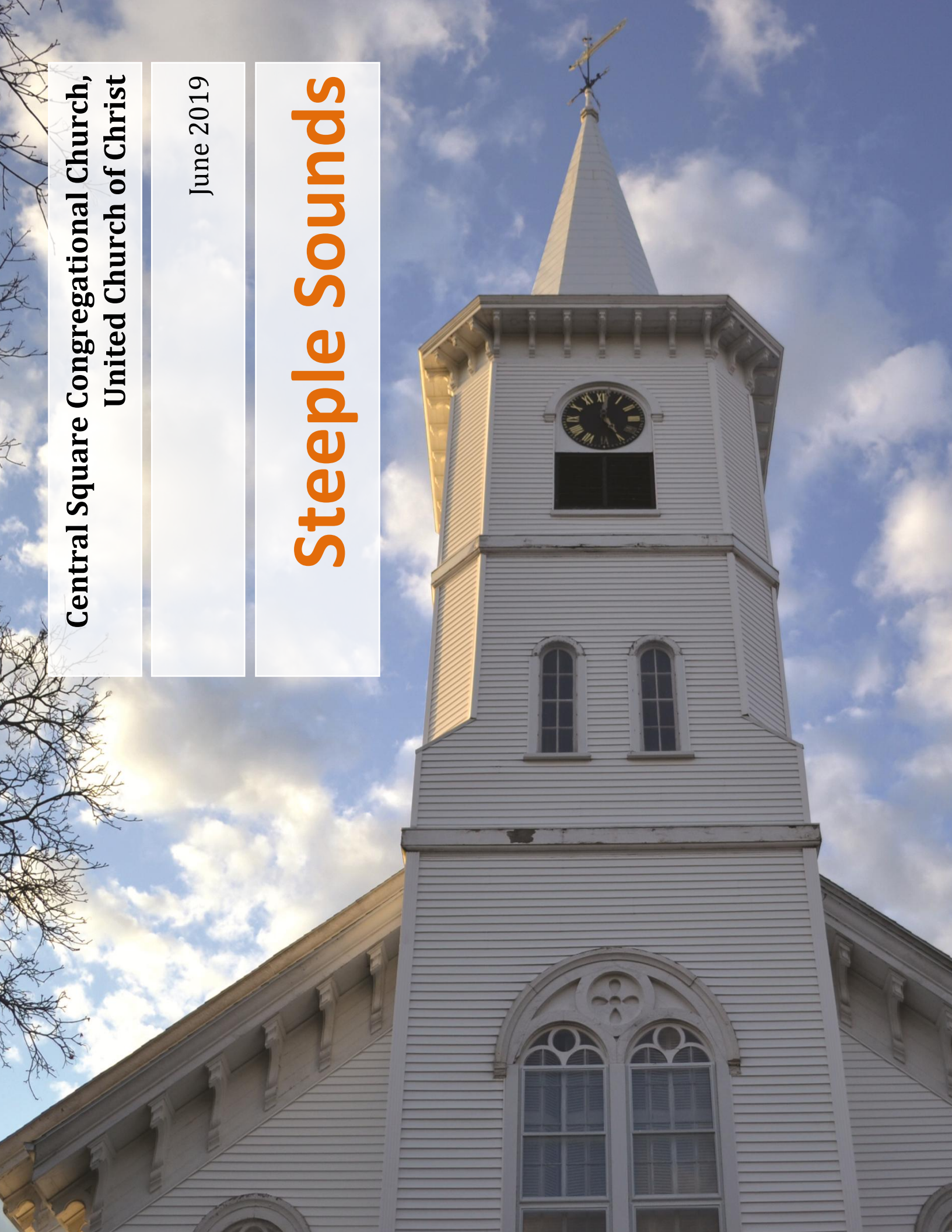


**Central Square Congregational Church,
United Church of Christ**

June 2019

Steeple Sounds



From The Desk of Rev. Beth



"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."

-John 15:12

Our faith is all about relationships.

There are many opportunities to build relationships through service in our region and world. So many opportunities to connect and deepen relationships with each other, and to proclaim the good news of God's love and liberation. That is not in question. No one institution can do everything, but we can do many things to continue to partner with the Spirit that has led us this far. We can proclaim the gospel, connect with others, and serve our

neighbors and world. We do this through our worship, through taking a stand on issues of equality, social justice, and mission, and through serving in our local community. We do this best by declaring who we are, as children of God, for all the world to hear with our voices and with our actions.

On June 15, Central Square Congregational Church will be celebrating our 5th Open and Affirming Anniversary! CSCC is proud to welcome our LGBTQIA siblings in Christ into full participation in the life of the church. In our diversity we find strength, joy, and a greater understanding of God's inclusive love. There are more than 1,500 congregations within the Open and Affirming Coalition of the United Church of Christ and I am grateful for all the churches that share in the good news of the inclusive love of God.

I read a study this week that a surprisingly high number of teenagers involved in religious communities (up to 14%), identify as lesbian, gay, or bisexual. And 20% of Millennials identify as LGBTQIA. But only a fraction of them discuss their sexuality with their clergy or adults in the church. That's unfortunate, considering that incidents of bullying, homelessness, depression and suicide are disproportionately high among these youth. The study outlined the following:

- Four in 10 LGBT students report that they experience physical harassment because of their sexual orientation or gender identity.
- LGBT youth represent 20-40% of all homeless young people. Many were forced to leave their homes because their families' religious beliefs did not accept them.
- Multiple studies in the United States and abroad have shown "disproportionately high rates of suicidal behavior among LGBT adolescents and young adults."

Faith communities can be places of refuge and support for young people. Congregations who understand sexual orientation and gender identity issues can help ease the isolation of teenagers struggling with questions of sexual identity, concerns about coming out, conflicts at home or at school. Church members can play a particularly valuable role in helping young people reconcile their emerging sexual identity with their faith.

Such support can be life-saving. As the Christian Community report, *Faith Matters*, said: "Those [youth] who were able to be open in their faith-based communities were also less likely to have considered suicide than other non-heterosexual teens." The faith community has a lot of power to declare God's love, acceptance, and grace. And this really can save a life. I am so thankful that our church and other ONA churches like ours exist.

I love that our congregation is Open and Affirming. Not just of those who identify as LGBTQIA, but affirming of ALL PEOPLE. I love that we journey together. I love that we truly attempt to see each other as created in God's image. I love that we are indeed a community that youth who are questioning their sexual or gender identity would feel comfortable sharing their whole selves.

As we celebrate our 5th Anniversary of our Open and Affirming standing, I hope you will feel God's grace, peace, and blessing pour over you. I hope you too will look in the mirror and see the face of the Holy One. Our faith is all about relationships. May your relationship with yourself, with others, and with God be grounded in acceptance and in the healing love of Christ.

One in Christ,
Rev. Beth

From the Board of Deacons

This summer is going to be a little bit different from previous summers at CSCC. After 7 years of faithful service to the church, Rev. Beth will be taking a month of sabbatical. Typically, a sabbatical is three months but after discussion and discernment, we have agreed that taking a month sabbatical for each of the next three summers makes much more sense (both financially and logistically). Rev. Beth will be away from June 23 – August 3 (four weeks of sabbatical and two weeks of vacation).

During sabbatical Rev. Beth will be focusing on renewal and deepening her prayer practice. She will be working through the book "Praying with the Body: Bringing the Psalms to Life" by Roy DeLeon and she invites all members of the congregation to study these body prayers while she is away. When she returns, Rev. Beth will lead a Praying with the Body workshop! In the meantime, we have invited retired Ordained Clergy, Rev. Jim Conley to lead us in worship. (See Rev. Jim's bio below.) As always, the deacons are here for you. If you need anything, a meal, a visit, a listening ear, we are here.

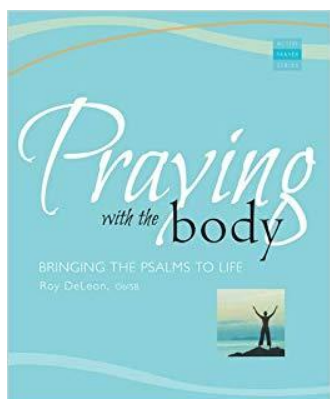
Starting July 1, your Deacons are:

Deb Sorgman: debsorgman@gmail.com

Diane Glass: dglass260@gmail.com

Lynn Pietras: Lynn Pietras lsypie@aol.com

Natalie Mosher (Summer Deacon): perankhia@comcast.net



As mentioned above, Rev. Beth will be working through the book "*Praying with the Body: Bringing the Psalms to Life*" by Roy DeLeon during her sabbatical, and **she invites all members of the congregation to study these body prayers while she is away.** When she returns, Rev. Beth will lead a Praying with the Body workshop!

Book available through Amazon or your local library.

Biographical sketch of Rev. Jim Conley



I was born in Boston, raised in Weymouth, am an Eagle Scout, and went on to graduate from U Mass, Amherst. After graduating I spent five years as a commercial fisherman on Martha's Vineyard. I then became a businessman. My last position in business was 15 years as an executive for AAA. I was raised Roman Catholic and left the church when I went away to college. Most of my adult life was spent as a spiritual wanderer. My Christian faith was inspired by a wonderful pastor/preacher named Rev Shelly Stackhouse. In my time as a very active member of UCC Norwell, I received the call from God to become an ordained Christian minister and serve God by becoming a pastor. I left my career and went to Boston University School of Theology where I received a Master of Divinity degree. For the last six years, I was Pastor of West Congregational Church, UCC in Taunton. I then served as Pastor of Union

Congregational Church, UCC in East Bridgewater. After a marriage that ended in divorce I have married the love of my life, Rev Meg Clapp. I served as Chaplain of the East Bridgewater Fire Department and currently I'm Chaplain of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of MA. I have many varied interests. I am a reader. I enjoy exercise, cooking, eating, music, movies, theater, and travel. I am a rabid fan of the local professional sports teams. I love my life.

I will be in the church office every Monday from 9:00 AM to 12 noon. Stop by if you need anything at all!

Summer Preaching Schedule!

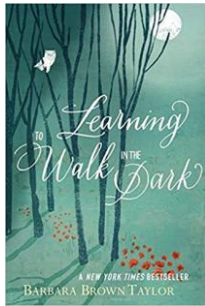
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| June 2 – | Rev. Elizabeth Stotts
<i>Communion Sunday</i> |
| June 9 – | Kevin Compton and Nathan McDermott, Graduating Seniors
<i>Pentecost</i>
<i>Children's Sunday</i> |
| June 16 – | Rev. Elizabeth Stotts
<i>Trinity Sunday</i>
<i>4th Anniversary of ONA</i>
<i>Church Band plays</i>
<i>Last day of Choir</i> |
| June 23 – | Jacquie Rose, Licensed Preacher |
| June 30 – | Jacquie Rose, Licensed Preacher |
| July 7 – | Rev. Jim Conley
<i>Communion Sunday</i> |
| July 14 – | Rev. Jim Conley |
| July 21 – | Rev. Jim Conley |
| July 28 – | Rev. Jim Conley |
| August 4 – | Rev. Elizabeth Stotts
<i>Communion Sunday</i> |
| August 11 – | Rev. Elizabeth Stotts |
| August 18 – | Rev. Elizabeth Stotts |
| August 25 – | Rev. Elizabeth Stotts |

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.

From the Board of Trustees

Good day from your Board of Trustees! Please keep our Church roof in your prayers as repairs to the shingles blown off in March 2018 are still pending. Trustees have a solution "in the works" but are dependent on the only vendor (we've been able to find) who won't insist on re-roofing the entire church building. We are also concerned at this time with a small leak in our flat-roof over our 2^d floor Deacon's kitchen (where Holy Communion is prepared). We have accomplished the installation of a wall fan for the church kitchen in hopes of lessening chances of cooking smoke bringing the fire department to our building on first and third Sundays each month. We will be updating a few smoke detectors located near the kitchen to limit false alarms as a precaution. Upcoming projects include the fixing or upgrading the underground wiring to the church sign near the common, resolving ongoing dishwasher issues and (of course) that roof... Trustees is seeking new members, please see any Trustee for information or volunteers to either join our committee or assist at some task you would be comfortable (and skilled) with/at. Thanks for your attention, we'll keep the lights on for you!

On behalf of the board of Trustees,
Ed Buckland (edbuckland@gmail.com)

From the Board of Stewardship

Conference Dues Reminder: Each year, church members are asked to submit to the church Treasurer the cost of our conference dues. This year the cost of the dues is **\$20.60** per member per household, which would **\$41.20** for 2 members, **\$61.80** for 3 members, ETC...

This year so far **\$806** has been collected to cover the cost of these dues. The church pays the total of the conference dues, the total which is based on each member of the church. Please consider remitting your dues to the Treasurer to help defray this expenditure. When you do, please clearly indicate to the Treasurer that you are submitting your dues so it may be designated to the conference.

Thank you,
The Stewardship Committee

News from Growth

Your Growth committee sincerely appreciates all of our volunteers that have contributed their time and talent to our ministries, coffee hour, greeting, and our special fellowship events.

Each of us has the responsibility to continue the act of encouraging and introducing people to our church family. We are all Jesus' disciples and if we do this, we will surely see new faces in church during the summer and into the fall.

Our official coffee hour for this year ended 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. What better way to welcome people 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

Thank you to all who attended our special event in Music Alley on Sunday, 19th. It was a beautiful day featuring some very talented performers! Thank you to Julia Carey and Fox & Cox for sharing their talents with us as well.



From the Board of Christian Outreach



Probably by the time you receive Steeple Sounds, Memorial Day will have been celebrated. Bridgewater does a lot to honor its veterans. This year, that includes the banners that have been put up around town. Each year veterans agent Roddy Walsh, with volunteers and the Boy Scouts, replaces all the flags on veterans graves in all the cemeteries in town. On Memorial Day, a wreath is

placed on a memorial at each of the 5 cemeteries in town, and *"Taps"* is played. This year, Lukas Hanson played *"Taps"* at the cemeteries. There was also a parade to honor our veterans. The parade ended with a ceremony on the Bridgewater Common, commemorating our service members. This year, Cameron Shave played *"Taps"* at this ceremony, with an echo played by another student.

June 9th is Pentecost Sunday. It is also time to Strengthen the Church. This is one of the 5 special missions that make Central Square a 5 for 5 church. These moneys go to growing the United Church of Christ, the God is still speaking ministries, new and renewing churches, youth and young adult ministries, and more.

Also, the Food Pantry is growing! Not only are they helping people in need with food and clothing, they also have a Book Fairy pantry now. This is a where people can donate children's books. These books will be available to people with young children who come to the Food Pantry. Some Bridgewater State students have set up a donation site on campus to collect books for the Book Fairy Pantry at Central Square.

Recently the Women's Guild donated \$500 to the L Street Ministry in Brockton, who assists the homeless of Brockton.

Words sometimes used with *"Taps"*:

The day is done, gone the sun,
From the lake, from the hills, from the sky,
All is well, safely rest, God is High.

God is still speaking!

David Hanson, for the board of Christian Outreach

From the Historical Restoration Committee

Over the next four weeks, we will be interviewing three different contractors who are all interested in restoring our church. Each of these companies specialize in the restoration of historical buildings, especially churches. It will be a difficult decision for us to make in choosing one of these three companies, as it appears that all three are highly qualified. We have asked a former church member, who is himself a contractor, to join us on our Monday night meetings to ask questions and to advise us as to whom would be our best choice of a company to do the work.

Our committee would also like to invite any church member to attend these meetings and help in our decision-making. Our meetings have been scheduled for Monday 5/20, 6/3, 6/10 at 7 PM in the Fireplace Room. Please arrive a little earlier if possible.

Barbara Morey, Terry Reynolds, Dave Sheibley, Carol Chaffee, Gloria Weinrebe, Rachel Lawson

From the Superintendent of Sunday School

With my duties as Superintendent coming to an end this month, I wanted to take a moment and thank everyone for their kind words and encouragement about my decision to resign. As I have mentioned, it was a tough decision to make, but one that is best for me and my family. I have been teaching Sunday School for the last nine years so I look forward to the opportunity to take a break and enjoy a full Sunday worship! I am also excited to meet our new Education Coordinator and to see where he/she leads our children in their Christian Education journey.

I would like to thank Reverend Beth for her continuous words of encouragement. The last two years have not been easy, but she has always supported and inspired me. Thank you!

Thank you Lisa Masiello. You have been my support system for the last two years. I would not have been able to be Superintendent without you. Thank you for everything!

And finally, I would like to thank our three faithful teachers: Marci Langevin, Brianna O'Connell, and Frank Ciaramitaro. Our Sunday School program happened because of their kindness and generosity to volunteer each week.

Thank you,

Krissy Cannizzo

Mission Trip News

It's almost time for our Youth to head to the Eastern Shore of Virginia!

On Sunday June 23, twelve youth in grades 8-12 and three adult leaders will depart for a fun-filled adventure of service and fellowship. They will work and worship with other YouthWorks groups from across the country as they commit to a week of service.

Can't wait to hear their tales of transformation when they return!

Marlene Beaudrault Jacobs
Mission Trip Coordinator
Christian Education

From the Nursery Coordinator



Hello! My name is Jess Stearns and I am delighted to share I am the new Nursery Coordinator!

My background is in child care as I am an Elementary Education major and a certified teacher. I have worked with children of all ages with a wide variety of abilities. Currently I am adding 'mom' to my resume as my husband and I welcomed our first child, Jameson, in November. He is the light of our life! I love to cook, wine tasting, hike and explore new bike trails and spend time with family and friends.

Please feel free to stop by the nursery any Sunday morning to say hello, or leave me a note in my mailbox. I would love to meet you!

I can also be reached via email at jessicastearns1231@gmail.com. I look forward to my time at Central Square Congregational Church!



Congrats 2019 Grads!

Kevin Compton is graduating from Bridgewater Raynham High School. He will be attending Providence College in the fall.

Brendan D. Garrity, Nancy and David Winter's Grandson, is graduating from Bridgewater Raynham High School and will be attending Wentworth Institute in the fall.

Lukas Hanson, son of David and Janet Hanson, graduated from Northeastern University in Boston on May 3, 2019 and earned a Bachelor of Science in Physics and Mathematics. This fall he will be going to the Kennedy College of Sciences at the University of Massachusetts Lowell as a member of the Physics PhD program where he will study Theoretical Astrophysics & Cosmology.

Nathan McDermott is graduating from Bridgewater Raynham High School. He will be attending Mass Maritime in the fall.

Laura Sorgman graduated from Framingham State College with an undergraduate degree in Psychology.

Please join us in congratulating the following people who were elected to positions of leadership at CSCC at the Congregational Meeting held on Sunday, May 19:

Anne Malmquist, Moderator
Diane Sheibley, Vice Moderator

John Sharland, Delegate (re-election)
Deb Sorgman, Delegate (re-election)

Lynne Pietras, Board of Deacons

Brianna O'Connell, Board of Christian Education

Rob Basler, Board of Christian Outreach (re-election)
Krissy Cannizzo, Board of Christian Outreach

Lynne Bates, Music Committee (re-election)
Sherley Phillips, Music Committee (re-election)

Opportunities to serve are still available on all boards and committees. Our bylaws require specific minimum numbers of board and committee members, but we have not been able to fill all of the required seats.

According to the bylaws, **the following numbers of seats are currently open:**

3 members of the Board of Deacons
3 members of the Board of Trustees
2 members of the Board of Christian Education
1 member of the Board of Christian Outreach
4 members of the Board of Stewardship

If you think you might be interested in serving on a board or committee, contact Diane Sheibley at dianesheibley@gmail.com, or the church office at 508-697-6016.

As noted at the congregational election meeting on May 19, please remember the following:

➔ **You need not be a member of a board or committee to help with the service of that group.** If you think you might be able to help, even just a little, with the work of a specific group, or of one of their individual projects, reach out to Anne Malmquist (amalmquist@comcast.net), Diane Sheibley (dianesheibley@gmail.com), Rev. Beth (csccpastor@hotmail.com), or a member of that board or committee or the office (508-697-6016) for more information. No strings attached!

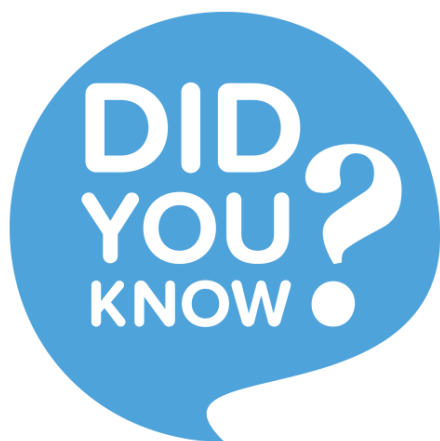
2019-20 CALENDAR PLANNING MEETING

Wednesday, June 19 at 7 PM is the Cabinet meeting where we put the following church year's events on the calendar. **If you have events or meetings for specific dates next year that you want put on the church calendar**, please give your dates in advance to Ellen in the office (office@cscucc.com or use her mailbox) so that they can be included, or please come to the meeting.

SUNDAY, JUNE 9 - CSCC BUDGET MEETING 2019-20 FISCAL YEAR at 11:30 AM

One item of business will be conducted on this day: To present, discuss, and vote on the 2019-20 fiscal year operating budget for Central Square Congregational Church, UCC.

No other business matters will be voted on, unless presented in writing to the Moderator prior to the meeting. That business will be added to the agenda ONLY after an affirmative vote by 2/3 of the attending-voting members.



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>

Your help is needed!

The CSCC Golf Tournament is one of only two big annual fundraisers for the church budget, and this year it's coming up on FRIDAY, JUNE 21.

Here's how you can help:

- Donate a gift basket or a gift card for the raffle. Gift cards, wine, food-oriented items, and lottery tickets are all popular items.
- Ask a local business to donate a gift basket or gift card for the raffle. **If every church member got ONE donation or sponsor, WOW, how successful we would be!**
- Ask a local business or service provider to become a hole sponsor for \$100. They will appear in publicity online and in print, be publicly and privately thanked, and have a sign displayed on the course during the tournament.
- Hand out golfer registration forms to all your friends who golf, and ask them to spread the word to other golfers.
- Post a flyer in a public place (there are some in the Narthex, or contact Diane Sheibley)
- Share the event on your Facebook page – more than once! – and ask your local friends to do the same.
- Volunteer to help on the day of the tournament.

“Are you saying I can help the event, without having to spend any money??”

(Yes, see above.) This week, when you go to the dentist, or your favorite coffee place or salon, or enjoying a meal out, or visiting your bank or insurance agent, keep in mind the opportunities above to support the event.

Seriously, if every person did one thing to help the tournament, it would make a world of difference. Thanks for all that you do, and anything you can do for the golf tournament.

Full info and all the forms are on our website at **www.cscucc.org/events**.

Contact Diane Sheibley (DianeSheibley@gmail.com) or the church office (office@cscucc.com or 508-697-6016) with questions or comments.

CSCC 2019 Golf Tournament!

Central Square Congregational Church, UCC



Date of event: Friday, June 21

Time: 8:00am

(check-in 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)

Pre-registration is required by June 17

Includes golf, cart, buffet lunch banquet

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 (check-in begins 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 Closest to the Pin, 50/50 on the Green

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

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

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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Email: _____ ☐ under 18?

Player name: _____ Phone # _____

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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

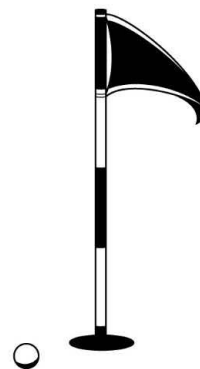
Sponsor Registration Form

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:

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| <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.

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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

Treasurer's Report
May 15, 2019
Fiscal Year July 2018 - June 2019
87% thru Fiscal Year

	YTD	Budget	% of Budget
Income			
Regular Pledges	119,440	123,000	97%
Unpledged Offerings	16,172	24,000	67%
Plate Offering	2,446	3,000	82%
Youth Minister / Church School Funding	1,600		
Total - Pledges / Offerings	139,658	150,000	93%
Special Collections			
MACUCC Fellowship Dues	806		
Total - Special Collections	806		
Fundraisers/Events Revenue			
Golf Tournament	300	7,200	4%
Breakfasts	241		
Church Fair	7,969	7,000	114%
Misc Fundraisers	700		
Total - Fundraisers/Events Revenue	9,210	14,200	65%
Facility Usage Income			
Non Profit Bldg Use	4,190	3,600	116%
Private Bldg Use	400	1,700	24%
Total - Facility Usage Income	4,590	5,300	87%
Miscellaneous Income	124		
Total Income	154,388	169,500	91%
Expenses			
Total - Senior Minister Expenses	85,293	91,479	93%
Total - Support Staff Expenses	43,325	66,558	65%
Total - Office Expenses	7,513	8,000	94%
Total - Church Building Costs	25,859	29,800	87%
Operating Committees			
Christian Education	322	1,500	21%
Church Growth	1,932	1,570	123%
Deacons	750	1,500	50%
Music (Materials/Substitutes)	528	600	88%
Stewardship	162	350	46%
Outreach	4,208	3,910	108%
Total - Operating Committees	7,902	9,430	84%
MACUCC Fellowship Dues	2,984	2,700	111%
Miscellaneous Expenses	16		
Pilgrim Assn Fellowship Dues	199	200	99%
Total Expenses	173,090	208,167	83%
Net income (loss)	(18,702)	(38,667)	48%
Transfer from Investments	10,000		
	(8,702)		

Treasurer's Report
May 15, 2019
Fiscal Year July 2018 - June 2019
87% thru Fiscal Year

Cash balances			
Operating account		9,852	
Money Market			
Restricted	30,847		
Unrestricted	631		
		<u>31,478</u>	
Fair account		16	
Minister's Discretionary account		175	
Outreach account			
Includes paid pledge set-aside	2,206		
Food Pantry	12,477		
		<u>14,684</u>	
Capital Campaign account		7,586	
Total cash balances		<u>63,791</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>254,783</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>154,072</u> Current value
Total investments		<u>408,867</u>	<u>408,856</u>

CSCC Cabinet Meeting – Minutes

May 15, 2019

*** DRAFT ***

To be reviewed and approved at the next Cabinet meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:10

Cabinet members in attendance: Rev. Beth Stotts, Pastor; Diane Sheibley, Moderator; Mark Sorgman, Vice-Moderator; Dave Sheibley, Treasurer; Kathleen Mosher, Clerk; Denise Molinari, Board of Deacons; John Sharland, Board of Trustees; Brad Barnsley, Board of Stewardship; Rob Basler/Bill O'Neil, Board of Christian Outreach; Terry Reynolds, History & Memorials Committee & Women's Guild and Fellowship; Gail Wershing, Growth Committee; Barbara Morey, Historical Renovations Committee

Minutes from the April meeting were reviewed. Gail Wershing motioned to accept the minutes as amended. Dave Sheibley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Pastor's Report - Rev. Beth Stotts

Rev. Beth attended the Southeast Area Day of Covenant last week. The pastoral care team met. A nursery coordinator has been hired. CE Director interviews are being held. The food pantry now has a Book Fairy Pantry. The church band is playing on Holy Trinity Sunday thanks to Peter Glass. Rev. Beth will be taking a one-month sabbatical this summer. Her contract calls for a 3-month one at this point, but she is opting for one-month ones over the next three years. The congregation will be encouraged to read the book "Praying with the Body" during this time. There was an article featuring our church's altar scape design which Jae Stotts and Rebecca Sheibley helped with. We have a new member joining this Sunday. Children's Sunday is June 9th. Rev. Jim Conley will be preaching when Rev. Stotts is away on sabbatical.

Treasurer's Report - Dave Sheibley

Things are going along pretty well. We are 87% through the fiscal year and have about 93% of the budgeted pledge money. We are a bit ahead. The golf tournament is coming up. We have a \$17,000 net loss for the year and have transferred \$10,000 to keep a positive balance. We have \$10,000 in our operating account. Gail Wershing suggested sending out reminders about dues. It was decided that Dave Sheibley and Stewardship will work on that.

Board of Deacons - Denise Molinari

Everything is going along fine. The visitations continue.

Board of Trustees - John Sharland

Barbara Morey has requested that a Trustee attend the 3 meetings with contractors that are upcoming. John asked for Brian Pfeiffer's report to review (Barbara will send to him). The light out front will be attended to soon. There will be three Trustees next year.

Board of Stewardship - Brad Barnsley

Stewardship is working on reinventing itself. Stewardship will be working on reminding about dues and will be working on pledges. Envelopes are still available for those who need them.

Board of Christian Ed

Lisa Masiello was unable to attend, but Diane reported that the "Taco Bout the Stars" event from last month will be rescheduled to the fall due to weather. The tentative date is around October 9th. Sunday School ends June 9th. Rev. Beth stated that she has enjoyed the monthly events that CE has been hosting. They did a phenomenal job at making great programs. CE will be advertising these wonderful programs more for next year.

Board of Christian Outreach - Bill O'Neil

There has been a decline in clients at the food pantry the last couple of months. They aren't sure why. The food pantry supply gets a little low this time of year. We get many generous donations from Aldi's, Cumberland Farms, Bridgewater University, The Girl Scouts and Badger Football. Rob Basler mentioned that he can build two simple boxes to store incoming clothing donations for the Brockton Homeless Mission, to keep things neater near the side door. Rev Beth mentioned that the CE kids love to be involved in church projects, and to remember to invite them to help where needed. There will be monthly focus minutes during Sunday service about what mission is and what someone can do to participate. Dave Hanson will be talking this Sunday.

History & Memorials Committee and Historical Renovations - Terry Reynolds/Barbara Morey

A new clock will be hung in the back of the sanctuary soon. Barbara Morey stated that three contractors have been selected to meet with them about the church renovation. There will be one meeting for each contractor. They have asked Jim Driscoll to sit in at the meetings to help advise them. The plan is to have the grant application paperwork submitted by the Fall. The meetings will be open and will be held the next three Mondays at 7:00 at the church (except Memorial Day). Paul Rogan will be the first contractor. More work has been done to look into historic events held inside the church. Suffragettes met here in 1890. The church bell was also rung to commemorate the deaths of two presidents. Hopefully, that will help get grant monies to redo the sanctuary and steeple. A capital campaign may be started to help fund a project that the church will do during the renovations. We need to show what we are contributing to the project.

Growth Committee - Gail Wershing

This Sunday is the upcoming concert in music alley at 1:30. May 19th is the last full coffee hour. After that we will be having "summer snacks". The coffee taste tests have been done and are being tallied.

Women's Guild & Fellowship - Terry Reynolds

The annual banquet concluded the year. Women's Guild will start meeting again in October.

Other Business

- The Golf Tournament is upcoming on June 21. We need golfers, raffle prizes, and hole sponsorships. See Diane Sheibley.
- 2019-20 budget proposal : The new annual budget was presented by Trustees, and upcoming changes were reviewed. A motion was made to accept the proposed budget by Brad Barnsley. The motion was seconded by Bill O'Neil. The motion passed unanimously.
- The budget meeting will be held on June 9th.
- This Sunday is the congregational meeting to vote on the new nominees for boards and committees. Board and committees are encouraged to invite newly elected members to their June meetings, and reminded to elect next year's chairs in June as well.
- June Steeple Sounds articles are due next Monday, 5/20, by 10am
- Next Cabinet meeting is June 19, and is the annual calendaring meeting.

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 AI-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 AI-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 AI-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 AI-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 AI-Anon - FH 		

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