



ANNUAL REPORT

2026

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PASTOR'S REPORT



THE REV. DR. JONATHAN CHAPMAN

If there is a theme verse for the past year at Westfield Church, it might be James 2:17: *"Faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead."* In the last twelve months, our congregation has continued to put faith into action in ways both large and small. Through worship, fellowship, service, and advocacy, we have sought to live into our calling as the Heart of Killingly. We gathered for weekly worship, special services, Bible studies, and community events, while sermon series such as *Where We Stand* and *Where the Light Gets In* invited us to wrestle honestly with scripture and discover what faithful discipleship looks like in our time and place. Along the way, we laughed, prayed, sang, disagreed occasionally, learned together, and kept showing up—which may be one of the most faithful things a church can do.

Our commitment to loving our neighbors continued to shine brightly this year. Through **Be Our Guest suppers**, winter warming efforts, free community meals, emergency assistance, and countless acts of quiet generosity, Westfield remained a place where people could find welcome, support, and hope. We also launched **Borrowed Blessings**, a durable medical equipment ministry that puts wheels, walkers, shower chairs, and other essentials into the hands of people who need them. It is a simple idea rooted in Acts 2:44-45: sharing what we have so that everyone has enough. As it turns out, the early church and a church basement full of donated walkers have more in common than you might think.

This year also saw Westfield step further into its role as a community convener. Through **Project Haven** and partnerships with local organizations, we helped bring together residents, nonprofits, service providers, and community leaders to address challenges such as homelessness, food insecurity, and access to resources. What began as conversations grew into ongoing collaboration, proving once again that when people come together around a common purpose, good things happen. When the federal government suspend SNAP benefits, you stepped up in a BIG way. We may not have multiplied loaves and fishes, but we did help create more seats at the table—and that feels pretty close.

Looking back, I am filled with gratitude for this congregation. Every meal served, every pledge made, every child welcomed, every committee meeting attended, every prayer offered, every chair set up and put away (sometimes multiple times) has helped make this ministry possible. The Apostle Paul reminds us in 1 Corinthians 3:6 that "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth." This past year has been a powerful reminder that God is still giving growth at Westfield Church—not only in numbers or programs, but in compassion, courage, generosity, and faith. Thank you for being part of that story. I cannot wait to see what God has in store for us next.



MISSY BRYER
MODERATOR



JAYLEE STOKES
ASST. MODERATOR



MODERATORS' **REPORT**

We had a wonderfully busy and faithful year. We were able to not only care for the people of Westfield but our wider community also. We started Project Haven to address homelessness in Killingly, Open Hearts to support the LGBTQ+ community, we launched Borrowed Blessings our durable medical equipment sharing program, we expanded our Be Our Guest dinners and we helped people feed their families when food assistance programs were delayed.

We also held services for Transgender Day of Visibility, Service of the Longest Night, Ash Wednesday, Easter Sunrise Service along with many other special Sunday services throughout the year.

Westfielders always jump in to volunteer whenever help is needed. Whether it's for a fundraising event or to fill in for Pastor Jon during his sabbatical we can always count on the congregation to help.

We also spent the year with full hearts and stomachs. With delicious fundraising dinners, bakery room at the bazaars, Be Our Guest meals and many pot luck dinners we certainly relished spending time with each other while enjoying lots of delightful food.

We had lots of fun outside of church also. We started a Book Club, we had Comedy Night, we played Bingo, we did a fundraiser at the Woodstock Fair, a Christmas Party and many Fiesta First luncheons.

We also have making improvements to our church building. We removed a couple pews to give us more space in the Sanctuary, we repainted the Fellowship Hall, Sunday school rooms, hallways and bathrooms. Also, thanks to our Major Needs campaign we were able to get new freezers, a copy machine, microphone and make upgrades to our live-streaming equipment.

Overall we are very proud of the work that the board has done this year. We are honored and excited to continue on next year serving the church and the community.



TREASURER'S REPORT



CHERIE TRAHAN

Thank you for your generosity of both financial resources and time! This is what allows Westfield to do all the good things we do!

We ended the year with expenses exceeding our income by \$5,673. Our pledge and offering income as well as fundraising income exceeded budget. This allowed us to cover most of our expenses without drawing from the endowment. Church electricity, gas and insurance were the main reasons for going over budget. The endowment account remained strong at the end of the year with a balance of approximately \$276,000, primarily for capital or emergency needs.

Thank you again for your generosity!



ELAINE SMITH

The past year has been one of stability, collaboration, and mutual support between the congregation, staff, and pastor. We have continued our commitment to maintaining compensation for Rev. Jonathan in line with Southern New England Conference guidelines while also strengthening our staff team through the addition of two nursery teachers to support our growing children's ministry. Throughout the year, we have worked intentionally to foster a healthy workplace culture where each staff member is empowered to share their gifts and contribute meaningfully to the ministry of Westfield Church.

Regular conversations with Rev. Jonathan have provided opportunities to celebrate successes, address challenges, and ensure that the needs of both pastor and congregation remain in healthy balance. The committee remains grateful for his leadership, vision, and dedication to the life of the church. We continue to support his ministry wholeheartedly and look forward to the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead as we partner together in Christ's work.

PASTORAL RELATIONS



JENNIFER JOHNSON



**BETH
WEBSTER**

Westfield Kids had an exciting and meaningful year of growth, learning, and connection. We were thrilled to welcome several new families into our Sunday school program and expand our nursery team by hiring two additional nursery teachers. Our Summer Sunday Fundays were a tremendous success, providing children and families with opportunities to build friendships, deepen their faith, and have fun together. While we were disappointed that weather and a particularly active flu season forced us to cancel the Christmas pageant, the spirit and enthusiasm of our children remained strong throughout the year. From weekly Sunday gatherings to our roller-skating outing in April, we continued creating spaces where kids and families could experience the joy of belonging to a church community.



**JUSTIN
MERCHANT**

Beyond the activities themselves, this year was a reminder that children's ministry is about much more than lessons and events. For those who have volunteered and become more involved with Westfield Kids, the experience has been deeply rewarding on a personal and spiritual level. While helping in classrooms sometimes means missing a sermon, it has offered another way of experiencing the energy, warmth, and faith of this congregation. Serving alongside our children and families has fostered a greater appreciation for the many moving parts that make church life possible, as well as a deeper understanding of the ministry that happens behind the scenes each week. Through this work, volunteers have found opportunities to grow in patience, compassion, flexibility, and grace—qualities that are at the heart of Christian discipleship.



**DONNA
BARTHOLOMEW,
DIRECTOR OF
CHILDREN**

Most importantly, Westfield Kids continues to be a place where children know they are loved, valued, and welcomed exactly as they are. As we look ahead, we are excited to continue building community through new family-focused activities, special events, and opportunities for connection both inside and outside the church walls. The future of Westfield Kids is bright, and we are grateful for the children, families, volunteers, and staff who make this ministry such a vibrant part of our congregation.



**CHRISTIAN
EDUCATION**



MISSIONS & OUTREACH



CINDY SANDBERG

The Missions & Outreach Team continued to live out Christ's call to love our neighbors in practical and meaningful ways throughout the year. While we are proud of the numbers—more than 1,000 meals served through Be Our Guest and hundreds of individuals assisted through our clothing and resource ministries—it is the relationships that have had the greatest impact. Through our ministries, we have had the privilege of getting to know our community on a deeper and more personal level. We have listened to stories, celebrated successes, offered encouragement, and connected people with resources when they needed them most. Among our greatest joys has been witnessing community members find employment, secure transportation, and move toward stable housing and apartments of their own.



**MORGAN
BEAUREGARD**

Be Our Guest remained at the heart of our outreach efforts. This year we served 12 monthly suppers, providing more than 1,000 meals to neighbors facing food insecurity, isolation, or financial hardship. We also changed our serving model, moving from serving through windows to serving face-to-face. This simple change transformed the experience, creating opportunities for conversation, connection, and hospitality. As many volunteers have noted, "Mom didn't serve through windows," and the community has responded warmly to this more personal approach. We were also pleased to support Christ Church Pomfret as they continued hosting meals on the third Friday of each month.

Our resource ministry continued to grow as well. The clothing and supply racks in the gym have now assisted more than 600 individuals, serving an average of approximately 50 people each week. These resources provide practical support while also affirming the dignity of those who come through our doors. Whether someone needs clothing, household items, or simply a listening ear, our goal remains the same: to ensure every person is treated with compassion, respect, and care.

Project Haven experienced significant growth this year. What began as a small gathering of concerned community members has expanded into a collaborative effort involving multiple churches and community partners. Through Project Haven, volunteers distributed warming kits and provided hats, scarves, personal care items, and other essentials to neighbors experiencing hardship. More importantly, the initiative has helped build relationships and foster conversations about how our community can better respond to homelessness and housing insecurity. We are grateful for the many volunteers, donors, and partners who make this work possible and for the opportunity to be Christ's hands and feet in the world.



PROPERTY & FISCAL



EARL WILD

The Property/Fiscal team accomplished an impressive amount this year, completing projects that improved the safety, functionality, accessibility, and appearance of our church campus.

Major projects included removing nursery ceiling tiles, installing new posts and signage by the blue door, purchasing new chairs, replacing the mail slot and siding, adding new freezers, installing a new Connex storage box, relocating the old shed, removing two pews, and installing new carpet in the front hallway. Security and technology upgrades included updated door locks and key fob access, new cameras in the front hallway, office hallway, gym, and preschool room, a new lock box, video recording notification signs, and a new copier.



MARC POITRAS

Additional improvements included new handrails and staining of the upper ramp, power washing and staining of the lower handicap ramp, stair supports at the pink door entrance, new emergency exit lights in the sanctuary, furnace regulators, classroom and balcony blinds, a classroom divider curtain, a new television, and new locks for the gym and library doors. The sanctuary cross was refinished and enhanced with backlighting, new flag holders were installed, repairs and painting were completed in the bell tower, and a church-wide dumpster cleanout helped reclaim valuable storage space. We are especially grateful to Lu, whose painting projects refreshed numerous areas throughout the building.

We also completed Phase One of the kitchen renovation project through an upgrade to 200-amp electrical service, preparing the way for future improvements. In addition to these larger projects, the team faithfully handled the countless routine tasks that keep the church operating smoothly. These included monthly inspection of fire extinguishers; replacing batteries in smoke detectors, thermostats, door locks, and security cameras; replacing light bulbs; maintaining the bell system; seasonal air conditioner installation and removal; starting and maintaining the stove; repairing ramps; creating and hanging banners for upcoming events; setting up and taking down the Christmas Nativity display; and providing extensive setup and cleanup support for the Christmas Bazaar and other church events. Together, these visible and behind-the-scenes efforts ensure that Westfield remains a safe, welcoming, and well-cared-for home for ministry.



WORSHIP & MINISTRY



BERT SHARPE

Worship and Ministry Team provides the structure to carry out many of the necessary facets of weekly worship. We recruit about 50 volunteers each month to assist in creating a worshipful experience for all who enter our church facility. Our other responsibilities include preparing for communion, which now includes the Sunday School on the third Sunday of each month. In addition, the youth have been participating during the service of communion.

We assist in preparation for Baptisms (10 the last 12 months) and the Welcome of New Members (15 in the past year). Whenever possible, we assist with weddings, funerals and special seasons i.e. Lent and Advent. We arrange for primary and secondary counters each Sunday to record the gifts received during the offertory correctly.



**SUSAN
WALDRON**

Our average weekly attendance has risen from 126 last year to 134 this year, which includes those who worship with us online, many from out of the area. Each Sunday we are blessed to see more new faces, adding to the layers of our church family.

Music is an essential part of our worship and we are blessed not only with our phenomenal Director of Music, Susan Theroux, but also several members and guests who share their talents on a regular basis, enhancing worship even further.

This past year, we also began a Handbell Choir under the expert direction of Becky Ducat. The Enfield Church has graciously lent us their bells and the equipment needed to perform. Presently, it is an all-woman group, with an average of eleven ringers. Their music on special Sundays is an enjoyable addition.

Thanks to all of our many volunteers, those behind the scenes, who do whatever is needed. And thanks also to those who quietly offer a hand when the best-laid plans dissolve!



FELLOWSHIP & DEVELOPMENT



TABITHA TYLER

We continued its mission this year of strengthening relationships within our congregation while creating opportunities for community engagement and connection.

Our Fiesta First gatherings remained a popular way for members and friends to enjoy good food and great conversation at local restaurants, including Jade Garden, Classic Pizza, The Courthouse, and The New Imperial Room. Attendance ranged from 8 to more than 40 participants, offering a welcoming environment for both longtime members and newcomers to build relationships.



**DANIELLE
MONTVILLE**

Werk It Wednesdays provided opportunities for service and fellowship throughout the year. Participants worked on projects such as creating Easter decorations, assembling "Thinking of You" gifts, sending birthday cards, preparing casseroles, and helping with church events. Just as important as the work itself was the time spent together—sharing stories, laughter, and friendship while serving the church.

Lemonade on the Lawn continued to offer a relaxed opportunity for conversation following Sunday worship, while the Ice Cream Social provided a fun and delicious way to connect with the broader community. Our annual Easter Dinner was another highlight, serving approximately 70 meals to individuals and families who otherwise may not have had a place to celebrate the holiday.

One of the year's biggest successes was our Christmas Party, which brought together members and friends for an evening of celebration, laughter, food, and holiday cheer. The event was well attended and served as a wonderful reminder of the joy that comes from gathering together as a church family.

The committee also staffed the Café during both the Winter Bazaar and Daffodil Bazaar, where our chicken salad croissants and other offerings were enjoyed by many visitors. We are grateful to everyone who volunteered their time, talents, and energy to make these events possible and look forward to another year of building community both within and beyond the walls of Westfield Church.



FUNDRAISING & STEWARDSHIP



BECKY DUCAT

Many fundraisers were done throughout the year such as: Woodstock Fair; Winter Wonderland Bazaar; two Yard Sales; Daffodil Bazaar/Pie Palooza & Vendor Fair; Red White and Blue at Owen Bell (Fried Dough and Sausage/Onion/Peppers Grinders) and Grill Raffle; Killingly's Spooktacular Lights & Sights we sold hand pies, water and had a raffle; Farmer's market at Westfield where we sold Chicken Pot Pies, Shepherd's Pie and Stuffed Shells; two baked potato bars and the re-vamped Dessert Auction called Piece Be with You, which we did in the evening with mocktails and passed hors d'oeuvres.

Also upcoming for Summer of 2026: Comedy night at the Putnam Elks and more Bingo at the South Killingly Fire Department!

New and very successful fundraisers were done in 2025-2026 such as our first Bingo, held at the South Killingly Fire Department – we have 2 more planned for the summer! Also in February we did our first ever cookie walk, featuring Cookie Monster – it was very popular and we will definitely do it again! Our new, most popular fundraiser was our Westfield Pet Calendar!

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers we have! We couldn't do it without you!



DANINE POIRIER

Roberta Sharpe and Susan Waldron served as delegates for the Windham Association and for the Southern New England Conference of the United Church of Christ.

On Saturday, April 25th, 2026 Super Saturday was held with the theme The Moment and The Message: Tools and Conversations for today's church. Four presentations addressed the theme.

"Truth in Advertising" was addressed by our Regional Minister, The Rev. Carol Steinbrecker. "Tell Your Story, Church Marketing That Works" was presented by The Rev. Dr. Jonathan Chapman. "Name It To Tame It" talked about practical ways to help people with anxiety. The final workshop was "Meeting the Moment", ways churches are responding to today's challenges.

The 7th Annual Meeting of the SNEUCC will be held on Friday September 25th through Sunday September 27th at the DCU Center in Worcester, MA. "The Ties That Bind" is the weekend's theme and references Ecclesiastes 4:12, "A three-fold cord is not easily broken." The final votes to fully, legally complete the journey to become SNEUCC will be taken. Sunday worship will be live-streamed to all churches across the region.



BERT SHARPE



SUSAN WALDRON



CONFERENCE & ASSOCIATION DELEGATE REPORT

THE NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

12
MONTHS

10000+
FREE MEALS SERVED

2

NEW MINISTRIES

10

BAPTISMS

15

NEW MEMBERS

228

MEMBERS

103

2026 PLEDGING UNITS

6

DAYS WORKING
THE FAIR

4

NEW SECURITY
CAMERAS

2

FEWER PEWS

8,000+
VOLUNTEER HOURS

19,574
TEXTS SENT

10,329
FACEBOOK SHARES

6,300+
BULLETINS PRINTED

NEW MINISTRIES



Borrowed Blessings is a community ministry that provides durable medical equipment at no cost to individuals and families throughout northeastern Connecticut and neighboring communities in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. From walkers and wheelchairs to shower chairs, canes, and other mobility aids, the program connects donated equipment with those who need it, helping people maintain independence and dignity during times of illness, injury, recovery, or aging. By giving these items a second life, Borrowed Blessings reduces financial burdens while promoting stewardship and neighborly care.

Inspired by our congregation's belief that God's blessings are meant to be shared, Borrowed Blessings has become an important resource for countless families who might otherwise struggle to obtain essential medical equipment. The ministry relies on generous donations from community members and the dedication of volunteers who collect, organize, and distribute equipment. Through this simple but powerful act of sharing, Borrowed Blessings embodies our mission to extend compassion, build community, and offer tangible support to those facing life's challenges.

Project Haven was launched in response to the growing challenges of homelessness and housing insecurity in our community. What began as a public forum attended by more than 120 community members has grown into an ongoing coalition of local residents, faith communities, nonprofits, service agencies, and civic leaders committed to finding practical solutions. Through monthly meetings and collaborative partnerships, Project Haven has helped coordinate resources, identify gaps in services, and create opportunities for meaningful community engagement around one of the most pressing issues facing our region.

Throughout the year, Project Haven has worked to support emergency shelter efforts, expand access to meals and basic necessities, and advocate for long-term solutions that address the root causes of homelessness. The initiative reflects our congregation's commitment to living out the Gospel through compassionate action, bringing together people of diverse backgrounds and perspectives to care for our neighbors. As the work continues, Project Haven remains a powerful example of how faith communities can serve as catalysts for hope, collaboration, and lasting change.



NEW MINISTRIES



The **Open Hearts Team** began its work this year to help Westfield Church live more fully into its covenant as an Open and Affirming congregation. Through education, advocacy, visibility, and relationship-building, the team sought to ensure that LGBTQ+ individuals and families know they are welcomed, valued, and celebrated as beloved children of God.

A major highlight of the year was Westfield's participation in Quiet Corner Pride. Church members staffed a welcoming booth, shared information about our ministries, offered hospitality to attendees, and strengthened relationships with LGBTQ+ neighbors throughout the region.

The event provided an opportunity not only to represent the church publicly but also to listen, learn, and demonstrate that faith communities can be places of acceptance, healing, and belonging. The team also helped support the creation and installation of Westfield's new "Love Your Neighbor" Pride flag, a vibrant public witness to our belief that God's love extends to all people.

Throughout the year, Open Hearts continued to encourage conversations around inclusion, equity, and belonging within the life of the congregation. Whether through special worship services, educational opportunities, community events, or simply fostering a culture of welcome, the team worked to ensure that Westfield remains a church where people can bring their whole selves without fear of judgment or exclusion.

As our congregation seeks to be the Heart of Killingly, Open Hearts reminds us that welcome is not a one-time statement but an ongoing practice. We are grateful for the members of this team and for the congregation's continued commitment to creating a church where all people can experience God's love, share their gifts, and find a spiritual home.

WESTFIELD RINGERS

The **Westfield Ringers** enriched our worship life this year through their dedication, talent, and ministry of music. Under faithful leadership of Becky Ducat and with countless hours of rehearsal, the choir provided beautiful and meaningful music that enhanced worship services throughout the year, particularly during Advent, Christmas, Holy Week, and other special occasions. Beyond the notes themselves, the ringing of the bells has a unique way of drawing the congregation into prayer, reflection, and celebration. The commitment of these musicians reminds us that worship is not only spoken and sung, but also expressed through the gifts of time, practice, and artistry. We are grateful for the Westfield Ringers and the joyful spirit they bring to our congregation.



WESTFIELD PRIDE

LOVE YOUR

INSPIRING · REPUBLICAN · BLACK · OLD · ORDINARY
DEMOCRAT · FUN · KIND · ANGRY · WHITE · LOST · SAD
MUSLIM · YOUNG · IMMIGRANT · NOISY · POOR
LOVING · CHRISTIAN · LESBIAN · DESPERATE · VIRTUOUS
BI · DIVORCED · NEW · CREATIVE · BROWN · GENEROUS
RESISTANT · STRUGGLING · DOUBTING · HOPEFUL
OPEN · STRAIGHT · RARE · DEAF · LOUD · ADDICTED
DESPAIRING · REFUGEE · UNSEEN · EXCITED · BROKEN
UNSURE · CALM · AFRAID · WONDERING · JEWISH · ODD
SKEPTICAL · TRANS · ANXIOUS · CELEBRATING · SHY
HURTING · LONGING · GRIEVING · WORKING · QUEER
ARTFUL · CURIOUS · NEAT · WANDERING · DISABLED
CONFIDENT · RETIRED · NONBINARY · SCHOLARLY
IGNORANT · INCARCERATED · HONEST · SINGLE · MESSY
MYSTICAL · BRAVE · MOURNING · HUNGRY · HOMELESS
ZEN · SEEKING · AUTISTIC · TATTOOED · BLIND · GAY
HOPE-FILLED · ATHEIST · EXUBERANT · INTROVERTED
EXTROVERTED · JOYFUL · QUESTIONING · HEALING
HEALED · ACTIVIST · NEIGHBOR · VOLUNTEER · TEACHER
STUDENT · PARENT · TIRED · CHILD · GRANDPARENT
UNDOCUMENTED · OVERWORKED · UNEMPLOYED
RECOVERING · SURVIVOR · THRIVING · OVERJOYED
SEARCHING · RESTLESS · BELIEVER · ARTIST · SEEKER
NERVOUS · BOLD · GENTLE · PEACEMAKER · DREAMER
DOER · LISTENER · UNAFRAID · BUSY · PLAYFUL
OVERTHINKING · HELPFUL · QUIET-PRAYING · HUMBLE
LOUD-LAUGHING · MIDDLE-CLASS · FARMER · WIDOWED
SUBURBAN · CITY-DWELLER · UNDERAPPRECIATED
FAITHFUL · FAITHLESS · GOOFY · UNCERTAIN · GRIEVING
GENEROUS · OPEN-HEARTED · EXPLORING · TENDER
PERFECTIONIST · GRATEFUL · LEARNING · WOUNDED
REBUILDING-AGAIN · COMPASSIONATE · IMAGINATIVE
COURAGEOUS · AWKWARD · FORGIVEN · HUMAN

NEIGHBOR

WESTFIELD CHURCH | THE HEART OF KILLINGLY

One of the most visible expressions of Westfield Church's commitment to extravagant welcome this year was the creation and installation of our new Pride flag. Inspired by Jesus' commandment to "Love your neighbor as yourself" (Mark 12:31), the flag features more than one hundred words describing the beautiful diversity of people who make up our communities—Republican and Democrat, Christian and atheist, immigrant and lifelong resident, grieving and joyful, questioning and certain, young and old, LGBTQ+ and straight, and so many more.

More than a banner, the flag serves as a statement of faith. It reflects our conviction that every person is created in the image of God and worthy of dignity, belonging, and love. The design intentionally resists reducing people to a single label, instead celebrating the many identities, experiences, and stories that make us human.

Born of the desire to show our commitment to LGBTQ+ inclusion AND the concern on local rogue actors targeting the church for its beliefs, this flag is an example of showing who we are and what we're about with nuance and honesty.

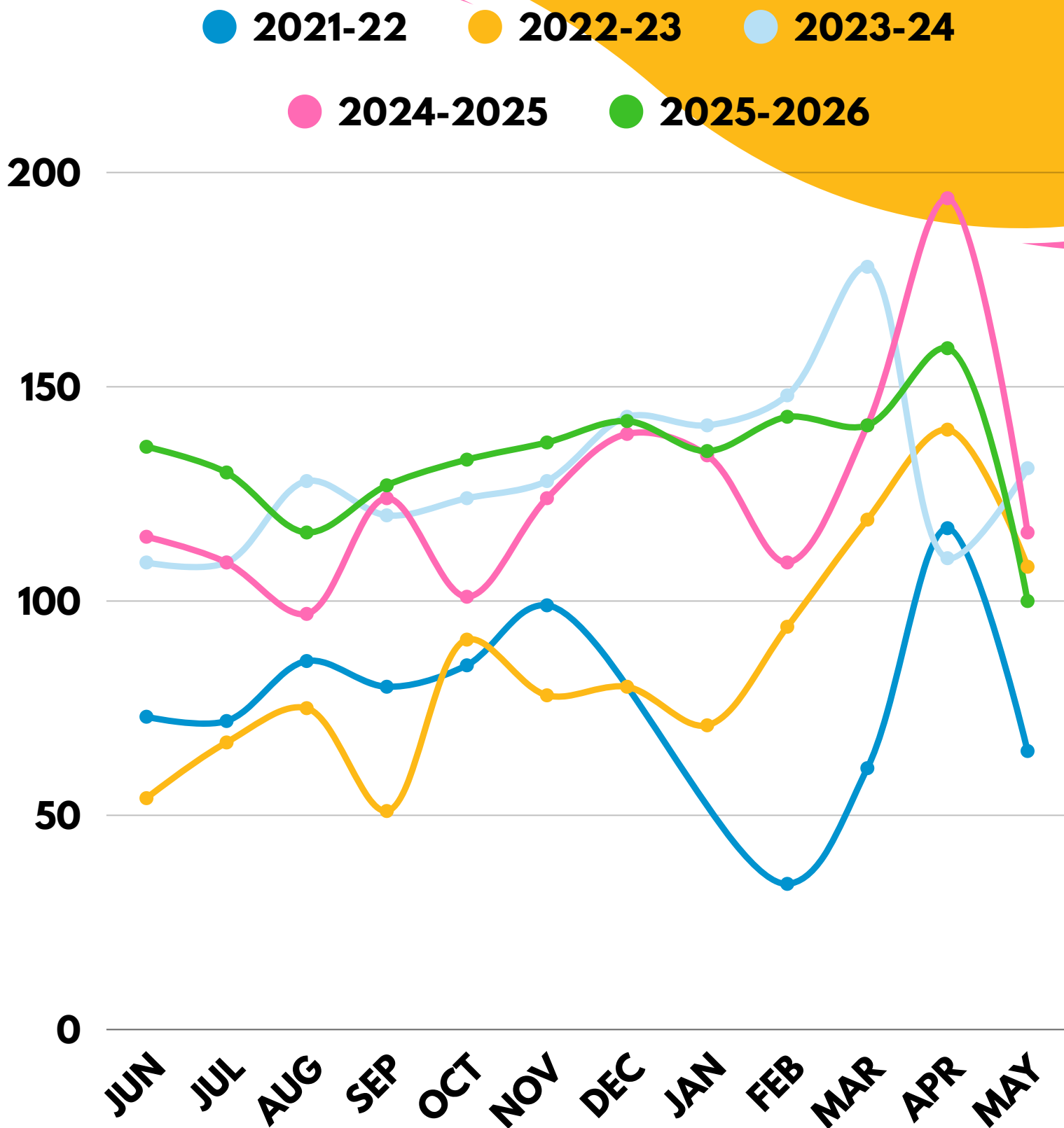
Installed prominently on our property, the flag has sparked conversations, offered encouragement, and communicated to countless passersby that there is a place for them at Westfield Church.

As a congregation that seeks to be the Heart of Killingly, we believe that loving our neighbor is not merely an idea but a practice.

This flag stands as a colorful reminder of who our neighbors are—and who we are called to be. Whether someone sees themselves reflected in one word or twenty, our hope is that they hear the same message: You are loved. You belong. You are welcome here.

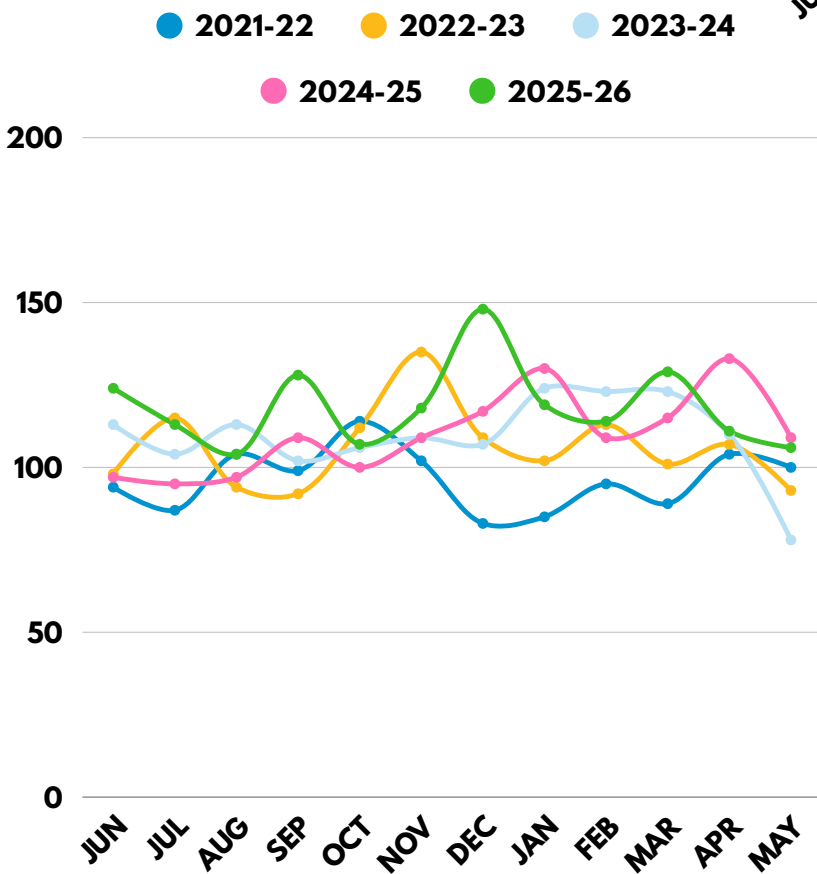
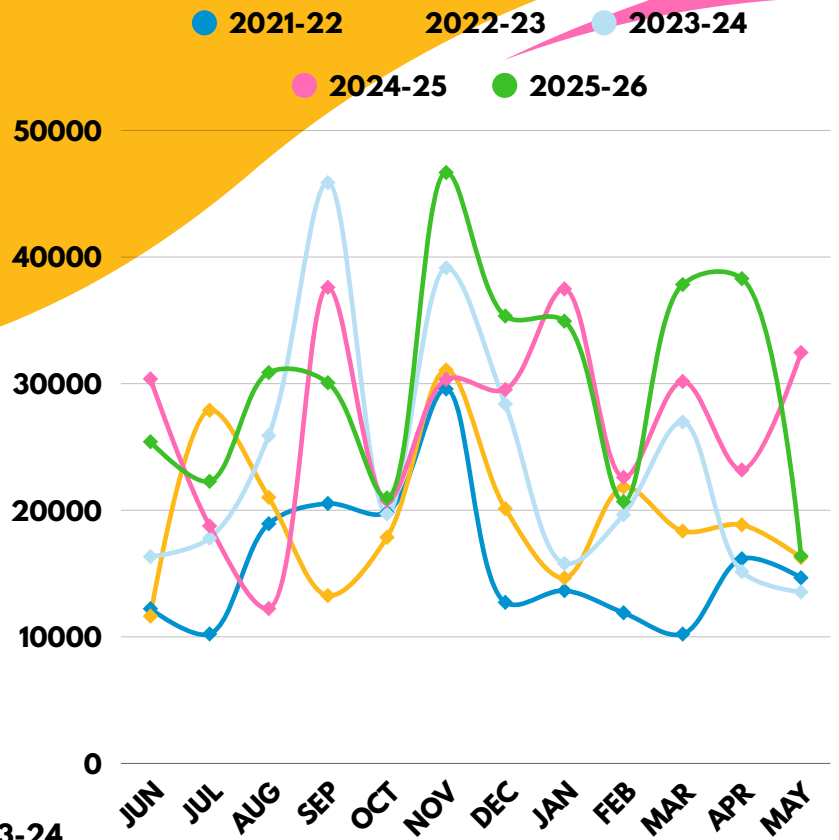
OUR FAITHFULNESS

ATTENDANCE TRENDS FROM JUNE 2025-MAY 2026
COMPARED TO THE PREVIOUS 48 MONTHS



OUR FAITHFULNESS

INCOME TRENDS FROM JUNE 2025-MAY 2026 COMPARED TO THE PREVIOUS 48 MONTHS



NUMBER OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTORS FROM JUNE 2025-MAY 2026 COMPARED TO THE PREVIOUS 48 MONTHS

THANK YOU TO OUR 2025-26 BOARD



**MISSY BRYER
MODERATOR**



**JAYLEE STOKES
VICE MODERATOR**



**CHERIE TRAHAN
TREASURER**



**ELAINE SMITH
ASST. TREASURER**



**DENISE NAULT
CLERK**



**EMMA RUFFIN-CROMER
ASST CLERK**



**BERT SHARPE
WORSHIP**



**SUSAN WALDRON
WORSHIP**



**EARL WILD
PROPERTY**



**MARC POITRAS
PROPERTY**



**CINDY SANDBERG
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**MORGAN BEAUREGARD
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**DANIELLE MONTVILLE
FELLOWSHIP**



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**JONATHAN CHAPMAN
PASTOR**

NOMINATED WESTFIELD BOARD 2026-27



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PASTORAL RELATIONS**



**JONATHAN CHAPMAN
PASTOR**

WESTFIELD 2026-2027 BOARD

ROLE	CLASS OF 2027	CLASS OF 2028
Moderator	Missy Bryer	
Vice-Moderator	Jaylee Stokes	
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Asst. Treasurer	Elaine Smith	
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Asst. Clerk	Erin DeRouin	
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Pastoral Relations	Jennifer Johnson	
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Conference/Association Delegates	Susan Waldron Bert Sharpe	

WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT WESTFIELD?



Family and friends, the support and acceptance, fun events, best pastor ever!!!

LISA MARCINIEC

The doors open to everyone! **ANNE MILLIARD**

The sense of community and belonging. **LISA HIGGINS**

The music, the people, the commitment to the community and a place where everyone truly is welcome...as they are. **RENEE TOPER**

Family and Friendship. **BECKY DUCAT**

The people! Everyone is so friendly! **NANCY ANDERSON**

Westfield is genuine! **SUSAN KLARE**

It's been about one year since I joined Westfield Church, I can truly say I found my home. The peace, the love, the welcoming of this community has truly filled my heart. **ROBIN BERNIER**

I ♥ that we rally for each other in every way in every season of life. There is always a hug when you need one, and always someone who can TELL you need a hug even when you don't know it yourself. **WE ARE FAMILY!**

JENNIFER JOHNSON (JJ)

The hymns sermons and baptisms. Concern and prayers for each other. Feeling of belonging **LINDA HARKINS**

I love that I can go here and just feel it. **PATRICE SHIPPEE**

I love that they are all my church family. **JUDY HAINES**

I love the Pastor, church, & family atmosphere! **RONDA MANDEL**

People are there for you when you need them most.. especially the pastor. **SANDRA ALVORD**

I love that it's my home away from home. **CAROL KILEY**

I love Westfield Church because the services and events there always leave me feeling good and motivated to do God's work! **DOTTIE SENY**

I like that on any given Sunday(day) you can walk into church and see such a diverse group of people from all walks of life. Each of those people come here and are accepted as they are. **SANDY COLLINS**

It is difficult to pick one particular thing. The music is always so beautiful. I really love it when Pastor Jon creates a choir out of the congregation. The big smile on his face when we follow his lead is so much fun to see. **MARILYN WILD**

WHAT WE BELIEVE

THE HEART OF KILLINGLY



GOD

We believe that God is a loving God who made human beings in God's image. Therefore, all people are of value and loved by God.



JESUS

In Christ, the head of the church, God conquers sin and reconciles the world to Divine Love. We believe in God, and we follow Jesus.



HOLY SPIRIT

God's continuing presence and activity in the world.



TRINITY

God, Christ, Holy Spirit are one.



CHURCH

A community of people united in Christ through worship, work, and witness--not a building.



THE BIBLE

The inspired Word of God. We take scripture seriously, not literally.



SERVICE TO OTHERS

Along with making disciples, the mission of the Church is to work for justice and to establish God's Realm in the world.



THE SACRAMENTS

We celebrate two: Baptism and Communion. It is through baptism that persons are joined in faith with Jesus and accepted into the fellowship of the church. The breaking of bread and the sharing of the cup are done in remembrance of Christ's death and his resurrection.



FAITH

Faith isn't not asking questions. It's asking questions, doubting, believing, and trusting. It's messy, it's hard, it's worth it.

WHERE WE STAND

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GOD LOVES QUEER PEOPLE

LGBTQ+ folks belong—in the pews, the pulpit, and in policy.

"You are all one in Christ Jesus."

Galatians 3:28



JESUS WAS A REFUGEE

Welcoming immigrants is not just politics—it's discipleship.

"I was a stranger and you welcomed me."

Matthew 25:35



FAITH SUPPORTS

REPRODUCTIVE JUSTICE

Jesus never shamed a woman for her choices—neither should we.

"They will know you are my disciples by your love."

John 13:35



FAITH > FIREARMS

We worship the Prince of Peace—not the Second Amendment.

"Blessed are the peacemakers."

Matthew 5:9



ANTI-RACISM IS GOSPEL WORK

Jesus flipped tables. You can call out injustice.

"Do justice, love mercy, walk humbly."

Micah 6:8



HEALING IS HOLY

Jesus didn't charge co-pays.

Healthcare is a human right.

"Heal the sick... freely you have received, freely give."

Matthew 10:8



PROTECT THE PLANET. IT'S GOD'S.

Creation isn't a commodity—it's sacred.

"The earth is the Lord's."

Psalms 24:1



VOTING IS SACRED

Suppressing the vote is sin. Period.

"Defend the rights of the poor and needy."

Proverbs 31:9



JUSTICE IS ECONOMIC, TOO

Poverty is not a personal failure.

It's a policy choice.

"Woe to those who trample on the poor."

Amos 5:11



KEEP CHURCH & STATE SEPARATE

Faith should guide compassion, not control policy.

"My kingdom is not of this world."

John 18:36

**We're all just walking
each other home.**

Ram Dass

