each other.
Forgive our lack of humility and patience.**

**Give us your non-anxious Spirit in times of stress;
give us empathy and courage to stand up for what is right.**

**In a world where everything is for sale, keep us from selling you short,
and cheating ourselves.**

**And help us to act as if all children, because they are your children, were also our own.
O Lord, hear our prayer.**

(Time for silent prayer)

[Pouring water that recalls our baptism, and symbolizes our cleansing and renewal]

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS.

Luke 15

Jesus said “suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one.

Doesn't she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it?

And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.' In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

In the name of that God who searches for us and finds us, we are forgiven, renewed, and restored.

*PRAISE TO GOD, *Hymnal No. 579*

“Gloria Patri”

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHORAL RESPONSE

“I am Loved”

I am loved, I am loved, I can risk loving you

For the one who knows me best loves me most

I am loved, you are loved. Won't you please take my hand

We are free to love each other. We are loved! We are loved!

FIRST READING

I Samuel 2:1-10

Old Testament p.245, Bible

WORD TO THE CHILDREN

SECOND READING

Hebrews 13:1-8

New Testament pp.227-8, Bible

SERMON

Hannah's Prayer

Rev. Christian Iosso

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Confession of 1967, par. 9: 17 ed.

***God has created human beings for a personal relation with himself
that we may respond to the love of our Creator.***

***God has created male and female and given us a life which proceeds
from birth to death in a succession of generations...***

***God has endowed us with capacities to make the world serve human needs
and to enjoy its good things.***

Life is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be pursued with courage.

***People are free to seek life within the purpose of God, to develop
and protect the resources of nature for the common welfare,***

***to work for justice and peace in society, and in other ways
to use their creative powers for the fulfillment of human life.***

*HYMN NO. 438, *Hymnal*

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY INVITATION

*DOXOLOGY, *Hymnal No. 592*

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PASTORAL PRAYER, PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*HYMN NO. 464, *Hymnal*

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

“The Family of God”

**I’m so glad I’m a part of the family of God.
I’ve been washed in the fountain, cleansed by His blood.
Join hands together as we travel this sod.
For we’re part of the family, the family of God**

*POSTLUDE

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Grace and Peace to all of you in worship this morning!

We hope you experience a warm welcome and nourishment for your spirit by word, music and prayer.

We invite you to refreshments at the Westminster Hall after the worship service.

Rev. Christian Iosso, Ph.D., Interim Minister
Dewey Moss, Choir Director
Yolanda Jackson, Liturgist
Rebecca Osterman, Head Usher

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P R A Y E R R E Q U E S T S



Rebecca Abam *Michael Augustitus* *Gordon Blake*

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Harold Scheidegger, Sr. *Suzanne Surbeck* *Mary Jane Tierney*

Pete Villano *Leana* *Bonnie*

PRAYER REQUESTS can be picked up from the Sanctuary piano or in the Narthex. Please fill in and drop it in piano basket. Prayer request forms are also at the office.



C A L E N D A R

May 10-May 16

Sunday	May 10	MOTHER'S DAY	
	9:00 am	Choir Practice	Choir Room
	10:00 am	Bible Study	
	11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
	12:00 pm	Fellowship	Westminster Hall
Monday	May 11		
	7:00 pm	Troop 168	Westminster Hall
Tuesday	May 12		
	6:00 pm	Troop 68 Parents	GYM
	7:00 pm	Hook and Needle	Westminster
	7:00 pm	Membership Committee	Parlor
Wednesday	May 13		
	7:00 PM	SESSION	
	7:00 pm	Troop 68	GYM
Thursday	May 14		
	7:00 pm	Pastor Nominating Committee	
Friday	May 15		
Saturday	May 16		
	10:00-11:30 am	FOOD PANTRY	GYM
	4:00 -7:00 pm	Alexa Teebo	Sanctuary



CHURCH NEWS AND FUTURE EVENTS



Happy Mother's Day to all Moms



HOOK AND NEEDLE is set on **May 12, Tuesday**. Join us as we knit afghans and blankets.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE will meet on **Tuesday, May 12, at 7:00 pm.**

HEALTHY CHURCH SUMMIT Free Summit Online, **May 13, 1:00-4:00 pm ET.** Register at www.healthychurchsummit.com. Designed for ministry leaders and volunteers, learn practical insights from church leaders to build resilient teams, prevent burnout, and create sustainable systems. Discover modern techniques for church growth, including strategies to strengthen staff and volunteers while leading with clarity. Learn to embrace a growth mindset together.

SESSION MEETING ON MAY 13, at **7:00 pm** instead of May 20.

FOOD PANTRY Food distribution is on **May 16, Saturday, from 10:00 am to 11:30 am.**

We would appreciate donations of breakfast items, pasta and pasta sauce. Volunteers are a welcome.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MEETING is set on **May 17, Sunday**, after worship.

BOOK CLUB meets on **May 28 at 7:30 pm** to discuss our latest book, *The Correspondent*.

ARE YOU BEING CALLED? Nominations are up to elect new classes of elders, deacons, Nursery Board and committee heads. Please pick up nomination forms at Westminster Hall or at the office. Filled-up forms can be dropped off in the Basket on top of the Sanctuary piano. A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING FOR ELECTIONS will ensue on **May 31, Sunday**, after worship.

CONFIRMATION DAY Mark your calendars as we celebrate the confirmands on **June 7 during worship.**

WEBSITE LIVESTREAM Visit www.CTFarmsChurch.org and click the *Livestream link* to watch the latest Sunday worship livestream. Tap into previous worship recordings on Facebook: www.facebook.com/ctfarms/ or YouTube www.youtube.com/@ConnecticutFarmsChurch

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES Share your talents! The Church invites all with technical skills, creative abilities, physical prowess and big hearts to maintain and elevate our church activities



SUMMER PICNIC It's never too early to plan for summer! Summer picnic is set for **June 14**, Sunday, after worship. . Catch up and spend time with your church family! Please RSVP by *May 24*...Please call Ginny (215)688.6179 or Velinda (908)688.3164

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Christian T. Iosso, Ph.D.,
Interim Pastor

Dewey Moss, *Music Director*

Robert Hoffman, *Treasurer, Clerk of Session*

Linda Bullock, *Financial Secretary*

Cheryl Burger *Nursery School Director*

Velinda Harjono, *Church Secretary*

Deacons, *Fellowship Coordinators*

Nancy Disano, *Counting Committee*

Janis Lewis, *Counting Committee*

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Mark the dates! **July 27-31**. For kids entering Kindergarten until 5th Grade. Registration starts soon! More details to follow soon Volunteers much needed.

