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EMERGENCY PASTORAL COVERAGE

Pastor Christina out for surgery for about two weeks. If you have a pastoral care emergency, please email or call Deb Pinkney at officenfcc@gmail.com or 508-563-2177. Deb will be checking her email and voicemail on a regular basis.

"There is neither Jew or Greek, there is neither slave or free, there is no male or female, you are all one in Christ Jesus." —Galatians 3:28

Dear Friends,

When was the last time you invited someone to come to our church? How would you describe our church to someone? How might a loving and welcoming community be just the thing their heart longs for.

Maybe this list will help you think about why this church might be the church for people you know.

1. If they wake up in the middle of the night in a cold sweat, worried that all their questions and doubts are bigger than their faith—this is the church for them.

2. If they want to read the Bible, scrutinize it, and hear it talked about in ways that is relevant—this is the church for them.
3. If they feel disconnected from the community around them and want to find a home where they feel accepted, loved, and needed—this is the church for them.
4. If they want to have it out with God but have been told that faith doesn't ask questions and faith doesn't doubt—this is the church for them.
5. If they are tired of being told they can't attend church because they don't fit a certain mold—this church if for them.
6. If they have a passion for mission, service, and justice but aren't familiar with Jesus' ministry to the outcasts—this is the church for them.
7. If they want to laugh and cry and experience life on life's terms on Sunday mornings or in serving others—this is the church for them.

We welcome all those who seek a church home, need strength, want a loving, safe community, have a desire to follow Jesus, have doubts and questions, or do not believe. We welcome the rich, poor, and everyone in between. Here at North Falmouth Congregational we glorify God by rejoicing in the inherent worth, dignity, and gift of every person as a beloved child of God. We welcome all, plain and simple.

Joy always,

Pastor Christina

UPCOMING SUMMER WORSHIP

Worship for the summer will be outside, unless it is canceled because of rain. If it is, please check your email, the website, or the Facebook page for the cancelation notice. All worship services will be live on Facebook.

August 21 – Lisa Allen

August 28 – Heidi Champagne

Sept 4 – Pastor Christina

Sept 11 – Homecoming Sunday

Join us for breakfast and worship. More details to come.

Sunday, July 31st Congratulations on your Retirement Babette!



To the Congregation of NFCC

Just a note to tell you all how very much I appreciate the sendoff you gave me two weeks ago. I wish I could have spoken with each and every one of you personally but such was not the case, hence the written word which will reach all of you. It's difficult for me to realize that fourteen years have passed since I heard of a vacancy at NFCC. However, all the organ music I accumulated in my personal collection during those fourteen years is certainly a reminder! A good part of that collection now resides in a file cabinet at the church. I kept a few volumes but I am donating the remainder to NFCC. Once the pandemic hit, it all came home and took over my sunroom along with the washer and dryer as well as a keyboard, and oh yes.....a table for Sarah's seeds, plant pots and small gardening tools. We survived!

I thoroughly enjoyed my time at NFCC. The choir was great to work with and I looked forward to choir rehearsals every week. I also appreciated the effort of those who managed to record a hymn-anthem for our services over the past two plus

years. I totally understand those of you who couldn't manage the technology which is why I enlisted Sarah's help. I had no idea she was so talented in technology. So together with the help of choir volunteers, we managed to create music for Sunday services.

I realize we've lost some of our choir members but there is still a group of strong voices to build with so don't give up. Start rehearsing when the time is right, start singing as a choir and soon others will join!

Faithfully, Babette



A gorgeous summer day and a large turnout for Babette's last day gracing NFCC with music.



Thank you Babette for your many years of dedicated service to the folks at NFCC.



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 Babette Bach
- 07/14 Mike Ryan
- 07/15 Austin Gray
- 07/16 Sandra Checklick
- 07/18 Max Rafferty
- 07/20 Anna Dunphy
- 07/24 Brita Dupuis
- 07/24 Jenna Leigh Wright
- 07/25 Theo Allenby
- 07/30 David Larouque



Happy Birthday

Looking for a few people to join the Music Director Search Committee

Babette Bach retired July 31, 2022, and we are looking for people to join the Director of Music Search Committee. Current members are Music Committee co-Chairs Roseanne Amaru Tatro and Meg Tivey, and choir members Alan King and Chris Polloni. We are looking in particular for a few members of the congregation to join us in helping to finalize the job description and job posting for “Director of Music, North Falmouth Congregational Church,” and to help review applications. We are also interested in any suggestions people may have (for those not wanting to be part of the search committee – we welcome all input). We’ll be posting the ad on the Southern New England Conference United Church of Christ website <https://www.sneucc.org/#classifieds/> and on the American Guild of Organists website <https://jobs.agohq.org> as well as other sites (suggestions welcome). We do have substitutes lined up through the summer, and will likely have more in early fall as we carry out the search.

Please send an email to Deb Pinkney to indicate your interest in either serving on the committee, or providing input.

Thanks! Roseanne and Meg

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



Happy Birthday

*** Faith Formation News ***
**Welcome to Fall Celebration
&
Welcome Back Together Breakfast**



When: Sunday, September 11th 2022
Where: Outside in the garden at NFCC
Time: 8:30 a.m.
followed by Worship at 10 a.m.

**Please join together for an outside breakfast
of scrambled eggs, pancakes and fellowship!**

Busy Days of Summer at the Thrift Shop

The summer is a busy place on Cape Cod and our Thrift Shop is no exception. Today, as this article is being written, we made \$452. Pretty good for being open only three hours.

The success of our shop would not be possible without the dedication of our volunteers. They work a monthly average of 175 hours for every 39 hours we are open for sales.

This month we were also open on a Saturday afternoon to participate in the North Falmouth Village Association's Porchfest. Many new people came in, were impressed with our shop and said they would be back.

We will be having our semi-annual \$1 sale soon. This is usually very well attended and helps us decrease our present inventory to make room for the next season. There is also the possibility we will have another outdoor sale in the Fall.

The community continues to be very generous with their donations. Sometimes it is so overwhelming, we have to ask them to come back another day because the sorting room is too full. We certainly could use more help.

Volunteers work one day a month, others one day a week or more. Some work only in the summer or only in the winter. We have both church members and people from the community. If you or a friend would like more information on how you can help, please contact Sue Long at 508-563-7562 or clboat24@comcast.net.

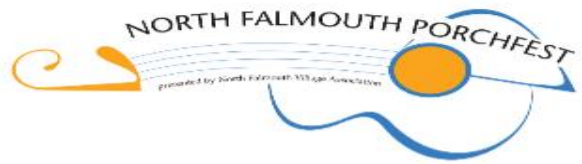
From the Altar Committee

Altar Flowers....A warm thank you to all the individuals who have supplied flowers from their gardens throughout the summer. The fall calendar does have some available Sundays. Please consult the calendar if you wish to donate flowers as many dates are taken. If you have concerns, please contact Marsha Martin willimart41@comcast.net or 508-759-0857.



Lynn Young's gorgeous gladiola from Lent.

Porchfest News!



What can be said, except WOW and Thank you!

Thanks to all at our church who stepped forward and helped out at this community event! Help that included, but not limited to, those who organized, set up and broke down the tents; cooked and handed out the much-in-demand hot dogs, chips and drinks. Finally, thanks to those who stayed for all or part of the three hour festival and cleaned up after this hugely successful event for all of North Falmouth.



Three bands played in the back garden, and many other locations on Old Main Rd.





Peter manned the grill



While volunteers gave out chips & lemonade.



BELONGING TO EACH OTHER
Every dollar raised supports Falmouth neighbors experiencing homelessness!

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Dear Friends:

Thank you for your donation of \$125.00 to the No Place for Hate Falmouth Fund, administered by The Cape Cod Foundation. Your gift is deeply appreciated and will certainly have a positive impact in the community.

The Foundation was established in 1989 with a single fund. Today, we administer more than 300. Each one was created by an individual or a group who wanted one thing: *to make a difference.* Individually, our funds have accomplished great things. Collectively, since inception, we have distributed more than \$90 million in grants and scholarships back into the community. Where it belongs.

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Once again, thank you for your gift.

Sincerely,


Kristin O'Malley
 President and CEO

Check Number: 5854
 Check Date: May 27, 2022
 Amount: \$125.00



Under the requirements of the Internal Revenue Service, we must inform you that we have provided no goods or services to you in return for your gift. In addition, you have not received any direct benefit from your contribution to The Cape Cod Foundation except the satisfaction of knowing that through your gift you have helped us to carry out our mission. The Cape Cod Foundation has exclusive legal control over the assets contributed.

Whole Life Learning

With Saramaria Allenby

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/932147921?pwd=RkpOcnJxdmgxamppNlJmdFk0d1J2Zz09>

Meeting ID: 932 147 921

Passcode: 4569

GROUP PRAYING WITH THE BODY

Mondays August 1, 8 & 29 at 10 AM

In Person at *A Place to Breathe*, 62 Bonnie Lane, Falmouth

Based on a book by Roy DeLeon, Saramaria will guide us as we read a Psalm, then practice with gentle yoga poses (or you can just sit) and a brief meditation, ending with a self-compassion practice. Pray with more than just your mind—learn how to use your whole self. These meditations and reflections connect us to our deepest needs to be with the Beloved; to be reassured of the divine presence in our midst.

To sign up, contact Saramaria at Sallenby48@gmail.com.

SECULAR MEDITATION

32 Practices For Cultivating Inner Peace, Compassion, and Joy by Rick Heller

Tuesday, August 2 at 8:30 AM via Zoom

Meditation is a form of mental exercise with numerous scientifically verified physical and psychological benefits. As meditation teacher Rick Heller shows, the benefits of the practice extend beyond the personal to enrich relationships with others, with one's community, and with the world. In *Secular Meditation*, step-by-step instructions, personal stories, and provocative questions teach empathy for others, stress reduction, and the kind of in-the-moment living that fosters appreciation for life and resilience in the face of adversity. Heller simplifies what is often found mysterious, describing and providing detailed instructions for 32 different practices, ensuring that anyone can find the right one.



Come join Saramaria via Zoom for a 40-minute meditation and reading from the text. The Zoom login will be sent out by email.

READING ALOUD:

Outlands - Journeys to the Outer Edges of Cape Cod by Robert Finch

Sundays August 7 & 14 at 7 PM via Zoom



Come join Saramaria as she reads from this remarkable book. These essays recognize our need for both the human and the nonhuman in our lives. They probe the ambiguities in our response to the terror and beauty of the natural world, and the love and aggression we struggle with in our associations with one another. Robert Finch's remarkable prose offers high entertainment, but also gives us new sympathies for and understanding of both nature and ourselves. The Zoom login will be sent by email.





Daily Lectionary Scripture References – August 2022 (Year C)

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

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

Wed., Aug. 3
Psalm 60
Hosea 14:1-9
Luke 12:22-31

Thurs., Aug. 4
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23
Isaiah 9:8-17
Romans 9:1-9

Fri., Aug. 5
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23
Isaiah 9:18–10:4
Acts 7:1-8

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

Sun., Aug. 7
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. 8
Psalm 11
Isaiah 2:1-4
Hebrews 11:1-7

Tues., Aug. 9
Psalm 11
Isaiah 24:1-13
Hebrews 11:17-28

Wed., Aug. 10
Psalm 11
Isaiah 24:14-23
Luke 12:41-48

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

Fri., Aug. 12
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
Isaiah 3:1-17
Hebrews 10:32-39

Sat., Aug. 13
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
Isaiah 3:18–4:6
Matthew 24:15-27

Sun., Aug. 14
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. 15
Psalm 74
Isaiah 5:8-23
1 John 4:1-6

Tues., Aug. 16
Psalm 74
Isaiah 5:24-30
Acts 7:44-53

Wed., Aug. 17
Psalm 74
Isaiah 27:1-13
Luke 19:45-48

Thurs., Aug. 18
Psalm 71:1-6
Jeremiah 6:1-19
Hebrews 12:3-17

Fri., Aug. 19
Psalm 71:1-6
Jeremiah 6:20-30
Acts 17:1-9

Sat., Aug. 20
Psalm 71:1-6
Jeremiah 1:1-3, 11-19
Luke 6:1-5

Sun., Aug. 21
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
Jeremiah 1:4-10
Psalm 71:1-6
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:10-17

Mon., Aug. 22
Psalm 10
Jeremiah 7:1-15
Hebrews 3:7–4:11

Tues., Aug. 23
Psalm 10
Jeremiah 7:16-26
Revelation 3:7-13

Wed., Aug. 24
Psalm 10
Jeremiah 7:27-34
Luke 6:6-11

Thurs., Aug. 25
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Jeremiah 11:1-17
1 Peter 3:8-12

Fri., Aug. 26
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Jeremiah 12:1-13
1 Peter 4:7-11

Sat., Aug. 27
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Jeremiah 2:1-3, 14-22
Matthew 20:20-28

Sun., Aug. 28
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Jeremiah 2:4-13
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Luke 14:1, 7-14

Mon., Aug. 29
Psalm 58
Jeremiah 2:23-37
Hebrews 13:7-21

Tues., Aug. 30
Psalm 58
Jeremiah 3:1-14
Titus 1:1-9

Wed., Aug. 31
Psalm 58
Jeremiah 3:15-25
Luke 14:15-24