



September 2019
Newsletter of
Second Congregational Church of Cohasset



THE VILLAGE BEACON



Rally Day Sunday, September 15th

10 a.m. Worship resumes with
the SCC Sanctuary Choir and
start of Sunday School

September Celebration **Potluck BBQ**

Sunday, September 22nd following worship

Last name A-K Side Dish or Salad
J-Z Fruit or Dessert

**Deacons will provide
hamburgers and hotdogs**



Our Church Leadership

Staff

Minister	Rev. Dr. Karen Bailey-Francois
Music Director	Jin Kim
Office Administrator	Cindy Courtney
Organist	Konstantinos Papadakis
Custodian	Bob Tuscher

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Moderator	George Baumgarten
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Deacons	Michael Doherty
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Christian Education	Natalie Young
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Outreach	Connie Afshar
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Flowers	Debbie Anderson
Nominating	*TBD

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From the Minister's Study

*Not my brother, not my sister, but it's me,
O Lord, standing in the need of prayer...*

African American Spiritual



Why do you go to church? Why do you *not* go to church? What do you want from your church? What do you wish? ...hope? ...wonder? What do you look for? What do you need? When do you feel like your needs are being met? When do you feel you're left wanting? What makes you happy? What gives you a sense of purpose? ...meaning? ...spiritual direction? ...inspiration? ...hope? Who do you tell? And how?

Please don't breeze through those questions lightly. They are important. I really want the answers. Even more, I want YOU to give thought to the answers.

We talk a lot about how to make this church – your church – more appealing and accessible to people who might visit and, we hope, choose to stay. That's our communal job: to welcome the stranger and spread the Good News to those with a heart to hear. We are also called to care for one another and to reach out to the lost and least.

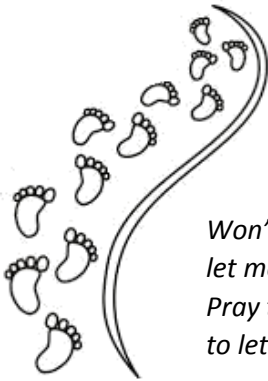
But what about those of you who are not lost and have been part of this community for a good long time? That is, what about you? How do you need your church to be for you? ...with you? Where do you find the things that you need if you are not finding them here? What might you prefer? How do you want to be asked? WHAT do you want to be asked?

We have a whole lot of new program-year stuff kicking off. Great music. Meaningful worship. The potential for really good experiences in Christian Education for learners of every age. Projects, too. Festivals and Fairs. Opportunities to host, help and

serve. I am personally looking forward to some happy social time because it's fun to have fun and to get to know each other better... and, one hopes, to connect on deeper levels. Perhaps another Progressive Dinner or concert bus trip?!?

Program planning is hard and potentially pointless if the programs are not planned for particular people. People like YOU. So, what are you looking to experience? ...learn? ...do? ...be part of? ...make happen? How do you hope to be helped? How might you help?

As we launch into this second year of programs and possibilities as the pastor and people of Second Congregational Church, please take some time in prayer and reflection to contemplate your church and your vision for it. Where do you see yourself in that picture? Where do you see me? And, above all, where do you see God?



*We are climbing Jacob's ladder,
We are climbing Jacob's ladder,
We are climbing Jacob's ladder,
Children of the cross.
African American Spiritual*

*Won't you let me be your servant,
let me be as Christ to you?
Pray that I may have the grace
to let you be my servant, too.*

*We are pilgrims on a journey, we are travelers on the road;
We are here to help each other go the mile and bear the load.*

SERVANT SONG
Richard Gillard, 1977



Pastor Karen

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DEACONS' DISCUSSION

We, the Deacons, invite you to speak with us should you have ideas, thoughts, opinions, or other concerns about items in our control. Come speak with a member of the committee (names below), or even better use our new email address!!

Simply send us a note at

Deacons02025@gmail.com

We would love to hear from you. By the nature of our church, we all have a 'hand' on whatever issue we face, and together we can certainly make Second Congregational Church what we want it to be.

SCC Deacons

*Michael Doherty (Chair), David Young (Vice Chair),
Tina Cline (Secretary), Herb Marsh, Ann Pompeo,
Doug Thompson, Tana Carlson, George Baumgarten,
Wilma Vanderlugt, Joanne Faust*



Flower Donations

- 9/8 Rick and Judith Kasameyer in memory of Marge & Bill Kasameyer and Dorothy & Harold Kennedy.
- 9/22 Helen Chapell honoring our father, Sherman Thayer.
- 9/22 Laurie Cleveland and Catherine Cleveland in loving memory of their mother and grandmother, Aylsa Goodrich.
- 9/29 From Cam and Brad Albanese in celebration of their grandparent's, Anne and Nelson Majury's, 56th wedding anniversary



Let Us Pray

For the health and healing of those receiving medical care or continuing convalescence, including Rich Silvia and Rebecca Brown.

For those who have lost loved ones, including the family and friends of Susan Shepard, Greg Koval, and Irene (Eastman) Shunstrom.

For those who are facing major life transitions like moving, returning to school or starting a new job...

For those managing the simultaneous needs of children and parents.

For any who are burdened in body, mind or spirit.



With deepest appreciation

Please join the leadership of Second Congregational Church in thanking

Mrs. Charlene Jackson

Charlene has chosen to retire from her post as Financial Secretary after many years of dedicated service. Wilma Vanderlugt, Charlene's partner in that role, will continue as Financial Secretary with support from Cindy Courtney and the Finance Committee.



Thank you, Charlene. We are grateful for all you have done.

SECOND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF COHASSET

2019-2020

Programs for Children and Youth

Using broadly-graded age-appropriate resources developed to teach, engage, inspire and invite students to explore faith.



FROLIC Volunteer Nursery Care for Toddlers through Pre-K in the Family Room on the ground floor of the Education Wing. Simple, age-appropriate curriculum materials are available, as desired, to supplement the videos, books, coloring materials and toys in this colorful, child-friendly space. (PreK)



WHIRL! Volunteers teachers commit two (2) consecutive Sunday -- one as a Support Teacher (leading crafts, supporting the lesson and getting to know the children) and the next as Lead Teacher (preparing and presenting the Bible lesson) using a kid-tested, video-supported curriculum with colorful worksheets and clearly laid out lesson plans. (K-Grade 5)



ECHO... Supporting adults facilitate Sunday morning youth discussions about faith, life, the Bible and the church in the world. (Grades 6-12)



SCC YOUTH A student-driven Sunday evening gathering for youth Grades 8-12. Requested and supported by last year's Confirmants, the focus will be service, fun and faith. Meets selected Sundays from 5 – 6:15 pm. This month: 9/15, 9/22, 9/29.



Second Family Kids Club – an intergenerational **SATURDAY EVENING** option for families with children K-5th and beyond using materials from the empathy building curriculum, *Doing Good Together*. Meets from 5 to 6:15 pm in three week blocks every other month starting September 21st!



RALLY SUNDAY: September 15th

Worship in the Sanctuary & the start of Sunday School

Sun, Sept 15: Nursery & Whirl Sunday

Sun, Sept 15: Sunday Morning Youth Class

Sun, Sept 15: Sunday Evening Youth Group (5-6:15pm)



Fri, Sept 20: Safe Harbor & SCC MOVIE NIGHT (7pm)

Sat, Sept 21: Second Family Kids Club (5-6:15pm)

Sun, Sept 22: Nursery & Whirl Sunday

Sun, Sept 22: Sunday Morning Youth Class

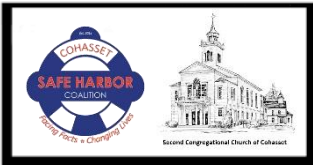
Sun, Sept 22: Sunday Evening Youth Group (5-6:15pm)

Sat, Sept 28: Second Family Kids Club (5-6:15pm)

Sun, Sept 29: Nursery & Whirl Sunday

Sun, Sept 29: Sunday Morning Youth Class

Sun, Sept 29: Sunday Evening Youth Group (5pm)



Starting in September!

YOUTH MOVIE NIGHTS

Free community movies chosen by Safe Harbor Youth Ambassadors for middle and high school students, sponsored by Safe Harbor and Second Congregational Church – usually on fourth Fridays at 7:00 p.m. in Bates Hall. (Please note: September's Movie Night is 9/20)

Friday 9/20: Ferris Beuller's Day-Off

WE'RE READY WHEN YOU ARE TO



WHIRL! into Sunday School
with an outpouring of
Volunteer Teachers!

[Pick your weeks to TEACH KIDS \(K-5\)](#)

Go to volunteersignup.org/KY37P
(details on the sign-up page)

ECHO our Youth's plea
for Leaders to support their new
Sunday Morning Youth Class



[Pick your weeks to LEAD YOUTH \(6th and up\)](#)

Go to volunteersignup.org/F8E9Q
(details on the sign-up page)



FROLIC in the Family Room as a
Nursery Care Provider

[Pick your weeks to Provide Care \(Pre-K\)](#)

Go to volunteersignup.org/Y4HDR
(details on the sign-up page)

**SCC committed to
Cooperative Collaborative
Programs for Children and Youth
Everybody has a role!**

Please pick your weeks and sign-up soon!



[SCC Board of Christian Education](#)

Natalie Young, Christina Brown, Susi Coley, JoAnne Lehr, Susan Pritchard
Rick Kilmeyer, Teacher Coordinator



DOING
GOOD
TOGETHER.

Just Be Kind

★ Inspire Kindness ★ Think Big ★ Do Good



Why does it matter?

Club activities empower kids to make a real difference in their communities, helping the hungry, cheering up isolated seniors, preventing bullying and more.

Intentional acts of kindness and thoughtful conversations about complicated issues like hunger, loneliness and generosity help kids grow into thoughtful adults who make a difference.

Research shows, kids who get involved in doing good tend to be healthier and less stressed, do better in school and have higher self-esteem.

When kids do good
we all do better.



What do kids think?

*"It was a lot of fun
and I liked how we
helped people in
need."*

~Sophia, age 10

*"I liked the hunger project
because we helped other
kids. It made me feel
good inside."*

~Civeah, age 9



It feels good
to do good!

Second Family Kids Club

Saturdays 5-6:15 Starting Sept. 21st

THREE WEEK BLOCKS EVERY OTHER MONTH

Thank You to Our September Volunteers

Date	Coffee	Greeters	Readers
9/1	Ralph & Susi Coley	Deacons	Minister
9/8	Linda & John Campbell	Herb Marsh	Minister
9/15 AT CHURCH!	Rick & Karen Kirkendall	David Young Herb Marsh	Tina Cline
9/22	Potluck BBQ (see front cover)		Jack DeLorenzo
9/29	Jack & Pam DeLorenzo	Jack DeLorenzo Herb Marsh	Doug Thompson



The Southern New England
conferences of the United Church of Christ

Connecticut ~ Massachusetts ~ Rhode Island

Super Saturday October 5, 2019

Keefe Reg. Tech. High School, Framingham, MA

Great speakers and a wide range of timely workshops.

Want to be part of an SCC Team at Super Saturday?

Contact Pastor Karen

To learn more, go to

<https://www.macucc.org/supersaturday>



Calling all SCC Elves

Well it's that time of year when the Village Fair craft workshops begin. We will meet every first and third Wednesday mornings, (9:30 am), in the Green Chair room until December 1.

This month we'll meet on Wednesdays, Sept. 4 and 18, please mark your calendars. As you can see this is not a big commitment just 2 mornings a month. If you have other commitments on those mornings then you can work on something at home.

For example, if your talent is knitting then a pair of mittens or a hat would be fine. I know we have many talented men in our congregation. Those of you that are good with your hands and tools then make something for the Village Fair.

Any contribution big or small is greatly appreciated. For those of you that can give up a Wednesday morning not to worry we have projects for you to work on. Come join us I guarantee you will have a fun filled morning.

Elf Linda



Donation Request:

Seeking a donation of 1 quart **white latex paint** for a church fair project! Contact Marsha Silvia at 781-383-0500.



We Build Sacred Community

Treasurer Report July 2019

Income July	7,480
Income Year to Date	116,543
Expenses July	17,320
Expenses Year to Date	133,412
Operating Fund	17,794

Fund Account Balances:

Regular Reserves	5,538
Memorial Fund	6,313
Money Market	30,203
Fund Raising to Date	8,291
Total Portfolio	459,737



Second Congregational Church's Summer at the Sailing Club was WONDERFUL! We are so blessed to have beautiful space, wonderful people, incredible facilities and a truly talented staff. We're now gearing up for this year's worship, music, education and outreach efforts... and feeling the summer pinch. It's just true: giving drops in the summer... but most of our expenses don't. Please know how important each dollar is to sustaining the good work of this church. Keeping your pledge current helps a lot. Thank you for all you do to support our ministries together.



Through your bank or through the church. Need help? Contact the office for more information.

OUTREACH NEWS

Father Bill's Place: Outreach members will be preparing and serving dinner at Father Bill's on the first Saturday, June 1. Volunteers are needed to help with this endeavor from 3 – 6 p.m. Please contact Connie at c.afshar@comcast.net



The Cohasset Food Pantry has a pressing need for the following items:

coffee, tea, juice, jam, peanut butter, tuna, mayo, applesauce, fruit cups (small size), corned beef hash, oatmeal (boxes w/pouches)

Donations can be made at Shaw's or Stop & Shop or at the Church office during summer hours

MUSIC NOTES

Greetings to all returning Choir members AND anyone interested in joining our amazing choir!

Fall Choir rehearsals begin

Thursday, September 12 @ 7:30 pm

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE!





THANK YOU COHASSET SAILING CLUB

for once again welcoming
Second Congregational Church
to share your incredibly beautiful
space for our summer services!

We are blessed to have
such treasured friends.



Biblical Occupations

Below is a quick matching quiz. Match the
Biblical character to his occupation!
Answers on page 18

Rahab	midwife
Shebna	harlot
Gehazi	handmaid to Sarai
Hagar	scribe
Shiphrah	servant



“Complete Bible Quiz Book”, *Dan Carlinsky*

Proud to be building Powerful Community Partnerships



SCC Hosts Cohasset Safe Harbor Youth Ambassador Training Day

Friday, August 16th



Answers to Matching Quiz on page 16

Rahab
Shebna
Gehazi
Hagar
Shiphrah

harlot
scribe
servant
Handmaid to Sarai
midwife

Fall Office Hours start September 3rd



In case of emergency, when office is closed:

Pastor Karen may be reached at:

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SCC CALENDAR -September 2019

Please see the calendar insert tucked into the center of this edition of The Beacon.

We are trying out a new format that is

- easier to print,
- allows more space for events and
- can be easily removed for quick reference!

Let us know what you think!

SEPTEMBER 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5

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