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Pastor's Page

As your bridge interim pastor in a community where many focus on ocean issues and sailing, I have a confession to make. I am an incompetent sailor! With a large lake in my first parish community and an affinity for living on Cape Cod, I purchased a Hobie Cat 16 ft. sailboat! Naturally, it was named the Hobie Ghost 3! For those of you who are unfamiliar with a Hobie Cat, let me inform you that it is a catamaran sailboat, 16 feet in length with a 26 foot high sail. It is exceedingly fast and often one of the two pontoons is out of the water. When this happens, the sailor hangs from the side of the boat held on by a trapeze-like halter. After a while, I realized I was not crazy about hanging out of a boat that was going between 15 and 19 knots. After several harrowing adventures and having the boat turn over on both lake and ocean sailings, I turned to another kind of SALE.

I may be an incompetent sailor, but I did learn several faith lessons that may be of some importance for a person's life as a Christian and their future ministry.

Getting to your goal in life or in church is a zigzag experience. The winds change and therefore getting to the goal is rarely a straight line. While keeping one's eye on the goal, patience and grace will be essential. In the community of faith, people will have different thoughts on reaching their goal, therefore, attentive ears to the winds of their spirit is always essential.

When in irons, relax and seek to feel the breeze. I often found myself in irons (directly into the wind,

dead in the water). Usually I would frantically push the sail back and forth trying to get the boat moving. It was usually of little avail. When in irons – dead in spirit or confused about where the church is going – un-bleat the sail and wait for the winds of the Spirit to get you moving again. In our personal and church lives there will be times when it feels like we are dead in the water. It is then we need to take a step back, rest, pray and take the time for devotional reflection so we can once again sail in life, our sails filled with the winds of the Holy Spirit.

Do not forget to occasionally look up to the tell tail. Tell tails are pieces of ribbon or threads of wool that are attached to upper part of a sail that help to indicate if the sail is fully trimmed. As people of faith it is good to look up and reflect upon the message of the Gospel to make sure our spiritual sails are trimmed so that we are sailing smoothly and in the right direction.

Every day we are sailing through the gift of the days of our lives and soon NFCC will be taking on a new sailing partner. Hopefully, the faith lessons from an incompetent sailor will help fill the sails of your soul and benefit you in having a Holy (and Hobie) Ghost overflowing life.

May the Breeze of the Holy Spirit Refresh You Every day,

Bob

Worship in the Sanctuary

July 7 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. – Worship

Luke 20:20-26, Titus 3:1-3

Sermon – Series on Questions of Life and Faith –
“What about God and Country?”

July 14 – 5th Sunday in Pentecost

10:00 a.m. Worship

Matthew 5:5-15, Luke 11:5-10

Sermon – “What Good is Prayer?” (Questions of
Life and Faith Sermon Series)

July 21 – 6th Sunday in Pentecost

10:00 a.m. Worship

Luke 10:25-37

Sermon – “Who is My Neighbor Now?” (Questions
of Faith and Life Series)

July 28 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. Worship

(Scripture to Be Announced)

Sermon – “What is This Thing Called the UCC and
What is the Faith We Profess?”

August 4 - 8th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. Worship

(Scripture to be Announced)

Sermon – “What’s this Thing Called Heaven All
About?”

August 11 - 9th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 a.m. Worship

(Scripture to be Announced)

Sermon – “What About Fanaticism and Faithfulness?”

August 18 – 10th Sunday in Pentecost

10:00 a.m. Worship

Guest Preacher

(Mr. Naylor will be officiating at an out of state
wedding)

August 25 – 11th Sunday in Pentecost

10:00 a.m. Worship

(Scripture to be announced)

Sermon – “Either Can We be Still? or Can We Have
a Gracious Conversation?”

Artful Devotion

Coming to Our Senses – Experiencing and Stewarding the Sacred

We are blessed by the Creator with five senses, yet we rarely use them to their fullest extent. It’s the season when we can be out of doors and experience the fullness of the senses. Hearing a summer concert on the green, tasting and savoring the flavors of summer barbeques and frozen treats, seeing soaring gulls dancing and diving about, waves caressing the shoreline, feeling the warmth of a loved one’s hand walking along the beach, smelling the freshness of air on a wooded trail after a rainstorm has passed... we are surrounded by a fantasia of sensorial ecstasy at every moment.

One of my most cherished books is *A Natural History of the Senses* by Diane Ackerman. Ackerman is a prosaic wordsmith whose call to regain our senses is profound. “There is no way in which to understand the world without first detecting it through the radar-net of our senses.”

May we come to our senses during the summer months so that we will praise God for the grandeur of creation and life itself!

The world is charged with the grandeur of God.

It will flame out, like shining from shook foil;

It gathers to a greatness, like the ooze of oil
Crushed. Why do men then now not wreck his rod?
Generations have trod, have trod, have trod;

And all is seared with trade; bleared, smeared
with toil;

And wears man's smudge and shares man's smell:
the soil

Is bare now, nor can foot feel, being shod.

And for all this, nature is never spent;

There lives the dearest freshness deep down things;
And though the last lights off the black West went

Oh, morning, at the brown brink eastward, springs —
Because the Holy Ghost over the bent

World broods with warm breast and with ah!
bright wings.

(Gerard Manley Hopkins – 19th Century Priest Poet)



Vincent Van Gogh



Debbie Daniels

Diane Ackerman on Hearing - <https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=diane+ackerman+a+natural+history+of+the+sense&&view=detail&mid=50EB541E1BF68162E25350EB541E1BF68162E253&&FORM=VRDGAR>



Dear Friends,
I want to express appreciation for all the love and care that you showed to me on my last Sunday with you. I was so overwhelmed by the hugs, tears, clapping, and laughter not to mention a delicious lunch! Also, I am deeply thankful for the check presented to me at the lunch. I will use it for something special for sure. We have traveled together over a time of transition and it has been a good run. I wish you all the best in the future as a new pastor comes to share in the life of this very precious North Falmouth Congregational Church, United Church of Christ!

With great affection,
Nancy Strickland

July Birthdays



- 07/02 Keira Murphy
- 07/05 Saramaria Allenby
- 07/05 Dick Meyer
- 07/06 Bill Fenstermaker
- 07/08 Sally Eldridge
- 07/08 Lukas Sievert
- 07/09 Kay Johnson
- 07/09 Harry Thomas
- 07/11 Samuel Barrett
- 07/14 Mike Ryan
- 07/14 Babette Bach
- 07/15 Austin Gray
- 07/16 Sandra Checklick
- 07/17 Todd Oliveira
- 07/17 Amy Roth
- 07/18 Max Rafferty
- 07/22 Janice Finton
- 07/24 Brita Dupuis
- 07/24 Jenna Leigh Wright
- 07/25 Theo Allenby
- 07/30 David Larouque

Happy Birthday

August Birthdays



- 08/01 Betty Cole
- 08/03 Ray Rowitz
- 08/06 Danielle Dunphy
- 08/07 Lynn Young
- 08/09 Rosemary Modic
- 08/10 Joyce Bock
- 08/17 Nicole Barrett
- 08/28 Adrienne Latimer
- 08/30 Jennifer Fenstermaker
- 08/30 Pamela Polloni



Family Faith and Fun Night
Friday, August 9, (please note change in date)
6:00pm



Last year's event was so much fun that we decided to do it again! Stop by for some fun activities, free hot dogs and other treats. This event begins as the lobster roll supper ends so families are welcome to get lobster rolls first if they so desire. Bring friends, grandkids, etc.



Save-the-date
Sunday, September 8 – Rally Day,
All-church cookout and
carnival games.

Fresh Start Collection

The Falmouth Service Center puts together backpacks each summer to help children go back to school with all they need to start off the year. We will be collecting items for these packs through the first week of August. Wish lists and further info will be in the Covenant Room. We will also accept cash donations to purchase backpacks.



Altar flowers are needed for Aug 4th and 25th. If you would like to dedicate flowers for either of these dates or another open date, please see the flower calendar posted outside the church office.

Christian Education News

Summer Fun! – The Community is always welcome to our events so spread the word.

Church Cookout and Friendly Competition
Sunday, July 21. 11:00am

After the church service we will have a casual BBQ and some games to play. All ages are welcome to join the fun but feel free to bring friends, grandkids, etc. The winner of the games will receive free lobster roll suppers for the family at the next August supper event!

Reminder

We have received our annual Fellowship Dues assessment from Massachusetts Conference, United Church of Christ. The MACUCC dues are \$20.00/member and the Barnstable Association dues are \$1.75/member for a total of \$21.75/member. This assessment is per member not family. Our 2019 total assessment based on 135 reported members is \$2,936.25.

The Board of Finance urges all members to pay their dues and put Dues on the memo line of the check.

Daily Lectionary Scripture References July 2019 (Year C)

Mon., July 1
Psalm 75
2 Kings 2:15-22
1 John 2:7-11

Tues., July 2
Psalm 75
2 Kings 3:4-20
Ephesians 5:6-20

Wed., July 3
Psalm 75
2 Kings 4:1-7
Matthew 10:16-25

Thurs., July 4
Psalm 30
2 Kings 4:8-17
Romans 7:14-25

Fri., July 5
Psalm 30
2 Kings 4:18-31
2 Corinthians 8:1-7

Sat., July 6
Psalm 30
2 Kings 4:32-37
Luke 9:1-6

Sun., July 7
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
2 Kings 5:1-14
Psalm 30
Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Mon., July 8
Psalm 6
2 Kings 5:15-19a
Acts 19:21-27

Tues., July 9
Psalm 6
2 Kings 5:19b-27
Acts 19:28-41

Wed., July 10
Psalm 6
2 Kings 6:1-7
Luke 10:13-16

Thurs., July 11
Psalm 82
Amos 1:1—2:3
James 2:14-26

Fri., July 12
Psalm 82
Amos 2:4-11
Acts 7:9-16

Sat., July 13
Psalm 82
Amos 2:12—3:8
John 3:16-21

Sun., July 14
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Amos 7:7-17
Psalm 82
Colossians 1:1-14
Luke 10:25-37

Mon., July 15
Psalm 7
Amos 3:9—4:5
James 2:1-7

Tues., July 16
Psalm 7
Amos 4:6-13
1 John 3:11-17

Wed., July 17
Psalm 7
Amos 5:1-9
Matthew 25:31-46

Thurs., July 18
Psalm 52
Amos 5:10-17
Hebrews 5:1-6

Fri., July 19
Psalm 52
Amos 5:18-27
Ephesians 3:14-21

Sat., July 20
Psalm 52
Amos 6:1-14
Luke 8:4-10

Sun., July 21
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Amos 8:1-12
Psalm 52
Colossians 1:15-28
Luke 10:38-42

Mon., July 22
Psalm 119:17-32
Amos 7:1-6
Colossians 1:27—2:7

Tues., July 23
Psalm 119:17-32
Amos 8:13—9:4
1 John 2:1-6

Wed., July 24
Psalm 119:17-32
Amos 9:5-15
John 6:41-51

Thurs., July 25
Psalm 85
Hosea 4:1-19
Acts 1:15-20

Fri., July 26
Psalm 85
Hosea 5:1-15
Acts 2:22-36

Sat., July 27
Psalm 85
Hosea 1:11—2:15
Luke 8:22-25

Sun., July 28
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
Hosea 1:2-10
Psalm 85
Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]
Luke 11:1-13

Mon., July 29
Psalm 44
Hosea 2:14—3:5
Colossians 2:16—3:1

Tues., July 30
Psalm 44
Hosea 6:1-10
Romans 9:30—10:4

Wed., July 31
Psalm 44
Hosea 6:11—7:16
Matthew 5:43-48



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August 2019 (Year C)

Thurs., Aug. 1
Psalm 107:1-9, 43
Hosea 8:1-14
Romans 11:33-36

Fri., Aug. 2
Psalm 107:1-9, 43
Hosea 9:1-17
Ephesians 4:17-24

Sat., Aug. 3
Psalm 107:1-9, 43
Hosea 10:1-15
Mark 10:17-22

Sun., Aug. 4
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Hosea 11:1-11
Psalm 107:1-9, 43
Colossians 3:1-11
Luke 12:13-21

Mon., Aug. 5
Psalm 60
Hosea 11:12—12:14
Colossians 3:18—4:1

Tues., Aug. 6
Psalm 60
Hosea 13:1-16
Colossians 4:2-6

Wed., Aug. 7
Psalm 60
Hosea 14:1-9
Luke 12:22-31

Thurs., Aug. 8
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23
Isaiah 9:8-17
Romans 9:1-9

Fri., Aug. 9
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23
Isaiah 9:18—10:4
Acts 7:1-8

Sat., Aug. 10
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23
Isaiah 1:2-9, 21-23
Matthew 6:19-24

Sun., Aug. 11
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
Isaiah 1:1, 10-20
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Luke 12:32-40

Mon., Aug. 12
Psalm 11
Isaiah 2:1-4
Hebrews 11:1-7

Tues., Aug. 13
Psalm 11
Isaiah 24:1-13
Hebrews 11:17-28

Wed., Aug. 14
Psalm 11
Isaiah 24:14-23
Luke 12:41-48

Thurs., Aug. 15
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
Isaiah 2:5-11
Hebrews 10:26-31

Fri., Aug. 16
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
Isaiah 3:1-17
Hebrews 10:32-39

Sat., Aug. 17
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
Isaiah 3:18—4:6
Matthew 24:15-27

Sun., Aug. 18
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
Hebrews 11:29—12:2
Luke 12:49-56

Mon., Aug. 19
Psalm 74
Isaiah 5:8-23
1 John 4:1-6

Tues., Aug. 20
Psalm 74
Isaiah 5:24-30
Acts 7:44-53

Wed., Aug. 21
Psalm 74
Isaiah 27:1-13
Luke 19:45-48

Thurs., Aug. 22
Psalm 71:1-6
Jeremiah 6:1-19
Hebrews 12:3-17

Fri., Aug. 23
Psalm 71:1-6
Jeremiah 6:20-30
Acts 17:1-9

Sat., Aug. 24
Psalm 71:1-6
Jeremiah 1:1-3, 11-19
Luke 6:1-5

Sun., Aug. 25
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Jeremiah 1:4-10
Psalm 71:1-6
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:10-17

Mon., Aug. 26
Psalm 10
Jeremiah 7:1-15
Hebrews 3:7—4:11

Tues., Aug. 27
Psalm 10
Jeremiah 7:16-26
Revelation 3:7-13

Wed., Aug. 28
Psalm 10
Jeremiah 7:27-34
Luke 6:6-11

Thurs., Aug. 29
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Jeremiah 11:1-17
1 Peter 3:8-12

Fri., Aug. 30
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Jeremiah 12:1-13
1 Peter 4:7-11

Sat., Aug. 31
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Jeremiah 2:1-3, 14-22
Matthew 20:20-28



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