Women's Fellowship Yearbook 2023 - 2024



First Congregational Church of Greenwich

Women's Fellowship

Board 2023 - 2024

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Kettle Quilters Hilary Lawrence

Soup Sale Sue Wilder and Pat Larrabee

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Mission Statement of the Women's Fellowship

As women of The First Congregational Church of Greenwich, we are a fellowship united in a ministry to better the world around us as we deepen and share our Christian faith through:

- Outreach opportunities that contribute time, talent and treasure to our local and global communities.
- Programs that enrich the mind, body and spirit.
- Fellowship activities that foster community and support.

Women's Fellowship Activities

Women's Fellowship brings the women of First Church together through social events, service projects, and educational opportunities. If you are a woman and are a member of, or active in, First Church, then you are a member of Women's Fellowship!

This booklet provides an overview of some of our current activities and programs. Please share your thoughts and ideas for new programs with us by contacting the Women's Fellowship President, Car Westbrook, at carwestbrook@optimum.net.

Watch for our announcements during the year and please consider being an active part of this vibrant and vital ministry in our church.

The Rummage Room

The Rummage Room, located at 191 Sound Beach Avenue in Old Greenwich, is run by Women's Fellowship. A true outreach project, profits from The Rummage Room are allocated yearly to charitable organizations which serve women, children and families. Since its inception, we have donated over \$5.4 million to charities.

You can support The Rummage Room in three ways: **donate your clean gently used goods**, **volunteer your time**, and **shop there often!** A wish list of needed/wanted items appears regularly in the church's Friday email blast, the weekly church bulletin and on the church website at www.fccog.org/about-us/the-rummage-room.

Stop by and say hello to our manager, Leanne Meyer, and all the volunteers who make The Rummage Room hum. Please consider volunteering for a regular shift or helping out for seasonal transition needs. You'll enjoy rewarding work that makes a real difference in our local and larger community.



Shop Hours:

Monday – Thursday 11 am - 3 pm Closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday

Donation Hours:

Monday – Thursday 11 am – 3 pm

(203) 637-1875

Women's Fellowship Programs

How you can get involved

Kettle Quilters

Quilters of various experience levels meet Monday mornings from 9 am - noon in the Binney Conference Room to work on a future heirloom quilt which is raffled off at our Annual Meeting in May. Fabric we love, stitch we must, each other's company we enjoy! With happy thoughts, our quilters gather together to complete our annual quilt. Come and join us!



Contact Hilary Lawrence at kettlequilters@gmail.com

Events

Super Bowl Sunday, February 11, 2024 "Souper" Bowl Sunday Fundraiser

Our tenth annual Soup Sale is our only planned fundraiser for the year. Net proceeds go to the Women's Fellowship for our operating expenses. We make our favorite soup or chili recipes, label and package them in quart sized containers and sell them during Community Hour. Enjoy while you're watching the Super Bowl or keep for a later date.



Thursday, May 23, 2024 at 11:30 am Annual Spring Luncheon and Quilt Raffle

Enjoy camaraderie, a delicious meal, an engaging program including election of officers and approval of allocations, and the excitement of the Annual Quilt Raffle! Net proceeds from the Quilt Raffle, along with net proceeds from the Rummage Room, go to our next year's allocations to charities.

Summer Socials 2024

Join us at the Sue Baker Pavilion at Greenwich Point on designated summer evenings at 5:30 pm. We bring our own food/drinks and meet for an informal gathering. Dates to be announced in spring 2024.

