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The Church Herald Newsletter

Office Hours:

Tuesday - Friday 10:30a-4:30a
**Closed Tuesday, September 6,
13, 14 and 15 (vacation)**



Rev. John T. Dale

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Conservative Congregational Christian Conference
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Sunday, September 1, 2022

Communion Sunday

Rev. John Dale

Sermon: *Building a Leadership Team*

Scripture: Titus 1:1-5

The flowers are given in loving memory of
Donald F. Millheim
by Kathryn Millheim and the Cady family.

Sunday, September 11, 2022

Rev. John Dale

Sermon: *Church Leadership*

Scripture: Titus 1:6-9

following this service

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
12:15p (see enclosed warrant)**



WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Sunday, August 21 9:30a - 45

11:00a - 48

Sunday, August 28 9:30a - 44

11:00a - 94



*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, please be with us in our times of difficulties
knowing that You are present in the moment.*

Help us to rely on You for all things.

In Jesus Name. Amen.

Our Prayer Needs

Please pray for the family of Mary Mac Laughlin.

Mary went to be with Lord on August 22, 2022, a FPCC Member
since April 17, 1938.

We lift up Malcom Tottingham as he grieves the loss
of his wife, Roberta, "Bobbie"

Please pray for Linda Sabatula Swansburg as she
grieves the loss of her husband, Michael.

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, Roberta Tottingham, Samuel, Richard and Pat Weisenbach
and for all those healing and recovering from illnesses
and for our missionaries around the globe.

Monthly Congregational Prayer

September 4 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 candidate 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



Tuesday at 6:30p

Women's Wakefield Bible Study scheduled to start up on September 20. We meet from 9:30 to 11 and will be studying the book of Philippians this fall. Contact Judi Manola jbmanola@gmail.com

Thursdays (meets weekly)

At 9:15a **Women's Bible study** in the Fireside Room. Study is: Forgiving, Making Peace with the Past. Contact: Angela Faylor

A new study will now begin on September 15th at 7p on **Spiritual Gifts**. Contact: Pastor John

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 September 17 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 or newly married or soon to be, come join us for a simple meal, activity, fellowship, and support. We meet monthly. Our next meeting will be the Church Family Picnic by the Lake, after services on Sunday September 18, 12noon-2pm. Hope to see you there! For more info, please feel free to email Winnie Carpenter (winnie.carpenter@gmail.com)."

Jesus knows me, this I love...



The Pastor's Pen



Sitting in my office these last days of summer, listening to the sounds of the YMCA kids outside my window, reminded me that fall is quickly approaching. Labor Day, September 5th a little over a week away, always pointed to the rapid successions of events for our FPCC church family.

“Back to Church Sunday,” September 18th, the return of the Wednesday night “Youth Group” regularly scheduled events, as well as Bible Studies, Alpha and other activities like choir, and “Children’s Chapel,” all return in earnest.

Soon will be Stewardship month, the church will get a preview of the remaining years budget and what may lie ahead in 2023. We will celebrate Thanksgiving and Advent, the Messiah Sing, Living Nativity, Candlelight Service and a special Sunday Christmas Day service.

It’s certainly been a hot, dry summer. Many are longing for fall and cooler temperatures. As these day’s approach, let’s stay informed about the events that will be happening at our church. Let’s get involved in these ministries and let us consider how we can continue to strengthen our church’s finances as we strive to move forward in the coming year, looking to God for great things in the new year!

Pastor John

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
September 11, 2022
CHURCH WARRANT

To: Becky Fosnock, Clerk
First Parish Congregational Church
Wakefield, Massachusetts

Greetings:

You are hereby directed to notify the members of First Parish Congregational Church in Wakefield, Massachusetts, to meet at the church on Sunday, September 11, 2022, at 12:30 PM.

Article I: To hear a report of Council regarding our budget priorities for First Parish, our 2022 income, spending and anticipated deficit; our estimated 2023 and 2024 budgets; and to take any other appropriate actions thereof.

Article II: To transact any other business that can legally come before this meeting.

You are hereby directed to serve this warrant by causing an attested copy thereof to be published through regular information channels and posted at the church at least one (1) Sunday before the meeting in accordance with the bylaws.

Given under our hands this 1st day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-two.

THE CHURCH COUNCIL



Mark G. Hatheway, Moderator

All church family are welcome to attend.
All Active Members are asked to check in
prior to meeting.

You're invited

YOU'RE INVITED! CONGRATULATIONS
JULIE



OPEN HOUSE STYLE GRAD PARTY:
COME WHENEVER, LEAVE
WHENEVER!
SEPTEMBER 10
2PM - 9PM
BRING A LAWN CHAIR!

MUSIC, GAMES, AND
SNACKS ALL DAY!

BBQ: 4PM - 6PM
KARAOKE: 6PM - 8PM
CAKE/DESSERT: 8PM

YOUR PRESENCE IS YOUR
PRESENT!

CONTACT
COMMUNICATIONS@FPCCWAKEFIELD.ORG
FOR MORE INFORMATION

**BACK TO
CHURCH**
SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

*Let's celebrate church...
The Church is the people!*

September 18, 2022, Sunday 12noon - 2pm
Family Picnic after Church

Bring a blanket, folding chairs outdoor games, BYO picnic and come to fellowship and get to know other families at First Parish! Weather permitting, we will go to the park right behind the church and set up our spot for a picnic and enjoy the playground, some outdoor games, and some fellowship! If it rains, we will "picnic" in the basement dining room, fellowship and play indoor games there. Hope to see you there!

You're invited to attend the

**Ordination
Service of
Melinda Parry**

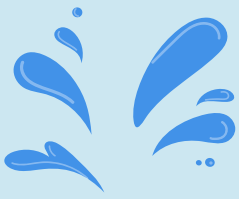
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Sunday, September 18, 2022

First Parish Congregational Church
(1 Church St., Wakefield)

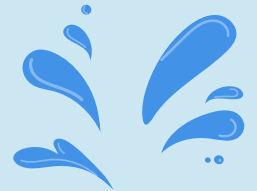


Please RSVP to 781-245-1784



Water Ministry

Would like to thank all those that contributed water and time and money to give those who thirst, living water.



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!



Scan to GIVE

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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WCAT: View 11a service on Sunday (previous week)
Sunday 7pm (Sunday morning service)
Monday 8pm, Wednesday noon, & Friday at 7pm
Channel 3 for RCN & Comcast/Channel 40 for Verizon