

WEEKS AT A GLANCE

Sunday, June 25

Meditation, Parlor, 10:15 AM

Sunday, July 2

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**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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Our summer services are 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!



Summer Post-Service Discussions

This summer on Sundays through August 6, the Learning Community Committee will offer a time for reflection and dialogue after each service. A leader, chosen by the Committee, will convene and facilitate a discussion to start about 15 minutes after the service in Hale Chapel. The day's preacher may or may not be present for the discussion. If you are inclined to attend: Grab some lemonade and a snack and join us back in the chapel for an exchange of ideas.

Upcoming Summer Speakers!

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 Allegro maestoso (Sonata no. 8 in A minor, K. 310)
Wolfgang A. Mozart (1756 - 1791)

Welcome Rev. Stephen Kendrick

***Hymn # 1** May Nothing Evil Cross This Door OLDBRIDGE

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

Greeting Your Neighbor

Affirmation Spirit of Life

Brief Announcements Rev. Kendrick

Finding Ourselves in the World's Story

Poem "We are the Driving Ones", Rilke

Musical Meditation Sweet Chance, That Led My Steps Abroad (W. H. Davies)
Michael Head (1900 - 1976)

Sweet Chance, that led my steps abroad, Beyond the town, where wild flowers grow -A rainbow and a cuckoo, Lord, How rich and great the times are now! Know, all ye sheep And cows, that keep On staring that I stand so long In grass that's wet from heavy rain -- A rainbow and a cuckoo's song May never come together again; May never come This side the tomb.

Poem "The Happiest Day", Linda Paston

Unison Reading # 644 An Unfailing Treasure Wisdom of Solomon

Going Deeper

Prayer Rev. House

***Hymn # 325** Love Makes a Bridge EMERY

Sermon "Spirituality as Time Machine" Rev. Kendrick

Offertory O Boundless, Boundless Evening (C. Middleton, after G. Heym)
Samuel Barber (1910 - 1981)

O boundless, boundless evening. Soon the glow of long hills on the skyline will be gone, Like clear dream country now, rich-hued by sun. O boundless evening, where the cornfields throw the scattered daylight back in an aureole. Swallows high up are singing, very small. On ev'ry meadow glitters their swift flight, in woods of rushes and where tall masts stand in brilliant bays. Yet in ravines beyond Between the hills already nests the night.

***Doxology**



Engaging the World in Service and Thanks

Charge Rev. House

Hymn # 128 For All that is Our Life SHERMAN ISLAND

Benediction Rev. Kendrick

Postlude Postlude Presto (Sonata no. 8 in A minor, K. 310) Mozart

*Please stand as you are able.

Thank you to John Clark for providing refreshments for the last coffee hour of the season. And THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU who have hosted coffee hours this past church year!

Special thanks to today's guest music director, pianist Bob Winkley and Christine Teeters, soprano.

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