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The Church Herald Newsletter

Office Hours:

Tuesday - Friday 10:30a-4:30a

Sunday, August 7, 2022

Communion Sunday

Rev. Richard A. Weisenbach

Pastor Emeritus

Sermon: "The Bliss of the Blessed"

Scripture: Rev. 7:9-17

The flowers will be given in loving memory of

Mr. and Mrs. L. Martin Tucker
and

Miss Gladys E. Tucker
from granddaughter and niece
Linda C. Hamlin.



***Congregational pray at 10:30am
in the Fireside Room.***

***Prayer is a powerful tool,
the first, not the last resort.
Come and pray with us.***

Sunday, August 14, 2022

Aaron Wolgamott

Sermon: "Choose this day..."

Scripture: Joshua 24:14-15



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WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, July 24 9:30a - 45

11:00a - 48

Sunday, July 31 9:30a - 56

11:00a - 64



*Do you need a ride to church?
Please call the office.*

OUR MISSION IS TO REFLECT THE LOVE OF GOD BY WELCOMING ALL PEOPLE INTO A
LIFE-CHANGING, EVER GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.

The power of prayer...

*Dear Lord, You are such a good good God.
You hear our every prayer and You answer them as well.
It may be with a yes, no, or not yet.
Help us to be both patient and grateful for Your answers.
In Jesus Name. Amen.*

Our Prayer Needs

**Please pray for the Howland family as they
grieve the loss of Fred Howland and the
Ganong family as they grieve the loss of Mark.**

Nancy Adams, Frank Adams, Bob Blaser, Charles Chapman, Douglas Cook,
Ed Courier, Jim Donovan, III, Teddie Fitzpatrick, Trefina Fox, Gina Gebhard,
Lenny Hart, Erin Hefferman, Janet Manning, Abettina Morano, Sandy Serrentino,
Lisa Surlles, Stephen Taylor, Samuel, Richard and Pat Weisenbach
and for all those healing and recovering from illnesses
and for our missionaries around the globe.

Monthly Congregational Prayer

August 7 at 10:30a

in the Fireside Room. Please join us.

contact Winnie Carpenter at winniecarpenter@gmail.com

Please pray for our Associate Pastor Search Committee as they seek to honor the Lord with their selection. Watch for more details. Committee members include: Doug Jackson, Julie Bohn, Kellie Roden, Angelin and Wayne Cocorochio, Donna Nicolai, Pastor John Dale. Tom Martin serving as alternate if needed. Please keep this team in prayer.



Stephen Ministers provide confidential, one-to-one Christian care to people experiencing a crisis or going through a difficult time. Stephen Ministers meet weekly with their care receiver for around an hour to listen, care, encourage, pray and provide emotional and spiritual support for the person. Caring relationships last for as long as the person's needs persist.

Stephen Leaders: Pam and Ken Hodgson

Stephen Ministers: Bob Blaser, Barbara Flynn, David and Susan Frey,
Judy Gordon, Abettina Morano and Donna Woodland.

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord,
plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope..

Jeremiah 29:11



Pastor's Pen



“The Dog Days of Summer”

According to the Farmer's Almanac, the Dog Days of Summer occur from July 3rd until August 11th each year, thankfully that means we're near the end. The Almanac notes that these days are generally the hottest and most uncomfortable days during the year. The “dog days,” is also named apparently for the ‘dog star,’ Sirius which is seen in the sky from early July until mid-August.

For some, these days are an opportunity to get away. Seeking vacation, relaxation or a time to see family and friends. Perhaps a chance to find a respite from the heat? I certainly understand why people seek relief in the summer. Personally, fall is my favorite time of year, and each day we are closer to falling leaves and the amazing color palette on display especially here in New England.

But since we are still in the “dog days,” what will we do? How can we make the hottest time of year more enjoyable? What can we focus on in those moments of discomfort?

Each day, Kathy and I check our garden for summer fruit. Tomatoes, cucumbers, squash beans and lettuce. Although it's hot this time of year, gardening can show just what can happen when the garden gets the proper amounts of water and attention.

The summer also affords to all of us a chance to slow down, refocus and regroup. Taking time to plan for the fall and the coming year. A time to reflect on our faith and draw closer to our God.

As you journey through the remaining “dog days,” may your faith be rekindled and refreshed as we journey towards the coming fall.

Pastor John



Wednesday at 6:30p

Bible Study on The Doctrine of Hell (Topics).

4th Wednesday of the month at 6:30p

Men's Bible Study. Contact: Ian Carpenter

Bible Studies for Women

Thursdays (meets weekly)

At 9:15a Women's Bible study in the Fireside Room.

New study begins August 6: Forgiving, Making Peace with the Past.

Contact: Angela Faylor

3rd Thursday 6:30-8p

Women's Bible study.

Contact: Winnie Carpenter

Youth & Young Adults

For information on upcoming summer events for young adults and youth groups, contact: Julie Bohn.



Visit our Tech Corner happening at the next Community Breakfast & Clothing Closet Event August 20 at 9a

At the community breakfast Tech Corner, help is given to those in our community with a variety of technical issues with their electronics. If you would like some technical assistance, please stop by! We are here every month, spread the word!

Young Couples and Family Fellowship Group

Young Couples and Family Fellowship Group: If you are a family with school aged children or younger, newly married or soon to be, come join us for a simple dinner, fellowship and support. We typically meet the 2nd Friday of the month. Hope to see you then. If you have any questions or to find our next meeting place, please email Winnie Carpenter winnie.carpenter@gmail.com

Jesus knows me, this I love...

Wakefield Summer Band Concert

7pm at the Gazebo

(in the event of rain, concert will be held at First Parish)

August 5 and August 19

If you would like to help distribute water for this event,
please contact Jo Lynn Foster.

Water Ministry

Passing out free water to those who thirst...



MOVIE NIGHT ON THE COMMON

August 4 (rain date August 11)

If you would like to help distribute water for this event,
please contact Heather Hulse.



We worship God with every gift we offer - with prayer, songs of praise, and gifts of time and treasure.

Our church offering is an act of worship and obedience to our loving God. The financial support of cheerful givers, and God's promise to bless our giving, works to further His mission at First Parish. You can give a one-time gift of set up recurring donations online using this QR code or the "GIVE" link at FPCcwakefield.org.

Thank you for your generosity, and thanks be to God!

And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. 2 Corinthians 9:8



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Sunday 7pm (Sunday morning service)

Monday 8pm, Wednesday noon, & Friday at 7pm

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