



THE BEACON

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Deadline for the July BEACON is Monday, June 18. Send entries to beacon@fccucc.org

LOOKING AHEAD IN WORSHIP



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

For those who live without sufficient food, water, shelter, or safety; for veterans and those in active service; for peace and peacemakers; for areas in strife around the world.

Prayers for:

Karen Ellis

Pat Harmon

Cindy & David McLaughlin

Donna Morong

All those who grieve



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| June 3 | 8:30 a.m.
10:00 a.m. | Second Sunday after Pentecost
Chapel Worship with Communion
Sanctuary Worship with Communion and Meetinghouse Choir
Vinton Lewis and Sue Stevens will give the message.
Fellowship time follows. |
| June 10 | 9:30 a.m. | Third Sunday after Pentecost
Sanctuary Worship
Barrie Shepherd will give the message.
Fellowship time follows. |
| June 17 | 9:30 a.m. | Fourth Sunday after Pentecost—Mission Sunday
Sanctuary Worship
Jan Hamilton, Debra Honey and Andrea McCall will give the message.
Fellowship time follows. |
| June 24 | 9:30 a.m. | Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Sanctuary Worship
Bryan Wiggins will give the message.
Fellowship time follows. |

Our Senior Pastor is away on sabbatical this summer. We pray for her time away from us and thank everyone who is helping in her absence.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS BEGIN JUNE 25

8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

On **May 13**, we welcomed seven new members to our church:

Carson Ford is a high school junior, who lives in Cape Elizabeth with her parents Russell and Lisa Ford. She also has a sister Courtney, a high school freshman; and a brother Conner, who is a 7th grader in middle school.

Jennifer Goode has been married to her husband Mark for 18 years and are “blessed with two strong, intuitive and caring daughters, Jasmyn and Victoria.” She is an Employment Specialist in the Human Services field where she assists individuals with career-related services. Jennifer’s primary interests include advocacy and community involvement, school and sports activities, alternative medicine, music and gardening.

Margery Parks lives in Cape Elizabeth and has been attending FCCUCC for several years. She is a Portland native, Deering High School graduate and also graduated with BS in Business Administration from Simmons College in Boston, MA. After completing her education, she worked for Polaroid Corporation and Arthur D. Little in Cambridge, MA. Margery married and lived in

Sherborn, MA for 20 years, then returned to Portland in 1992, remarried in the Spurwink Church and lived in Scarborough for 25 years. She especially enjoys weaving, which she has done for many years and also likes doing all types of crafts. Margery is happy to have now become an official church member.

Kristin and Chris Racine recently relocated to Cape Elizabeth from New York City with their daughter Rose and their dog, a Papillon mix named Coffee. After settling in, they added a puppy lab mix named Bella, Kristin is originally from Poughkeepsie, NY, and Chris is from Palatine, IL. They met in college at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and continue to be devoted fans of the Tar Heels.

Linda Warner lives in Scarborough with her wife Kathy. During her professional career, she was a Special Education Coordinator and a psychotherapist.

Sharman West is a retired Clinical Social Worker who volunteers at Maine Medical Center Neonatal Intensive Care Unit rocking babies. She also plays percussion in a community band and is learning how to paint.

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

Throughout the summer, we offer Game Room and Nursery. Programs with Anne Fuehrer will be held on **June 3, 10, 17, 24**, and will include a Bible story, activity and snack. Please bring your own snack if you have allergy concerns.

Please have Pilgrim Lodge and Star Island Campership requests to Anne Fuehrer by June 1.

Acolyte Ice Cream Social on June 3—Aspiring and current acolytes invited! Please **RSVP** to Anne Fuehrer **by June 1**.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE

Advance Notice to all our fair trade coffee people. Please get in any orders for coffee by **June 3**. The Fair Trade Committee will be on “summer recess” until September so it’s important to get your orders in ahead of all your summer visitors. You will be notified when your order is available for pick up. Any questions, contact Judy Kimball at judyk53@me.com or 761-9512.



MISSION GLOBE, ALTAR FLOWERS & STEEPLE REMEMBRANCES

ALTAR FLOWERS:

June 3: In loving memory of **Robert and Ruby Laughlin**, from their daughter Jean Vachon.

June 10: In honor of the **Meetinghouse Choir and Shirley Curry**, from Evie Strom.

June 17: In loving memory of **Gladys Collins, Mother and Grandmother; Andy Dewey, Brother and Father**, from Roger Dewey, Erik Dewey and Jillian Dewey Szczepanek

Please call the church office for reservations.

To remember or celebrate loved ones with flowers on the altar or light the Mission Globe, please contact Dana Wiggins at danawig@gmail.com.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES ACTIVITIES

Thursday, May 31 at 11:30 a.m. — We will leave the church for **lunch at the Good Table** in Cape Elizabeth. Please **RSVP by May 29**, so we may make reservations.

Thursday, June 21—Please join us for a **SAM meeting at 1:00 p.m.** to plan future activities.

Thursday, June 28—We will go to a **restaurant called Nonesuch** for lunch, located at 201 Gorham Road. We will leave the church at 11:30, or you may meet us at the restaurant around noon. **RSVP by June 25.**



Enjoy Fourth of July week and then stay tuned for more summer activities, including a **play at Hackmatack Playhouse** in Berwick.

SAM also has a monthly newsletter that highlights our activities for those over 55 years old. If you would like to be on our mailing list, just call the office (799.3361).

FAMILY PROMISE UPDATE:



92%—WE ARE ALMOST THERE FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 3-10, 2018

During this particularly busy time of year we feel enormously grateful to our Family Promise Volunteers who have stepped forth to help us with our next program. To date we have filled 77 of the 84 volunteer stops. Remaining spots to be filled:

- Tuesday June 5, one dinner host
- Thursday June 7, one dinner host
- Saturday June 9, one dinner host, one food and meal provider, two evening activity hosts and one overnight host.

If you can volunteer for one of these remaining slots, please go to SignUp.com.

If you have any questions, please contact Debra Honey at: debrafvl@maine.rr.com

If you would like to donate items to Family Promise, our needs are as follows:

Hair Conditioner	Infant Soap	Baby Wipes
Lunch Bags	Adult Tylenol	Children's Liquid Tylenol
Iron	Tissues	Toothpaste & Toothbrushes

Thank you from your Family Promise Coordinators: Debra and Tim Honey; Peter and Linda Foss

THE DISCOVERY CENTER

Summer is almost here and The Discovery Center is now enrolling for the 2018-2019 academic year. Our mission is to provide a preschool program that will nurture your child's individuality, creativity and spirituality. We offer a theme-based curriculum and a supportive environment that helps to develop creative, compassionate and confident students. Our program has two classes and is limited to 20 children with a very low student to teacher ratio. For more information please contact Elaine Falconer or Jinny DeRoche at 799-3361 x107, or via email discoverycentersp@gmail.com. Brochures are located on the information table outside Wright Pavilion.



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE PRESENTS 2018 SCHOLARSHIPS

\$28,000 in scholarships were awarded on April 29, Scholarship Sunday, to 12 very worthy recipients. The Loretta Thompson Pond Scholarship is awarded to one recipient each year. This year the scholarship of \$12,000 was awarded to Andrew Lockwood. This scholarship will be paid out over four years.

Eleven students received scholarships totaling \$16,000 from the General Scholarship Fund. These students included:

Alexandria Bakke
Emma Campbell
Casey Fournier
Alexander Keiter

Tucker Landry
Alexander Livingston
Rachel Lockwood
Erica Magnuson

Molly Skeffington
Finn Zechman
Silas Zechman



This year's Scholarship Sunday also included special recognition and appreciation for the generous and consistent support provided by Vinton Lewis over the years to the General Scholarship Fund. To encourage additional support for the Fund, Mr. Lewis offered a \$10,000 matching gift to other contributions to the General Scholarship Fund.

The 2018 Scholarship Committee members: Jeri Sides, Chairperson, Judy Kimball, Barbara Powers, Sally Sutton and Cindy Maddox, express their thanks to the congregation and donors for their support of these scholarships and for the privilege of administering such a wonderful program on behalf of our church.



"No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

On **June 16**, there will be an opportunity to not only "talk the talk" but also to "walk the walk." Starting at 12:00 p.m. from Monument Square, the annual **Pride Parade** will march up Congress Street to Longfellow Square and then down to Deering Oaks Park. Members of our congregation have participated in this event for a number of years, showing our church's support for the rights of the LGBTQ community. Each year, the LGBTQ folks have expressed their gratitude on seeing faith communities stand beside them. Won't you consider joining us? The more people we have, the bigger our statement. We will be meeting in the Mitchell Road parking lot by **11:15 a.m.** to carpool into town. Please give Betsy Keiter a call at 767-6182 or e-mail at bwkeiter@gwi.net if you would like to be included. If you feel you cannot participate on Saturday, please consider joining us on Sunday, June 17, for a brief witness event after worship, when we will be singing/standing in support of Pride and our sisters and brothers in the LGBTQ community.

Church Calendar Jun 2018 (Eastern Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27 8:30am - Chapel 10am - Sanctuary	28 Office is Closed for 9am - Crepe	29 6:30pm - Prayer 7pm - Choir	30	31 11:30am - Seniors -	1	2 9am - Children's 1pm - Memorial 1pm - Reception 5:30pm - Soup
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Family Promise @ All Classrooms						
5:30pm - Family Promise @ Guptill Hall & Community Room						
10 8:30am - Chapel 10am - Sanctuary 11:30am - Acolyte	11	12 6:30pm - Prayer 6:30pm - Prayer	13 9am - Children's	14 11:30am - Seniors' 6:30pm - Care & 6:30pm - S, L & W @ 7pm - EF&G @ 7pm - Mission	15	16 9am - Children's
17 8:30am - Chapel 10am - Sanctuary	18 Beacon Deadline	19 6:30pm - Prayer	20 9am - Children's 9am - Vacation Bible	21 9am - Vacation Bible 1pm - SAMS @ 2nd 7pm - Council	22 9am - Vacation Bible	23
24 8:30am - Chapel 10am - Sanctuary	25	26 6:30pm - Prayer	27	28	29	30

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