



The Messenger



First Parish Congregational Church, Saco

*"A Christ-centered Inclusive Community of Faith
with Love and Hope to Share"*

September, 2022



September 11, 2022 Homecoming Sunday at First Parish

Cookout after Church
Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chips, Watermelon and
beverages will be provided. Popcorn will be
popped on site.

Bring a salad and/or side to share.

Games will be available.
Cornhole, Ladderball, Lawn Darts, etc.



Reminder from your Counter's Team...

**Please be sure to put your envelope number
in the memo line of your check so you will
receive the appropriate credit for your
pledge and/or donation.
Thank you.**

Mark your calendar!

September 25th... come join us for
an evening with Rodney Mashia.

"Music for and from the heart, soul
and spirit. It's all about joy."

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Pastor Scott's Message...

The Pastor's Perspective ...



It all began with a question. "Your sign out front says, 'All Are Welcome.' Does that include me?" The question came from a man named Ali. Ali is a member of the Muslim community in Biddeford. (He is an interesting man with an impressive history. I hope to have him come and share his story one day.) The season of Ashura was approaching, and they were looking for a place where the women could gather for worship and observe their 'sad days.' I told Ali that he was indeed welcome. We seek to be faithful to that promise we make on the sign in our front yard. When we say, "All are welcome here, we mean it."

That was how it came to be that a group of thirty to forty Muslim women gathered for ten consecutive days in our fellowship hall to observe the season of Ashura. And they were so very grateful to be welcomed into our church home.

As the conclusion of the season of Ashura drew near, Ali called me and invited me to join him at the mosque in Biddeford for their time of worship. I asked him if my presence would be disruptive in any way, and he assured me that it would not. He picked me up and drove me to the mosque. I was greeted warmly by all of the men as we entered, and then we welcomed everyone else as they entered. The entire service was in Arabic, but two of the men, Ali and another, sat next to me and helped me understand what was happening. As the service went on, I did not understand the words that were spoken, but I understood the feelings and the emotions.

On the way back to the church, Ali presented me with a gift on behalf of his community. It was a small blue box that contained a set of prayer beads. The beads belonged to Ali's grandfather. The beads are one hundred years old. He gave them to Ali's father, Ali's father gave them to Ali, and then Ali gave them to me. I was moved to tears by the precious gift. I asked him if he was sure that he wanted to offer a gift with so much personal value. He said, "Yes. On behalf of our community, we offer you this gift."

I have said that my hope is that First Parish Church can be a place where the community gathers, where the community feels welcome. We opened our doors to our Muslim neighbors, and they were exceedingly grateful. Beginning in October, two of the women will be using our space for Arabic School for their children. We also opened our doors to Saco Main Street offering our sanctuary as a rain location for the Concerts in the Park-ing Lot. Two of their concerts were moved inside and everyone that came in said how grateful they were.

Being a gathering place for the community begins by saying, "Yes," to the question, "Am I welcome there?" How else can we embody the spirit of welcome? How else can we offer hospitality to our neighbors?

Peace be with you,

Scott



Moderator Update



From the Moderator...

As I write this, we approach the 22nd anniversary of the fire that burned our old church which was constructed around the time of the Civil War. It's still extremely emotional for those of us who were here at that time. It was a stunningly beautiful church. The image of the beautiful stained-glass windows collapsing in the fire was devastating. However, the process of "rising from the ashes" was one of the most meaningful experiences I have ever encountered and one that allowed us to grow in a different way and become closer as a church family. The outpouring of support from the community was amazing. We have moved on and are very fortunate to reside in our current beautiful structure and have not forgotten the importance of giving back to the community who was there in our hour of need. We have also gained many new members and for that we are thrilled.

I want to provide an update regarding the Organizational Structure Ad Hoc Team. You may recall that I have previously explained that selected elements of the church are not optimized to take advantage of all the great work that the various teams are doing; items such as communication between the Council and the ministries along with policy and procedure development. While the endeavors of each team are impressive, the intended mechanism to promote communication between teams is broken. The Council started to consider opportunities for improvement during 2021 and has continued that effort but it became apparent that it's not practical to do at the Council level due to time requirements. So we have broken off a separate team who will focus on considering those opportunities for better aligning with our mission. One member had to step down recently from that three-person team. Another member has graciously stepped-up so we will start afresh soon. If you would like to provide input regarding what you feel is important please reach out to me. This work will continue throughout the fall. We will provide updates when worthy news needs to be shared.

Blessings and peace, Dale Siulinski



Vice Moderator Update...

Johnson Atkinson Spiritual Growth Fund application(s) are due.

The Johnson Atkinson Fund sponsors spiritual growth opportunities for the church. The opportunities would bring members or nonmembers to the church with activities like concerts, sponsoring external speakers, provide spiritual retreats or programs that inspire.

The Fund was started by a church family that wanted to provide spiritual growth within our church family. The applications are due the end of February and September. The application defines the purpose and a request for funding. Based on the application, a team of church members, lead by the Vice Moderator, decide which application(s) will be accepted.

The funds are managed by an external investment team and funds are immediately available. All application funds need to be drawn out, even if the request is multi-year as any fund not drawn on, will be reinvested in the fund.

The application can be obtained through the office. When complete, return to Sue, the Office Administrator.

The application(s) are due by September 30th so that the team of reviewers can review the application(s).

What a wonderful gift we have been given which keeps on giving!!

Bob Condon
Vice Moderator





From the **TREASURER ...**

2023 Budgets

The 2023 budget process begins now. Team chairs, please develop your 2023 budget requests and email them to amy.chute@firstparishsaco.org by **October 15th**. As we all know, 2022 is running at a deficit so please limit 2023 budget requests to the essentials.

Contributions to First Parish

Contribution statements for 2022 (through August) will be mailed out mid-September. Please review this information carefully and compare your own records for giving to First Parish Church. If you have any questions or concerns after reviewing your statement, please contact amy.chute@firstparishsaco.org or the church office office@firstparishsaco.org.





Deacon Ministry

Dear Family and Friends,

As the summer winds down and we look ahead to the fall, we Deacons are focusing on name tags as they relate to building community, and intentional prayer, as it pertains to our individual spirituality.

Name Tags

Thanks to all of you who have been making an effort to wear your name tags on Sunday mornings! This action is sending a clear signal to others that you are making yourself known (and therefore more approachable), to all of us who are "newer" these past few years, or visiting!

Shout-outs to Sue Burgess and Pastor Scott, who have culled through the existing name tags, removing duplicates, etc. to make it easier for parishioners to locate their own name tag. Sue has also taken on the job of making permanent name tags for friends/members.

Pam Campbell, a Deacon, and relatively new member, has graciously agreed to oversee the Welcome Station. You may have seen her friendly face there at the previous two Sundays! Please introduce yourself to her, and she'll be happy to assist you in locating your name tag, or welcoming you to church if you're a visitor.

Let's all make a goal to wear our name tags in September, as we welcome returnees after summer vacations, and visitors looking for a church to call home!

Intentional Prayer

Pastor Scott recently was leading a Children's Moment in which he discussed the importance of prayer; that prayer may happen any place, anytime, and that God is always present and ready to listen.

During a recent Diaconate meeting, I shared an article from Diaconate Ministries Canada (Christian Reformed Church) that described an intentional prayer exercise that can create a space to deepen our faith in the Holy Spirit. To help us be in a relationship with God, we need to spend time with Him, listening, rather than just telling God what we want.

Several of us are going to follow this exercise for a period of time, and reflect upon how it has affected our individual spiritual practice. As the summer winds down, you may find this a good time to try this out for yourself!

Take 15 minutes out of your day (1% of day), finding a quiet space. During the first 5 minutes, praise God for who He is and what He has done. For the next 5 minutes, move into prayer. Ask God for the things you need (petition) and others' needs (intercession).

During the final 5 minutes, ask the Holy Spirit to speak to you about your relationship with God, then listen to what He has to say. He may offer suggestions of things to look up or think about. It may be helpful to keep a journal of what He has to say.

(You may wish to cut out the steps to the intentional prayer exercise to keep with you for reference.)

Have a Blessed day!
Margery Condon and Dan Carter,
Diaconate Co-Chairpersons



Music Ministry

From Our Music Director

jacqui@firstparishsaco.org

First Parish Choirs

Senior Choir: *Starts September 7th*

- Rehearsals Wednesday nights 7PM-8:30PM
- Sunday morning rehearsals @8:45AM
- Practice tracks provided
- FMI email Jacqui@FirstParishSaco.org

Youth Choir: *Starts Sunday September 18th*

- Every Sunday except first Sunday of each month
- 45 Minute rehearsals
- Lead Contemporary Worship Hymns and anthems
- 6th grade and up
- FMI email Jacqui@FirstParishSaco.org

Junior Choir: *Time TBD*

- Children's Choir pre-k through 5th grade
- Led by Susan Marston
- FMI email amarsto1@maine.rr.com

"Music is the greatest communication in the world. Even if people don't understand the language that you're singing in, they still know good music when they hear it." -**Lou Rawls**



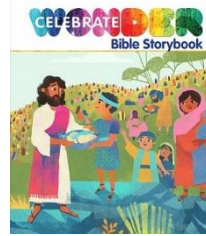
September always seems to creep up on us. Maybe it is because we do not want to let go of the summer or maybe it is because there is so much

to do to prepare for our program year. This is one of my favorite Sundays...all our families returning, programs starting up, church school classrooms with teachers and children enjoying all our wonderful Bible stories. Yes, this is a special Sunday. **Homecoming Sunday is September 11th.** As we begin our worship together, that morning, we will be having a **Blessing of the Backpacks.** All children, youth and church school teachers are invited to bring their Backpack/bag forward and place on the altar. We ask that everyone sits up front while the blessing takes place and our morning's Children's Message. We will also have our teacher commissioning at that time. Please remember to retrieve your bag after worship. We will begin age level Church school classes that day. After worship there will be a Cook Out for all including special activities for our children. **In the meantime, we would like all our parents to fill out Church school registration forms for their child(ren). We ask that you fill out a form for each child, birth (nursery) through Twelfth grade.** This is helpful for many reasons.

1. Helps us in the purchasing of curriculum
2. Helps us determine class size vs. room vs. adults needed
3. Helps to organize age level events, Bible Sunday, VBS, Youth Fellowship.

4. Helps us report attendance to our Church conference.
5. Helps us to know if there are parents wanting their children Baptized

You can find this form on the Church website under Christian Education, click on Christian Education and then Christian Education Registration. Thank you.



We continue with **Celebrate Wonder** in our classrooms this fall. Our Wonder Word for this month is **"Call"** and our lessons will focus on the story of **Hannah, Samuel and David.**

September 18 there will be a **Peace Workshop** for all ages. Families are encouraged to participate.

I look forward to seeing you at Church.

Stay safe,

Kris





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

-Matthew 19:14

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

7th **Glenys Salas**

14th **Glenys Salas**

21th **Mary Coyne**

28th **Mary Coyne**

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.

"It's Only One Sunday!"

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



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. Letters will be sent
out to all those who are age eligible.



TBD – P L Fall Workday

Oct 20 - Bible Sunday

Oct 30 - Sunday Fun Day

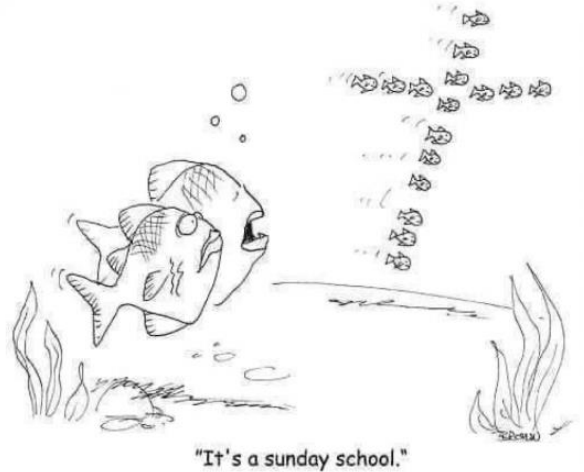


We give thanks to all the
very dedicated adults that
teach consistently. We are
in need of another youth Church school
teacher. Could it be YOU??

Younger Elementary **Linda Lambert and
Danielle Roberge**

Older Elementary **Heather Nolette and
Michael Remillard**

Youth **Karen Brann** and _____



2022 at Pilgrim Lodge

Pilgrim Lodge is winding
down.

Women's Fall Weekend

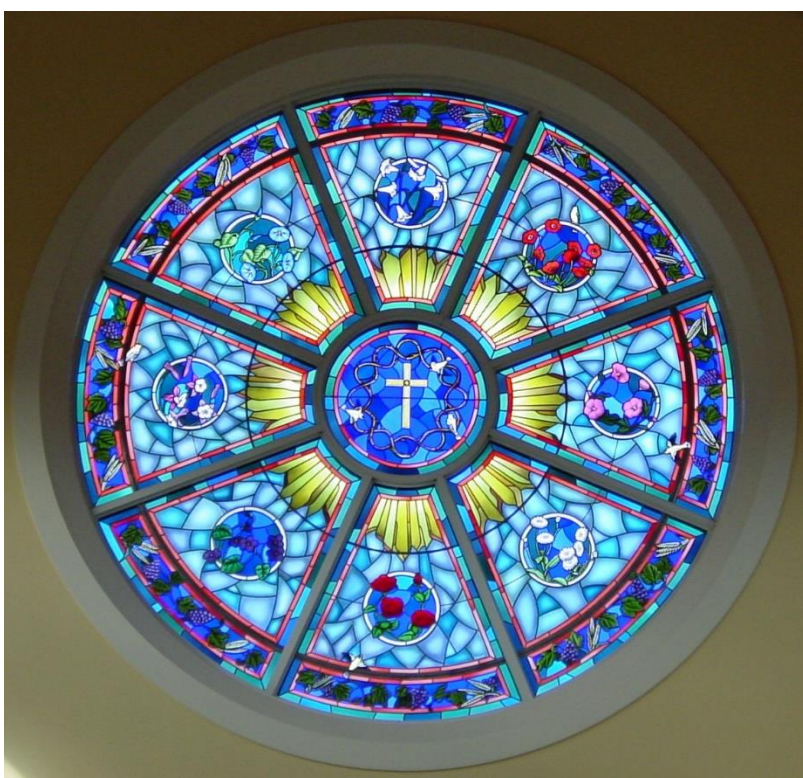
**Sept. 16-18. Michelle Fiske, Hope
Guerrette and Lu Kachmar are**

attending. Anyone else interested? There
is still financial assistance available. Please
see Kris if you would like to attend.

Pilgrim Lodge is where Community, Nature
and God meet. It is where the ordinary
meets the extraordinary and those "thin
places" form. It is where we glimpse a little
bit of heaven on earth.



The Rose Window



Recently I was asked about our window. This led to a search of the files, where I found a picture. About 20 years ago a team from our church, Mary Johnson, Lu Downey, Harry Nielson, George and Charlotte Lapham were gathered in front of a life size drawing of our stained glass window.

I also found an incomplete description of the window. The following is a complete description as written by Lu Downey for our old pew welcoming folder:

The round stained glass window was designed by Lyn Hovey Studios of Hyde Park, Massachusetts.

At the center of the window is the cross we hold at the center of our lives. It is surrounded by twelve loops in the crown of thorns evoking the disciples. The gold finches, considered "savior" birds, are placed randomly throughout the window and, like Christ, are present even among the thorns in our lives. Each of the eight sections surrounding the cross displays flower of faith:

- The Rose of Sharon, for harmony with God.
- The Lily for Easter and immortality.
- The Columbine , for the Holy Spirit.
- The Violet , for humility.
- The Daisy, for innocence.
- The Anemone, for the Trinity.
- The Morning Glory, for the life span of humanity.
- And the Rose, for purity and God's promise.

Encircling the whole window are grapes and wheat, the symbols of Communion.

As you sit in church look up at this beautiful window.

Your Historian,
Tony Nero



This new article in "The Messenger" will focus on our different teams and groups here at First Parish. We hope this will bring more understanding to you and provide information as to what each team does, when they meet, and the current members of the team. Perhaps it may pique your interest enough to join a team and help First Parish keep the light shining for all to see.

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**Church Council**

Between meetings of the Church Body, the Church Council shall be the governing board of this church. Per our By Laws, the Church Council shall conduct the business of the church through the Ministries, Teams, Task Forces, Groups and other organizations of the church. The team is comprised of four officers – Moderator, Vice Moderator, Treasurer, Clerk and seven at-large members.

The Church Council shall oversee the ministries, conduct long range planning, provide approval of new or revised policies, encourage and empower effective communication, identify and act on improvement opportunities, and conduct all personnel matters of the church, both Pastoral and other. Additionally, the Church Council shall be responsible for all physical resources of the church including real property, money and securities.

The team meets on the fourth Wednesday every month. The members of Church Council are as follows:  
Jamie Beals, Sue Burgess, Margery Condon, Tim McGee, Sorren Arneson, Eric Steva, Peggy Warden, Dale Siulinski, Moderator; Bob Condon, Vice Moderator; Amy Chute, Treasurer and Marianne Cook, Clerk.

I would like to offer special thanks to Rev. Bill Donoghue, who was a member of Church Council but recently had to step-aside. Thanks for your thoughtful guidance throughout the year.

If you would like more information regarding Church Council, contact Dale Siulinski, Moderator at [dsiulinski001@maine.rr.com](mailto:dsiulinski001@maine.rr.com).



# Flower and Altar Update



Wow, summer is flying by. Thank you to everyone who has provided flowers for the altar. We are all set with flowers for September. There are openings October through December. Love seeing the summer flowers, all so colorful!

The 2022 Altar Flower Sign Up Sheets are available outside the church office. You can also contact Patrice Tripp at 207-509-1109 or [rtripp@maine.rr.com](mailto:rtripp@maine.rr.com) or Marcia Lord at 207-768-1699 or [mvlord@aol.com](mailto:mvlord@aol.com).

## Altar Flowers given for the Month of August

August 2<sup>nd</sup> Flowers were given by Heidi Byrd in honor of Bob Mohlin's 75th birthday.

August 14<sup>th</sup> Flowers were given by Patrice & Rich Tripp in celebration of Patti (Tripp) & Michael Jordan's 50th Wedding Anniversary (8/19/1972)

August 21<sup>st</sup> Flowers were given by Edward Olsen dedicated to Barbara Freeman

August 28<sup>th</sup> Flowers were given in celebration of Cathy & Dan Baillargeon's 43rd Wedding Anniversary



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We are looking ahead to the Gingerbread Fair. If anyone has Christmas mugs, vases, or small to medium size baskets, in good condition, they no longer want or need, please drop them off at church and mark them for Flower & Altar.



Mission Team Update

FMI – Carol Spencer-Lemay
SpencerLemay2@gmail.com



Don't forget to donate to the Saco Food Pantry if you are able. The need is great.

The Saco Food Pantry is highlighting the need for the following items this month:

Complete Pancake Mix	Canned Beef Stew
Hearty Soups/stews/chowders	Syrup
Canned ravioli, pasta	Jelly
Rice Pilaf, Rice-a-Roni	



Help feed the hungry!

Trina Triggs usually volunteers every Monday at **Bon Appetit** located at Second Congregational Church, 19 Crescent Street, Biddeford, Maine. (*Bon Appetit* is a community meal program in which volunteers serve a free hot meal every weekday evening.) Trina is having foot surgery in September and won't be able to volunteer for at least 8 weeks. She is asking members of the congregation to step in to volunteer Mondays in September and October from 2 to 6 pm. Volunteers help prepare the meal and can also serve the meal and clean up after the meal. If you would like to volunteer, please sign up under "Mission" on the bulletin board near the office, or contact Trina Triggs at tmtriggs@hotmail.com or show up at Bon Appetit's kitchen!

Directions to Bon Appetit: From Alfred Street onto Jefferson (at the 7-11), Crescent St is angled left at the five corners. The Church is the large white building at the corner of Crescent and Graham. Park on the Street. Enter by walking up the left hand driveway (facing the church); then go up the narrow cement stairs on your right to the small door at the end of the sidewalk. Let Jim Court know that you are volunteering.



American Red Cross

**You can save a life
by giving blood!**

The First Parish Congregational Church Red Cross Blood Drive will be **Saturday, October 22, 9 am to 2 pm**. To make an appointment online, go to redcrossblood.org and enter SACO UCC in the red "Find a Blood Drive" box. Then click on the red "SEE TIMES" box and select your appointment time. Or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767). If you are not able to donate on Oct. 22, you may select a different date and location. If you would like to volunteer Oct. 22, please contact Carol Spencer-Lemay at spencerlemay2@gmail.com or call (207) 229-1902.



***Thank you for all the
donations and help with the
Back to School Giveaway
and Ice Cream Social!!***



Mission Team Update

FMI – Carol Spencer-Lemay
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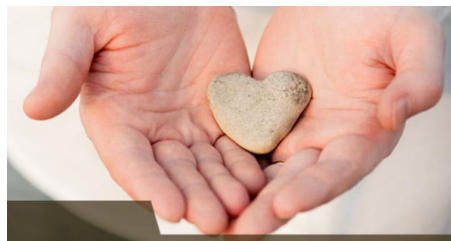
Have you heard about **DAISY'S CHILDREN?**

Before this non-profit was established, but after a mission trip to an impoverished Honduran village, our church attempted to send buckets of food to our **amigos** in Concepcion del Norte, Honduras. Unfortunately, this was very expensive, and the food did not always arrive as planned. After another York County UCC Mission Trip to this village, Sharon Beckwith started **Daisy's Children** in memory of a 24 year old mother who starved to death because she chose to feed her children instead of herself.

Now Daisy's Children serves more than 130 children daily through their daycare/nutritional/educational center and employs 4 village women. They have also established a sewing center for community women to improve their income and provide clothing for their families.

In addition, this non-profit continues to work towards providing clean and readily available sources of drinking water, other than bottled water, for the regional population. They provide uniforms and shoes so that children may attend public schools and are working to expand the preschool program.

If you are able to donate to this wonderful charity, please make checks out to First Parish Congregational Church with Daisy's Children in the memo line. This special collection is scheduled for September 25, but you may donate any time of the year. You may also donate online at daisyschildren.org.



KIDS IN NEED
Sponsor a needy child today and help change their life for the better.



WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP UPDATE



**The Gingerbread Fair is happening on
December 3, 2022!!!**



Currently, many table "chairs" are in place. We are looking for a few more to help with the following:

Wreaths (pre-ordered) – we currently have 2 master bow makers
Live Music, vocals, instrumentals – sign up for ½ hour segment

We need help with the all important CLEANUP!

We will also need help with fresh backs and arms to take away items that are left over. If you or someone you know has a truck that could be used after the fair is done, please contact Glen Ellen Roth.

There is a poster in the Atrium for signing up to help out. It's a festive day! The greater community looks forward to this fair every year... so make sure you don't miss out on the fun!!

Want to help? Please contact Glen Ellen Roth at droth@maine.rr.com.

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## ***Yarn in the closets!!!***

If you, or any knitters/crocheters you know, are in need of yarn, please stop by the church on Tuesday mornings (9:30 am to 11 am) to pick up your free yarn, or contact Glen Ellen Roth at [droth@maine.rr.com](mailto:droth@maine.rr.com) or (207) 229-3196.

We have many different colors available.  
Please help us clean out our closet.







# Peace Workshops



On Sunday afternoon, September 18th from 2-4 PM, the first of four quarterly peace workshops will take place. The workshop is free (funded by the Johnson-Atkinson Fund). The title of the series of workshops is Seek Peace and Pursue it (Psalm 34:14)

Using scripture, art, discussion, and reflection, we'll explore what peace means to each one of us and how to practice peace in our daily lives. The work of art we will explore for the first workshop is Edward Hicks' "The Peaceable Kingdom". Also there will be an art-creating time. This is an opportunity to explore art activities like painting, collage, stamping, and printing, with at least one group collaboration. Each participant will choose their own art activity. Each activity will have some ideas to get you started. You don't have to be an artist. This is meant to be a time of being together and enjoying each other as well as dabbling in the arts.

This is a workshop for adults, teens and children ages 5 and older. Families are welcome. Each child or family group of children must be accompanied by at least one adult. Registration will begin in mid-August and will be limited to 15 persons.

**To register for this workshop please pick up a registration form on the table outside the church office or contact the church office at [office@firstparishsaco.org](mailto:office@firstparishsaco.org) or call 207-283-3771.**





# First Parish Concert Series

## 2022

All shows begin at 7:00 pm

Tickets \$10.00

FMI visit [www.firstparishsaco.org](http://www.firstparishsaco.org)

or call 207-283-3771

June 26<sup>th</sup>

Jazz Night with

Chris Humphrey Quartet

Chris



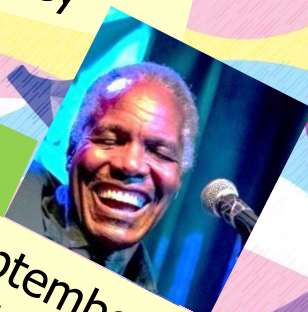
Tickets on sale now at the FPCC Office!



July 24<sup>th</sup>  
Folk Night with  
Bold Riley



August 21<sup>st</sup>  
Classical Music  
Joel Pierce



September 25<sup>th</sup>  
An Evening with  
Rodney Mashia

October 29<sup>th</sup>  
Blue Grass with  
Southern Rail



December 11<sup>th</sup>  
Christmas Jazz with  
Chris Humphrey  
14 piece Jazz Ensemble



# Calling All Patrons of the Arts!

We need **you**! As you likely are aware, we will be offering an intergenerational performance of "Into the Woods, Jr." in November. It is an exciting endeavor for our church family! Half of the members of the cast are from the community. In order to make this a successful show, we need your support.

## We need:

**Costume Makers** - If you are handy with a sewing machine, we will need some assistance creating costumes.

**Prop Masters** - We are going to keep the production fairly simple but will need to come up with some props.

**Set builders and dressers** - The set is being designed by a very gifted professional set designer, but we will need your assistance to build it. We will also need some folks to help decorate the set.

**Donors** - Everything listed above is going to cost money. If you are able, please consider making a donation to support our production. We thank you all for your support. If you have any questions, please speak with Jacqui or Pastor Scott.



# INTO THE WOODS JR.



# BIBLE STUDY



Let's Dig In together

## **Pastor's Bible Study**

Each week, as I prepare for worship, I read through several commentaries and journals in order to get a deeper understanding of the scripture passage that I selected for the sermon. I explore the various translations, the historical and cultural backgrounds, as well as the message that the writer or speaker was trying to communicate. And then I try to bring that forward into our context. However, all of the notes and exploration do not make it into the message for the day.

Beginning in September, I will be offering a study that will invite you to join me in that deeper exploration. The study will offer you an opportunity to respond to the message as we take a deeper dive into the scripture passage.

The study will meet on Sunday mornings after worship and coffee hour. We will plan to begin around 11:45 AM and end around 12:30 PM so that you can go out for lunch or run home to watch the Patriots.

I hope to see you there!

Scott







# September

| Sunday                                                                                                                                          | Monday                                                                                                                       | Tuesday                                                                                                                    | Wednesday                                                                                                     | Thursday                                                   | Friday                                                                                      | Saturday                                                                                    |
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| ITW – Into The Woods play                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                              |                                           |                                                                                                               | 1<br>9am<br>TOHG                                           | 2                                                                                           | 3<br>11am Sandy Shaw Funeral & Reception                                                    |
| 4<br>8:50am CE Team<br>10am Service<br>11:15am Youth Choir<br>1pm TV Service                                                                    | 5<br><b>Office Closed</b><br>               | 6<br>9am Counters<br>9:30am Women's Fellowship Workshop<br>6:30pm Facilities via Teams<br>7:15pm Men's Fellowship via Zoom | 7<br>4pm Diaper Bank<br>7pm – Sr Choir                                                                        | 8<br>9am TOHG<br>3:30pm Guiding Eyes<br>6p – ITW Rehearsal | 9                                                                                           | 10<br>1pm – Nancy MacNider Funeral & Reception<br>12pm – ITW Rehearsal                      |
| 11<br><b>Homecoming Sunday</b><br>10am Service<br>11am ITW Rehearsal<br>11:15am Youth Choir<br>11:30am All Church Picnic<br>1pm TV Service      | 12<br>9am Counters<br>6:30pm Big Book                                                                                        | 13<br>9:30am Women's Fellowship Workshop<br>7:15pm Men's Fellowship – Zoom                                                 | 14<br>4pm Diaper Bank<br>6:30pm Finance Team via Zoom<br>6:30pm Diaconate<br>7pm – Sr Choir                   | 15<br>9am TOHG<br>6p – ITW Rehearsal<br>7pm GNT – Zoom     | 16                                                                                          | 17<br>12pm – ITW Rehearsal                                                                  |
| 18<br>10am Service<br>11am – ITW Rehearsal<br>11:15am Youth Choir<br>11:30am Peace Workshop<br>11:45am – Pastor's Bible Study<br>1pm TV Service | 19<br>9am Counters<br>6:30pm Big Book                                                                                        | 20<br>9:30am Women's Fellowship Workshop<br>6:30pm Mission Team<br>7:15pm Men's Fellowship – Zoom                          | 21<br>4pm Diaper Bank<br>4:30pm – Flower & Altar<br>5:15pm – Jr Choir<br>6:30pm - Diaconate<br>7pm – Sr Choir | 22<br>9am TOHG<br>3:30pm Guiding Eyes                      | 23                                                                                          | 24<br> |
| 25<br>10am Service<br>11:15am Youth Choir<br>11:45am – Pastor's Bible Study<br>1pm TV Service<br><b>7pm Concert with Rodney Mashia</b>          | 26<br>9am Counters<br><br>6:00pm Big Book | 27<br>9:30am Women's Fellowship Workshop<br>6:30pm Personnel Team<br>7:15pm Men's Fellowship – Zoom                        | 28<br>4pm Diaper Bank<br>5:15pm – Jr Choir<br>6:30 pm Council<br>7pm – Sr Choir                               | 29                                                         | 30<br> |                                                                                             |

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