The Messenger

2019

First Parish Congregational Church
United Church of Christ
The Church with Love & Hope to Share

Happy Columbus Day

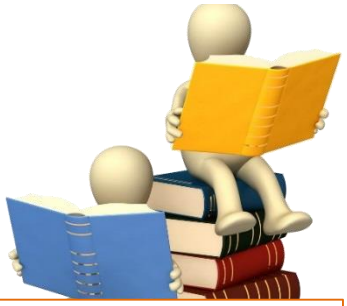
Deadline for Team Budgets is October 1st

Office will be Closed on Monday, Oct. 14 for Columbus Day

Bean Supper Saturday, Oct. 12, 5:00-6:30 PM

Confirmation Class
Oct. 6th at 11:30
Sanctuary

Auction
October 5th 2019



Book Club Tuesday, October 1st @ 6:30 PM

Book Club Tuesday, October 22th @ 6:30PM

Bible Sunday
Oct. 20th
10:00 am Service

SAVE THE DATE:
Saturday, December 7th
The Gingerbread Fair

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Jacqueline Savage, Music Director — jacqui@firstparishsaco.org
Bob Mohlin, Church Moderator — rmohlin@ces-maine.com
Nadeen DeSilva, Office Administrator — office@firstparishsaco.org

A Message From the Moderator

As of this writing the church is in full swing again. **Reverend Scott has arrived** and is in the process of **getting settled in our church community**, including moving into the parsonage which has been renovated to accept the new occupants. An **evening at the Seadogs** was **enjoyed** by approximately **80 church members and friends** including Scott throwing out the first pitch, Robert Guptill singing the national anthem and Peter Gray singing America the Beautiful.

The church school, **Spurwink and the Saco PreK** are all adjusting to the altered spaces in the lower level. The rental of the space in the lower level to the Saco PreK will bring much needed additional revenue to our church budget needs.

As was mentioned in a recent Sunday service, the diaconate had met and presented to the council certain criteria regarding announcements given prior to the 10:00 o'clock service. It was agreed that the intent of the announcements is to inform the congregation of any events or activities that will be occurring including times and dates. It was also recommended that any announcement be limited to 1-2 minutes. Any other type of announcement not directly related to a church activity must be cleared through Reverend Scott no later than the Thursday before so that he would have time to determine if the announcement is appropriate.

A lot of excitement has been generated regarding the upcoming "Magic Under the Steeple", auction scheduled for **October 5th**. It is hoped that it will be a very enjoyable evening and will generate much needed revenue for the church. Much thanks to Lynne Siulinski and Marianne Cook and their team for all their hard work organizing and pulling this all together.

This fall also marks the beginning of our generosity season. Following the auction, details will be provided regarding our budget needs so that the congregation can begin to consider making their annual pledge to allow our church programs to continue and hopefully grow even stronger.

Bob Mohlin, Church Moderator

A Message From Pastor Scott

This is my favorite time of year! I love the crisp, dry air. I love the cool evenings and the Harvest Moon. I love the mosaic colors that begin to emerge around me in the world. I love all of that, but even more … I love the beginning of a new program year at the church! Of course, I am new here, so EVERYTHING is new for me!

I love when the Sunday school children and youth return. I love when the church is filled with the music of choirs. I love the sound of children laughing and learning. I love when people are preparing for fairs and special events and programs. I love when the church is filled with energy and activity!

Over the last couple of months, many of my friends have asked me about my new church. I tell them all about worship, and bean suppers, and coffeehouses; I tell them about Sunday school, auctions, and prayer ministries; I tell them about fellowship groups and baseball games. And they say to me, "Wow! Sounds like a busy church!" And I say, "Yes! Just the way I like it … and just the way that a church ought to be!"

Our program year is well-underway and I love all of the enthusiasm and excitement that permeates the building! In addition to everything that is already happening, we will be adding a few more programs and ministries to the calendar.

Confirmation Class – The first gathering of this year's class will be Sunday, October 6, at 11:30 AM. At that first session, we will talk about what 'Confirmation' means, introduce the schedule for the year, and spend some time getting to know one another. Because of the potential size of the class, we will plan to meet in the sanctuary. All youth in grades nine and above are invited to participate. If you have ever considered serving as a mentor for one of our youth, please speak with me or with Kris Galasyn.

Getting to Know You Gatherings – In an effort to get to know all of you a little better, the Deacons and I will be planning a number of small group gatherings. They will take place in people's homes as well as at the church. Stay tuned for dates and times.

New Member Sessions – A number of people have expressed interest in joining the church family. We will be offering three sessions for those who would like to learn more about the church and its ministries. Interested individuals need not attend all three.

Looking Ahead … Advent Bible Study – During Advent, I will be offering a Bible study exploring the Christmas Story. The days and times have not yet been determined. If you are interested in attending, please let me know what days and times work best for you.

Busy? Yes! And loving every minute of it!

Deacons' Corner

Greetings!

The deacons are looking forward to a busy, spirit-filled fall here at First Parish! Our Homecoming Sunday saw many people returning from their summer sojourns along with a decidedly awesome number of new faces! We are so happy to welcome everyone, new and returning. "Extravagant welcome" is, after all, part of our stated purpose at FPC.

One project the Diaconate has started is the updating of our sanctuary literature. We have plans for enhancing the various promotional pieces that are inserted in the racks on the back of pews, inviting members and guests to participate in church activities or to ask for a pastoral visit. Since we were running very low on pew pad fillers, we started with that piece and have ordered some new "friendship pads," removing the problematic word "Attendance" and replacing it with "Worshiping today at First Parish." We do NOT take attendance at church; no one keeps track of how often you attend! (We DO take a count each Sunday, but no names are attached!) New pads will appear as we run out of the old ones.

You probably know that the pew pads are intended to help us know each other better. When you sign the pad and pass it down the row, you are giving each other the gift of friendship, in a way. You are introducing yourself to new people or reminding someone of your name. It is our hope that you will take the opportunity to fill it out, pass it on, and see that it is returned to the center aisle. Deacons and ushers collect them each week so that we are aware of new guests. Since there's also room to indicate a desire for a call or an interest in membership, we can make the pastor aware of those needs as well. Thanks for taking part in this aspect of our extravagant welcome!!!!

Thanks and blessings,

Nadine Russell and Dan Carter, Co-chairs

Music Ministry

Jacqueline Savage: Music Director
Jacqui@firstparishsaco.org

Happy Fall!

I love this time of year! Leaves start to change, there is cooler, crisper air, and pumpkin EVERYTHING! It has been a joy having everyone back in rehearsals and participating in worship.

Cherub Choir

The Cherub choir has been such a great success! The littlest **singers** in the congregation have been dancing, **singing**, shaking, **drumming**, reading stories, enjoying scarf and bubble play, and all around enjoying each other in a music and movement class. They are working on *Jesus Loves Me* and will sing it in worship at some point this Fall!

Reminders

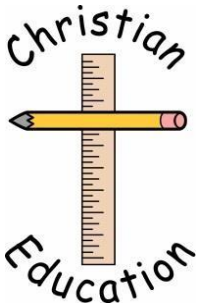
- **Cherub Choir** meets every Sunday after church *except* the first Sunday of the month in the Flexible Use Room (Upstairs across from Jacqui's office)
- **Junior Choir** meets @3:15PM every Thursday in the Choir Room
- **Senior Choir** meets on Thursdays @6:15PM in the Choir Room
- Bell Choir meets @6:30PM every Monday in the Flexible Use Room

Meet the Musician!!

Delaney Clifford

Delaney Clifford is a Teacher/Musican who graduated from Bonny Eagle High School in 2018. She has studied the piano with Jacqui Savage for seven years and studied voice with Janelle Loscuito for two. During her senior year of high school, Delaney participated in the music program at Portland Arts & Technology High School where she learned the fundamentals of music performance and expanded her knowledge on music theory and audio engineering in their state of the art recording studio. While participating in church choir since she was nine, Delaney also ended up auditioning and getting a spot in her high school's competition choir and won four Festival Disney Awards. With this choir, she performed at The State House, Portland Jet Port, Festival Disney, Bonny Eagle High School, Tree Lighting Ceremonies, Football games and fundraising events.

Currently, Delaney is teaching preschool through third grade at Jacqui's Piano Studio, performing professionally at Cadenza in Freeport, conducts a cherub choir at Saco First Parish Church, and is working as a Shift Leader at Mexicali Blues and. She has a passion for music and sharing the joy it brings. She is very excited to work with the littles and share her love for music with them.



I recently saw this post on Facebook and would like to share it with you here. It is from
"The Quiet Life's Post

Take your kids to church.
Make the effort. Wake them up early. Fool with the belts and the buckles and the fancy hair bows. Endure the sleepy, grumpy faces and the misplaced shoes. Run around like a mad woman gathering everybody's everything and trying to get out the door in time. Hop to the car with a shoe in each hand. Give those babies a pop-tart and some milk and let 'em eat it in the car. If its raining, get wet. If its cold, get a jacket. If you're tired, go tired. But take those babies to church. You know why?
Because Jesus is there.
He's there. And He'll meet them there. And you too, Mama. He'll be there in the sweet smile of their Sunday School teacher as she greets them into their room. He'll be there in the goldfish and the apple juice and the filling of their little bellies and hearts. He'll be there in the hug from a sweet friend and the encouraging smile that assures you that they "just barely made it" too.
He'll be there in the sacred words read from the Bible speaking truth to their little impressionable hearts. He'll be there in the worship and the raised hands and the watery eyes and whispers of praise.
So take them. Carry all of their Bibles and drawings and toilet paper tube creations. Sit by them in worship. Open your Bible and open theirs. Show them how to find the scripture the pastor is preaching from. Show them how to worship. Explain to them why He's worthy of worship. Let them see you laugh and cry and praise and study. Forgive their wiggles and paper rustles and know that they're listening even when it seems like they aren't. Ask them questions and answer the ones they ask you. Introduce them to Jesus. Tell them of His greatness-his power-his faithfulness. Tell them with your words and show them with your life. Tell them what he's done for you and how you've changed by His grace and forgiveness and goodness and love. Tell them how they can be too. Point them to Jesus. Over and over and over again.
Take your kids to church. They'll love it there. It's the only place where they can go and just be themselves. They don't have to "be" good enough or smart enough or athletic enough. They don't have to perform for approval or achievement. They just get to go and hear how much God loves them. Just because they're them. Just because He created them, they're valued. Wanted. Their worth isn't based on the grades they make or their ability to throw a curveball. It's not dependent on their performance or skill level. And they need a little more grace and a little less pressure. A little more love and a few less demands.
Take them to church. Before you take them to the ballfield or the gym. Before you take them on vacation or to grandma's or to the backyard to play. Take them to church. Let them know it's a priority. Show them it has eternal value. Let them see you set aside schedules and extra curricular activities and work and busy-ness to be present with the Lord in His house. I promise you won't regret it. I promise you it won't return back void.
Take them to church.

Author: Megan Breeland Woodham
One Step Ministries.

See you at Church,

Kris

September at Pilgrim Lodge

Women's Autumn Weekend, September 20-22 found the following six ladies at Pilgrim Lodge. **Lynn Beals, Michelle Fiske, Cheryl Gray, Hope Guerrette, Erica Herzberg** and **Pauline Hester.**

Jesus says: "Let the little Children come to me"

-Matthew 19:14

Helping **Lisa** in the Nursery for the month of **September** was:

1st	**Aldene Walters**
8th	**Carol Spencer Lemay**
15th	**Abby Henry**
22nd	**Abby Henry**
29th	**Katherine Karbel**

Thank you to all who have signed up for helping in our Nursery. Our new sign up sheet for the Fall and Winter is up and we hope you will continue your generosity by signing up.

"Its Only One Sunday!"

First Parish Christian Education Team appreciates your time. **Thank you**

October

October 6	**Spencer Cook**
October 13	**Connor Remillard**
October 20	**Lucy Perry**
October 27	**Camilla Roberge**

Confirmation Class

Confirmation, derived from the word confirm, is the time where each youth is now confirming the Baptismal vows that, most often, were taken for them by their parents. We are baptized into the church universal but we are confirmed into a local church. If you are ninth grade and older, we look forward to your participation in confirmation classes. A gathering will take place of all interested Confirmation candidates and their parents on Sunday, October 6th at 11:30 am in the sanctuary.

Baptisms

Welcome to the UCC

September
Caroline Libby
Parents: Matt and Kelsey

October
Feena Flanagan
Parents: Brandi and Noreen

Bible Sunday will be celebrated on Sunday, October 20th during the 10am worship service. All third graders will receive their Bibles. A breakfast will be held and hosted by the Christian Education Team that morning.

Prayer Ministry News

In 2001 a group of 8 women gathered with a common goal, to provide prayer support for those in the congregation who were in need. Through the years these women, and men, promised to pray for each name on the list every day. They presented beautiful hand knit or crocheted shawls which they prayed over and blessed for each person who received one.

This wonderful tradition was begun with Ellie Mercer, Lu Downey, and Mary Johnson, as just a few of the 8 ladies who gathered once a month at each other's homes, and in 2005 Mary Johnson became Chair. It was a position she would keep for over 20 years. On September 30, Mary stepped aside as Chair, and became one of our regular prayer members.

On October 1st we begin a new chapter in our Prayer Ministry life. Prayer requests should be done by contacting Ethelee (EJ) Jackson on Sunday morning, by her email address, etheleej1946@gmail.com, or by phone at 207-321-9399. Prayer Shawl requests should be done by contacting Brenda MacDonald at Mrs.macd123@yahoo.com.

If anyone in our congregation loves to pray, knit or crochet, or would like to learn, it would be a joy to have you join us. Lessons are free, and you can get further information by contacting any Prayer Ministry member, or coming to the Parlor on Sunday morning between 9 and 9:45 am.

This ministry has been richly blessed and honored to have had the loving, caring, and unwavering devotion of Mary's leadership, and we look forward to her remaining as one of our powerful prayer warriors. We are grateful for her leadership, and for those who went before, giving those of us now serving such a rock solid place to continue. We are glad to have this ministry supported by all of you and pray for God's continued guidance and rich blessings.

Respectfully,

Catherine Bockington, Treasurer; Judy Gray, Ethelee Jackson, Chair; Mary Johnson; Jane Kircher; Kathleen Larsen; John Laveriere; Kathy Lund; Brenda MacDonald, Prayer Shawl; Sue Neumyer; and Joan Sonneborn

It’s Only a Few Days Away!!

You Don’t Want To Miss This Event!
You can purchase tickets at the door.

MAGIC UNDER THE STEEPLE
First Parish Community Auction
October 5, 2019

Silent Auction Items Sample – More than 100 Items

KitchenAid Vintage Electric Mixer	Calico Crazy Quilt	Poetry Books by Sandy Duross
African Kuzuri Bead Necklace & Earrings	Nonesuch River Brewing Gift Certificate	Doll House with Figures and Furniture
On the Border Gift Basket & Gift Cards	Assorted Breakfast Pastries	Tom Brady Rookie Cards
Antique Steeple Clock	Handmade Christmas Table Runner & Napkins	Pampered Chef Items
Wooden Loon	Greeting Card Class in Your Home	Sports Tickets – Portland Sea Dogs and U Maine Hockey
Hand Woven Alpaca Shawl & Pin	Massage & Chiropractic Services Gift Cards	Movie & Restaurant Gift Cards
Nine Stone Spa Gift Certificate	Daybreak Ultalight Backpack	Jewelry
Vintage Knitting Basket	TA Sports Pass 2019-2020 Season	Cherished Antiques That You Can Use
Handmade Cards	Dinner for 4 Delivered	Holiday Items
Needlepoints	Art Work	Local Services Gift Cards

Live Auction Items Sample – More than 25 Items

Designated Parking Space for 3 Months	Sunset Cruise for 6 on Saco Bay	1 Week at Ocean Park Cottage
One Night at an Inn in Camden and Wine Lover's Package	Lobster Bake for 6 in July 2020	Perennial Garden Design & Planting
12' Canoe	Week at House in Charleston SC	Microsoft Surface Pro
Mookie Betts Rookie Card	Spinet Piano	Autographed Watercolor by Judith Kinsman
Ice Cream Birthday Party at Scoops	Golf Packages	Adirondack Chair
Handmade Basket	Nautical Decorated Christmas Tree	Maine Huts & Trails Gift Card
Pilgrim Lodge Campership	Pet Portrait	LL Bean Bench

NOTE: Some higher valued items in both the Live and Silent Auction will start with a minimum bid request.

Here are some Highlights of the Live Auction!!!

What a lovely evening this will be! Kathleen and Jeff Larsen will host up to 6 people for a Lobster Bake at their home in Hills Beach. You can be sure this will be a night filled with great food and even greater company. Don't pass up this opportunity!

Treat yourself to a nearby getaway, and be as quiet or as busy as you wish. This one night stay at the Captain Swift Inn, in Camden, is sure to delight. Your stay will be in a beautifully appointed room with a fireplace and sitting area, and you will enjoy a lovely full breakfast the next morning. An addition to your stay includes a Wine Package.

Don't miss out on this wonderful adventure.

Enjoy a week in Charleston, South Carolina and stay in this tiny house. This adorable space has a living room/kitchen and a separate bedroom and bathroom. The living room has a fold out couch. This is available at a mutually agreed upon date in the Fall, Winter, or Spring or 2020.

Enjoy a wonderful day out on the course with this golf package from Biddeford Saco Country Club. This includes two rounds of golf, with a cart, and a $40 gift certificate for the restaurant. What a great way to enjoy a Spring or Summer day in 2020!

We are never too old to enjoy an Ice Cream Party! This gift from Scoops in Downtown Saco, can be used anytime in the next year for an Ice Cream Social or for a special birthday party or other event. It includes decorations and balloons. Each person gets to build their own sundae with toppings. Everyone takes home a balloon and cotton candy. Plan a fun outing!

Missions

You can help feed the hungry: at Bon Appetit, Second Congregational Church, 19 Crescent St.,Biddeford, starting at **4:20 pm on Monday, October 14.** Volunteers help serve the meal and clean up. Or, if the weekend works better for you, you can help prepare and serve breakfast at the Paul Hazleton House, 7 Smith Lane, Saco, on Saturday, **Oct. 19, from 8-10 am.**

Please sign up on the "Missions" bulletin board near the office. Eligible senior citizens reside in the Paul Hazleton House.

Men's Fellowship

Please consider joining the men's fellowship group for about an hour of Bible study and friendship at the church.
The group meets at 7:15 AM on the 2nd Tuesday of the month
and 7:00 PM on the 4th Tuesday of the month.

We are currently studying Acts and discuss a chapter each session, making it easy for anyone to join us at any meeting.

During our meetings we have learned from sharing excellent insights about what it means to be a Christian along with increased understanding of the Bible and how it translates to our lives today. We have also enjoyed fellowship and friendship.

Please contact John Grew at grewjd@gmail.com for more information.

Good News Team

If you have not already ordered your First Parish Church T-shirt, here is how to do it:

It's Really Easy!!

1. Go To: www.customink.com
2. Click the Fundraising Tab
3. Search **First Parish Church**
4. Choose your t-shirt, size, and quantity
5. Go sit by the mailbox and wait for it to arrive!!!

We are going to look so awesome
in our new shirts!

If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to anyone
from the Good News Team.

"**Dear Cheryl and Members of First Parish,**

My dear daughter Tanja brought me your beautiful prayer blanket. It is always next to me. What a gorgeous color; yes, it reminds me of the sky and many stars! Thank you with all my heart!

In His Love,
Inge Cesh and my husband Siegfriend Cesh,

Your prayers will help us fight the cancer!"

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Bean Suppah

October 12, 2019

First Parish Congregational Church
12 Beach Street, Saco
(Corner of Beach and Main St.)
Time 5:00 – 6:30 pm
$8.00 for Adults
$4.00 for Children ages (6-12)
Children under 6 years old are free

Menu:
Pea Beans
Kidney Beans
Hot Dogs
Macaroni & Cheese
Brown Bread/Dinner Rolls
Coleslaw
Deserts
Beverages

2019
Bean Supper Dates

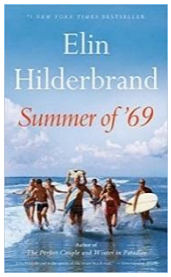
~~**February 9**~~
~~**March 9**~~ ~~**Aug 10**~~
~~**April 13**~~ ~~**Sept 14**~~
~~**May 11**~~ **Oct 12**
~~**June 8**~~ **Nov 9**
~~**July 13**~~

Volunteers Wanted
We are looking for volunteers to help with the Bean Suppers.
Please sign up on the sign up sheet outside the office door.

Book Club

Meetings Start at 6:30
Parlor

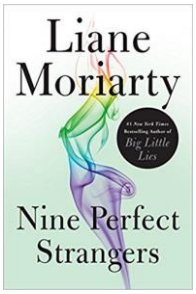
Tuesday, October 1



Summer of '69

Elin Hilderbrand

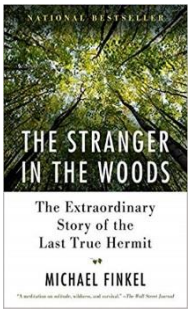
Tuesday, October 22



Perfect Strangers

Liane Moriarty

Tuesday, November 19

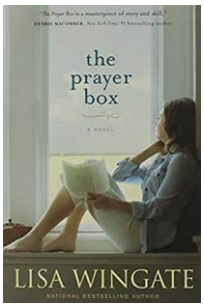


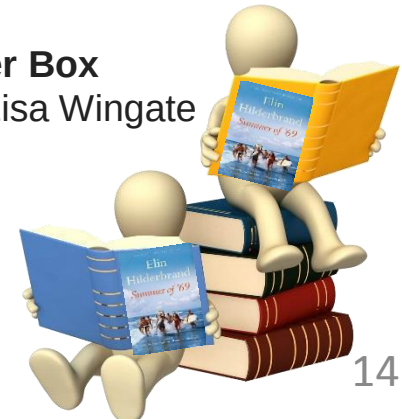
Stranger in the Woods

Michael Finkel

Tuesday, December 17

The Prayer Box
Lisa Wingate





VOICES RAISED IN PRAISE CONCERT

When

NOVEMBER 2ND, 2019

6:30PM-8:00PM

CONCERT SHOWCASES ALL CHOIRS AT FIRST PARISH, SACO

Please join us for a night of music! Invite friends and family to support the Music Program here at First Parish. Senior Choir, Junior Choir, and Youth Choir will SING, Bells will RING and audience will be invited to sing at the end. Free-Will donations will go towards our music program.

Something for Everyone!!

Get this on your CALENDAR!

Get ready for **THE GINGERBREAD FAIR!** This annual event will take place on **Saturday, December 7th, 2019: 9:00-2:00**. We will feature crafts, baked goods, candy, gift baskets, electronics, jewelry, collectibles, holiday decorations, a fabulous luncheon AND so much more!

Meet new people...make new friends!

This is a chance to have **fun** with your fellow community members. Dig out those recipes and your holiday garb to make this event festive!!!

Pitch in and do your part

Yes, it's work, too. There are many ways you may participate; please see Sue Neumyer at coffee hour to sign up. If everyone does a little...no one will have to do a lot..."many hands make light work"...all the tables have chairpersons. If you can give a few hours, please check the chart on the easel at coffee hour!

The Fruits of our Labor

In the spring, Women's Fellowship was able to donate $5,000 toward the parsonage fund. Without a successful fair, this would not have been possible. This fundraiser is an all church effort...we can talk about how YOU can make a difference!

Sue Neumyer,
Gingerbread Fair organizer

First Parish Congregational Church

Events Schedule

09/26/2019 02:07 PM

Time	Event Name	Event Type	Room(s)
Tuesday, October 1, 2019			
09:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Women's Fellowship		Fellowship Hall
06:30 PM - 07:00 PM	Facilities		Conference
06:30 PM - 07:00 PM	Book Club		Parlor
Wednesday, October 2, 2019			
06:00 PM - 08:30 PM	Girls Scouts		Flexible Use
07:00 PM - 08:30 PM	Girl Scouts Group		Classroom 5
Thursday, October 3, 2019			
08:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Pre-K		Flexible Use
09:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Top of the Hill Gang		Fellowship Hall
04:00 PM - 05:30 PM	Jr. Choir	Youth Activity	Sanctuary
06:15 PM - 07:45 PM	Senior Choir		
06:30 PM - 07:30 PM	Women' [illegible]		Flexible Use
Friday, October 4, 2019			
08:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Pre-K		Flexible Use
Saturday, October 5, 2019			
08:00 AM - 10:30 PM	Church Auction		Atrium Fellowship Hall Kitchen Parlor Sanctuary
Sunday, October 6, 2019			
08:00 AM - 09:00 AM	Service		Sanctuary
09:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Small Group	Parlor
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Sunday Service		Sanctuary
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Church School Starts	Sunday School	
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Baptism/ Flanagan		
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Cherub Choir		
11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	Youth Choir		
Monday, October 7, 2019			
09:00 AM - 01:00 PM	Counters		Conference
06:30 PM - 08:30 PM	Big Book AA		
06:30 PM - 07:30 PM	Bell Choir		Flexible Use
Tuesday, October 8, 2019			
07:15 AM - 09:00 AM	Men's Group		Parlor
09:30 AM - 11:30 AM	WF Board Meeting		Parlor
06:00 PM - 08:30 PM	GNT		Conference
06:30 PM - 08:30 PM	Mission		Parlor
Wednesday, October 9, 2019			
06:00 PM - 08:30 PM	Girls Scouts		Flexible Use
Thursday, October 10, 2019			
08:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Pre-K		Flexible Use
09:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Top of the Hill Gang		Fellowship Hall
04:00 PM - 05:30 PM	Jr. Choir	Youth Activity	Sanctuary
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Monday, October 14, 2019			
09:00 AM - 01:00 PM	Counters		Conference
06:00 PM - 08:30 PM	Council Meeting		Conference
06:30 PM - 08:30 PM	Big Book		
06:30 PM - 07:30 PM	Bell Choir		Flexible Use
Tuesday, October 15, 2019			
09:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Women's Fellowship		Fellowship Hall
05:00 PM - 07:30 PM	Spurwink Graduation		Atrium Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, October 16, 2019			
10:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Theological Roundtable		Conference
06:00 PM - 08:30 PM	Girls Scouts		Flexible Use
06:30 PM - 08:30 PM	Deaconate Meeting		Conference
Thursday, October 17, 2019			
08:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Pre-K		Flexible Use
09:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Top of the Hill Gang		Fellowship Hall
04:00 PM - 05:30 PM	Jr. Choir	Youth Activity	Sanctuary
06:15 PM - 07:45 PM	Senior Choir		
06:30 PM - 07:30 PM	Women's		Flexible Use
Friday, October 18, 2019			
08:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Pre-K		Flexible Use
Saturday, October 19, 2019			
03:00 PM - 07:30 PM	Halloween Piano Bash		Fellowship Hall Sanctuary
Sunday, October 20, 2019			
08:00 AM - 09:00 AM	Service		Sanctuary
09:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Small Group	Parlor
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Sunday Service		Sanctuary
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Church School Starts	Sunday School	
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Cherub Choir		
11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	Youth Choir		
Monday, October 21, 2019			
09:00 AM - 01:00 PM	Counters		Conference
06:30 PM - 08:30 PM	Big Book		

First Parish Congregational Church
Events Schedule

09/26/2019 02:07 PM

Time	Event Name	Event Type	Room(s)
06:30 PM - 07:30 PM	Bell Choir		Flexible Use

Tuesday, October 22, 2019

09:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Women's Fellowship		Fellowship Hall
06:30 PM - 08:30 PM	Book Club		Parlor
07:00 PM - 09:30 PM	Men's group		Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, October 23, 2019

06:00 PM - 08:30 PM	Girls Scouts		Flexible Use

Thursday, October 24, 2019

08:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Pre-K		Flexible Use
09:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Top of the Hill Gang		Fellowship Hall
04:00 PM - 05:30 PM	Jr. Choir	Youth Activity	Sanctuary
06:15 PM - 07:45 PM	Senior Choir		
06:30 PM - 07:30 PM	Women's		Flexible Use

Friday, October 25, 2019

08:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Pre-K		Flexible Use

Sunday, October 27, 2019

08:00 AM - 09:00 AM	Service		Sanctuary
09:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Small Group	Parlor
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Sunday Service		Sanctuary
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Church School Starts	Sunday School	
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Cherub Choir		
11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	Youth Choir		

Monday, October 28, 2019

09:00 AM - 01:00 PM	Counters		Conference
06:30 PM - 08:30 PM	Big Book		
06:30 PM - 07:30 PM	Bell Choir		Flexible Use

Tuesday, October 29, 2019

09:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Women's Fellowship		Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, October 30, 2019

06:00 PM - 08:30 PM	Girls Scouts		Flexible Use

Thursday, October 31, 2019

08:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Pre-K		Flexible Use
09:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Top of the Hill Gang		Fellowship Hall
04:00 PM - 05:30 PM	Jr. Choir	Youth Activity	Sanctuary
06:15 PM - 07:45 PM	Senior Choir		
06:30 PM - 07:30 PM	Women's		Flexible Use

October 1st
Carolyn Olson
Theo Henry
Ella Herzberg

October 2nd
Arthur Dickson Jr.
Linda Simonsen

October 3rd
Lexie Carter
Aiden Karbel

October 5th
Charles Walker

October 7th
Mary Sicard
James Galasyn
Jennifer Curry

October 8th
David Strosahl

October 9th
Daniel Baillargeon

October 10th
Natalie Cone
Charlie Galipeau

October 11th
Eric Steva
Gabriella Walters

October 12th
Pamela Mohlin

October 13th
Danielle Sullivan

October 15th
Julia Marston

October 20th
Lilly Wells

October 21st
Jane Campbell
Jane Kircher

October 22nd
Scarlett Sasserson

October 23rd
Lisa Denner

October 24th
Gisele Cantin
Andrew Wescott
Hannah Sheehan

October 25th
Daniel Dearborn

October 26th
Philip Blood
Douglas Macrae

October 28th
Steven Belanger
Johanne Lovejoy

October 30th
Mary Johnson
Adria Guptill

October 31st
Elizabeth Shaw

Thank You For Volunteering

The Starfish Story

Original Story by: Loren Eisley

One day a man was walking along the beach, when he noticed a boy hurriedly picking up and gently throwing things into the ocean.

Approaching the boy, he asked, "Young man, what are you doing?"

The boy replied, "Throwing starfish back into the ocean. The surf is up and the tide is going out. If I don't throw them back, they'll die."

The man laughed to himself and said, "Don't you realize there are miles and miles of beach and hundreds of starfish? You can't make any difference!"

After listening politely, the boy bent down, picked up another starfish, and threw it into the surf. Then, smiling at the man, he said,

"I made a difference to that one."