

WEEKS AT A GLANCE

Sunday, June 11

Meditation, Parlor, 10:15 AM

Church Picnic, 12:30 PM

Tuesday, June 13

Awakening to Joy, Chapel, 6:30 PM

**Denotes a non-church event, open to the public.*

Be sure to check out the newly updated bulletin board in the upper Narthex for information about The Social Justice Community's work and how you can get involved.

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June 11 - Working together:

Today we read "A Bundle of Sticks," and talk about how fighting between people can complicate the world in important ways. We'll make our own bundles of sticks that will represent and acknowledge each person in the group, that we can keep to remind us of the importance of working together.

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WHERE LOVE & WISDOM MEET

Church Picnic and Flower Communion: TODAY

All are welcome to join us TODAY for our annual Flower Communion and All Church Picnic. The picnic is potluck style. We will have the grill going strong with burgers (Veggie and Non)!

Summer Services begin June 18th

Our summer services begin on June 18th in our Air-Conditioned Hale Chapel. Come and hear exciting speakers and musicians. Take a break from the heat and get cool during summer at First Church!

Upcoming Summer Speakers!

First Summer service--June 18--Father's Day--Rev. Tim House

June 25 Rev. Stephen Kendrick "Spirituality as Time Machine"

July 4th Weekend Matt Meyer "The Rhythm Guy"

July 9 Diana Smith, FCB Ministerial Intern

July 16 Rev. Harold Babcock (recently retired minister from Newburyport, and former intern)

July 23 Rev. Ann Fox (retired minister from Fairhaven, and former intern)

July 30 Katie McQuage-Loukas, Chair of FCB Standing Committee

The Order of Service

We Gather Together

Gathering Music To Daffodils, Op. 47, No. 1 Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)
Fair daffodils, we weep to see You haste away so soon: As yet the early rising sun Has not attained his noon. Stay, stay, Until the hasting run But to evensong; And, having prayed together, we Will go with you along. We have short time to stay, as you. We have a short a Spring; As quick a growth to meet decay, As you, or any thing We die, As your hours do, and dry Away Like to the Summer's rain; Or as the pearls of morning's dew Ne'er to be found again! (Robert Herrick)

Welcome Rev. Tim House

***Hymn # 64** Oh, Give Us Pleasure in the Flowers Today COOLINGE

Chalice Lighting & Invocation

Love is the spirit of this church, And service its law. This is our great covenant:
To dwell together in peace, To seek the truth in love, And to help one another.

The Work of Community

Time for All Ages Rev. House
Children of new and returning families are invited to join Rev. Tim House for the children's spiritual education session, held downstairs in the John Winthrop School.

Go now in peace. Go now in peace. May the love of God surround you everywhere, everywhere, you may go.

Flower Communion Ceremony

Sarabande and Gavotte (from French Suite BWV 817 in E major)
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

New Member Welcoming

Rev. Stephen Kendrick, Katie McQuage-Loukas and the Membership Committee

Members: *We welcome you into the life of this community of the free faith. Bring your fresh energy, ideals, and hope to our congregation. May your spirit and commitment strengthen us as we walk together in friendship, freedom and love.*

New Members: *We look forward to being part of the life of First Church. We promise to support one another in our spiritual search for truth and meaning.*

All: *May we all sustain, by individual and collective works, our shared values of mercy, justice, and love. May the words we speak reflect this greater love.*

Those being greeted this year include:

Hannah Gibson, Sylvia Ujwary, Sonja Alves, David Normen, Michael Brendan McCord, Adriane McAda, Meaghan Allyn, Cathy Ambrose (not present)

Greeting Your Neighbor

Brief Announcements Aisha Ansano

Finding Ourselves in the World's Story

Unison Reading # 492 Fragile and Rooted, Rev. Carolyn Owen-Towle Diana Smith

Going Deeper

***Hymn # 112** Do You Hear? FOUNDATION

Sermon "Breaking the Mirror" Rev. Kendrick

Offertory The Evening Primrose, Op. 47, No. 4 Britten
When once the sun sinks in the west, And dewdrops pearl the evening's breast; Almost as pale as moonbeams are, The evening primrose opes anew Its blossoms... And, hermit-like, shunning the light, Wastes its fair bloom upon the night; Who, blindfold to its fond caresses, Thus it blooms on while night is by; When day looks out with open eye, 'Bashed at the gaze it cannot shun, It faints and withers and is gone. (John Clare)

*Doxology



Engaging the World in Service and Thanks

Hymn # 1064 Blue Boat Home

Benediction and Blessings Aisha Ansano, Diana Smith, Rev Kendrick

Postlude The Succession of the Four Sweet Months, Op. 47, No. 2 Britten
First, April, she with mellow showers Opens the way for early flowers; Then after her comes smiling May In a more rich and sweet array; Next enters June and brings us more Gems than those two that went before; Then (lastly,) July comes and she more wealth brings in than all those three; April! May! June! July! (Robert Herrick)

*Please stand as you are able.

Special thanks to today's guest music director, pianist Bob Winkley.

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