

Gabriel's Trumpet



Dear Friends:

So here is a classic "chicken and egg." In past years we have not offered childcare on Summer Sunday mornings as we have so few children who attend. Yet, some families have told me that they do not attend in the summer precisely because there is no program for children. The Christian Education Committee met last Sunday and decided that we will try offering a "one room school house" approach to summer Sunday school. We are asking one family to provide care for one Sunday this summer. There is no formal curriculum, but if the weather is nice, the children can be taken outside to play or in the case of rain, a simple craft idea will do.

The last day of Sunday school is June 3rd, and I plan to have the 10th through the 24th be Intergenerational with infant care only. If you can take a Sunday July 1- Sept 2nd please let Paula know. This is a simple, yet important ministry you can provide for our youngest members. Thanks so much.

Blessings,

Bonnie

Joys and Concerns:

Funeral Service – There will be a funeral service in our sanctuary for long time member, Fred Watson, on Saturday May 19th at 11am.

Please keep these people in your prayers this week: Ted Blois, Eileen Humphrey, David Ajemian who will have surgery on Thursday, Mike Towle who is having complications from eye surgery and Nancy Pearson who has now entered hospice care.

Red Mugs – Calling all visitors and new families to FCC.....join us in Jordan Hall for coffee hour after worship and grab a "red" mug for your coffee. This will tell us you are new to our church and allow us to introduce ourselves and answer any questions you might have. Welcome to our church family!

Opportunities for you:

Auction Feedback – Please! In order to help plan for future fundraisers, we would like feedback from anyone who attended the Intergenerational Auction & Dinner on May 6th. Please follow this link to take a brief survey: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CFDRXGH>. Thank you.

Family Promise of Metrowest Update - The FPM will be hosted in Holliston at Christ the King July1-8. If you are interested in volunteering during that week and you haven't been to a training, there is a volunteer training at Pilgrim Church (25 South Main Street in Sherborn), this Thursday May 17th, beginning at 6:30 PM. It only lasts about an hour and half and allows you to be part of this great outreach opportunity.

And there was a great article on NECN last week focusing on Joana and her families experience in FPM. The interview gives others an opportunity to see what a life is like for the guests of FPM. Please take a few minutes and watch the link below, and see what a typical day is like for her family.

<http://www.necn.com/searchNECN/search/v/56065039/making-sacrifices-for-a-better-future.htm?q=family+promise>

Wash 'n Worship, Pray 'n Polish, Suds 'n Service Car Wash - Sunday, June 3rd - Now's the perfect time to buff up your wheels for summer and support the Church mission trip to Costa Rica. So plan to drop off your car before service on June 3rd and pick it up shined and spotless for your drive home. (We promise no joy rides in your car while in our care.) More details to follow.....contact Todd Datz with any questions at 508-429-2340.

Altar Flowers – The following dates are available in June and July for floral tributes to grace the altar for upcoming Sundays. June 24 and July 8, 15 & 22. Please contact Karen McCue @ 508-429-1382 or e-mail at jerrykarenmccue@msn.com if you can help. Remember, garden bouquets or large flowering plants are most welcome!!

2012 Graduates – Please keep the emails coming....we would love to know if you have a child who is graduating this year from high school or college. Just take a moment to email Paula at office@hollistonucc.org so we may recognize their achievement.

Trivia Night - Join us for an exciting evening of trivia on Saturday, June 9th at 5:30pm. We will start with a delicious potluck supper and then enjoy an evening of fun and trivia. Start forming your teams. No more than 7 people and come up with a team name. Make sure you have kids on your teams as there will be questions only they will be able to answer. Any questions, please contact Richard at choir@hollistonucc.org

Summer Music - As we move into summer, it's time to start thinking about music for worship. If you'd like to do a solo, duet, trio, quartet, etc., please contact Richard at choir@hollistonucc.org to schedule a time. The congregation loves hearing individuals performing during the summer. You don't have to sing. Piano, trumpet, and kazoo solos are all welcome.

Happening This Week:

Handbell Celebration – End of year Handbell Celebration will be held Thursday, May 17th from 5-6:00pm in the Ladies Parlor.

Music Committee Meeting – Sunday, May 20th at 8:15am in the Music room.

Confirmation Celebration – Sunday, May 20th immediately following worship, will be celebrating our Confirmands with a special cake in Jordan Hall. Please plan on joining us!

Costa Rica Mission Trip – **MANDATORY** meeting will held Sunday, May 20th at 5:00pm in the Ladies Parlor. Anyone going on the mission trip must attend for important information.

Church Office – Tuesday, May 22nd Paula will not be in the office. She will be in on Thursday, May 24th instead this week.

Property Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 23rd at 7:30pm in the Fellowship room.

Worship Assistant Reminders – Please see below for a quick reminder of upcoming commitments.

May 20, 2012

Preacher	Rev. Bonnie Steinroeder
Deacon	Maura Marczewski
Acolyte	Oliver Gagnon
Greeters	The Murdock Family
Ushers	Amy Porter, Sheila & Todd Date, Sarah Towle, Bonnie & Chuck Kozubal, Karen Dinehart
Coffee Hour	Maureen Hand, Tricia Keating and Linda Brooks
Elevator	Paul LeBeau
Counters	Karen Dinehart, Jack Foehl, Donna Keesling, Eric Harting

For a full listing of upcoming events and announcements please visit our website at hollistonucc.org.