



THE CIRCLE CHURCH NEWS

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North Madison Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
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Marlene Beckman

- Pastor's Note -

This month, as we in Connecticut see our vaccination rates rise, we are beginning to wet our feet in the waters of what reopening looks like in our families, workplaces, community gathering places, and churches. A world away, our siblings in India are in our newscasts and hearts as they see their COVID positivity rates skyrocket from under 3% to over 30%. According to CNN, a record 352,991 new cases were reported on Monday, the largest single-day total of new cases in any country throughout the pandemic. India's positivity rate was in steady decline in February; experts believe a new variant – B.1.617 – is responsible for this unexpected second surge. The rapid jump in cases has overwhelmed India's health systems and infrastructure with citizens finding no solace or healing, and thousands dying every day.

As we in North America begin to breathe more freely, what can we, who are so far away, and living in such a seemingly different reality, do?

My research indicates that there are many vehicles that can be trusted if you are looking for a way to participate in bringing relief to neighbors in India. I have made a donation to <https://milaap.org/fundraisers/support-arrange-oxygen-concentrators-in-delhi> because I determined that providing access to oxygen was a priority I wanted to support. There are agencies offering opportunities to help fund medical supplies; emergency food distribution; supporting children, families, trans people, and other particularly vulnerable communities. This

organization allows donors to earmark offerings to support particular diverse priorities, according to your choice: <https://covid.giveindia.org/>

As I turn my heart also to prayer, wondering about the devastation this pandemic has wrought upon humanity across the globe, and particularly among our most vulnerable nations and communities, and praying for God's intervention with relief, protection, and healing, I am reminded of a curious comment attributed to Jesus in last Sunday's lectionary. In John 10:16, the writer quotes Jesus as saying, "I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd."

In times of shared world crisis, we seem as humans to more profoundly feel the connections in our one flock. Ganesh, the elephant, is revered in Hinduism as a remover of obstacles and a "Lord of new beginnings." Lord Ganesh is the symbol of dedication, loyalty and protection.

What a gift it would be if, our hearts moved by one another's suffering, our world began to overcome the obstacles of our separations from one another and usher ourselves into a new beginning of unity, shared compassion, and oneness. This is my heartfelt prayer. To this end, remembering that Jesus acknowledges like minds in many folds, I offer to you this prayer poem that spoke to my heart:

"Lord Ganesh Speaks"

"Oh, Dear Theist!"

Thus spoke the lord from the distant skies. "It never matters to me the size of my idol you worship. I fail to see those lumps of colors with which you drain me. The forms of my idols that fancy you do not fancy me. A poor man's ball of rice and the rich man's delicious sweet make no difference. Neither do I see your wealth and power nor those enormous idols you keep. I pity humankind for making me tall and tall over records. I laugh seeing my idols to your left and right, though you know everywhere it's me.

People prefer POP when even mud and clay make me happy. More and more, I see your dedication in my decoration rather than your expected devotion. My immersion, you organize in a grand way, throttling traffic. The decorations placed on my idol cause the fish and the tadpole in the water there to perish. A logic as simple as the buzz of the honey bee is all that the humankind lacks. Purity in your heart and truth in your devotion is all that I see. Service to the one in need gives me more pleasure than the tallest of the idols." ~Mahesh Pethakamsetty

The spiritual teachers of all traditions invite us to boldly embrace love and let our empathy transform us. Such suffering as this pandemic has wrought can tempt us to feel overwhelmed, small, and defeated. Rather than losing hope, our shared sufferings can open our hearts more widely to unite us in a renewed spirit of loving oneness that may awaken us to our truest, most compassionate, humanity. So, let us lean in to love, unite in generosity, and open ourselves in prayer, so our siblings, even those far away, know they are not alone. And, so we can know it, too!

Love & blessings,
Heather

- Children and Youth Ministries -



May Night

The spring is fresh and fearless
And every leaf is new,
The world is brimmed with moonlight,
The lilac brimmed with dew.

Here in the moving shadows

I catch my breath and sing--
My heart is fresh and fearless
And over-brimmed with spring.

-Sara Teasdale

"Knowing that you love the earth changes you, activates you to defend and protect and celebrate. But when you feel that the Earth loves you in return, that feeling transforms the relationship from a one-way street into a sacred bond."

~Robin Wall Kimmerer, a Potawatomi Indian and botanist

I have a tee shirt that says "Earth Day. Every Day." As I was putting it on to meet some of our kids, teens and families to collect trash around North Madison this past weekend, I began to think about how our lives - and the health of our planet - would change if we begin to really live as if every day is truly Earth Day.

As I drove up to NMCC Saturday morning, I happened to be behind a car that had a wrapper of some kind fly out of its' window and billow across Rte. 79, taken by the wind. I have no way of knowing if that was accidental or if it was thrown out of the window, but it reminded me of a children's book called What if Everybody Did That by Ellen Javernick. (You can see a read aloud video of the story here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JWbFSQB0xcI>) I appreciate this story because it reminds us all - not just kids - that our every day, small actions have cumulative effects on our world when lots of people partake in the same small behavior choices - like throwing garbage out of the car window.

A quote from Ralph Waldo Emerson, the 19th century poet and essayist that I've been thinking about this Spring: "We do not inherit the Earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children."

Pandemic time has shown me time and time again how so much of life is about accepting the sorrows and the joys that come our way. I see how we are made to be able to hold these opposites sometimes simultaneously in our hearts. I have also seen how difficulties feel a bit lighter and joys a bit brighter when shared in a loving community, and I pray that our church is that for you.

In these times where every day life is altered, sorrows seem more plentiful and joy can feel elusive yet I feel ever more deeply that we are all truly connected by a divine web of love that catches up and flows through every living thing on our Earth. What if we hold that thought in our minds as we go through our days and nights this month . . . How would holding the connection we have with every person we see (in person, on tv), every pet, critter, tree, newly emerging flower, little bug,

etc. in the forefront of our minds change our interactions? How would imagining - just for a second even - life from that being's perspective change our actions? How can we best honor the divine connection we have with every living being as we move through each minute of each day? I think that if we could actually see these invisible connections - the God spark that flows through everything - that we could truly start living as if each day is Earth Day. I'd love to hear your thoughts on this - send me a text or a video!

Reminders:

- **Sunday, May 2nd and 16th-** Zoom Church School: Please note new time for PreK-2nd Graders - 9:30-9:55, 3rd-7th graders 11:30-11:55
- **Sunday, May 2nd**, 12:30-no later than 2:00, Journey Group with mentors gather via zoom
- **Sunday, May 16th**, 5:30-7:00 SYG Pizza & Hangout at NMCC
- PLEASE SAVE THE DATE & INVITE FRIENDS: Girls Empowerment Workshop - Ideal for 3/4th graders - 5th/6th graders. **Sunday, May 23rd**, 2:00-3:30pm at NMCC. Our own Sydney and Delaney will be leading our girls in activities designed to build self esteem and acceptance. Sydney led this program at a town camp this past summer with rave reviews & we are so excited that she and Delaney will be sharing it with us! We aim to have 10-12 girls to have a fun session, and can open an additional time slot if we have a great response! Please RSVP to Sue by May Sunday, May 9th to attend.
- Youth led worship and year wrap up: **June 6th**

More programming in the works . . . please stay tuned!

With love,
Sue



OWL Classes for Fall, 2021: The NMCC Board of Christian Education will again offer the OWL (Our Whole Lives) responsible sexuality-education classes to youth entering grades 7-9, beginning in the fall and running over the winter months.

In today's media driven world, many young adults are being educated by glorified and graphic images of sexuality. The objective of the OWL program is to equip youth with accurate age-appropriate information to help them clarify their values, build interpersonal skills, and understand the spiritual, emotional, and social aspects of sexuality.

Over 30 NMCC youth have completed the grades 7-9 program in years past, and are the best references we could provide for the value and effectiveness of the OWL program.

More information is available at the websites of the UCC and the Unitarian Universalist Association who jointly created the OWL program. All facilitators (teachers) are trained by OWL personnel from one of these institutions.

This year, NMCC is again working together with First Church, Madison.

Participation is optional and independent of other NMCC youth activities.....OWL classes are offered at separate times from Church School and other Youth-Group activities.

To help plan for this fall, we ask that interested parents respond by e-mail to peterm190@yahoo.com or Sue Timony-Hall ce@northmadisoncc.org (or both). We can guide you through the process and answer any questions about the OWL program.

- Music -



Musical Notes! Your choir has some exciting news to share!

On Sundays, you have been witnessing the results of their weekly hard work to produce music for our virtual worship services.

The fact that it sounds pretty much the same as our “live” performances belies the fact that it takes hours and hours of preparation, recording and editing to create!!

Our wonderful choristers do it willingly and joyfully because they love singing their faith ☺ 🎵 🎵. When the United Church of Christ announced it was accepting applications for choirs to sing in the Synod meeting this July (bi-annual gathering of delegates) we decided to apply! But in a denomination of approximately 4,852 churches, would our choir even stand a chance???

With Scott Chasse’s help, we chose and submitted a video of our singing – and waited for an answer.....



Then came an email saying – WE WERE ACCEPTED!! YAAAAAAAAY!!!!

Ours was one of 16 choirs from all across the country selected to sing... We rejoice that we can celebrate our "wider" faith and sing with our sisters and brothers in Christ all over the country (virtually) this July!!

- Community Outreach and Fundraisers -



Ministry Resource Team: This month we welcomed the return of a new Outreach Ministry: New Reach in New Haven so you'll be hearing more about them soon thanks to Lyn Boling. An update on Karen Millers two ministries: the Connecticut Quest for Peace collection is wrapping up early this month and the Off-to-College Basket program for the 19 graduating seniors of St. Martin de Porres Academy needs your support to get them off to a good start in their college life.



Connecticut Quest for Peace Collection: Quest for Peace donations will be picked up from Karen's house on May 7. Donations can be dropped off any time until May 6 at 7 Godman Road, Madison. If Karen's not home, put the items in the garage. Items needed are warm and cold weather clothing, shoes, plastic dishware, pots and pans, medical supplies, such as walkers, crutches, dressings, bandages etc., school supplies, musical instruments, sports equipment, sewing items, such as material, thread etc. and linens.

Please place items in bags or boxes and label the content. Place warm and cold weather clothing in separate containers and label them WARM or COLD.

If you need items picked up or have questions, please call or email Karen at 203-915-2989 or dksamiller@msn.com. Thank you for your generous donations!



Off-To College Baskets for St. Martin de Porres Academy: As announced in the April Newsletter SMPA High School Seniors are graduating and heading to college. SMPA supports their students from middle school to college graduation. We invite you to help us celebrate their success by helping gather items that will make their transition to college just a little easier with items for their own "Off-to-College Baskets."

We have created a shopping list of items that can be viewed in the newsletter or [on this page](#) plus registered them online with Walmart at this link <https://bit.ly/3cezOhx>.

We also provided sweatshirt or T-shirt quantities and sizes so we can provide each student with a sweatshirt of the college they will attend. Please notify Karen before you purchase a college Sweatshirt or T-shirt, 203-245-3067 or dksamiller@msn.com, so we can avoid duplicates.

So you're ready to be part of the celebration?

- Follow the Walmart link and order items online and ship them directly to SMPA, 208 Columbus Avenue, New Haven, CT 06519
- Shop and drop off - notify Karen of what you've purchased so the item can be removed from the registry and drop them off at her home - details are on the web site.

- Donate with a check to NMCC, make a donation through the NMCC Website or Text a Donation (indicating *SMPA College Basket*) and we'll shop for you!

Thank you so much for your support of the CLASS of 2025! - Karen Miller, SMPA Champion



Community Yoga: Our current 5-week Zoom Yoga series on Mondays at 6:00 p.m., runs from April 19th through May 10th. Our Thursday series at 6:00 p.m. runs from April 22 through May 13. Why not join? Cost for each series is \$35 and the classes. We recommend you have previous experience taking Yoga classes. Try the first class for **free!** To sign up, please Roberta Hanlon robertahanlon@msn.com or text 203-500-8311.

Ministry Resource Team: If you are interested in starting a new Outreach Ministry, the Ministry Resource Team can help you with ideas, best practices, funding and resources to help you design and engage our NMCC community in supporting your ministry. Contact Roberta Hanlon robertahanlon@msn.com. if you would like to learn more.



Fence Team Events: We have been asked to provide our fence for the Chamber of Commerce Antique Show on the Madison Green on **May 29**. Details to follow. Please mark your calendars (setup May 28/takedown May 29).

We'll wear our masks and practice social distancing as much as possible. For information or to join the team please contact Tom Lauher, thomaslauher@sbcglobal.net.



Goodness Grows
Garden Walks and Plant Sale
 Saturday, June 12, 2021
 An NMCC Spring Fundraiser

Tickets are now on sale for our Goodness Grows, Garden Walks to Nurture the Soul <https://nmcc-garden-walks.eventbrite.com>!! Tickets are \$20 each, children under 10 can join you for free. A great gift for Mother's Day - share with all the mothers in your life and make it a day together. You will begin the tour at the NMCC parking lot where you will pick up your Gardens Guides and shop at our plant sale before heading out to the 7 private gardens in Madison and Guilford.

Spread the Word! [Click here](#) to get a pdf of a Facebook-ready poster you can also forward to friends to invite them to join us on June 12. Contact Roberta if you can distribute posters this month at local retail and office locations.

Calling all Volunteers

- If you would like to spend two hours meeting and greeting folks in one of our featured gardens, we need garden greeters and guides. To volunteer **Orlene Gallops - 860-712-1980 (text or call)**.
- If you know a thing or two about plants or just love being outside and busy, we could use help setting up our plant sale and helping with the cash register. Please let **Sue Kenney** know. **203-530-1153 (text)**
- If you have plants you can divide to donate, or extra seedlings please let **Sue Kenney** know. **203-530-1153 (text)**

More details on all volunteer opportunities can be found on our web page: [Volunteers \(northmadisoncc.org\)](http://northmadisoncc.org)

Any questions call or text: **Kate Summerlin 203 314-4733**



NMCC Summer Festival: On Saturday, July 17, 2021 North Madison Congregational Church (NMCC) will host its First Annual Summer Festival on the Madison Green in Madison CT. The event will run from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The festival will be a community event for the families in the Town of Madison and surrounding areas. The day promises to be fun.

Currently, these possible activities are being planned.:

- Outdoor Yoga/fitness classes
- Food Trucks
- Crafts /hand craft vendors
- Music
- Bicycle camping workshop and group ride
- Local store vendor area
- Drum circle/family music
- Art Show

The day promises to be an opportunity to unite the community, have fun, and be uplifting.

To support this event, the planning team is requesting three people to volunteer as team leaders. We need your help in making the festival successful

Please contact Calvin Price (wildwood9@msn.com) if you would like to serve.

- Get Involved / Stay Connected -



There are many ways to be involved in NMCC's vibrant community – serving in a missional outreach ministry, mentoring and teaching our children, joining in musicmaking or worship planning, helping out around the church building, singing in the choir, sharing the gifts God has given you, learning new skills from others, enjoying the fellowship of working on projects together. Visit our [Get Involved](#) page for opportunities at northmadisoncc.org.



Covid Survey Results: Join us May 2, after worship to discuss the results from our recent survey regarding the church's reopening.



Amend: The Fight for America: Do you miss interesting and rich conversation with others outside of your household? Are you interested in a fresh perspective of civil rights in our nation? The “Amend” Netflix video series has started and you don’t need to watch the first episode to join in May! We gather on the first Tuesday night of the month at 7:00 PM to watch a one-hour episode, followed by a discussion. May 4th is our next evening and we hope to see you for an enlightening and entertaining view of the 14th amendment, hosted by Will Smith. Here is a review of our April gathering by Susan Connor:

“The first segment was riveting, powerful and definitely mind bending; especially when we think we know all there is to know about Abraham Lincoln and his fight to preserve the union in the early days of the Civil War. You all might be very surprised to say the least. So take some time to view the first episode and please join the upcoming sessions - it will be well worth it!”

Our next episode is titled "**Resistance**". It explores the after ratification, violent atrocities, court rulings and the Lost Cause ideology systemically subverting the 14th Amendment's promises of equality. The Zoom link can be found in your weekly email.

Please contact Barb Black at babsyblack@sbcglobal.net or Nora Price for more information or if you have questions.



Book Discussion Group: The Book Discussion Group will be reading “Overstory” by Richard Powers...it won a 2019 Pulitzer Prize for fiction and comes highly recommended by the NMCC people currently reading it. We will join together to discuss this book at the Mercy Center’s gazebo on **Wednesday, May 19, at 4:30 p.m.** Please contact Melissa Blundon with any questions, pmblundon@aol.com, 203-

996-0671.

Richard Powers neatly brings his characters together around a central point – in his case, a giant redwood tree, with Powers writing eloquently about the interdependence of trees, how they help each other to spread and grow, and even warn each other about dangers using “aerosol signals”, one tree easing the way for others. And because the lives of his human characters take up just a few rings on that great tree’s trunk, we also come to a deeper understanding of time.



Annual Meeting – Save the Date: Please save the date for NMCC’s annual meeting to be held after worship on **Sunday, May 16**. A formal invite and information will be sent soon.



Dear Rev. Dr. Heather Arcovitch:

On behalf of the Southern New England Conference (SNEUCC) Board of Directors and Rev. Darrell Goodwin, our Executive Conference Minister, I would like to thank you for your church’s faithful, ongoing financial support of the mission and ministry of our Conference and the national setting of the UCC through its Proportional Giving contribution. Your support of the wider church is making a huge difference for innumerable congregations and lives throughout southern New England, our country, and the world.

I also want you to know that we take seriously the metaphor of the SNEUCC being the body of Christ with each of our churches being important members of this body. As the apostle Paul writes in 1 Corinthians 12.27, "Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it." Paul expands this metaphor in Ephesians 4.15 - 16 writing, "...we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love." We are joined and knit together! How counter-cultural in this age of radical individualism! How counter to some of our strongly congregationalist traditions, inclinations, and culture! By the way, I was born and raised a congregationalist.

Yet, it is as the body of Christ that we have been navigating and continue to navigate this COVID-19 storm. We've heard repeatedly from churches and pastors how grateful they are for the help, support, and resources the body, a.k.a. the SNEUCC, has provided. Many have wondered if/how they or their church could have negotiated this storm on their own without drawing on the strength and resources of the larger body.

We are much stronger, able to do much more, and have a greater impact, knit together and working together than we ever could on our own and working separately. As the newly born SNEUCC with our roughly 612 churches, 1200 authorized ministers, and 120,000 members, we still have some *growing up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, and some of each part working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love* to do.

That said, and as we have seen above, with the financial support from our congregations we are already having a significant effect on people's and churches' lives and changing communities. I strongly encourage you to go to our website (<https://www.sneucc.org/>) and look what we, as a body, have been doing and the great many resources we provide to enable each church, each member of our body, to live out its unique calling and mission and be the strongest, most vibrant "member" it can be.

Thank you again for your generosity! We deeply appreciate it and never take it for granted. With your ongoing financial support, and that of your sibling churches, we can continue: making disciples of Jesus; making God's love and justice real; bringing new life as agents of change; and forming covenant partnerships for the common good! With your continued support, we can thrive!

As of April 1, our records show your congregation's Proportional Giving to be \$3140.

If you have questions, please contact me or Yolanda Montano at MontanoY@sneucc.org or 860-761-7107.

Your brother in Christ,

David

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Graduates: If you or someone in your family is graduating from High School or college, please let the church office know at office@northmadisoncc.org or 203-421-3241.



NMCC's Treasurer: After serving as NMCC's Treasurer since July 2020, Ryan McMillian has to unfortunately step-down given other work and family obligations. Ryan has committed to remain in the role through June 2021. On behalf of the congregation, the Board of Finance thanks Ryan for his service and looks forward to his family's continued commitment and involvement with NMCC.

For the continued financial planning of our church, filling the role of Treasurer is vital. Has God gifted you in the area of finance or accounting? Are you looking for a new way to serve NMCC? As an officer of the church, the Treasurer must be a member in good standing and have an understanding of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Your time and talents will be needed at least 2 hours per week to review timesheets, sign paychecks and checks, review A/R for coding and proper documentation, and read and address the Treasurer's email. An additional 2-4 hours per month would be invested in reviewing bank reconciliation reports and the general ledger (including income and expenses) and preparing monthly reports and meetings with the Board of Finance and the Executive Committee. At year end, the Treasurer prepares annual financial reports and works with the Board of Finance in developing annual budgets with each of the Teams/Committees and Boards, and with the Audit Committee in carrying out an annual audit. If you are interested or would like to learn more, please contact John Gallops, Chair of the Board of finance, jgallops@aol.com.



Text Your NMCC Donations: Did you know you can text NMCC your donations for your pledge, grocery cards, missions, etc. Just follow the steps below and you'll be connected to our Vanco system.

- Step 1: Text dollar amount you want to donate (ex. 20.00) to **833-948-2188** (this is for NMCC only)
- Step 2: You will receive a text link to follow (your first time)
- Step 3: Complete credit card and donation amount information
- Step 4: Submit & Receipt will be texted to you.

Note: Once you set up your initial information, you will just need to add the dollar amount and it will automatically process. Unfortunately, at this time it just goes in as a general donation. If it is for something specific, like grocery cards for example, please email or call Rhonda, accounting@northmadisoncc.org or 203-421-3241, option 5, to let her know the specifics.



Looking for NMCC Photos: We've begun the exciting journey of updating and reformatting our webpage and social media platforms. This means we need photos that reflect our NMCC community and property. If you have high quality NMCC photos taken in the past year or so, we would love to see them as we select the images for our new platform. Please email or text them (with highest available resolution) to robertahanlon@msn.com or 203-500-8311.

Ongoing Ways to Stay Connected

*Please let us know if you need help connecting with virtual ministries—we can walk you through logging onto Zoom, Facebook, etc.—we want you to be able to participate!
Please contact the office and we'll have a deacon call you to help.*

Wednesday Evening Vespers Prayer: Join us Wednesdays at 9:00 p.m. on Facebook. If you don't have Facebook you can view them later on our [Church Website](#).

Thursday Bible Study: Join Pastor Heather Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. The week's passages and Zoom Link to join is in the Friday all church email each week. Absolutely no previous scripture knowledge is required.

Sunday Virtual Worship: Live streamed at 10:00 a.m. on Sundays on Zoom and Facebook. The Zoom link can be found in the Friday all church email. The service is posted afterwards on Facebook, [YouTube](#) and our [Church Website](#). Virtual fellowship time is held immediately following the service for those who wish to participate—see and talk with your church friends near and far (in tiny but amusing little boxes on your screen!).

If you have problems logging into worship, please contact: Sandy Dickson 203-376-7075 -- Orlene Gallops 860-339-5844 - Carol Luckenbach 203-530-9903 for tech support.

- In the News & Noteworthy -



NMCC and Members in the News: We often spot an article in the local paper, *Patch* or in other news outlets, and have been posting them on our bulletin board and our Facebook page. We'd like to expand the coverage and add a feature about this type of news in the monthly newsletter. Please send or drop off the news articles you find to the office at office@northmadisoncc.org and we'll be sure to include them.

Some of you may recall the Christmas Tree donation made by Marlene and Chuck Beckman. And at one time Marlene was our Office Manager. She has published a book (thanks to Two Ems in Madison), *The Magical Life of an Ice Folliette* and is Person of the Week in the April 22 issue of *The Source* and can be found on Zip06.com.

[Marlene Beckman: A Dazzling Moment in Time as an 'Ice Folliette' | Zip06.com](#)



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The "Vermont of Madison" is how Marlene Beckman describes the North Madison home she and her husband, Chuck, have owned the house for more than 50 years. But just a few years prior to buying that house, Marlene's life was about to take a turn in a radically different direction. www.zip06.com

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Make a Gift on our Website! It's easy! Have a special occasion for which you'd like to thank God? Want an easy way to make your weekly offering? Like to establish a monthly automatic donation as a sustaining member? Visit www.NorthMadisonCC.org, click "Online Giving" at the top of the page, and just follow the instructions! Or TEXT "Donation" to **833-948-2188**. Thank you for your love and support of NMCC and our ministries. Or, just scan here with your phone



Please donate to support our Virtual Choir! We estimate that each anthem costs us approximately \$75 to produce. Donations in any amount are welcome. If you would like to honor, remember, or celebrate someone, we will prepare a worship slide naming this in worship. Thank you!