

The lighted candle in the Church Steeple will shine perpetually as a beacon of God's strength. This light reflects our prayers for peace, here and abroad. To help defray the cost of keeping the lights lit, donations are greatly appreciated.



### **Old Stone Church**

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Jonathan S. Budd, Ph.D.

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Jennifer Calonico, Director / Kim Oca, Assistant Director

ELC Hours: M-F 7:30 am—5:15 pm Office hours 8:30 am—1:30 pm

#### **Old Stone Village 203-467-0661 ext 2**

OSCV Hours: 6:30am—6:30 pm

Nicole Ferrigno, Director / Kristen Sartor, Assistant Director

#### **Thrift Shop 203-467-2907 Ext 107**

Saturdays from 10 am—3 pm



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# *The Herald*

*July 2022*

### **Upcoming Dates**

OUR Sanctuary and Parlor, are open for In-Person Worship service or can be viewed on Facebook Live 10 am Sundays

Have a Safe and Happy Independence Day!



Worship throughout the summer months will be held in the air conditioned comfort of the Parlor. We are so blessed to have this secondary worship space and invite you to join us.

Don't forget to pick up your latest copy of "The Upper Room"



*From the desk of Rev. Mark Pilletere...*

Summertime is here!

Ah, the glory that is the New England summer, the bright sunshine, the long evenings, the campgrounds and cabins bustling with anxious activity after the long shut in, everywhere you look life is inexplicably pushing to the surface ... Having survived the deep freeze of winter we are ready to bask in the heat and relax. The temptation is to take a break from God and the Body.

This month I want to talk about one thing I believe God wants to see happen in our lives as we enjoy this special season of sunshine and warmth. What should we be getting done this summer?

Make repairs.

As any homeowner can tell you the summertime is the time to make repairs that have been broken down by the harsh conditions that prevail throughout the rest of the year.

Take a look out the front door of the church and you'll see that the town also is busy making repairs, trees being cut down to protect the power lines, repair of the sidewalks and curbs and fix all the potholes. Many days it is a challenge to get to your destination with all the barriers, workers, and trucks coming and going.

What needs repairing around your house?

I'm not talking about the building where you live now... I'm talking about YOUR HOUSE... you. What has been beaten and battered by the harsh conditions?

We need to do more than just relax in this enjoyable season because it is not always going to be this way.

Come to the Lord, draw near with a contrite heart and be repaired this summer.

"The Scriptures were not given for our information, but for our transformation." D. L. Moody

Don't miss the growing season, you miss a few church services, though I don't recommend making a habit of it, but don't take a break from walking with the light of life!


This is a time to be transformed, to be repaired, and to experience real spiritual growth.

The summer is the ideal time to get into the Word and experience renewal of your mind by its new ideals and its new attitude!

Blessings

Pastor Mark

# July 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Custodian vacation 7/3-16 Pastor vacation 7/10-23					1	2
Worship Service 10 am Parlor 3	Independence Day  4	Girl Scouts (BSR) 5	WISP Rehearsal (FH) 6pm 6	Childbirth (P) 6 Mahjong (P) 12 Troop 401 (BSR) 7	8	Thrift Shop Open 9-3 9
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## July Birthdays

- 7/02 Elle Amato
- 7/03 Andrea Kosowsky
- 7/08 Tammy Chinatamani
- 7/09 Vidy Scobie
- 7/10 John Young
- 7/11 Ashley Kristant
- 7/22 Kirsten Kilburn
- 7/23 Don Thomas, Jr.
- 7/24 Mia Torello
- 7/25 Alan Sutor, Jr.
- 7/26 Grace Trufan
- 7/29 Jesse Ludington
- 7/29 Lou Staiano
- 7/30 Myles Standish
- 7/30 Elijah Trufan

## Happy Anniversary

- July 6, 1985 Bob & Liz Luther
- July 13, 2012 Matthew & Nicole Gelo
- July 15, 1989 Don Thomas III & Alberta Vitale
- July 20, 1985 Kevin & Louise Ward
- July 21, 1990 Paul & Audrey Pochodowicz



## Congratulations !

- Kara DelGuidice** New Kindergarten Teacher at Tuttle School
- Kim Standish and Matthew Owensby** .... Recently engaged
- Grace Bast**—East Haven High School Graduate
- Cheyenne Clark**—East Haven High School Graduate
- Jesse Ludington**-Recipient of the 2022 Pratt Severn Best Student Research Paper Award

**Babs Roberts**-is a new Great Grandma. Reilly Amelia was born on 6/19/2022 to Amber and Reed May and joins big brother Reed III



**Childcare** for our youth during worship is available with volunteers. To sign up for this awesome position, please see Louise Ward or let the Deacon of the month know that you are interested.



**Prayer requests** can be sent or called in to the church office at any time. Please send to the church's confidential email: [oldstonechurch97@gmail.com](mailto:oldstonechurch97@gmail.com) or direct to Pastor Mark's confidential email: [oldstonepastor@yahoo.com](mailto:oldstonepastor@yahoo.com). Pastor Mark will read them aloud on Sunday during service. Should you need a call, please note that in the message.

## Pastoral Visits in Hospital

Pastoral Visits in the hospital are becoming possible slowly and gradually, with particular guidelines that are changing to reflect the particular hospital's guidelines. If an in-person visit is not possible, telephone visits for prayer and comfort are an alternative, although certainly less than ideal. Please contact Heidi or Pr. Mark, in the office at 203-467-2907, if you anticipate a trip to the hospital or unexpectedly find yourself hospitalized, so Pr. Mark can respond.

Is there a special event that has or is happening in your life? Send a note or call the church office to share it with your church family. Prayer requests can be submitted on-line or in person. Email to [oldstonechurch97@gmail.com](mailto:oldstonechurch97@gmail.com) or send to Old Stone Church 251 Main Street East Haven, CT 06512  
**Deacons in charge for the month of July: Tom and Linda Collopy**



## What's Cookin' ??

**Poor Mans Lobster** Submitted by Helen Wendt for publication in the Old Stone Church Cookbook

Bass Fillet (2"x3")    Lemon Juice

Cocktail Sauce        Crackers

Steam a small piece of fillet until the meat is white and flaky. Brake apart with a fork. Chill in freezer for 15—20 minutes. Mix with cocktail sauce and lemon. Serve on a cracker.



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**Beet and Apple Salad** Submitted by Virginia Liebler for publication in the Old Stone Church Cookbook

1 can (2 cups) sliced Beets, drained        1/4 cup water

1 Apple, peeled and diced in 1/2" pieces    1/4 cup Sugar

1/2 medium Onion, sliced thin                1/2 tsp. Salt

1/2 cup Vinegar                                    1 tsp. Caraway Seeds

2 tsp. Horseradish



Place beets, apple and onions in a jar. Boil vinegar, water, sugar and salt for 3 minutes. Add caraway seeds and horseradish. Pour sauce over beets and apples. Cover and refrigerate for 12 hours, stirring several times.

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**Green Bean, Red Onion & Tomato Salad**

Submitted by Kathy LaPia for publication in the Old Stone Church Cookbook

10 oz. Fresh Green Beans (trimmed)        1 tsp dried Basil

1 small Red Onion (thinly sliced)        2 Tbsp fresh Parsley (chopped)

3 Plum Tomatoes (sliced in small wedges) 1/4 tsp Salt

2 cloves Garlic (minced)                    1/4 tsp Pepper

2 Tbsp Balsamic Vinegar                    1/2 cup Canola or Olive Oil



Blanch the green beans and rinse under cold water and drain. In a large serving bowl, combine the beans with the onion and tomatoes. In a small mixing bowl, whisk the garlic, basil, parsley, salt, pepper, vinegar and oil until combined. Pour over vegetables and toss to coat. Marinate for at least one hour or up to overnight.

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**Lime Jello Salad** Submitted by Marion Condi for publication in the Old Stone Church Cookbook

2 small pkgs Lime Jello (8 oz)            1 #2 can crushed Pineapple (drained)

1—16 oz Large Curd Cottage Cheese

This is somewhat like ambrosia. Gently mix all of the above ingredients together and chill on the refrigerator for at least 2 hours.



## Sunday Morning Fellowship has returned to

### Old Stone Church

Please join us after Sunday morning services for a time of fellowship in Fellowship Hall or in the Parlor.

If you are interested in hosting a Sunday morning fellowship, please sign up at church or contact the office via email at [oldstonchurch97@gmail.com](mailto:oldstonchurch97@gmail.com) or call 203-467-2907



### COMMUNICATION:



Do you have a new address, e-mail or phone number? Have you gotten married, had a baby or need support?

Please let us know so we can reach out and update our data. Let a Deacon, the Pastor or the office know of any changes.

## Flower Committee News

Would you like to remember, honor, celebrate or dedicate flowers on Sunday morning in church? You can always make a donation to the Steeple Fund or bring flowers for the pulpit.

Let any one of the Flower committee folks know that you are interested., or call the office at 203-467-2907.



### Gratitude Is the Mother of Joy

Joy is prayer—Joy is strength—Joy is love—Joy is a net of love by which you can catch souls. She gives most who give with joy.

—Mother Theresa

Attitudes of Gratitude—MJ Ryan

## Vacation Bible School at Old Stone Church

August 15-19, 2022    9 am—1 pm    Children ages 6-10 are invited to attend this weeklong fun filled adventure. \$20.00 pp

Register early to get your chance to learn about the Fruit of the Spirit.

Registrations are now available and are due by July 31, 2022  
For more information call 203-467-2907 or see Louise Ward

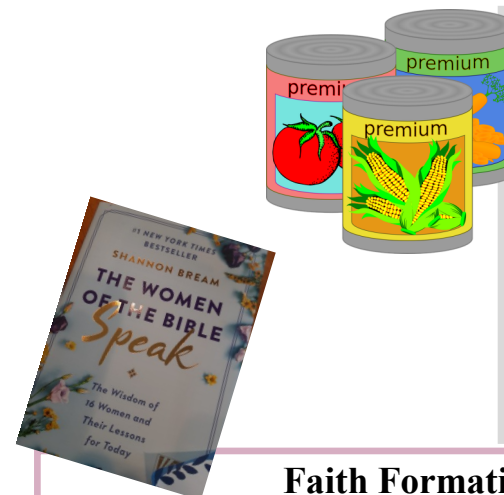
Monday : “Self Control”    Tuesday : “Patience”    Wednesday : “Kindness”  
Thursday : “Peace”                                    Friday: “Love & Faithfulness



### Global Outreach...

The East Haven Food pantry at Christ and the Epiphany church is always in need of food donations. Please consider donating to your neighbors in need.

At this time, the “wish list” for the East Haven Food Pantry includes cereal, pasta, sauce, and jelly that they cannot get from the Connecticut Food Bank. With the summer vacation, they are asking for donations of snacks for the school children, suggestions of raisins, graham crackers, and granola bars without nuts. The Food Pantry is very grateful for the weekly contributions from Old Stone Church.



### Faith Formation

A book and Bible discussion series of **The Women of the Bible Speak** by Shannon Bream started on June 6, 2022, and continues to meet Mondays at 12 noon. Please contact Louise Ward if you are interested in this delightful read. Books are available. Bring your lunch and enjoy the discussion.



## Steeple and Bell Fundraisers Continue

Old Stone Church is a local, state and nationally recognized treasure and is in need of our community support. We are currently working to raise funding to repair and paint the steeple and the decaying mortar between the brown stone. As well as repair the bell. Please consider donating. (all donations are tax deductible)

### OLD STONE COFFEE BLEND

is available in the church office. \$14.00 per bag, (pre-ground.) Enjoy a cup of this deliciously blended coffee from One World Roasters.



### Writing With a Piece of History

Our very own Pastor Mark of Old Stone Church, has created a work of art using wood from the Steeple. To purchase pens, please see Pastor Mark or call the office at 203-467-2907.

This unique pen sells for \$25.00 each (100% of the profits from the sale of these pens go to the Steeple Fund)



### Town of East Haven Town Green Beautification Project

Engraved bricks have begun to arrive and are being inserted in to the walkway on the town green. The above pictured brick, is in the walk way now. Can you find it? Perhaps you ordered a customized brick of your own. Take a walk to find our little piece of history. See how many names you recognize. A nice walk for a hot summer day.

Should you want to have a brick engraved, please see Heidi in the office for an order form.

A 4x8 brick is \$ 75.00 with up to 3 lines engraved.

A 6x9 brick is \$100.00 with up to 5 lines engraved.

## In Local News



[The Shore Line Trolley Museum, 17 River St, East Haven, CT, 06512](#)

More info: <https://>

[www.dynamicticketsolutions.com/sltm/index-responsive.cfm](http://www.dynamicticketsolutions.com/sltm/index-responsive.cfm)

A summertime favorite is back! Bring your friends for a relaxing and fun social evening. Ride the trolley at sunset and enjoy complimentary refreshments. Enter drawings for gift baskets and more! Event sells out quickly, so reserve your seat early! **Event date: Thursday July 14, 2022 6pm**

### Food Pantry at Christ & The Epiphany Under New Management

East Haven Food Pantry President Diane Romans, has retired from this position and has named Christine Sandford as the new contact. Should you have any needs, please contact the pantry during their open hours on Tuesday and Saturday at: 203-467-2310

### Farmer's Market Comes Back to the Green

Back on the East Haven Green, the East Haven Farmers Market will run Sunday mornings 8:30 am to noon with the Shoreline Garden Club from June 12 through the summer.

The market moved from the Town Hall parking lot to the green in 2020 and has seen an increase in vendors and visitors in its new home.

Shoreline Garden Club members will be on site and will host free planting activities throughout the season.

The market runs rain or shine; check [www.facebook.com/easthavenct](http://www.facebook.com/easthavenct) for updates on activities or severe weather cancellations. New vendors are welcome to participate.



## **EAST HAVEN TOWN GREEN**

### Concert Series

- 7/10 Doobie Brothers Tribute Band
- 7/17 Senior Discount
- 7/24 Coyote River Band
- 7/31 Timmy Maia
- 8/7 Echoes of Sinatra & Dino
- 8/14 Pop Rocks 80's Band
- 8/21 Journey Tribute Band
- 8/28 70's Project

6:30 to 8:30 weather permitting

## **EAST HAVEN BEACH CONCERT**

### Series

1 to 4pm weather permitting

- 7/2 One Way Ticket
- 7/9 Heavy Hitters
- 7/16 Moto Caribbean
- 7/23 Take Two & Call Me in the Morning
- 7/30 The Colbalt Rhythm Kings
- 8/6 Senior Discount
- 8/13 Timmy Maia
- 8/20 One Way Ticket

### Board of Deacons News

Our Sunday morning worship services will be held in the air conditioned Parlor during the summer months and will start at the normal time of 10:00am. We will continue to broadcast our services live on Facebook so if you are unable to attend in person, we encourage you to watch it online.

We were pleased to announce recently that Dave Thomas has joined the Board of Deacons.

Deacons in charge for the month of July are Louise Ward and Nancy Wobensmith

While Pastor Mark is on vacation, Adrienne Ward will lead us in worship on July 10 and Kathy Mallory on July 17.

Thank you, Tom Collopy, Chairperson

### Open and Affirming

This past fall we began the process of becoming an Open and Affirming church, which goes by the acronym "ONA". A committee was formed and we met with an ONA consultant of the UCC to begin the process. After an unintended hiatus during the winter months, we are meeting again and are eagerly resuming our efforts to proceed with the process. As specific plans take shape we will keep you all informed. The committee members are: Stephanie Kilburn, Peggy Thomas, Nancy Wobensmith, Adrienne Ward, Estelle Fanucci, and Tom Collopy. If you have any questions about the ONA process, please speak to anyone of our members.

Thank you, Tom Collopy, Chairperson

### WISP Cabaret at OSC

July 15, 2022 in Fellowship Hall 7pm showtime

Come see these very talented young adults sing songs from many Broadway Hits on the hall stage.

Get your tickets before they sell out at: [www.buy.tututix.com/wisp](http://www.buy.tututix.com/wisp)

\$15.00 per person

Raffle tickets available at the show.





# East Haven Public Schools SUMMER MEALS

Sodexo Food Service will distribute free meals throughout the summer for children 18 years of age and under.



## Locations:

**EAST HAVEN HIGH SCHOOL  
35 WHEELBARROW LANE**

June 21st – August 19th  
Mon. – Fri. 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

**DEER RUN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
80 FOXON RD.**

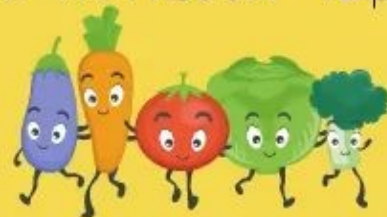
July 5th – August 5th  
Mon. – Thurs. 12:30 pm – 1 pm

**OVERBROOK SCHOOL  
54 GERRISH AVE**

June 27th – August 19th  
Mon. – Fri. 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm

**MOMAUGUIN SCHOOL  
99 COSEY BEACH ROAD**

June 27th – August 19th  
Mon. – Fri. 11:30 am – 12 pm



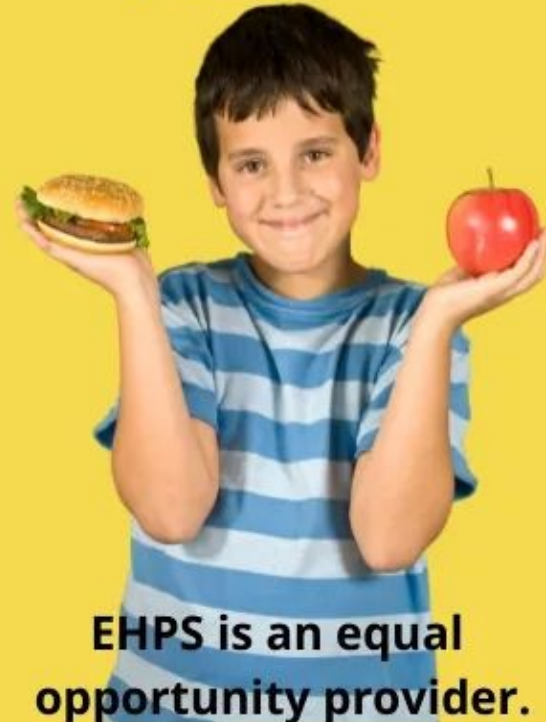
Disclaimer: location, serving times, and dates of the sites are subject to change at any time.

## Important Change from last summer:

**Per USDA Federal Guidelines  
Child MUST be present to  
receive meal and  
MUST consume meal on site.**

**Questions? (203)468-3944**

**For more information please  
visit [www.ctsummermeals.org](http://www.ctsummermeals.org)  
or call 211.**



**EHPS is an equal  
opportunity provider.**



## Old Stone Village July Herald

June came and went so quickly at Old Stone Village, but they say, ‘time flies when you’re having fun!’. We started off the month visiting the aquarium visiting warm water friends. We explored Tropical fish, sharks, dolphins, jellyfish and stingrays. We explored the various species through many different sensory bins inside and outside in our water tables. We helped the fish swim, wound up the swimming dolphins, stacked jellyfish with their suction cup tentacles, and fed the hungry sharks with tiny fish. We worked on more and less while counting fish in fishbowls, counted which dolphin mom had more babies, and which creature we had more of in our sticker aquariums. Our favorite activity of the week was most likely sifting through our new sand table for various shark teeth and other marine treasures.



The second week of the month we traveled to the icy cold waters on our aquarium trip to meet our cold-water friends. We helped penguins hop from iceberg to iceberg in our arctic water sensory bin and added cotton balls to our penguin pictures. We weighed different whales on our scale to see who weighed more than their whale friends and then helped them navigate the icy channels in our iceberg water run. We also used straws to blow paint on the top of our whale pictures to depict the water coming out of their blowholes. Wednesday brought us to the docks as we sank our lobster traps to see which class could catch more lobsters. We ended the week exploring narwhals by making different playdoh Narwhal creations and coloring our own narwhal tusk headbands.



The Third week of June brought us out of the Aquarium and onto the beach. We explored sand, seashells and shellfish, and various sand and water sports. We had a full water day under our palm tree sprinklers and loved getting back to full water play. We built sandcastles out of kinetic sand inside and mixed water into our dry sand table outside to make larger castles outdoors too. We decorated frisbees and then learned how to make them fly really far! Our Villagers ended their week by racing boats in our water tables around all the sharp turns. We had a beachball-a-palooza to end our week where we filled the playground with countless beachballs, painted beach balls and used water squirters to move them across the playground.





We concluded the month of June at the campground. We made our own smores trail mix where we scooped and measured scoops of various ingredients. Then we painted with different sized marshmallows to make beautiful pictures. Our Villagers took turns in our tent pretending to cook on our campfire with the pretend food. We roasted hotdogs and marshmallows for our camp dinner over the light-up campfire. Our younger toddlers painted the nighttime sky with glitter stars while the older toddlers painted with glow paint. We made our own binoculars to search through the glow in the dark star bin.



On June 17<sup>th</sup> we dedicated our Lending Library outside our Garden in loving memory of Marissa Harris, a beautiful friend and coworker who passed away suddenly in August of last year from Sickle Cell Anemia. June 19<sup>th</sup> was officially designated as “World Sickle Cell Awareness Day” and in honor of Marissa we all wore red last year to show her our support. This year, again, we all wore red to honor her strength and courage through the battle that ultimately took her from us. Our oldest villagers each picked out their favorite books to place inside our lending library and we had two of our past Villagers, Santino Ferrigno and Wesley Sartor, place Marissa’s favorite children’s book “Green Eggs and Ham” into our Library to kick off the ceremony. Marissa’s mother, brother and nephew also joined us for this dedication ceremony and continue to be a part of our Village family.

July will kick off our “Modes of transportation” units as we explore various locations throughout the world we could travel to in different ways. Our first week we will start local as we visit NYC and other local attractions by train and car. We will explore the Statue of Liberty and celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July with a day of Flag projects and other national symbols. Our second week will bring us onto an airplane to travel to Florida and visit Disney World. This is a fan favorite of our Villagers as they love going through the park and getting to explore with their favorite characters throughout this week. Our third week will bring us by boat to the Caribbean as we learn all about island life and hopefully get to spend much of this week outside in the water. We will of course end the week with a traditional Hawaiian Luau! The final week of the month will bring us aboard the space shuttle and travel through the stars and different planets. We love learning all about outer space and spaceships.

This Summer will go quickly as we will soon be saying goodbye to another 18 Villagers as they move on to preschool. This class of Villagers is made up of our original infant class so seeing our “first babies” move onto preschool is a bittersweet time for us here at OSV. Our graduation will be held on August 26<sup>th</sup> outside in our playground area.



We’d like to thank everyone who voted for us in the 2022 Best of the Shoreline for daycare centers. We recently received correspondence that we are one of the top three finalists for this category, and are eagerly awaiting to see what place we came in this year. Winners will be released in September.

**Nicole Ferrigno**, Director and **Kristen Sartor**, Assistant Director

## Early Learning Center News

### July – August Herald

Our 2021-2022 school year came to an end on June 15<sup>h</sup>. The children performed for their family and friends in the parlor, featuring poems, instruments, and dances. They enjoyed refreshments and received a well-deserved certificate for their hard work and participation this past year from their teachers.

The Summer Enrichment Program began on June 20<sup>th</sup> and we have 28 students in the first session. For the Summer Enrichment Program, the teachers have been planning new activities that incorporate readiness skills in Reading, Math, Social Studies and Science. Our age range for the summer program, is from 3 to 7. We are charged with the task of making their experiences meaningful and fun! Some of the units of study will include, creating and performing in a play “The Three Bill Goat Gruff”, a counting summer book, Hawaii theme, and countries around the world.

We will be visiting the Hagaman Memorial Library and take part in their summer activities such as, Cool Tunes With Mr. Rob, Ed Pop Magic Show, and Oompa Possum Puppets Presents The Three Little Pigs, and so much more!

The children always look forward to playing in our playground in the summer season. We have added two water tables for those hot days of summer and a Googly toss game. Outdoor play and nature build confidence, promote creativity and imagination, teach responsibility, encourage physical activity, and reduce stress and fatigue.

I am happy to report that the ELC is full for the upcoming school year!

Have a wonderful summer and be safe!!

**Jennifer Calonico**, Director and **Kim Oca**, Assistant Director

