



FISHERS ISLAND
UNION CHAPEL

CHAPEL HAPPENINGS

SUMMER 2024



FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

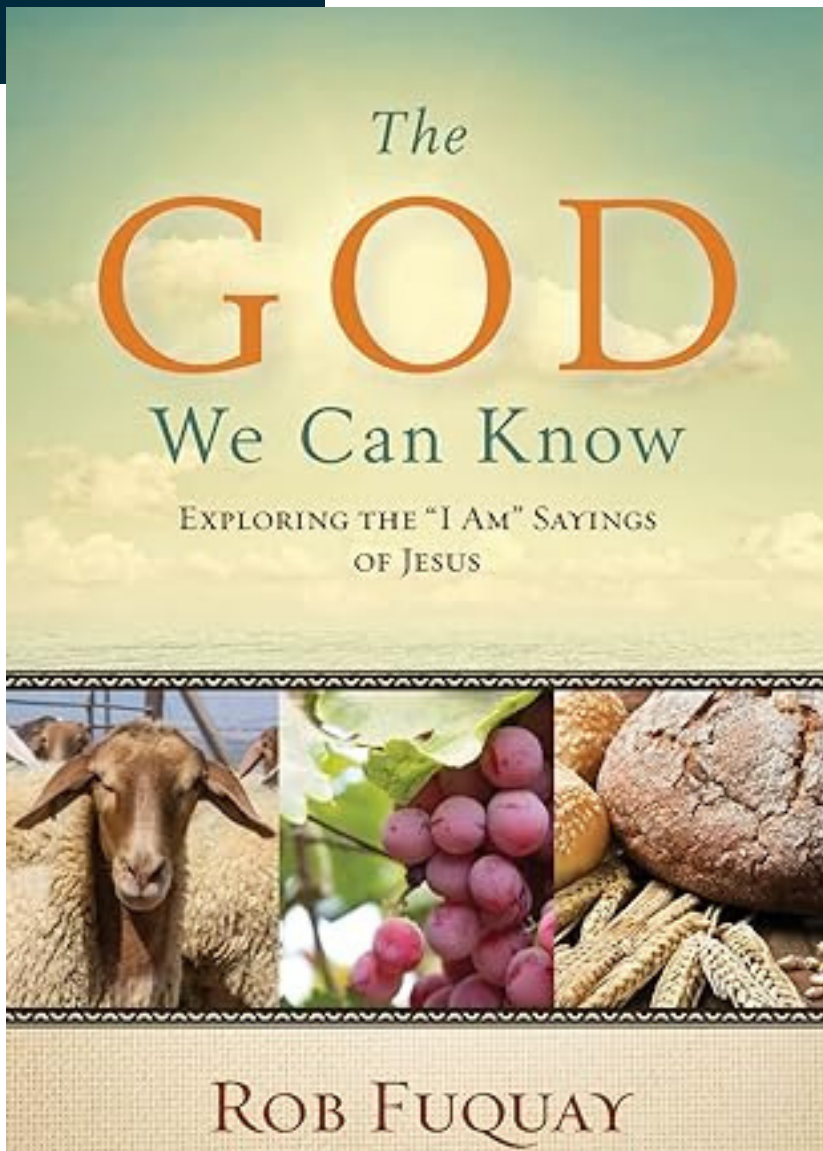
Dear Friends

Welcome to Union Chapel, the island's year-round church with ministries throughout the week. I am happy to serve as the minister in this beautiful place with a caring faith community. We have expanded our programs with many opportunities for you to join us for worship and prayer, as well as study and develop friendships and creativity.

Psalm 107 celebrates God's faithfulness in leading his people to "their desired haven" (Ps 107:30). May the Lord bless you with good health, safety, and joy as you travel to and from Fishers this summer. I hope to see you here soon!

Pastor Rosanna

Chapel Happenings



Bible Study
Wednesday 9 am
July 3 - August 14

Thanks to everyone who worked together and revived the Spring Fair on Saturday morning on Memorial Day weekend. It was a wonderful community gathering under the marquee in the courtyard. We appreciate all our friends and neighbors who contributed sweet treats for the bake sale and items for the silent auction. Other tables included local artisans selling items and treasures from the thrift shop. We also learned about composting and the kids enjoyed face painting. Save the date for our **Fall Fair on Saturday, October 12.**



A highlight this spring was the multi-day film making workshop in March which we hosted in collaboration with Lighthouse Works, the Theater, and the School. Visual artists Véra Haddad and Naima Lowe, previous Lighthouse Works fellows, led a series of dynamic workshops that resulted in a film composed of work by twenty people titled "A Portrait of Fishers Island." Sixty people attended the premiere, which we projected in the sanctuary using our ultra-short throw projector. Everyone will be able to see this film at the Theater's inaugural Short Film Festival on Friday, August 2.

MEDIA LAB FOR GOOD



"This spring, the Fishers Island School seniors spent several weeks learning about creating a podcast in English class to develop lifelong multimodal skills, explore a topic of interest, and respectfully share the stories of our island community members. This project wouldn't have been possible without the dedicated support of Dr. Clifford Anderson and Pastor Rosanna Anderson who generously allowed us to use the Media Lab for Good. A massive thank you to everyone who gave their time and stories to our seniors to share with others. Thank you!"

- Jess Hall, Fishers Island School English Teacher

MEDIA LAB FOR GOOD FREE LESSONS WITH *MS. JESS HALL*

Tuesdays in July and August
from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Learn a new skill or build on
what you know!



Check out the school podcasts page -
<https://fishersisland.net/fi-school-podcasts/>

Moms & Tots

Thursdays from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Parents and kids are welcome to gather in our air-conditioned fellowship hall and parlor for conversation, play time, tea and cookies. Pastor Rosanna co-hosts this group with Patti Norton from OLOG, a retired pediatric nurse.





Movie Marathon Lock In

Friday, July 12 at 7:00 p.m. - Saturday, July 13 at 7:00 a.m.

Fans of Christian author J.R.R. Tolkien's books *The Hobbit* and *The Lord of the Rings* are invited to watch the Peter Jackson-directed series of films. This event is for those aged 12 and older and includes dinner, snacks, and breakfast.

Thrift Shop

Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. - noon

This is a great place to find gently used household goods, art and decorative items, dishes and glasses, furniture, golf balls, and more. We accept cash or checks only.

Board Game Café

Saturdays, July 27 and August 17, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Free pizza dinner and a wide variety of fun board games for the whole family

"Big Questions"

Class on Sundays, July 7 - August 11, 9:00 - 9:45 a.m.

Engage the big questions about God and Christianity in this faith formation class. Trustee Greg Lang and Dr. Rosanna Anderson will present a six-week series. Everyone aged 12 and older is welcome. For those who would like this to be a confirmation class experience, we will have a public profession of faith in worship and celebration on August 11. We will also organize a service project chosen by participants.

Beach Church

Sundays, July 7 - August 25, 8:00 - 8:30 a.m.

Enjoy a brief time of worship and reflection amid creation at Dock Beach. This is a great way to begin the day in gratitude to God as we pray together.

Wear casual clothes and bring a beach chair or towel.

If it is raining, we will not meet. Check the sandwich board in front of the church for information.



Worship in Union Chapel and online

Sundays throughout the year, 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Our air-conditioned sanctuary is a haven on hot days as we pray and sing together, hear God's word, and share in fellowship and refreshments. Sermon videos are posted on our YouTube channel and website.

- **GUEST PREACHER DR. CLIFFORD ANDERSON, DIRECTOR OF THE DIVINITY SCHOOL LIBRARY AT YALE UNIVERSITY**
returns on July 14 and 21.
- **GUEST ORGANIST DOUGLAS GREEN, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC AT THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PATRICK IN NORWICH, CONNECTICUT**
returns on September 8 and 22.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our beautiful Easter flowers! Our website has a full list of donors.

In My Father's House

"Jesus said, 'In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also'" (John 14:2-3)

We thank God for the life and faith of those who have blessed our congregation and the wider community through the years and have gone on to eternal life.

Lillie Huff Ahman, Maxine Porter Arnold, Grace Edwards Burr, Mary Laughlin Robinson Goss, Harry Solomon Parker III, and Mary Jean Pelham



May the Lord comfort everyone who is bereaved and bring hope and peace.



Several students will again enjoy growing in faith and meeting new friends at beautiful Silver Lake in Sharon, Connecticut. Recent high school graduate Casey will also return as a member of the summer staff. Thanks to the New London Association Council of the United Church of Christ for supporting camp scholarships. Silver Lake Camp Retreat Center <https://www.silverlakeect.org/>



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