

This Week at Our Church

Sunday, July 5

9:00 am Worship



Reminder:

Worship service will begin at 9:00am beginning today, July 5 - Sunday, August 30.

Copies of Rev. Pete's and Sara's sermons are available in the narthex and on our website www.hccucc.com

Following the service, please join us for coffee and fellowship downstairs in the Vestry. We invite visitors to take a **red cup** and members to meet, greet and welcome our visitors. *Please wear your name tag to coffee hour.*

Please hold in your prayers:

- Dee Wylie, whose mother died recently
- Libby King, facing surgery
- Alana Snyder, facing surgery
- Galen Hersey
- Betty Hulbert
- BJ Gorczyca
- Hermelinda, friend of the Muller's from Guatemala
- Dot Wagstaff
- Susan Johnson
- Mary Ela
- Lew Scotton
- Barbara Watts
- Bill Ketchum, bike accident/student at Andover Newton
- Suzy Burba, Member in Discernment
- Emmanuel AME Church in South Carolina

Happy July Birthday to the following members of our HCC family:

2 Molly Burr

7 Jim Cosman

8 Rob Hale

14 Morgan Buczynski

15 Paul Cappers

18 Leigh Harlow

20 Walker Sibley

21 Debbie Edmundson

30 Lincoln E Rathnam

31 Jody Trinchet

Happy Anniversary to Matt and Kelly McGuirk July 3, Mark and Kit Schlosky July 17, Gerald and Linda Jones July 18, and Kathi and Bryce Blair July 25.

Special Music Every Sunday this Summer!

JULY

5 Lenore Rasmussen

12 Gary Gorczyca, clarinet

19 Becca Antoine, soprano

26 Kate Kallis, piano

AUGUST

2 Ariana Tomasi, soprano

9 Drew and Sebastian Hussar, pianists

16 TBD

23 TBD

30 TBD

SEPTEMBER

6 Carol Ertman & friends from Linden Ponds

Call for Summer Music Volunteers!

During August, we need YOU to provide music for worship services--this is your chance to perform that piano piece you've been practicing, sing the solo you have always wanted to hear in church, get your old band back together, or practice your dijeridu, and make a joyful noise during the Sunday service! For encouragement or more info, call David Giessow at 617-847-1841. Sign-up sheet for summer music volunteers is on the choir room door (next to kitchen).

Our soloist today is Lenore Rasmussen. She sang in choirs during high school in Virginia and West Virginia. In college (Virginia Tech and Purdue), she dropped out of regular church attendance and singing. She and her husband settled in New Jersey, where she joined the Hillsborough Presbyterian Church, teaching Sunday School and helping with community outreach, becoming a deacon along the way. Her husband's job led the family to Massachusetts in 2011 and they chose Hingham after meeting kids from one of the Hingham High sport teams on the subway. The kids were so nice and well-behaved they thought Hingham would be a good place to live. They joined the Hingham Congregational Church in 2013. Lenore says, "When I entered the doors at the HCC, it just felt like home. The youth group is the other reason I joined the HCC, because they were so nice and helpful when we got our first Christmas tree up here, and now we return each year to get a tree from the HCC youth. This church is making a difference in the community and in the world." By day, Dr. Lenore Rasmussen is a synthetic polymer chemist and has moved her lab from Princeton to Quincy. In 2013, some of her patented materials for developing synthetic muscles were sent to the International Space Station for additional experiments.

Story Sharing at HCC Today after worship

You are invited to attend a program led by our own Jessica Jaena today after church. Last winter, Jessica was awarded a Joe Eaton Scholarship that helped defray the cost of a mission trip to Jamaica. While serving, she lived in the town of Bamboo where she visited a few orphanages while she primarily worked as a teaching assistant in a local school. Jessica's experience in Jamaica was from February 12th to March 6th when she returned home and completed high school. Please consider coming to listen as Jessica shares her special stories as well as photos of this trip; this event will be held in the vestry.

Haiti Trip July 10

Terri Fortin will be going back to the orphanages in Haiti on July 10. She will be helping with the summer camp program that culminates with a huge birthday party for all the kids. There are several ways in which her friends here at HCC can get involved. In addition to a small toys and school supplies - - this year the kids will all be receiving a brand new pair of shoes! HCC has been asked to supply 13 pairs of new shoes. Please purchase the required shoes (sneakers or shoes please - no sandals/ flip flops) and return them to the church in a box in the vestry marked "Haiti Shoes" by

July 1. Terri is also looking for donations to help cover the cost of the summer camp program (supplies, transportation, interpreters, etc.) as well as donations for the cost of the excess baggage fees to get the supplies there.

She also may be asked to bring in some much needed extra supplies at the last minute and having money to go out and get them is a huge blessing.

Checks can be made out to HCC with "Haiti" in the memo line and can be mailed/dropped at the church office or put in the collection plate on Sunday mornings. The checks can also be given directly to Terri. Questions please call Terri 781-740-1485. Thank you for your help and generosity.

Friday July 10 ** Vacation Bible School registration Deadline**

We still need materials for Vacation Bible School (July 20th - 24th), if you would like to lend or donate something; you can find out what is needed in the vestry. In this area there are 'We Still Need,' sheets. If you grab a sheet and send me a note, I will be sure to email you a reminder to make sure you bring in what you have offered to lend or donate to the VBS efforts. We also still need volunteers including folks who may be willing to help decorate the church on July 18th and 19th, so please email me if you are interested: sara.marie.holland@gmail.com.

Women's Discussion Group July 13

The Women's Discussion Group (formerly known as the Women's Book Group) will meet again on Monday, July 13, when we gather from 7-9pm at the home of Heidi Valentine at 20 Ocean View Drive. As we focus on our consideration of Christian virtues, this month we will continue to share our thoughts and questions about Love and anchor our discussion on Biblical texts outlined by Suzy Burba. Optional reading to integrate with the selected scriptures is *A Love Worth Giving* by Max Lucado. All women are welcome to join and add to our thoughts and conversation. For more information, contact Sarah England (england-sarah@comcast.net) or Candy Heath (candyh1@verizon.net).

Saturday, July 18 – Decorating the church for VBS (10:00 am – 3:00 pm)

Monday, July 20th – Friday, July 24th - Vacation Bible School: Hometown Nazareth – Where Jesus was a Kid

A Taste of Philly July 24

Enjoy delicious Philly Cheese Steaks, exhilarating live music, and drinks with the 2015 mission trip at 6:30 PM as they prepare for an exciting adventure to the historic city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. There will not be tickets, but donations for this service project are very much appreciated. This event will take place at the Boer's house on 33 Elm Street, Hingham. If you are interested, please RSVP to Laura Boer at L1boer@verizon.net or 781-749-2250. Hope to see you there!

Backpack Drive

Get a head start on your back to school shopping! Interfaith Social Services is looking for backpacks filled with school supplies to provide to children in need. You purchase the backpack (any type will do) and fill it with the needed material and return it to the church. There are two types of backpack supplies - one for younger children and one for older children. A complete list can be found on our own website (www.hccucc.com, in the middle of the page just under Pete's opening message) as well as on the Interfaith Social Services website (www.interfaithsocialservices.org, under the tab "get involved"). The deadline is early - they are needed by July 24 as they will begin to distribute in early August. This is a wonderful project to do with your own children. If you are unable to purchase a backpack with the supplies, and instead would like to make a donation, please feel free to send a check to the church office with the memo line "Backpack Drive." As always, any support is much appreciated!

Adult/Young Adult Mission Trip to Philadelphia

This summer, a group of HCCers will be traveling to the City of Brotherly Love to serve the homeless population for one week. This experience will be full of learning, spiritual growth, and meaningful interaction. We will grow close as a group as we reach out to our neighbors with compassion. We would love for you to join us!

Please sign up in the Vestry. Dates: August 2-8. Cost to be determined (it will be very reasonable and scholarships will be available). Please speak with Rev. Pete or Tracy Allen if you have questions.

Save the Date:

July 20-24 Vacation Bible School

July 24 –Adult Mission Trip Fundraiser

September 13-Fall Kick off/Welcome Back

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