

BECOMING LIKE CHRIST AND MAKING HIM KNOWN

COME WORSHIP THE LORD!



PREPARATION OF OUR MINDS

(Entering worship, let us prepare our hearts, reflecting on this.)

Membership in a New Testament church is metaphorically like being a member of a physical body. You are but one part of a greater whole, but your part is vital for the overall health of a church. Read again 1 Corinthians 12. Look specifically at verse 27: “Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it” (ESV). Church membership, then, is a declaration that you are a part or a member of a greater whole. It is self-sacrificing and not preference-seeking...Do I really need to be a member of a church? Absolutely. From Acts 2 to Revelation 3, the New Testament is about the local church in one way or another. The local church is God’s plan A for his ministry on earth, and He did not leave us with a plan B. – Thom Rainer

WELCOME & LIFE OF THE CHURCH

He told them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. **Luke 10:2**

(Scripture Memory Cards are available in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall tables)

WELCOME & LIFE OF THE CHURCH

PRELUDE + LIGHTING OF CANDLES: "Help Me, Lord, to Praise Thee" *J.S. Bach*

CALL TO WORSHIP, INVOCATION & LORD’S PRAYER (debts)

* HYMN: "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Hymnal #130

* THE PEACE

* OLD TESTAMENT: Psalm 1:1-3

Bible p.532

(Children dismissed for “Jesus is F.U.N” time)

* NEW TESTAMENT: 1Peter 1:13-25

Bible p.1200

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(Sharing our joys and burdens in prayer.)

OFFERTORY PRAYER & ANTHEM: "Fairest Lord Jesus" *James and Stan Pethel*

Piano and organ duet

Kristiane George, piano

DOXOLOGY

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

Hymnal #808

SERMON: "A Call To Holy Living"

Rev. John Roy

* HYMN: "In Christ Alone”

Insert

* BENEDICTION and THREEFOLD AMEN

*(*Congregation, please stand if able.)*

NEXT WEEK: Pastor Carpenter returns. Part one of a series on Grace and Life: “What Is Grace?” Scripture: Romans 11.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We gather to praise God and listen to God’s Word. We are a fellowship knit together by Jesus Christ, who has called us and seeks our worship each and every day. We are a people devoted to “Becoming Like Christ” We would love for you to join us in worship, growth groups, prayer, and study as well as fun and fellowship through the year.

LET US KNOW...

... if you have a prayer request or wish to share a comment with church leaders.

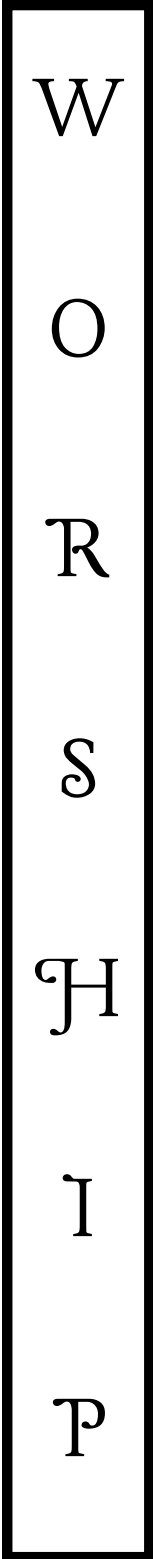
... if you are new to The Sherman Church and wish to know more by receiving emails of a visit to answer questions about this ministry.

... BY COMPLETING THE CONNECTION CARD

Available in each pew rack or speaking with someone before you leave today.

Above all, please...

Come gather for fellowship following our Worship Service



OUR CHURCH:

Interim Pastor:

Rev. John Loring Carpenter

Ministers:

The Congregation

Minister of Music:

Penny Rose

Moderator:

Charles Mastroni

You may make a prayer request anytime by contacting the church office at info@shermanchurch.org or (860)-354-6114. Outside of office hours (9:00 AM – 2:00 PM) or for an emergency prayer or pastoral request contact the Chair of Deacons (deacon@shermanchurch.org or 860-733-9972) or the Pastor (pastor@shermanchurch.org or 860-350-5151). Let us join together in prayer!

PRAYER IS ALWAYS OUR MISSION

Prayer is a vital part of our ministry at The Sherman Church.

You are invited to join in prayer each Thursday to pray for our church. Dial-in information is in the calendar.

FIRE EXITS are located at the rear of the sanctuary through the double doors and at the front through the doors on both sides of the altar.

THE SHERMAN CHURCH

Gathered In 1744

Continuing to invite all to know the love of Jesus

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A MEMBER CHURCH OF THE CONSERVATIVE CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

OUR MISSIONARIES:

- **Mesa Global:** Robert & Nina Bruneau;
- **CCCC Church Re-Planting:**
Green Mountain Church, Chester, VT,
- **Lion of Judah Academy,**
- **Hope Academy of the Bronx.**

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

- Eliza Capehart, serving in the United States Air Force.
- John Langworthy, back injury.
- Jim Beddows, health.
- Jim and Christine Munch, health.
- Roberta Judd, health.
- Christopher Siebert, healing of foot.
- Rev. Daniel Morton, health
- Betty Freeman, health
- Chris Freeman, health, strength in the care of her mother
- Debbie Whittaker, Dawn Langworthy's sister. Healing and growing faith.
- Jill Finch, Strength and healing
- Mike Annuzzi, friend of Tim Alemany, healing

THE SHERMAN CHURCH



AUGUST 16, 2026

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Calendar for Aug. 16th - 23rd

(Links for online meetings may be found at shermanchurch.org)

Sun., August 16	10:00 am	Sunday Worship Service Sunday School
Tues., August 18	6:30 pm	Youth Group - Fellowship Hall
Wed., August 19	7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Investments - Online Alcoholics Anonymous - Fellowship Hall
Thurs., August 20	6:00 pm 6:45 pm 7:00 pm	Christian Ed Meeting - Office Prayer In The Parlor Dialing 667-770-1484; when prompted, use access code 357664#. Alcoholics Anonymous - Fellowship Hall
Fri., August 21	7:00 pm	Candidate Weekend Starts - All Church Gathering
Sat., August 22	12:00 pm 2:00 pm 4:00 pm	Candidate Weekend - Meeting with Deacons Meeting with Council All Church Gathering
Sun., August 23	10:00 am	Congregational Prayer and Vote

Church Responsibilities for August 16th

Flowers: Megan Tlasky

Coffee Hour Host: Ken and Suzanne Leach

Nursery: Megan Tlasky

Choir Rehearsals Begin Saturday, August 29th!

Choir rehearsals begin on August 29 at 10:00am. If you are interested in becoming part of The Sherman Church Choir, please get in touch with Penny Rose.

FALL EXPLORING CHURCH MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Has Christ become more real in your life during the past year? Have you attended The Sherman Church for a time, and are you excited about the future of God's mission for the church? What would it mean to become a member of this church? Discover who we are as a church and how you can connect, grow, and share in a journey of faith more deeply. We invite you to join in a membership class that will help you become familiar with where we believe God is leading us as a community of faith.

Join us in the parlor after worship on August 30 and learn more about this opportunity. If you are away that week, let Laura, our Deacon Chair (deaconchair@shermanchurch.org), know, as we are trying to put together a time to have the class that will fit the schedule of all interested. The session on August 30 is meant to outline the process and set dates, so we expect it to take about 30 minutes.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED

We are in need of more Coffee Hour Hosts. Hosting coffee hour is on a rotation, so you would be assigned once every 2-3 months, depending on how many are in the rotation.

Basically the responsibilities are to:

- Check the refrigerator the week before to see if we have milk or half and half and juice (nothing red so it doesn't stain the carpet). If not, purchase these items.
- Purchase or bring something sweet such as cookies or coffee cake, muffins, etc.
 - It is NOT necessary to do any more!! We have gotten carried away recently with lots of extras and are eager to return to the basics.
- Make coffee; heat water for tea; put out cups, sugar, sweeteners, milk and juice.
- Set up table with snack, napkins, plates or plastic ware if needed.
- Clean up

Barbara Hoag or any other member will be happy to assist you, especially on your first time.

Please see Barbara or Edna after church or call the church office 860-354-6114 and speak with Jess to sign up. Thank you!!

WARNING

Notice is hereby given that a Special Meeting
of The Sherman Church will be held in the sanctuary
August 23, 2026
Immediately Following the Worship Service
In-person and via Google Meet

- To accept the minutes of the Aug. 2, 2026, special meeting of the Sherman Church.
- To vote on the Search Team's recommended candidate for the position of Pastor.
- To hear and act upon any business proper to come before the congregation.

Dated at Sherman, Connecticut, this 9th day of August, 2026.

Aimée M. Suhie, Clerk

You're Invited!

Women's Potluck

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25
12:00 NOON
Sherman Beach Pavilion

Ladies, you're invited to join us for an afternoon of
*delicious food, great conversation,
and wonderful fellowship!*

Bring a favorite dish to share!

Let's celebrate the gift of community!

KINDLY RSVP
using the link or QR code provided
or by contacting the
CHURCH OFFICE.

Scan the QR code
or use the link below
to respond:

<https://forms.gle/i65a28Ni6fzmrQNa6>

*If you forget to RSVP, come anyway!
We'd love to see you!*

Feel free to bring a friend!

We hope you'll join us for a fun and relaxing afternoon!

In Christ Alone

IN CHRIST ALONE | 8 8. 8 8. 8 8. 8 8.

Keith Getty, 1995

Stuart Townend, 1995

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
 2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, Full - ness of God in help - less babe.
 3. There in the ground His bo - dy lay, Light of the world by dark - ness slain.
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow'r of Christ in me.

This cor - ner stone, this sol - id ground, Firm through the fierc est drought and storm.
 This gift of love and right - cous - ness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.
 Then burst - ing forth in glor - ious day, Up from the grave He rose a - gain.
 From life's first cry to fin - al breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny.

What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when striv ings cease.
 Till on that cross, as Je - sus died, The wrath of God was sat - is - fied,
 And as He stands in vic - to - ry, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
 No pow'r of Hell, no scheme of man, Can ev - er pluck me from His hand;

My Com - fort er, my all in all, Here in the love of Christ I stand.
 For ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
 For I am His, and He is mine, Bought with the pre cious blood of Christ.
 Till He re - turns or calls me home, Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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Family Fun Night

The Sherman Church

End the summer and
welcome a new school year

Bring your backpack and
come celebrate!

AUGUST 28TH
AT 6:00PM

RSVP by August 26th!

<https://forms.gle/6S76UC6stJVs3MTs5>



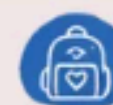
Food



Games



Friends



Annual Blessing
of the Backpacks

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