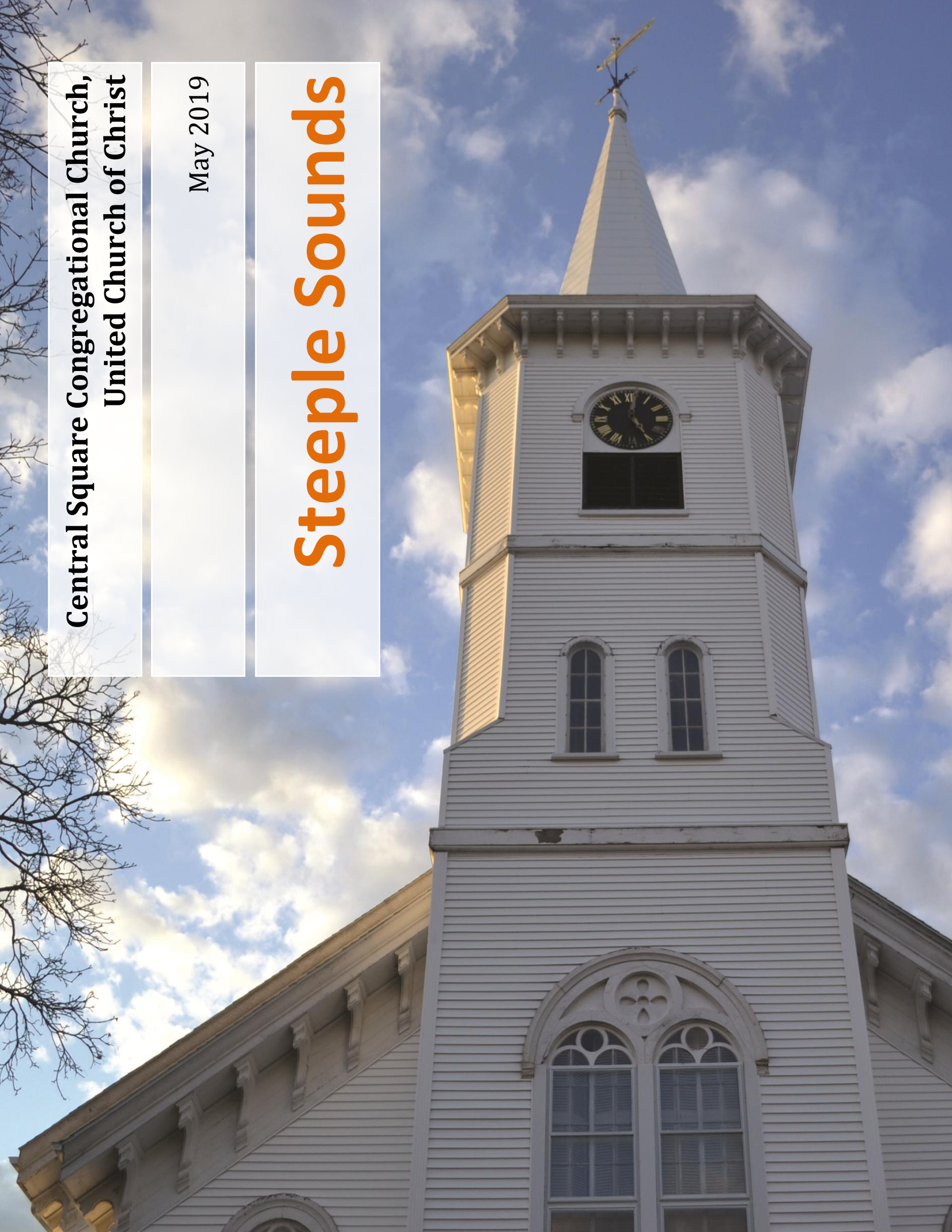


**Central Square Congregational Church,
United Church of Christ**

May 2019

Steeple Sounds



From The Desk of Rev. Beth



"For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth..."

-Isaiah 65:17

This morning, as I walked out to my car to come to the office, I hopped over puddles and worms and noticed some gnats swarming over a particularly muddy patch of last year's grass. With new eyes, I'm beginning to see parts of our property that I haven't really looked at in months. I'm also noticing the downed branches, hunks of turf, and piles of rock and sand scooped by our snow plow guy during the first little storm when the ground wasn't frozen yet. I see BSU students walking through Bridgewater center shedding their winter layers. Some already venture out to class in sandals and shorts. Even though my mother's voice echoes "You're making me cold!" in my brain when I see them, I admire their bravado. They understand this truth: Forty-five degrees feels cold in October. In late April and early May, it feels delicious; a promise that spring really is here and summer is coming.

The calendar tells us that we are in Spring. Our senses tell us that winter is trying to hang on. When I read the words of Isaiah 65, the lavish description of God's dream for new heaven and new earth, I am reminded of the season in which we find ourselves right now. We haven't quite made it to the summer of creation. No, we are earlier in the verse. We are at the "God is about to create" part. What this means is that we are somewhere after the beginning but not quite at the end of the process of creating. We are getting ready. In the phrase "for I am about to create", we are at the "about" part.

The past few months of worship have been about telling the stories from the midst of Jesus' ministry-how he gathered coworkers, what he taught, where he had conflict. We took the time to watch Jesus be about God's business of building the kingdom. We were invited to consider what it means for us to be about God's business in our own day and time. We were invited to think about how we enact our faith. And, we were invited to remember repentance, to take seriously what is turning us away from God, and prayerfully work to turn back towards God's grace and love. And now, we are in the midst of the "about".

It is no small thing to be in this "about" season. It's sticky, messy, and full of things once covered up by the snow. But, even in the midst of the muck, there is potential. God is about to build a new creation. It will always be on the foundation of what has come before.

And so, in the midst of the "about", what new life is about to be born in you? What has this season been preparing you to build with God? As you stand in the muck and mud of the "about to" time, what is sustaining you through to new creation? Our scripture tells us that new life is coming. If it doesn't feel like Resurrection, it just means God's not done yet. That means we still have time to pitch in and become good fruits of the next growing season.

With a hopeful heart,

Rev. Beth

Upcoming Events at Central Square Congregational, UCC!

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Sunday, April 28th: Stories with Rev. Beth at 9:00 AM - Rev. Beth LOVES to read. She especially loves books about kids and faith. She also loves to read aloud. On April 28, Rev. Beth will be in the Church Nursery at 9am, she'll say an opening prayer, welcome everyone (all ages welcome!), sing a song, and then she'll read some of her favorite faith stories. Bring your breakfast or snacks, bring your stuffed animal or lovie if you want, and come hear stories!

Sunday, April 28th: Youth Group (Grades 5-8) at 11:30 AM –

With Earth Day creation centered crafts, activities and devotional led by the Youth.



Saturday, May 4th: TacoBout the Stars at 5:30 PM - Start in our Fellowship Hall for a make your own Taco Bar! Following the meal, we will head over to the Bridgewater State University observatory for a private stargazing experience to view God's creation. Come one come all!

Sunday, May 5th: Breakfast at 9:00 AM - Come to Breakfast! Enjoy wonderful pastries, luxury egg dishes, and world class cooking from our own breakfast crew.



Saturday, May 11th: Playgroup at 9:00 AM - Bring your baby or toddler and hang with other moms! No agenda or program, just a fabulous play room for the kids and time to be with other moms!

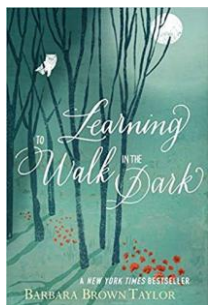
Sunday, May 19th: Breakfast at 9:00 AM – Come to Breakfast! Enjoy wonderful pastries, luxury egg dishes, and world class cooking from our own breakfast crew. Everyone brings something to our table!





Sunday, May 19th: Bluegrass Gospel/Contemporary Christian Music Concert from 1:30 -3:30 PM – A family affair, located at Bridgewater Music Alley (directly across the street from CSCC in the common). Bring your neighbors and friends! *Our own Julia Carey and Tom Struzik are among the performers.*

Saturday, June 8th: Playgroup at 9:00 AM - Bring your baby or toddler and hang with other moms! No agenda or program, just a fabulous play room for the kids and time to be with other moms!



Saturday, June 8th: Book Study at 10:00 AM – Come to an open discussion on *Learning to Walk in the Dark* by Barbara Brown Taylor. From the *New York Times* bestselling author of *An Altar in the World*, Barbara Brown Taylor's *Learning to Walk in the Dark* provides a way to find spirituality in those times when we don't have all the answers. Book available through Amazon or your local library.

Friday, June 21st: Golf Tournament at 8:00 AM - Join us for a morning of golf to support the Bridgewater Food Pantry as well as the work of Central Square Congregational Church! Your fee includes golf and a buffet lunch following. Visit www.cscucc.com/events for full info, or to register or become a sponsor.



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From the Board of Deacons

The word **deacon** comes from the Greek word diakonos, which means **servant**. **Deacons** give leadership to the church's ministry of serving the physical and spiritual needs of members and people beyond the church. Please feel free to contact any of the Deacons. We are here to help and serve.

Anne Malmquist – amalmquist@comcast.net

Deb Sorgman – DebSorgman@gmail.com

Darlene Brown – darlingsb@verizon.net

Denise Molanari – denmol@comcast.net

Diane Glass – dglass260@gmail.com



From the Board of Trustees

We have begun preparing a draft budget for fiscal year 2019-2020. We will be finalizing it at our April 24th meeting at 7:00 pm in the Fireplace Room. Guests are always welcome at our meetings. The draft budget will be submitted to Cabinet for the May meeting for approval. You, the members of the church, will be voting on it at the Annual Budget Meeting on June 9th.

Necessarily, we (the Trustees) will be using last year's total income of \$169,500 as our starting point for the new budget. This is because we have no indication that member giving will show an increase over last fiscal year. This will result in a deficit budget. The budget deficit that you, the members of the church, passed last June was \$38,000. This included a \$15,000 salary for a Youth minister. That money was not expended in fiscal 2018-2019 because the hire did not occur. So, at the upcoming June Budget Meeting, you will see a smaller actual deficit, more on the order of \$12,000-\$15,000 for the fiscal 2018-2019 period.

However, in the mean time, a job description has been created and a job posting made for the Youth minister. The job posting is out there now. So, the trustees must assume that all or some of the \$15,000 salary for that position will be expended in fiscal 2019-2020. The trustees will decide at our April 24th meeting, upon advice from Rev. Beth, who is receiving any applications and would thus have any information about actual start date for the hire, how much of the \$15,000 salary to include in the new budget.

Projecting then – with salary increases for the three paid positions and the requisite additional benefits and taxes and some other budget requests, - a deficit of somewhere between \$15,000 and \$38,000 can be envisioned. We have weathered many a “teens figure” deficit in the past, but that larger one is a little scary, at least to this prudent man.

The good news/bad news – for the last two or three years, we have not included any planned withdrawals from endowment earnings to either reduce the deficit or balance the budget – yes, we did have one year in the last few with a balance budget. That's the good news. The bad news is that it looks like we will need to specify a dollar amount to be taken in fiscal 2019-2020 from endowment earnings and/or available “sale of the parsonage” money to minimize the deficit.

We welcome your thoughts, comments and prayers over the next few weeks.

John Sharland jrsharland@aol.com, Ed Buckland EdBuckland@gmail.com,

Ed MacIntosh Edward-MacIntosh@hotmail.com, Paul Christensen Paulchrstnsn@gmail.com

Save the Dates!

May 19 : Congregational Meeting for Annual Election, immediately following Worship

June 9 : Annual Budget Meeting

News from Growth



Save the Date!

Sunday May 19th from 1:30 to 3:30 PM
Central Square UCC is offering a
Contemporary Christian/Gospel
Concert in Music Alley!

This event will feature our own Julia Scott Carey and Tom Struzik with his band. This is a free concert open to all in our community with the intention of bringing fellowship through music. We hope to see you there! There will be a free will offering and snacks to sell to try to recover the performer's fee. Growth will graciously accept any contributions toward this end also. (Rain location - Fellowship Hall.)

In the same spirit, if you love that music, take a look at the posters for Soul Fest, August 1-3 at the Gunstock Mountain Resort in New Hampshire. This is a great venue to bond with friends and family so Invite friends too and enjoy. We are trying to arrange a group pricing and economize. See Pat Lindsey for more info.

About Coffee Hour: Official coffee hour for this year ends May 19th while we begin juice only for the summer. To volunteer for a Sunday, check the Sign up Genius under Ministries on our church website (www.cscucc.org) or go directly to the sign-up by clicking this link;
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a48afa82aa1fa7-coffee>

We also encourage you to offer your smiles as a greeter. Believe it or not, new people do enter our church during the summer months, and what better way to invite them in than with a smile! See Mike to sign up for a Sunday and feel free to greet with a friend.

In Faith,

Mike Bundock mm.bundock@comcast.net & Gail Wershing wershing@ptd.net (Co-chairs)
With valued members Tracey Doherty and Pat Lindsey

From the Board of Christian Outreach



Your Christian Outreach Committee participates in several missions in our surrounding communities, among them feeding and clothing the needy in the Taunton area through our Warmth in Cold Places campaign, publicizing the 4 major mission offerings sponsored by the UCC, contributing monetarily to many charities, helping to operate our Food Pantry... the list goes on.

However, there is another form of Outreach that takes place in our church that I feel is underpublicized. People contact our church office to ask for temporary help with some expenses that most of us take for granted. Things like an electric bill, telephone bill, unexpected expense, etc. That help is provided through our Minister's Discretionary Fund. Christian Outreach helps to fund this occasionally, but we would ask all of you to consider donating to this fund as well through the offering plate, or by dropping off monetary donations or grocery gift cards to the church office directly.

We know that you are constantly bombarded for charitable donations from every direction, but this is a very worthy cause that benefits people immediately.

As always, we thank you for your continuing generosity.

Bill O'Neil (for your Christian Outreach Committee)

Mission Youth News

As the June date fast approaches for this year's mission trip to the Eastern Shore of Virginia, the youth along with their leaders and parents will soon be learning details and making final plans for their week of service. The anticipation builds!

Though their trip will take them 550 miles away, you don't have to travel far from home to be of service to those in need. Consider taking a few minutes this month to be the hands of God for those around you. Help a neighbor in the yard, call a friend who needs cheering up, hold a door for a stranger, volunteer for a community project... there are mission service opportunities all around us.

"It's a good idea to spend a few moments each day to connect with God and ask, Well, where do you want to take me today?" - Jimmy Carter

Marlene Beaudrault Jacobs
Mission Trip Coordinator
Board of Christian Education

Women's Guild & Fellowship



The year begins with a pot luck supper and ends with a banquet, but it is the stories that occur in between that define the Women's Guild and Fellowship. One night this past November, three women spoke at the women's guild meeting and shared their story of how they were providing dignity for women, and especially girls, by sewing them a dress. A simple dress pattern is all that was needed. During the presentation, the guild members were invited to either take home a pattern and material to make a dress, or they could come to one of the workshops and sew a dress. Some of the members have participated both at home and at one or more of the monthly workshops. These dresses have become part of the program "Dress a Girl Around the World".

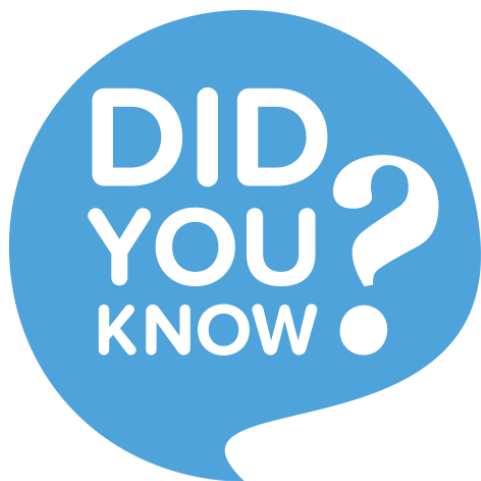
An idea was presented to the Women's Guild to join forces with Outreach and the Sunday School. The purpose would be to create two different zip lock baggies, one to supply essential needs and the other was to be filled with food. Armed with donations from the Guild, two of our Guild members joined Outreach, and the children who made sandwiches and put together several bags to meet the needs of many homeless people in Brockton.

The Guild received an urgent message regarding the loss former members of CSCC, Butch and Barbara Alden suffered due to flooding of their South Carolina home. Only a shell of a house remained. As a result, The Guild rallied and sent a gift to help them. They used our gift to purchase a new stove. We received a message from Penelope's Place, a home for women who are victims of abuse, stating they were in need of several items for mothers and their children. We asked the congregation to help, and we combined our contributions, and brought them to the shelter.

Many other causes were close to our hearts this year. At Christmas, we sent many boxes of needed goods off to the troops overseas. We also thought about the animal shelter in Brockton and collected many items to make the dogs, cats and other animals more comfortable while waiting for a permanent home. Emergency kits were created from items collected from the congregation and the Guild. These kits were sent to Church World Services, and would help people who face disasters due to storms.

Our year ends in May. We thank all who have contributed to our many causes. We also look forward to continue working with various groups in the congregation and continuing to serve people locally and abroad.

Guild Co-presidents,
Beth Basler & Terry Reynolds



About that IRA distribution:

Come the year one hits age 70 and a half, **minimum annual distributions from your IRA are mandatory.** If you want to supplement your gifts to our church, or fulfil your pledge AND lower your tax bill, you may want to consider a qualified charitable distribution to our church. The payment (distribution) must come directly from the IRA manager to the qualified charity, our church.

A news clip is posted on a board in the hallway near our church office with a bit more info. ***Short version: The portion of your iRA you contribute this way is not taxed as gross adjusted income. Check it out with your own finance guru!***



Central Square Services are Available Live and On Demand!

Booth Video Productions and BTV Access Corporation team up weekly to bring you live stream productions of our weekly services. You can find live streams and replays by visiting the Booth Video Youtube Channel or search “Central Square Congregational” at Youtube.com. Select services are also available on Demand at BTVAccess.Viebit.com. Coverage is produced weekly by Paul Holmes.

In 2019, our video coverage will be upgraded with a new switcher and additional state of the art production equipment. The Central Square studio features equipment that you will find in many traditional production facilities. If you’d like to help with coverage or seek additional information, please visit Paul Holmes on Sundays or email contact@booth-video.com.

Shopping on Amazon?



CSCC is now on **AmazonSmile!** Use the same Amazon you know and love while helping to support the church! Spread the awesome news please, and be sure to bookmark this link!: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/04-2254876>

CSCC 2019 Golf Tournament!

Central Square Congregational Church, UCC



Date of event: Friday, June 21

Time: 8:00am

(registration opens at 7:00am)

The Back Nine Club

17 Heritage Hill Dr., Lakeville, MA

\$120 per person, \$450 per team of 4 (must register together) (\$100, 18 and under)

Includes golf, cart, buffet lunch banquet

with door prizes • Raffles

Prizes for closest to the pin & longest drives

Teams of four players

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 508-697-6016

Visit www.cscucc.org/events

Or email office@cscucc.com

*A portion of the proceeds will be donated to
the Bridgewater Food Pantry.*

In addition to benefitting the Bridgewater Food Pantry, funds raised benefit Central Square Congregational Church, UCC. We're proud that our building is home to many Bridgewater community group meetings (AA, NA, girl scouts, boy scouts, BSU Community Choir, toddler playgroups) as well as the Bridgewater Food Pantry. The general fund pays for the electricity, heat, janitorial, maintenance, repairs, and other expenses that allow us to offer the building for those uses at minimal cost to them.



Central Square Congregational Church

2019 GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, June 21 ▪ The Back Nine Club

17 Heritage Hill Dr., Lakeville, MA

8:00am (registration opens at 7:00am)

Scramble Shot Gun Start

A portion of the proceeds to benefit the Bridgewater Food Pantry.

Additional proceeds to fund support costs for church programs and Bridgewater area outreach efforts of Central Square Congregational Church.

\$120 per person / \$450 per team of 4 (must register together)

(\$100 per person, 18 and under). Fee includes:

Greens fees, golf cart, buffet lunch, range balls

Contests: M/F Longest Drive, M/F Closest to the Pin, 50/50 on the Green

Lunch-only tickets are available for \$35 each.

Registration deadline: June 17, 2019

Make checks payable to: CSCC

Mail to CSCC, Attn: Golf Committee,

71 Central Square, Bridgewater, MA 02324

508-697-6016 ▪ office@cscucc.com

Registrations accepted for individual players or foursomes.

Player name: _____ Phone # _____

Email: _____ ☐ under 18?

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Central Square Congregational Church, UCC

Annual Golf Tournament 2019

Sponsorship and Raffle Opportunities

Masters Sponsor - \$1,000

- Individual Facebook acknowledgement at least four times prior to event for all Masters Sponsors received by June 30, and once a month after the event through 12/31/19
- At least 2 dedicated blast emails promoting tournament and the sponsors
- Name, logo, and link on the home page of the church website as a "Golf Masters Sponsor" through 12/31/19
- Your company brochure, business card, or small gift in all the golfer gift bags
- \$75 discount per foursome on up to two foursomes
- 5 minutes to speak about your company at the post-tournament luncheon
- Four tickets to the post-tournament luncheon
- Name on signage around the church building promoting the tournament through 12/31/19 and at the event
- Name displayed at two of the course holes as a Hole Sponsor
- Name appears in our "thank you" literature and social media posts, both before and after the event

Classic Sponsor - \$750

- Name, logo, and link on the home page of the church website as a "Golf Classic Sponsor"
- Your company brochure, business card, or small gift in all the golfer gift bags
- \$50 discount per foursome on up to two foursomes
- 5 minutes to speak about your company at the post-tournament luncheon
- Two tickets to the post-tournament luncheon
- Name on signage around the church building promoting the tournament through 12/31/19 and at the event
- Name displayed at two of the course holes as a Hole Sponsor
- Name appears in our "thank you" literature and social media posts, both before and after the event

Invitational Sponsor - \$500

- Two tickets to the post-tournament luncheon
- Name on signage around the church building promoting the tournament
- Name displayed at two of the course holes as a Hole Sponsor
- Name appears in our "thank you" literature and social media posts, both before and after the event

Contributing Sponsor - \$250

- Name on signage around the church building promoting the tournament
- Name displayed at two of the course holes as a Hole Sponsor
- Name appears in our "thank you" literature and social media posts, both before and after the event

Hole Sponsor - \$100

- Name displayed at one of the course holes as a Hole Sponsor
- Name appears in our "thank you" literature and social media posts, both before and after the event

Swag Bag - \$25

- Your company brochure, business card, or small gift in all the golfer gift bags

Raffle Item Donation – just the cost of the item

We have a pick-a-prize raffle during our post-tournament luncheon. The players love being able to buy tickets and win prizes! Gift baskets, gift items, gift certificates all welcome.

Cash donations of any size are always graciously accepted. A portion of proceeds from the CSCC golf tournament go directly to the Bridgewater Food Pantry. Questions? Contact Ellen at CSCC, 508-697-6016, office@cscucc.com

Central Square Congregational Church, UCC 2019 GOLF TOURNAMENT

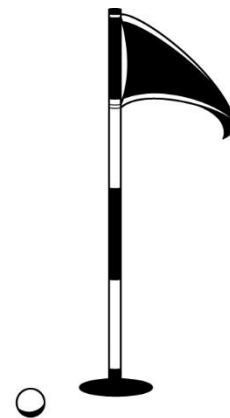
Sponsor Registration Form

Friday, June 21 • The Back Nine Club, Lakeville, MA



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YES! We would like to support the Bridgewater Food Pantry, and Central Square Congregational Church in its work in the community

Sponsor Name: _____

as it should appear when published – please print clearly

Check all that apply:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Masters Sponsor \$1,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Hole Sponsor \$100/hole |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classic Sponsor \$750 | <input type="checkbox"/> Swag Bag \$25 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Invitational Sponsor \$500 | <input type="checkbox"/> Raffle Item Donation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contributing Sponsor \$250 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Donation: \$ _____ |

All sponsorships received by June 17 will be guaranteed to be included in appropriate signage.

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Daytime phone: _____

Email: _____

Website: _____

- Receipt of payment confirms sponsorship registration.
- Masters and Classic sponsors: please email your logo in jpg or png form to dianesheibley@gmail.com
- Golfers must submit a separate golfer registration form to register to play.
- Raffle prizes must be delivered to the church by Tuesday, June 18. Contact us for pickup if needed.
- Checks should be made out to CENTRAL SQUARE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, or CSCC
- Credit card payments via Paypal accepted. Visit www.cscucc.org, and click on the "Donate" button at the top of the page. Indicate "golf tournament" in the memo line of the transaction.

Central Square Congregational Church, UCC is a 501(c)3 charitable organization. Federal ID #04-2254876.

Mail check payments and forms to:

CSCC, Attn: Golf Tournament, 71 Central Square, Bridgewater, MA 02324

Questions? Contact Ellen at CSCC, 508-697-6016, office@cscucc.com, M-F, 9am-1pm

CSCC Cabinet Meeting – Minutes

April 17, 2019

*** DRAFT ***

To be reviewed and approved at the next Cabinet meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:05

Cabinet members in attendance: Rev. Beth Stotts, Pastor; Diane Sheibley, Moderator; Dave Sheibley, Treasurer; Larry Brown, Asst. Treasurer; Kathleen Mosher, Clerk; Anne Malmquist, Board of Deacons; John Sharland, Board of Trustees; Lisa Masiello, Board of Christian Education; Rob Basler, Board of Christian Outreach; Ellen Crawford, Music Committee; Terry Reynolds, History & Memorials Committee & Women's Guild and Fellowship; Gail Wershing and Mike Bundock, Growth Committee; Barbara Morey, Historical Renovations Committee

Minutes from the March meeting were reviewed. Gail Wershing motioned to accept the minutes as amended. Anne Malmquist seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Pastor's Report- Rev. Beth Stotts

We're in the depth of Holy Week. The bulletins are being done for tomorrow and Friday. The Good Friday program will be full of prayer, scripture, and music. Death and Coffee will be held on Saturday. Sunrise Service will be at Hanson Farm Sunday morning. There will be a Mom's group once a month. We are continuing to search for CE and Nursery directors. Ellen and Troy will be leading a book study on June 8th with Reverend Beth. The book is "Learning to Walk in the Dark" by Barbara Brown Taylor. Rev. Beth will be on retreat April 23rd-27th. There will be a guest preacher the Sunday after Easter.

Treasurer's Report- David Sheibley

We are 79% through the fiscal year. Offerings are at 82% of the budget so we are a bit ahead. Expenses are on track for where we expected. We're in pretty good shape.

Board of Deacons' Report- Anne Malmquist

Barbara Morey did a wonderful presentation Sunday night on the holy land. The visitation group is going along well.

Board of Trustees' Report- John Sharland

Many things were discussed during the March meeting. There will be quarterly draws from the investment account to cover deficits. The shutters and carpets are under further discussion for updating.

Board of Christian Education- Lisa Masiello

There will be a pot luck this Friday (Good Friday). Nine families have signed up. Sunday school calendar has three more Sunday School dates: 4/28, 5/19, 6/9. 6/9 is Children's Sunday. It is getting to be near the end of the year so things are wrapping up. There will be a Taco 'bout the Stars event on May 4.

Board of Christian Outreach- Rob Basler

Jasvir MacIntosh is leaving the committee as she has too much on her plate right now. The Saturday Brockton homeless mission is ongoing. The support from the church is much appreciated. The meal for MainSpring House is next week. There will be monthly focus spots to keep the church informed with what Outreach is up to. Outreach will be trying to get the youth more involved in various projects, mini missions, camping, and serving seniors.

Music Committee- Ellen Crawford

There have been some discussions about financial matters. A choir concert is being planned for a future date.

History and Memorials Committee- Terry Reynolds & Barbara Morey

The flowers have been purchased for Easter Sunday. Any flowers left will be delivered during visits. Contractors are being contacted to give estimates for the historical restoration work and one is coming tomorrow. We need estimates for the grant application. If we can prove a historical event happened inside the church, we can get funds to renovate the sanctuary as well, otherwise we'll need to stick to the outside work with the CPA town grant. The steeple is not covered since it is a religious symbol. We are looking into other grants to fund that.

Growth Committee- Gail Wershing and Mike Bundock

Mike mentioned that the Growth budget is being used for things without their consent. Growth needs to ok those expenditures in the future. There will be a community concert on May 19th at Music Alley. Julia and Tom Struzik will be performing. Gail mentioned that the Easter mailing had gone out and some of the cabinet members received a copy in the mail. Coffee hour will be hosted differently next year, and Growth is hoping all boards and committees will participate. Coffee taste testing is still ongoing. It was noted that some time ago, the church decided it wanted to only serve fair trade coffee, so that should be kept in mind. There was a discussion about being a green church and how we need to follow through on that, such as not using any Styrofoam.

Women's Guild & Fellowship- Terry Reynolds

The Women's Guild hosted the collation for the Wershing/Sheibley funeral. The rummage sale was very successful. Their last meeting of the year is on May 1, and it will be their banquet.

Nominating Committee

There was no one in attendance to give their final report. Diane asked if there was any objection to reviewing their report by email once it's submitted, for the purpose of approving it prior to the election meeting in May. There were no objections. If it seems necessary, Diane will call an interim Cabinet meeting.

New Business:

- The Golf Tournament is June 21st. Raffle items and golfers are needed.
- Steeple Sounds items are due next Monday, 4/22, by 10am.
- There will be a fundraising barbecue on August 17th. It will likely be \$35 a person and will include appetizers, drinks, an entree, and dessert. It is being conducted by Beth and Rob Basler, along with other volunteers.
- On Easter Sunday there will be no announcements. Rev. Beth instructed anyone with an announcement to submit items to the office by tomorrow for the church bulletin insert.
- There is a new church cookbook fundraiser subcommittee. It will start meeting in the Fall. Members include Beth Basler and Rev. Beth.
- Next Cabinet meeting is May 15

Treasurer's Report
April 15, 2019
Fiscal Year July 2018 - June 2019
79% thru Fiscal Year

	YTD	Budget	% of Budget
Income			
Regular Pledges	104,142	123,000	85%
Unpledged Offerings	14,567	24,000	61%
Plate Offering	2,170	3,000	72%
Youth Minister / Church School Funding	1,600		
Total - Pledges / Offerings	122,479	150,000	82%
Special Collections			
MACUCC Fellowship Dues	806		
Total - Special Collections	806		
Fundraisers/Events Revenue			
Golf Tournament	0	7,200	0%
Breakfasts	298		
Church Fair	7,969	7,000	114%
Misc Fundraisers	700		
Total - Fundraisers/Events Revenue	8,968	14,200	63%
Facility Usage Income			
Non Profit Bldg Use	4,050	3,600	113%
Private Bldg Use	400	1,700	24%
Total - Facility Usage Income	4,450	5,300	84%
Miscellaneous Income	124		
Total Income	136,827	169,500	81%
Expenses			
Total - Senior Minister Expenses	77,708	91,479	85%
Total - Support Staff Expenses	39,440	66,558	59%
Total - Office Expenses	6,892	8,000	86%
Total - Church Building Costs	22,962	29,800	77%
Operating Committees			
Christian Education	248	1,500	17%
Church Growth	1,933	1,570	123%
Deacons	750	1,500	50%
Music (Materials/Substitutes)	528	600	88%
Stewardship	162	350	46%
Outreach	3,748	3,910	96%
Total - Operating Committees	7,370	9,430	78%
MACUCC Fellowship Dues	0	2,700	0%
Miscellaneous Expenses	16		
Pilgrim Assn Fellowship Dues	0	200	0%
Total Expenses	154,387	208,167	74%
Net income (loss)	(17,561)	(38,667)	45%
Transfer from Investments	5,000		
	(12,561)		

Treasurer's Report
April 15, 2019
Fiscal Year July 2018 - June 2019
79% thru Fiscal Year

Cash balances			
Operating account		5,473	
Money Market			
Restricted	33,382		
Unrestricted	625		
		<u>34,006</u>	
Fair account		16	
Minister's Discretionary account		135	
Outreach account			
Includes paid pledge set-aside	2,044		
Food Pantry	12,462		
		<u>14,506</u>	
Capital Campaign account		12,471	
Total cash balances		<u>66,607</u>	
Endowments investment fund			
Protected principal	135,513		
Unrestricted funds	119,379		
Income YTD FY 2019	9,737		
Total value 12/31/2018		<u>254,892</u>	<u>258,111</u> Current value
Parsonage investment fund			
Principal parsonage sale	151,677		
Profit (Loss)	2,298		
Total value 12/31/2018		<u>153,975</u>	<u>156,451</u> Current value
Total investments		<u>408,867</u>	<u>414,562</u>

Daily Lectionary Scripture References May 2019 (Year C)

Wed., May 1
Psalm 122
Esther 9:1-5, 18-23
Luke 12:4-12

Thurs., May 2
Psalm 30
Isaiah 5:11-17
Revelation 3:14-22

Fri., May 3
Psalm 30
Isaiah 6:1-4
Revelation 4:1-11

Sat., May 4
Psalm 30
Genesis 18:1-8
Luke 14:12-14

Sun., May 5
Third Sunday of Easter
Acts 9:1-6 [7-20]
Psalm 30
Revelation 5:11-14
John 21:1-19

Mon., May 6
Psalm 121
Ezekiel 1:1-25
Acts 9:19b-31

Tues., May 7
Psalm 121
Ezekiel 1:26-2:1
Acts 26:1-18

Wed., May 8
Psalm 121
Isaiah 6:1-8
Luke 5:1-11

Thurs., May 9
Psalm 23
Ezekiel 11:1-25
Revelation 5:1-10

Fri., May 10
Psalm 23
Ezekiel 20:39-44
Revelation 6:1-7:4

Sat., May 11
Psalm 23
Ezekiel 28:25-26
Luke 12:29-32

Sun., May 12
Fourth Sunday of Easter
Acts 9:36-43
Psalm 23
Revelation 7:9-17
John 10:22-30

Mon., May 13
Psalm 100
Ezekiel 37:15-28
Revelation 15:1-4

Tues., May 14
Psalm 100
Ezekiel 45:1-9
Acts 9:32-35

Wed., May 15
Psalm 100
Jeremiah 50:17-20
John 10:31-42

Thurs., May 16
Psalm 148
Ezekiel 2:8-3:11
Revelation 10:1-11

Fri., May 17
Psalm 148
Daniel 7:13-14
Revelation 11:15

Sat., May 18
Psalm 148
Daniel 7:27
Revelation 11:16-19

Sun., May 19
Fifth Sunday of Easter
Acts 11:1-18
Psalm 148
Revelation 21:1-6
John 13:31-35

Mon., May 20
Psalm 133
1 Samuel 20:1-23, 35-42
Acts 11:19-26

Tues., May 21
Psalm 133
2 Samuel 1:4-27
Acts 11:27-30

Wed., May 22
Psalm 133
Leviticus 19:9-18
Luke 10:25-28

Thurs., May 23
Psalm 67
Proverbs 2:1-5
Acts 15:36-41

Fri., May 24
Psalm 67
Proverbs 2:6-8
Acts 16:1-8

Sat., May 25
Psalm 67
Proverbs 2:9-15
Luke 19:1-10

Sun., May 26
Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 16:9-15
Psalm 67
Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5
John 14:23-29 or John 5:1-9

Mon., May 27
Psalm 93
1 Chronicles 12:16-22
Revelation 21:5-14

Tues., May 28
Psalm 93
2 Chronicles 15:1-15
Revelation 21:15-22

Wed., May 29
Psalm 93
2 Chronicles 34:20-33
Luke 2:25-38

Thurs., May 30
Ascension of the Lord
Acts 1:1-11
Psalm 47 or Psalm 93
Ephesians 1:15-23
Luke 24:44-53

Fri., May 31
Psalm 97
Exodus 33:12-17
Revelation 22:6-9



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May Calendar

SUN 28	MON 29	TUE 30	WED May 1	THU 2	FRI 3	SAT 4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8am Choir Reh - ST 9am Story w/Rev. Beth - nursery 10am Worship 11:30am 5th-8th Grade Youth Group 2 more	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5pm Girl Scouts - LL 7pm NA-FH 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10am Staff Mtg - FR 6:30pm WG&F - Fireside Grill 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10am Food Pantry - LL 7pm Al-Anon - FH 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:30pm TacoBout the Stars - FH
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Cinco de Mayo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7am Breakfast Prep - FH/KT 8am Choir Reh - ST 9am Breakfast - FH/KT 4 more	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6pm Food Pantry - LL 6:15pm Girl Scouts - MR 7pm NA-FH 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:15pm Girl Scouts - MR 6pm Girl Scouts - MR 7pm CE - FR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10am Food Pantry - LL 6:30pm Growth - FR 7pm Al-Anon - FH 7:30pm Christian Outreach - MR 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7am Girl Scout Pancake Breakfast - I 9am Playgroup - Nursery
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Mother's Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8am Choir Reh - ST 9:30am Jr Choir Reh - ST 10am Worship 7:30pm AA-FH 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5pm Girl Scouts - LL 7pm Hist. Church Building Com - FR 7pm NA-FH 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6pm Girl Scouts - LL 7pm Cabinet-MR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10am Food Pantry - LL 7pm Al-Anon - FH 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4pm Youth Group - 99 6:30pm Pack 35 - FH 	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7am Breakfast Prep - FH/KT 8am Choir Reh - ST 9am Breakfast - FH/KT 9:30am Jr Choir Reh - ST 6 more	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5pm Girl Scouts - LL 6:15pm Girl Scouts - MR 7pm NA-FH 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:15pm Girl Scouts - MR 6pm Girl Scouts - MR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10am Food Pantry - LL 7pm Al-Anon - FH 		
26	27	28	29	30	31	Jun 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8am Choir Reh - ST 10am Worship 7:30pm AA-FH 	Office Closed Memorial Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7pm NA-FH 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7pm Trustees-FR 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10am Food Pantry - LL 7pm Al-Anon - FH 		

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