



The Congregational Chatter

JULY/AUGUST



Musings From Tom...

It recently came to my attention that "Thots" are initials for a misogynistic phrase. Who knew? Apparently there are those who do, and I didn't! I

certainly meant no harm with my misspelling of "Thoughts".

There are many times in our society when words and phrases change in meaning. An example from a young child to his parents: "Why did Mary and Joseph name their son after a swear word?" For some people, "Don we now our gay apparel" from "Deck the Halls" carries a double meaning.

The fact is that society changes and as it does, so does our language. One example that I share every year on Maundy Thursday is "Good Friday." Etymologists, who study the facts of the origins and developments of words, posit that the name comes from an antiquated meaning of good, which used to mean "holy". Others have stated that perhaps in old English "Good" stood in for the word "God", as in "God or God's Friday." Regardless, the meaning of the term "Good Friday" shifted, perhaps from "Holy Friday" when the word used for "Holy" meant "good", to today's meaning, when "good" means "to be desired or approved of, that which is morally right, benefit or advantage to someone." Social media, with its many abbreviations perhaps accelerates this trend of the change of the meaning of words and phrases, and along with the Urban Dictionary (of which I have no copy) has perhaps forever changed some innocent words or phrases into something with darker meanings.

So, for now, I have changed my title to "Musings From Tom". I could have just gone with "Thoughts From Tom", but I like "Musings From Tom" better. That is, until "Musings" has some other meaning, or perhaps, even "Tom".

I will be away the month of July. Deacons are handling morning worship during the month.

The Reverend Ms. Daphne Burt, interim pastor of Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church will be covering for me in the unlikely event that there is a funeral. The deacons are covering emergencies. If you have one, please call the church office and leave a message. Ann will be in the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 until noon from July 3 until August 28. I will be on study leave most of August, which means I won't be holding regular office hours, but I will be holding worship every Sunday, will be checking messages and will be handling pastoral issues including emergencies.

I have included in this Chatter a pastoral letter from the leadership of the United Church of Christ, that was requested that we share with our members.

Enjoy the summer!

Peace,

Tom



~~~~~ Summer Office Hours

Summer hours: The office will be open on **Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-12.** The pastor will be on vacation the month of July, and will be on call and checking into the office but not holding regular office hours during his annual study leave which begins August 1 and ends August 21. Deacons will be on call for emergencies during July. Ann will be back in the office holding regular office hours of Tuesday through Friday, 8-12 beginning on August 28th.
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### Help Needed

Our dear friend and church member, Mary Royce has been recovering at Harrington Court in Colchester and she is now ready to come home. Mary will need someone who can stay with her at her home 24-hours a day. If you are willing and able to offer your time and care please call Mary as soon as possible. **860-268-1726**



## **A Pastoral Letter from the leadership of the United Church of Christ**

*Condemning the unconscionable assertion that migrant children should be separated from their parents because of 'orderly and lawful processes that protect the weak and lawful,' — a Biblical statement used to justify U.S. immigration policies — United Church of Christ National Leadership has issued this **pastoral letter**, urging the people of the denomination's almost 5,000 congregations to take action now! First, by contacting their Congressional representatives, and then by providing funds to keep families together. Money to be used to support the people sleeping in the streets at the borders of this country, or those parents and children separated upon entry!*

"Still, when God saw the trouble they were in and heard their cries for help, God remembered God's Covenant with them, and, immense with love, took them by the hand. God poured out God's mercy on them while their captors looked on, amazed."

Psalm 106:44-47 (MSG)

Friends, once again we stand at the brink of a moral precipice in our society and the question before us is will we choose to act in covenant with God on behalf of God's people or will we sacrifice our soul. The United Church of Christ has long been a supporter of migrant families seeking refuge within our borders from intolerable and unsafe living conditions in their homelands. As people of God committed to the sacredness of all creation and the sanctity of every life, we are compelled to heed the cries of families now being violently torn apart at our borders for political expediency and profitability. Such violent acts are unnecessarily punitive and place at risk the physical, emotional, psychological, spiritual, and developmental stability of hundreds of families who now find themselves separated, caged, and commodified in a strange land.

All of our sacred texts, no matter the faith, identify the disregard of the humanity of the vulnerable as sin.

And God hears the cries of God's people. The plight of black and brown migrant families whose children are ripped from their care cannot be the policy of a civilized land. We've been here before. Our nation's history bears witness to a legacy of lost love. We separated the children of Native people from their families. We separated the children of enslaved people from their families. We separated the children of Japanese people from their families. Many of these families were never made whole again. This legacy of white supremacist ideology is idolatrous and leaves an indelible mark of evil that can only be redeemed by a conscious act of spiritual repentance and repair.

We must resist the evil of dehumanization enacted upon the vulnerable among us. The United Church of Christ strongly condemns the dismantling of families, the criminalization of the quest for freedom, and the caging of those whose only crime is to seek shelter from harm. How we treat those who seek shelter in our midst is a direct reflection of how we treat God. We call upon our 5,000 member churches to write letters to your representatives in Congress as an act of worship this month. Refugee Justice Sunday is June 17, World Refugee Day is June 20. Remind Congress there is a law that supersedes partisanship and political bantering, and that is the sanctity of all people of God.

Faithfully yours,

The National Officers of the  
United Church of Christ

**The Rev. Dr. John C. Dorhauer,**

General Minister and President

**The Rev. Traci Blackmon,**

Executive Minister, Justice and Witness Ministries

**The Rev. James Moos,**

Executive Minister, Wider Church Ministries

The Council of Conference Ministers  
of the United Church of Christ



### The East Hampton Yarners

Will gather on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month at 10am and again at 7pm throughout the summer.

July meetings are on the 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>

We meet at the church in the green classroom, or at Sears Park in the picnic shelter on nice days.

*All are welcome.*

Donated knitting/crocheting supplies and yarn are available at the church at no cost.



For more information email Judy Hoffhine at [jhoffhine@gmail.com](mailto:jhoffhine@gmail.com).



**LADIES NIGHT! ~ Monday, July 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30**

**Ladies night will continue through the summer.**

We would love to have you join for a casual meal and fellowship. We meet the second Monday of the month at 6:30 at someone's home. Bring a dish to share and join us for great food and conversation!

*First-timers always welcome!*

**Is anyone interested in hosting?**

Please contact Kim Clouser  
765-714-1501 or [clsfrnk@aol.com](mailto:clsfrnk@aol.com)



**July 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>**

**Please check the sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall.**

There are still some time slots open for working the hot dog booth, parking cars, baking and selling goodies during the parade. Please help where and when you can. All shifts are about two hours so you're in and out in no time!

Contact Anita Guerin for selling hot dogs,

Kim Clouser for parking,

Lisa Aarrestad for baking and selling goodies.

*Thank you!*

MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR!

### 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Belltown Open Golf Tournament Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>



**Glastonbury Hills  
COUNTRY CLUB**

Registration & Coffee: 8:30-10:00 am

Tee-Time: 10:00 am Shotgun

Format: Scramble to accommodate all levels of Golfers!

18 Holes with Cart  
Lunch & Dinner  
included!

Single: \$125

Foursome: \$500

**REGISTER BY  
July 15<sup>th</sup>**

Contact: [tuttlekahn@gmail.com](mailto:tuttlekahn@gmail.com)

John Tuttle 860-558-0890



*Your participation will benefit the  
East Hampton Food & Fuel Bank*

**WE NEED GOLFERS!!! All Levels!**

**REGISTER by July 15<sup>th</sup>**

Contact: John Tuttle 860-558-0890

[tuttlekahn@gmail.com](mailto:tuttlekahn@gmail.com)

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for Golf Day!**

We need help with **Breakfast & Lunch**,  
a **Hole-in-One** host and

**BAKERS** to provide coffee cakes or snack  
breads

***If you are available please contact  
Deb Robinson at  
[bdarkrob@comcast.net](mailto:bdarkrob@comcast.net)***

*Thank you for helping to make this  
fundraiser a success!*



# Men's Night Out

This invitation goes out to all men in the church inviting you to get together for good food and talk in one of our local restaurants. Need to get out of the house? Want to talk about the summer projects awaiting you? Want to enlist some help with them? Want to share how great retirement is, how things are at work, what's up with the stock market, what's going on with your children or grandkids? There is a place and a venue!

**A gathering for Men's Night Out is scheduled for 5:30pm on Tuesday, July 24<sup>th</sup> at Angelico's**

Come and visit, eat, and enjoy the talk!

*If you plan to attend, please contact the pastor so that he can make the appropriate reservations.*



## A Note from our Building & Grounds Committee:



The committee has been working hard on many small projects to help keep the church running smoothly; plumbing repairs, drywall patching, floor patching, light fixtures replaced, etc. We have 2 bigger projects in the works for this summer.

First: Painting of the 1<sup>st</sup> floor hallway and stairwell by the stage will be tackled over the summer. Anyone interested in helping clean before painting or helping with the painting please contact Kim.



Second: It's time the church becomes more environmentally conscious. Unfortunately, a recycling dumpster is not in the budget at this time. So our plan is to have a recycling station in Fellowship Hall.

There will be space to collect ALL your recyclables; plastic, glass, food cans, foil, and paper, of course. Deposit bottles and cans will still be collected for *Seeds of Hope*. Church members will need to take recyclables home to put in their BLUE barrels.

**This will have to be a team effort. But it won't be difficult if everyone pitches in and the benefits for our beautiful Earth will be.....PRICELESS.**



**We will be traveling to Puerto Rico!  
June 22<sup>nd</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**

UCC Disaster Response Mission Trip Groups are participating with Iglesias Evangelical Unida de Puerto Rico in partnership with UCC National Disaster Ministries and Volunteer Ministries in the Puerto Rican recovery effort. As a participant in this group, you are an integral part of a larger effort by local community and by the United Church of Christ working with community-based and ecumenical partners. You will work in home repair and rebuilding, as well as helping repair and refurbish local churches in cooperation with interfaith recovery committees in the local communities. We will be staying at the Yuquiyu Camp/Conference Center owned by the Iglesias Evangelical Unida de Puerto Rico. This will be a experience like none we have encounter in the past.

If you would like to be a part of our SoH group you can reach out to me (Deb Mc) Lisa Aarrestad or Alan Hurst. There will be a SoH meeting in September that will include a commitment deposit of \$100. The date for that meeting will be in September's Chatter.

This is a exciting time, I hope you will consider being a part of this journey!

God Bless,  
Deb McLellan

Please continue to bring in your bottles, clothes for the shed and purchase SCRIP cards throughout the summer. SCRIP cards will continue to be available all summer long. If you don't see Lisa at church, send her an email or give her a call.

[laarrestad@comcast.net](mailto:laarrestad@comcast.net) 860-918-1170

**Thank you for your continued support that allows  
*Seeds of Hope* to help others!**



## COSA Corner

Thanks to everyone who purchased a Mother's Day or Father's Day card. Our congregation raised \$725.00 for Church World Service. Your donation will help purchase blankets, tools and other supplies for people in need throughout the world and in the United States.

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### COSA is currently collecting donations of BACKPACKS & SCHOOL SUPPLIES.



Boxes will be in Fellowship Hall to put donations in by age group. These donations will be given to those who cannot afford school supplies. Please consider picking a few things up from Wal\*mart, Amazon, Staples or even Aldi – anything helps! THANK YOU!

#### ITEMS NEEDED INCLUDE:

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| Backpacks       | #2 Pencils w/erasers              |              |
| Scissors        | Pocket Folders                    | Highlighters |
| Post-it Notes   | Box of Tissues                    | Glue Sticks  |
| Pencil Pouch    | Book Covers                       | Crayons      |
| Colored Pencils | Spiral Notebooks                  | Erasers      |
|                 | Fine-line Colored Markers         |              |
|                 | 12" Rulers (inches & centimeters) |              |

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### COSA'S What's for Lunch? SUMMER FOOD DRIVE FOR KIDS!



**Phase 2 is underway.** Remember that we are concentrating on providing fresh foods like yogurt, cheese, fruits, carrots, and celery to children in need. Items may be dropped at church on Sunday, or brought directly to the Food Bank (43 West High Street) on Monday or Thursday between the hours of 9 and 12.

Also, don't forget that we will be collecting fresh food at Stop & Shop on Wednesdays, July 11<sup>th</sup> and August 8<sup>th</sup>, 4-6pm.

We are looking for a couple of people with trucks who would be willing to transport the food to the food bank starting at about 5:30 as well as a couple people to help unload said food.

Contact Julie Thomas at (860) 267-2684 or [juliewthomas128@gmail.com](mailto:juliewthomas128@gmail.com) if you are able to help.  
Thank you!

#### Suggested items for summer collection are:

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| Yogurt in any form  | Cream cheese |
| 1# blocks of cheese | Carrots      |
| Celery              | Apples       |
| Bananas             | Melons       |
| Peaches             | Grapes       |
| any fruit in season | Cherries     |

*They usually get plenty of cucumbers, peppers, and tomatoes, so are not in need of those.*

*Let's keep those bellies full this summer!*

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In an effort to make our church's community work relevant, COSA is conducting interviews with several community leaders to learn what community needs they perceive that we might address. This plan grew out of your comments in church one Sunday called "Yearnings for Mission." We will gather the information we glean from our leaders, look at your thoughts, and form goals and plans for the future.

We are grateful for the commitment, creativity, passion, and energy of this committee throughout the year. If you like action, this is the place to be!

**Thank you!** from your Outreach and Social Action committee:

Alka Arcari, Lily Bartel, Winnie Carillo,  
Anita Guerin, Jackie Hooper-Hage, Judy Hoffhine,  
Alan Hurst, Martha Lynch, Julie Thomas

### Save the Date!

**Sunday September 9<sup>th</sup> will be  
Homecoming Sunday.**

Join us for a potluck lunch on the church lawn following the service and church school.



A huge **THANK YOU** and a big hug to Anita Guerin and Kim Clouser for organizing and overseeing the Old Home Days hot dog booth and parking lot. And thanks again to John Tuttle for donating the hot dogs!

**THANK-YOU!** to all our ever-present church mice whose work continues to show up in unexpected places at just the right times!

*You are Appreciated!*



Please sign up to provide a baked good to share during coffee hour. Purchase an item or share a home-made treat such as cookies, bars, breads... whatever you like. Your participation will make coffee hour pleasant and inviting to our members and friends!



43 West High Street  
(860) 365-5978

Mon. & Thurs. 9am - noon

The Food bank is busy in the summer months and we appreciate your support.

Here is a list of some of our needs:

Canned Fruit • Instant Mashed Potatoes  
Instant Rice • Hamburger Helper • Rice-A-Roni  
Paper Towels • Toilet Paper • Pet Food

**Cleaning Supplies**

*Thank you for your generosity. Deb, FB volunteer*



PRAYER CHAIN  
MINISTRY

Email Lisa at [laarestad@comcast.net](mailto:laarestad@comcast.net)  
or call 860-918-1170 to have a  
prayer concern listed for our  
"pray-ers".



Let Lisa Aarrestad know if you or someone you know of from our church is in need of helping hands (860-918-1170).

Or call the office (860-267-4959) so we can arrange for meals, rides, help with simple household tasks or just come by and visit!



The Church Library has been spruced up a bit, although there is much more that can be done. You can check out books by signing the notebook on the counter and including the check out date and when you return it. Please leave returned books on the counter. There is a children's section as well.

**We could use two gently used floor lamps and a good sized coffee table if anyone would like to donate these items.** *Thank you!*

Contact Judy Hoffhine at 860-365-0327 or  
[jhoffhine@gmail.com](mailto:jhoffhine@gmail.com)



**Medical Equipment**

**Available for Loan**



**Knee- Scooter • Walker  
Wheel Chair • Potty**



*Please call the office to arrange for pick-up  
Tuesday thru Friday 8am-noon*

**860-267-4959**

## **The Joseph N. Goff House 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Gazebo Concert Series**

Thursdays at 6:30pm at the Center School Gazebo

**July 5<sup>th</sup>** ~ EH High School Jazz Band: classic jazz.

**July 19<sup>th</sup>** ~ The Modern Riffs: jazz, classic rock & swing.

**July 26<sup>th</sup>** ~ The Dizzy River Band: original music.

**August 2<sup>nd</sup>** ~ Seat of Our Pants: eclectic folksy music

**August 9<sup>th</sup>** ~ Victor Cowles: classic hits of different eras.

Bring seating and a picnic, dogs and children welcome!  
Cub Scouts will be on hand to sell snacks and refreshments.

*Sponsors are needed to support this concert series! 860-205-7376 or mail donations to The Joseph N. Goff House c/o Debi Rotteck, 163 Hog Hill Road, East Hampton, CT 06424*



# A Simple, Generous Choice ~ *Electronic Giving*

## Electronic Funds Transfer

*(Direct debit from your checking or savings account)*

*Now available at the Congregational Church of East Hampton*

**Participate Today.**

Electronic Giving is a convenient way to provide consistent financial support to our church.

*Open your heart without opening your checkbook*

*Electronic Giving* is the term used to describe automatic methods for making contributions on a regular basis without the need to write checks, carry cash or prepare envelopes.

### Frequently Asked Questions About Direct Debit Giving

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**Q. What are the major advantages of electronic giving by direct debit?**

A. Direct debit is all about convenience for you and consistency for the church. Electronic giving eliminates frequent check writing and helps members stay on track with pledges even when they are unable to attend services. The church in turn benefits from much-needed donation consistency and a reduction in the volume of check and cash contributions that must be handled and manually processed in the church office.

**Q. How does Direct Debit Giving work?**

A. Contributions are transferred automatically from your checking or savings account to the church's bank account.

**Q. How are my automatic contributions deducted and transferred?**

A. First, you sign and return an authorization form to the church indicating the amount you wish to contribute on a regular basis. Contributions are then transferred through the Automated Clearing House (ACH) network—the same network already used by families to make mortgage and utility payments or to receive payroll earnings and Social Security income. Direct debit goes by other names including Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), automatic payment, or simply, ACH.

**Q. When will my contribution be debited from my account?**

A. A debit to your account will occur each month on the date you specify on your authorization form.

**Q. How will I keep track of contributions in my check register?**

A. Since your contribution is made at a pre-established time, you simply record it in your check register on the appropriate date. Electronic contributions will appear on your bank statement.

**Q. What can I use to prove I made a contribution?**

A. Your bank statement will show an itemized list of electronic transactions that can be used as proof of your contributions.

**Q. Is giving by direct debit risky?**

A. It is certainly less risky than writing checks or carrying cash to church. To process electronic donations, the church uses Vanco Services, LLC—an established and highly-regarded company that moves funds directly from church members to the church on the same day without any delay. Vanco processes contributions for more than 10,000 churches and nonprofit organizations.

**Q. How much does direct debit giving cost?**

A. It costs you nothing and it costs the church very little. It is the lowest cost method of transferring funds.

**Q. What if I try electronic giving by direct debit and don't like it?**

A. You can cancel your authorization at any time by notifying the church.

**Q. How can I sign up for electronic giving by direct debit?**

A. Complete, sign and return the authorization form on the following page to the church office.

# AUTHORIZATION FORM

Congregational Church of East Hampton

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| FOR OFFICE USE ONLY | ENVELOPE/DONOR # | DATE |
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| <b>AGREEMENT</b><br>I authorize the above church to process debit entries to my account. I understand that this authority will remain in effect until I provide reasonable notification to terminate the authorization.<br><br>Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____ |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

*Please attach voided check here.*

**UNITED CHURCH  
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is Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>**





| Sunday                                                                                                                                                                                             | Monday                                            | Tuesday                                                                    | Wednesday                                                                                                 | Thursday                                                                                            | Friday    | Saturday  |
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| <b>The Congregational Church</b><br>59 Main Street, P.O. Box 237<br>East Hampton, Connecticut 06424<br>860-267-4959 / cceh@juno.com<br><i>Summer Office Hours: Tuesday &amp; Thursday 9am-noon</i> |                                                   |                                                                            |                                                                                                           |                                                                                                     |           |           |
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| <b>8</b><br><b>Worship, 10am</b><br>Diaconate,<br>11:30am<br>AA – 8pm                                                                                                                              | <b>9</b><br><b>Ladies Night,</b><br><b>6:30pm</b> | <b>10</b>                                                                  | <b>11</b><br>AA – 8pm                                                                                     | <b>12</b>                                                                                           | <b>13</b> | <b>14</b> |
| <b>15</b><br><b>Worship, 10am</b><br>COSA, 11:30am<br><b>Golf Reg.</b><br><b>Deadline</b><br>AA – 8pm                                                                                              | <b>16</b>                                         | <b>17</b>                                                                  | <b>18</b><br>AA – 8pm                                                                                     | <b>19</b><br>EH Yarners<br>10:30am & 7pm<br>Finance, 7pm<br><b>GH Concert</b><br><b>6:30-8:30pm</b> | <b>20</b> | <b>21</b> |
| <b>22</b><br><b>Worship, 10am</b><br>AA – 8pm                                                                                                                                                      | <b>23</b>                                         | <b>24</b><br><b>Men's Night</b><br><b>Out, 5:30pm</b><br><i>Angelico's</i> | <b>25</b><br>AA – 8pm                                                                                     | <b>26</b><br><b>GH Concert</b><br><b>6:30-8:30pm</b>                                                | <b>27</b> | <b>28</b> |
| <b>29</b><br><b>Worship, 10am</b><br>Boy Scout<br>Council, 7pm<br>AA – 8pm                                                                                                                         | <b>30</b>                                         | <b>31</b>                                                                  |                       |                                                                                                     |           |           |

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# AUGUST



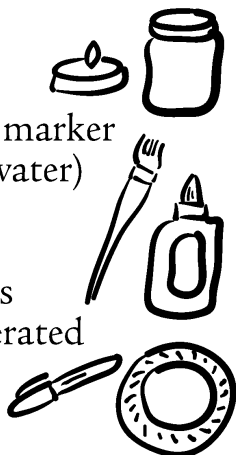
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| <b>5</b><br>Worship, 10am<br><br>AA – 8pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>6</b>                             | <b>7</b><br><b>GOLF<br/>TOURNAMENT</b><br>8:30 reg.<br>10am Tee | <b>8</b><br><br>AA – 8pm                                                       | <b>9</b><br><br><b>GH Concert<br/>6:30-8:30pm</b>                              | <b>10</b> | <b>11</b> |
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| <b>19</b><br>Worship, 10am<br>COSA, 11:30am<br><br>AA – 8pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>20</b>                            | <b>21</b>                                                       | <b>22</b><br>Sunday school<br>Classroom<br>Clean-up,<br>6:30pm<br><br>AA – 8pm | <b>23</b>                                                                      | <b>24</b> | <b>25</b> |
| <b>26</b><br>Worship, 10am<br><br>AA – 8pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>27</b>                            | <b>28</b>                                                       | <b>29</b><br><b>Newsletter<br/>Deadline!</b>                                   | <b>30</b><br>EH Yarners<br>10am - noon                                         | <b>31</b> |           |

# A STARRY LIGHT

Summer is the perfect time to gaze at the wonders in the sky. Make this craft as a reminder of God's handiwork — including you!

## What you need:

- Glass jar
- Permanent marker
- Glue (and water)
- Paper plate
- Paintbrush
- Star sequins
- Battery-operated tea light



## What you do:

1. Around the jar's opening, write in permanent marker: Shine ... like stars in the sky. Philippians 2:15
2. Pour some glue on the plate. Thin with some water.
3. "Paint" the outside of the jar with glue and then sprinkle on some sequins. Let dry.
4. Add the tea light and give your bedroom a starry glow at nighttime.



## Wonders of creation

Our Creator is in control of the entire universe!

*Directions: Beginning with column 1, go down each column until you come to a dot. Write the letter that's found to the left of the dot on the blank below to complete Psalm 147:4, NIV. (Some columns have more than one letter.)*

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Answer: He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name. Psalm 147:4, NIV



# BUMBLE BEE BALLS

Make these yummy treats as a summer snack.

## What you need:

- 1 cup peanut butter
- 1½ oz. instant oats
- ¼ cup honey
- ½ cup instant milk powder
- ½ cup dark chocolate chips
- 40 mini chocolate chips
- 20 slivered almonds
- 40 sliced almonds
- Adult help

## What you do:

1. In a bowl, mix peanut butter, oats, honey and instant milk powder into dough. If too dry, add more peanut butter or honey.
2. Roll dough into 20 long balls. Place them on a cookie sheet and refrigerate.
3. Melt the dark chocolate chips and place them in a zippered baggie. Cut a tiny bit off one corner.
4. Remove dough from refrigerator. Squeeze thin lines of chocolate as stripes onto the bee bodies.
5. Use two mini chocolate chips for eyes, a slivered almond for a stinger and two sliced almonds as wings. Enjoy!



## GOD'S amazzzzing BEES

God created bees to pollinate flowers and make honey. Psalm 119:103 says God gives us something that's even sweeter than honey.

**Directions:** Find the word that fits each clue. Then write the answers in the correct numbered honeycomb shape to complete Psalm 119:103, NIV.

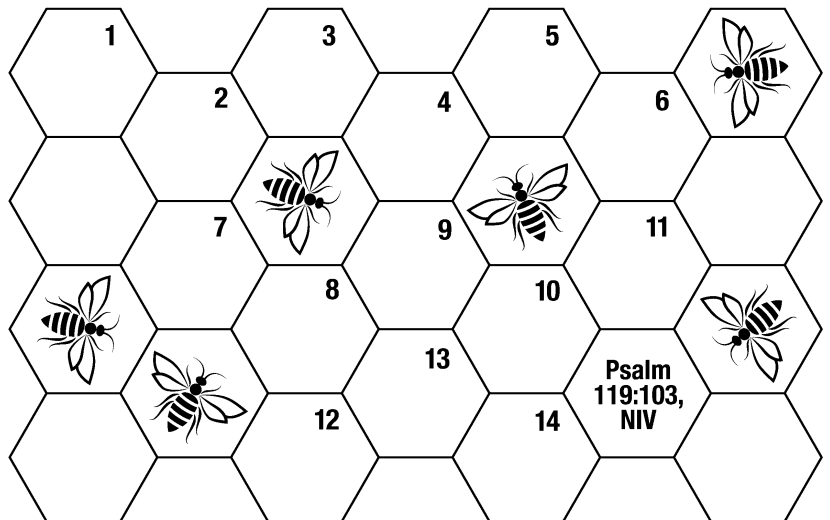
### CLUES

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| 1. rhymes with cow      | 8. the tongue's job      |
| 2. opposite of sour     | 9. more sweet            |
| 3. pronounced "R"       | 10. rhymes with pan      |
| 4. rhymes with four     | 11. golden liquid        |
| 5. Letters create ____. | 12. Pleased __ meet you. |
| 6. not too or two       | 13. rhymes with fly      |
| 7. rhymes with by       | 14. body part            |



### WORD BANK

than your to are  
sweet sweeter How  
my honey mouth  
words to taste, my



Answer: How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! Psalm 119:103, NIV