



## Worship with us on Sunday at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

October 22, 2025

Dear Friends of Second Church,

This Sunday, I'm delighted to be welcoming Jacqueline Colazzo, the new director of the Greenwich YWCA's Harmony Project, to join me during our sermon time.

If you're not aware of the Greenwich YWCA, you should be.

In addition to the familiar array of fitness facilities and classes, our YWCA sponsors some of the most thoughtful and important programs in town, particularly on matters that can be especially difficult to discuss: racism and sexism, in particular, but among much much else. They celebrate and support our young people in making a difference in our schools, public and private, and offer strategies for making our town a better place for everyone.

The Harmony Project takes that one step even further, engaging some of the hardest conversations a community can have, by offering counseling and support for people caught in situations of domestic and other forms of interpersonal violence.

They meet people often at their most fragile and help them, first to get safe, and then more slowly, to start rebuilding their lives.

Over the last 40 years, the Harmony Project has helped hundreds of people, mostly women, not just to survive, but actually thrive. Some will even say that, years later, they can't drive past the YWCA without tears in their eyes or gratitude for the blessing of its work.

I've invited Jackie to church because I want you to meet her, and I want her to meet you.

After all, she's our neighbor.

But more than that, her work represents an important reminder for us, because she engages with so many of our other neighbors as they face some of the scariest moments and most difficult decisions imaginable.

Our faith teaches us that "being a neighbor" isn't the way we so often think of it today: a call to a bland but cheery bonhomie toward whomever we may

encounter when we go to the mailbox—and a mutual commitment to no further hassles. That’s not what Jesus taught. To be a neighbor as he described (and practices it) is a genuine, personal, even at times sacrificial commitment to the people we meet—especially if they are in danger or distress—whether we’re “friends” or not.

When you put it that way, I think you’ll see that the Harmony Project is one of the most important ways in which our own neighborhood lives that out. And I believe it has a lot to teach us.

I hope you will make a point of being there to welcome Jackie Colazzo and celebrate the important work happening among us.

See you in church,

*Max*

Sermons are always available online:  
[2CCSermons](#)

If you can't make it in person, join us via [Livestream for our 10:30 a.m.](#) Sunday service.

## Children's Chapel Updates

Infant and toddler nursery care is available from 10:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m., and little ones are welcome to stay with their parents during Worship. Families are encouraged to join in the worship experience as makes sense for each individual child. Deacons can help direct you to our nursery room.

Children ages kindergarten to 5th grade are encouraged to start worship with their parents at 10:30 a.m. Those who wish, may depart for Children's Chapel with Jenny at about 10:45 a.m.

Registration not required but helpful for us to best know and love your child.

For more information please feel free to email [Jenny@2cc.org](mailto:Jenny@2cc.org)

[Register for Children's Chapel](#)

Join us on Saturday for Teddy Bear Story Hour at Coffee for Good!



# Teddy Bear Story Hour

ROLL OUT OF BED AND JOIN US IN YOUR PJ'S

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, NOVEMBER 22  
& DECEMBER 20**

**AT 8:00 A.M.**



**Coffee for Good**

**48 Maple Avenue, Greenwich, CT**

**Mark your calendars...**

School is OUT but VBS is ON!

*Harvesting Seeds of Faith...*

## Fall Fun VBS

Tuesday, November 4  
9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

K-5th Grade  
Pre-K welcome with an adult.  
\$25 per child, scholarships available.  
Games, Art, Music, Legos,  
and so much more!



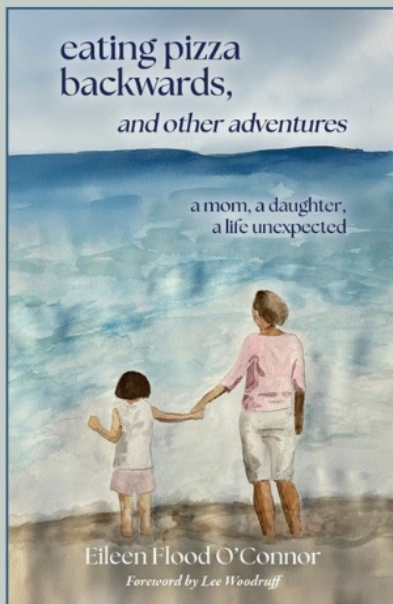
Details at [2CC.org](http://2CC.org)

Register for VBS

VBS Payment

Questions? Email  
Jenny

## 2CC Moms' Group Book Discussion



Second Congregational Church Moms' Group invites you to a night with the author of *Eating Pizza Backwards*, Eileen Flood O'Connor.

Thursday November 6

7:00–8:00 p.m.

Coffee For Good

48 Maple Avenue, Greenwich, CT

Eileen will share stories and wisdom from her book, sparking a conversation about parenting. Her book is a wonderful collection of essays about love, loss and doing life differently.

Event is FREE. Copies of *Eating Pizza Backwards* are available for purchase at Coffee for Good. Eileen is generously donating 100% of sales to Coffee for Good.

RSVP's are encouraged: [Jenny@2cc.org](mailto:Jenny@2cc.org)



# SERVICE

**DECEMBER  
12-14, 2025**



# LEARNING TRIP

(mini mission-trip-like weekend!)

**\$200**

WITH MANY  
SCHOLARSHIPS  
AVAILABLE!

### WHERE ARE WE GOING & WHAT ARE WE DOING?

Youth are invited to **48 hours in Providence, RI** learning about our local unhoused neighbors & putting our faith in action by serving others!

**6TH-  
12TH  
GR.**

**FRI  
12TH**

## LEAVE FOR RHODE ISLAND & ARRIVAL

Seekonk Congregational Church in Seekonk, MA

## SERVICE WORK & FUN IN PROVIDENCE

Working with the Incredible Days organization!

**SAT  
13TH**

**SUN  
14TH**

## CLOSING CIRCLE & HEAD HOME

Pick-up and Drop-off at 2CC Greenwich

REGIONAL  
YOUTH  
MINISTRY



**MORE INFO:**

**[KHALEIGHL@FCCOG.ORG](mailto:KHALEIGHL@FCCOG.ORG)**

Learn more by visiting the RYM website

## 2CC Celebration & Fun...

*Celebrating Rev. Shawn at the Special Education Legal Fund...*



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*Legos were really fun in Children's Chapel on Sunday...*



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## Around Town...

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# HALLOWEEN GREET & TREAT



TRICK OR TREAT AT THE PD  
SHOW OFF YOUR COSTUME &  
LEARN ABOUT HALLOWEEN SAFETY

Oct 25th 2025 - 11 AM to 2 PM

GREENWICH POLICE DEPARTMENT  
11 BRUCE PLACE

PART OF THE GREENWICH MOMS GREET &  
TREAT EVENT ON GREENWICH AVENUE

Someone in the U.S. needs blood every two seconds. It could be a next-door neighbor, your best friend, or a family member. You can help make sure Greenwich and other Connecticut hospitals have the blood patients need. **Give blood with the Red Cross at the Interfaith Blood Drive on Saturday, November 1, 8:00 am to 1:15 pm, First Presbyterian Church** (1 West Putnam Ave., Greenwich).

Get a chance at a \$5K prize when you come to give blood. PLUS, all who come to donate get a \$10 e-gift card. Sign up at: [rcblood.org/donate](http://rcblood.org/donate) using code FPCG, use the QR code, or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

Carve out a  
new tradition.

**Give Blood!**



**American  
Red Cross**



## Interfaith Blood Drive

**Saturday, November 1, 2025  
8:00 am – 1:15 pm**

First Presbyterian Church  
1 West Putnam Ave., Greenwich, CT

**Sponsored by Congregation Shir Ami, First Baptist,  
First United Methodist, Second Congregational, and First Presbyterian  
Churches**

For an appointment, please visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) Use Code FPCG  
Or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).



1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) | Download the Blood Donor App

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