



The Clapboardtree Spire

News From First Parish of Westwood, United Church
340 Clapboardtree St., Westwood, MA 02090

MAY, 2009

First Parish of Westwood, United Church
in cooperation with
the Metropolitan Boston Association
of the United Church of Christ

invites you to

CELEBRATE WITH US

the Installation of our new pastor

The Reverend Christopher L. Dodge

Sunday, May 17, 2009

4:00 PM

in the Meetinghouse

A reception will follow in the Parish Hall

All clergy are invited to robe and process
We will gather in the Parish Hall, across the street
(red stoles please)

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Congregational Meeting

On Sunday, May 3rd all First Parishioners will gather in the Meetinghouse after worship for a brief congregational meeting to discuss the 2010 budget deficit and the measures that will be taken to close that gap.

To date, we are \$4000 short of our needed pledge income. Can you help?

Southern Rail Bluegrass Band

Sunday, May 3rd is all about the Southern Rail Bluegrass Band at First Parish! First the group will provide special music during the 10AM worship service. Then they will perform in concert in the Meetinghouse at 4PM that afternoon! So mark your calendars and bring the whole family – and your neighbors and friends - to hear some great bluegrass!

Concert tickets are \$15 (\$12/seniors & children; \$40 family pack) and will be available at the door.

Leadership Meeting & Supper

Don't forget! All members of First Parish's five Ministries will gather in the Parish Hall on Sunday, May 3rd at 6PM for a pot luck supper and quarterly meeting.

So, mark your calendars, and bring some food to share! Those with last names beginning with A-D bring appetizers; E-M main courses; N-Z desserts. See you there!

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

May 1	Reese Bigelow, Craig Burgess
May 2	Jeannie Germano
May 4	Jeremy Allen, Josh Nannestad Diana Lassen
May 5	Blair Baldwin, Bob Baldwin Braden Joe5
May 6	Jennifer Rutan Ruth Miller, Jon Peterson
May 8	Alison Bertazzoni
May 8	Jamie Vaccaro, Matthew Werth
May 10	Cory Luker, Griffin McKeown
May 11	Peter Cannon, Doug Gorman
May 12	Shannon Condon Carrie Connaughton, William Gettings, Claire Mancini Jason Poreda
May 13	Emily Stefans
May 16	Maggie Der Marderosian
May 17	Brent Peterson
May 19	Kevin Liebrock, Chris Pfaff
May 20	Molly Speros
May 23	Brian Davis
May 23	Bill Reiland
May 25	Grace McMurray
May 26	Susan Abbadessa, Eric Peterson
May 29	Neal Clay III
May 30	Laura Burgess, Jane Forsberg
May 31	Leslie Condon

Anniversaries

May 4	Reese & Jackie Bigelow Cosmo & Nancy Nocca
May 7	David & Lynn Porter
May 9	Peter Lovett & Beth St. Pierre
May 11	Tom & Gail Miskell
May 18	Jim & Barb Worth
May 20	Carrie & Terry Connaughton



Lifetimes

Births:

- On April 18th, *Connor James Blaney*, second grandson of parishioners Sheldon & Janice Blaney, born to their son Joshua and his wife Joanna;
- On April 24th, *Emme Anne Beaudoin*, granddaughter of Judy & Don Friedl, born to Judy's daughter Anne and her husband Robert.

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Our Spring Yard Sale Is This Saturday – May 2nd

The time has come for one of our biggest annual fundraisers - THIS SATURDAY! So hit the ground running and help us make this important annual fundraiser a success! Here's how you can help!

Donations:

- **Bring your donations to the Parish Hall** any time after 7PM on Thursday, April 30th and leave them in the Parish Hall.
- **If your donation is large and difficult to move**, please contact Pam Kane before dropping it off.
- **No computer equipment, outdated sound equipment, and non-digital tv's** please
- **We also need:**
 - Baked Goods:** Home-baked donations such as cup cakes, cookies, bars and squares, and breads are great. Ingredient checklists are available in the Parish Hall and must accompany each donation. Please break up batches of baked items into individual servings (ziplock bags work great). Donations may be delivered to the Parish Hall any time during the day on Friday or early in the morning on Saturday.
 - Used Books:** Hardcover and paperback books are always popular, as are puzzles and children's games. Books should be dry, in good condition and no more than 10 years old. Games and puzzles should have all their pieces!
 - Spring Flowers & Plants:** The Yard Sale is a perfect time to offer spring flowers, potted divisions of your favorite perennials, indoor plant arrangements, or vegetable seedlings for planting.

Volunteers: We need volunteers of all kinds!

- **Pricers and Sorters:** The true "unsung heroes" of the Yard Sale, pricers and sorters sift through all the bags and boxes of donations, attaching price tags and dividing contributions up into display categories. Work begins at 7PM on Thursday, April 30th and continues all day Friday, May 1st. **Come when you can – we really need you!**
- **Sales & Marketing:** If you can't help before the Yard Sale, can you volunteer for part of Saturday by helping to keep track of all the donations and customers at one of the tables, or by assisting with either Baked Goods of the Spring Plant table? Strong backs are also useful to help customers get the heavier items to their cars. Many time slots are available – speak to Pam Kane to get the one best for you.
- **Set Up and Breakdown:** We really, really need help before and after the Yard Sale, setting up and breaking down. Set up starts at 7PM on Thursday, April 30th – those with trucks or SUV's are especially needed. After 2PM on Saturday, May 2nd help is needed transporting all the left over goods out of the Parish Hall. **Even if you can't donate a lot of your time, help at 2PM is a God-send!** Some of our volunteers will have been there for most of the past two days – and fresh help at the end is hugely appreciated! Come if and when you can!

Customers: We need lots of customers! If you cannot volunteer to help, how about coming as a customer – and bringing several friends? We need people to buy all this great stuff, so talk it up around town. Your friends and neighbors will appreciate your telling them about this – and who knows, maybe they'll even have goods to donate! We don't want anyone to miss out...

See you on the 2nd!

First Parish In the News

- *Lee Adourian* ran in, and completed, this year's Boston Marathon. Way to go, Lee!
- *Julia Kane* and 6 other members of Girl Scout Troop 4279 received the Gold Award, Girl Scouting's highest honor, at a ceremony at First Parish on March 29th. Congratulations, Julia and company!
- *Ben Anderson* will receive the Boy Scout's highest award, the Eagle Award, at a ceremony at First Parish on Saturday, May 9th. Great job, Ben!
- *Brad Baldwin* was presented with the Donald H. MacLellan Masonic Scout Award at the Eliot Hyde Park Lodge on April 8th. Congratulations, Ben!

Service of Installation For Pastor Chris

Save the date of May 17 at 4 PM! We will gather in the Meetinghouse for a Service of Installation for Pastor Chris. Installation is an act of the Association (Metropolitan Boston Association) confirming and celebrating the covenant between Pastor Chris and members of First Parish Westwood and reaffirming the covenantal relationship of all the churches in the association.

This special service is the final piece of the search process and will be a wonder-

ful service. There will be participation from the choirs and members of First Parish along with clergy from other UCC churches. The clergy of Westwood will be invited along with clergy and lay representatives from our sister UCC churches in our association.


Following the service there will be a reception in the Parish Hall, sponsored collectively by the five Ministries at First Parish. Help is always welcome! If you would like to lend a hand, contact Bill Holbrook or Jim Aldinger.

Need Summer Help?

Parishioner Amy Colcord would like everyone to know that she is available this summer for tutoring or babysitting.

Amy is a 4th grade teacher looking for flexible summer work. She holds a master's degree in elementary education and a bachelor's degree in Spanish. She is available for tutoring in almost all subject areas in all grade levels, individually or in small groups. She also has over 13 years of experience in childcare and has babysat for more than sixty families. She is a resident of Norwood and has her own transportation. References are available upon request.

If you are interested, you may contact Amy at amie-colcord@gmail.com or 781-269-5856.



**DID
YOU
KNOW...**

Unsung Heroes

As you know, occasionally we like to shine the spotlight of our thanks on the heroes amongst us, who work faithfully, and often anonymously, behind the scenes to keep First Parish going.

Our Unsung Heroes for May are truly anonymous – but they know who they are, and we hope they now know how much their deeds are appreciated. This month's shout-out goes to our Plain Clothes workers, both those who spruced up the grounds

around the Meetinghouse during the week before Easter and those who responded to the "rain date" call on April 19th. Several of you worked on both occasions, and although few in number, your efforts were noted and greatly appreciated!

So – you know who you are! Give yourself a huge pat on the back, and permission to personally invite those of us who were unable to work along side you this time to join you on the next! Well done!

From Pastor Chris



“We covenant with the Lord and one with another and doe bynd our selves in the presence of God, to walke together in all his waies, according as he is pleased to reveale himself unto us in his blessed word of truth.”

These are the words of Salem Church Covenant. These words marked the relationship between members that were part of that Massachusetts church. As you may recall, from Lent through Holy Week, our theme in worship has been **covenant**. We have reflected on various implications of what it means to be in covenant with God. The biblical story reminds us that we are a covenant people. And this idea of covenant is of central importance to our identity as a particular tradition within Protestant Christianity.

This month will give us many opportunities where covenants are made and affirmed.

New members will be received on May 17 in the morning worship service. They will make a promise “to participate in the life and mission of this family of God’s people, sharing regularly in worship and enlisting in the work of this local church as it serves this community and the world” The congregation of existing members will promise, among other things, “its friendship and prayers as the hopes and labors of the church are shared.”

Youth will be confirmed on May 31. They will make a covenant with God, claiming the faith that they have been raised in as their own and promising to live that out. For those who choose to also become members of the church, the promises made will be identical to those around membership.

On May 17 at 4PM, there will be a worship service where I will be installed as your Pastor and Teacher. By my call agreement, promises were already made. However, in this service that covenant is confirmed and celebrated with the congregation and the association. I make a promise to “serve First Parish faithfully, preaching and teaching the word of God, administering the sacraments, and fulfilling the pastoral office, according the faith and order of the UCC.” The congregation promises “to labor with (me) in the in the ministry of gospel and to give due honor and support.” In this service the covenant between the First Parish and the United Church of Christ is also reaffirmed.

Another gift of our tradition is local church autonomy. There is no centralized authority or hierarchy that can impose any doctrine or form of worship on its members. The congregation under the guidance of the Holy Spirit is responsible for its ministry and mission. As individuals in First Parish or as a congregation in a wider church, we seek a balance between freedom of conscience and accountability to the apostolic faith.

We choose to live in a tension between autonomy and covenant responsibility. Autonomy reminds us of the direct relationship we have with God. Covenant reminds us that because of the first relationship we are called to have relationships with others. Covenants are reminders that we are not islands. We are dependent on God. We are dependent on one another. Our “health” is greatly impacted by our how we live out our obligations to God and to one another. When embraced fully, covenants do keep us healthy and they do keep us moving toward the fullness that God sees within us as God’s children, God’s church and God’s world.

Peace,
Pastor Chris

RED SOX OPENING DAY PSALM

Some had requested a copy of the Red Sox Opening Day Psalm that I crafted and shared on Palm Sunday. So here it is, with apologies to King David and in complete faith that God has a sense of humor and is a Red Sox fan.
-Pastor Chris

O give thanks to the God, for God is good.

Let Red Sox nation say, "Play ball!"

Open to us the gates of Fenway that we may enter them and cheer our team on.

See the gates of Fenway, they who empty their wallets shall enter it.

But we still thank you that you have answered our prayers with a definitive sign of spring.

The old tiny park that others scoff at has become legend.

This is William's doing amongst others,

The Citgo Sign is marvelous in our eyes.

Opening day is the day that is made for us.; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Preserve us into post season play, we pray, move us again to World Series Champions.

Cheered now are those with names like Papi, Papelbon, Pedroia.

God is good and has brought us through winter's hibernation to Opening Day.

Bind the festal procession along Yawkey Way with penants, peanuts and grilled sausage – all the way up to the Green Monster.

Give us a sign that you are indeed a Red Sox fan!

Play ball!

Membership Sunday

On Sunday, May 17th First Parish will welcome several new members during the 10AM worship service. Membership classes are underway, with the next scheduled for May

13th at 7pm in the Vogel Room.

We hope as many of the congregation as possible will be in worship on the 17th to welcome our newest members!

Worship Happenings

Sunday, May 3rd:

- 10AM: Celebration of Holy Communion, with special music by the Southern Rail Bluegrass Band

Sunday, May 10th:

- Graduate Recognition Sunday and Scholarship presentations
- Honoring mothers

Sunday, May 17th:

- 10AM: New Members welcomed
- 4PM: Pastor Chris's Service of Installation & Reception

Sunday, May 24th:

- Remembering those who have served

Sunday, May 31st: Pentecost Sunday

- Rite of Confirmation
- Sacrament of Baptism

Sunday Sermon Copies

Sunday worship services are now being recorded. If you would like to borrow a copy to listen to because you are homebound or would simply like to listen to it again, please contact the church office. We will make arrangements to get a copy to you.

Pine Street Inn Outreach

Thank you to all who contributed so generously to the Pine Street Inn's "Make a House a Home" initiative.

In addition to the household items donated through the Easter giving tree, our plate offering at Easter contributed an additional \$2,314 toward furniture for the rooms.!

Donna Bertazzoni
Church School
Administrator



Milestones

Don't you just love YouTube? Heaven knows, I'll never understand the technology involved in any scientific sense, but when someone sends me a link to a man singing his puppies to sleep with "Good night, Sweetheart" or footage of an unlikely friendship between a fawn and a kitten set to Louis Armstrong's "What a Wonderful World", it renews my appreciation of the value of sharing beautiful moments.

YouTube is also a really great tool for seeking inspiration. You might call watching music videos self-indulgence, but I call it inspiration. Alison is graduating from college this week, and milestones like this take you back. I remember being pregnant with her, and how she'd set us both to dancing whenever we heard Steve Winwood's music. So I searched his website for a timeline of 1986/87 releases (to confirm my occasionally unreliable memory) and then had fun reminiscing, watching the videos of some of our favorite songs. And, I'll admit it: dancing.

Think about it, there must be a higher love,
Down in the heart or hidden in the stars above
Without it life is wasted time
Look inside your heart, I'll look inside mine
Things look so bad everywhere
In this whole world what is fair?
We walk blind, we try to see
Falling behind in what could be

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We participate in our children's milestones. We share in their achievements. They did the work; they deserve the praise and the rewards of that work. But we grow alongside them, learning all they have to teach us, feeling for them through life's challenges, remaining in relationship even when the cord is long since severed.

There are those who say that God learns, too, that creation is ongoing and God remains actively involved in it and in us. While this argument quickly gets complicated with issues of whether God is subject to time, etc., the idea is that God is not static. God continues as the "I Am", not the "I Was". The word is implanted in us (James 1.21). We were made for relationship and nothing can separate us from it.

In this season of celebration, achievement, commencement, completion, and new beginnings...

Bring me a higher love,

Donna

2009 Graduate Recognition

On Sunday, May 10th we will recognize our graduating high school seniors and award Memorial Scholarships during the 10AM worship service.

In addition, in the June issue of the Spire, we would like to list the names and future plans of any First Parish high school students graduating

this year – as well as the names, school and degree of our graduating college-age "alums".

If you know of anyone who should be recognized in this way, please contact the church office at 781-326-5344 or by email at parish1st@firstparishwestwood.org.



Church School Mini Walk for Hunger

Sunday, May 3rd during Worship

It's time to "lace-up" for our annual "Mini-Walk For Hunger"!! Rain or shine, we anticipate a fun-filled event on Sunday, May 3rd, as we walk to raise money for Project Bread – the organization that supports over 400 emergency food programs in Massachusetts. Project Bread's 41st Walk for Hunger will be held in Boston on the same day, and we are excited to sponsor our own "mini-walk" to help them fight hunger.

This year's "mini-walkers" (and their donations from friends, family and neighbors) will put miles between hunger and those in need when they "walk the bases" at the Westwood High School baseball diamond, adjacent to the Parsonage. Please have your children wear their sneakers on Sunday, May 3rd; bring their friends and join us for this meaningful event. We will meet before Worship at the Westwood High School baseball diamond (or in case of rain in the Parish Hall). Preschoolers should be accompanied by an adult, older children will be supervised by church school teachers and administrator. We will all return back to the Parish Hall to meet parents after their special Blue Grass Worship service and just before the important congregational meeting to discuss and vote on budget issues.

Additionally, the Church School is sponsoring a Food Drive throughout May to benefit the Westwood Food Pantry. Non perishable items will be received in the Parish Hall all month and will be delivered after Memorial Day so the pantry will be stocked for the summer. 5th and 6th graders will be invited to help deliver and sort the items.

We hope to see all the children and their friends for this special opportunity to help combat the serious issue of hunger in our community and state. The message that we all can work to make a difference is a strong and important one to share with our kids.

Kids, please call your friends and plan to join us on the 3rd to do your part!

Church School Update

Saturday, May 2nd:

- Spring Yard Sale: 9AM-2PM in the Parish Hall

Sunday, May 3rd:

- 10AM: Intergenerational Communion Worship & Mini Walk for Hunger
- 11:30 AM: Confirmation Class/Vogel Room
- 4:00 PM: Southern Bluegrass Band concert/ Meetinghouse

Sunday, May 10th:

- 10AM worship & church school
- Graduate Recognition Sunday

Sunday, May 17th:

- 10AM worship (New Members Sunday) & church school

- 11:30 AM Confirmation Class/Vogel Room
- 11:30 AM Teachers Meeting/Stage Classroom
- 4:00 PM Service of Installation & Reception for Rev. Dodge/Meetinghouse

Sunday, May 24th:

- 10AM worship & K-8 Adventure Group Church School lesson

Sunday, May 31st:

- 10AM worship & church school
- Confirmation Sunday



**From Our
Faith
Community
Nurse**

Spring has arrived and summer activities will soon be upon us. As many children will be heading off to summer camp and young adults off to college, it is a good time to review vaccination requirements including those for adults.

Vaccination used to be simple and straightforward: the annual flu shot, the tetanus booster, a few others. Besides, vaccines were mainly for kids. Now, like everything else, vaccination has gotten a great deal more complicated. The number of FDA-approved vaccines has grown from nine in 1980 to an unwieldy 17. A dozen of them are on the adult schedule although several (the hepatitis A and B vaccines, for example) are reserved for high-risk groups.

American vaccine policy is set by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), a group appointed by the secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services. The committee's recommendations usually become the official policy of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The ACIP came out with its recommendations for the 2009 adult

- For the first time, there's vaccine advice targeted at smokers: anyone older than 18 with a cigarette habit is supposed to get the pneumococcal shot, a vaccine that protects people against infection by the most common varieties of pneumococcal bacteria, which can cause pneumonia, blood infections (bacteremia) and bacterial meningitis. Another change; people with asthma are supposed to get the pneumococcal vaccine.
- Instead of just getting a tetanus booster, adults are supposed to get a one-time shot that combines the booster with the vaccines against diphtheria and pertussis (whooping cough) (Tdap, for short). After that shot, most adults are supposed to get a tetanus-diphtheria booster every 10 years.
- For now, the new human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine—marketed by Merck as Gardasil—is recommended only for young women (ages 11 through 26). The 2009 schedule notes that health care workers aren't at increased risk of HPV infection, so there's no special need for them to be vaccinated.
- If you were born before 1957, there were enough measles and mumps going around that you probably have immunity because you either had a case or were exposed to the viruses that cause these diseases. But, if you were born during or after 1957, you're supposed to get the measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) shot as an adult unless there is solid evidence that you have measles and mumps immunity,
- Everyone age 50 or older, health care workers, and people who take care of children under age 5 are supposed to get an annual flu shot. It's a little too late for this season's flu shot as the disease tends to peak in the winter months. The prime time to get a shot is October and early November.
- A single dose of the shingles (herpes zoster) vaccine is recommended for adults ages 60 and older. There has been some confusion about whether people who have had shingles need to get the vaccine, but the official recommendation is that they should.

Next time you see a doctor, you should ask about your vaccinations and discuss whether they are

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up to date. At the same time, you want to be sure you aren't getting any unnecessary shots—a real concern, given the marketing push for some of the newer vaccines.

Further information about vaccinations for children, adolescents and adults may be found at: www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/schedule.

Information excerpted in part from Harvard Health Letter, march 2009

Many Blessings,
Margery Eramo, RN
Faith Community Nurse

Health Alert

Swine flu is in the news and the Centers for Disease Control has declared it a Public Health emergency in order to institute release of anti-flu vaccines that are stockpiled for emergency use if the need arises.

Currently, THERE ARE NO KNOWN CASES IN MASSACHUSETTS. However, cases have been reported in neighboring NY.

The most important measures to prevent the swine flu are frequent hand washing, covering the mouth and nose when sneezing or coughing, and avoiding contact with people who are sick. If you have flu like symptoms stay home and see your physician if needed.

The swine flu virus is contagious and is

spreading from human to human. Infected people can infect others one day before symptoms appear and up to seven or more days after becoming sick. However, it is not known how easily the virus spreads among people.

Swine influenza viruses are not spread by food. Eating properly handled and cooked pork products is safe.

At this time, swine flu is not endemic in the United States but be pro-active and stay away from situations that enhance the passage of germs. Above all, use good hand hygiene at all times.

For further information, visit www.cdc.gov/swineflu.

Retired Men's Club Ends Year With Annual Breakfast

The Retired Men's Club will meet on Thursday, May 21st for its annual year-end Breakfast Meeting. Reservations are required. Contact Fred Rice if you would like to attend.

All meetings are held in the Parish hall at First Parish on the third Thursday of each month, from 9:30-11:30 am, unless otherwise noted in the schedule. All retired men are wel-

Fox Hill Bible Study - New Date

Rev. Chris Dodge will meet with the Fox Hill Bible Study group on **Thursday, May 14th** at 10:30 AM.

All residents of Fox Hill Village are welcome to attend. Questions? Contact Pat Johnson.

Senior Moments Fellowship

The Senior Moments Fellowship Group will meet on Thursday, May 7th at 11:30 AM in the Parish Hall. All seniors are invited to bring a bag lunch – coffee and dessert are provided. Bring a friend! All are welcome.

Rosie's Place Volunteers
MONDAY, APRIL 20

Drivers:

S. Reeve & J. Germano

Fruit (any fresh fruit - \$7 maximum)

T. Bruno L. McKenzie S. Dobra J. Marsh
 C. Getman S. Reeve J. Germano

Sandwiches (12-14 turkey on wheat bread)

L. Liebrock K. Ginsberg L. McKenzie C. Getman T. Berg
 L. Owen L. Domina M. Speros P. Oliveri

Altar Flowers

Sunday, May 3:

Given by Sheldon & Janice Blaney, in memory of Janice's father, Bill Buckley.

Sunday, May 10:

Given by Susan, Joseph and Christopher Abbadessa, in loving memory of her parents, Waldo & Margaret Smith.

Sunday, May 17:

Given by Louise Donovan and family, in memory of Ross Donovan.

Sunday, May 24:

Given by Elvin Fowell, in memory of his mother, Dorothy Fowell.

Sunday, May 31:

Given by Jim & Betsy Dakin, in memory of those who have given their lives for us in service to our country.

FIRST PARISH VOLUNTEERS

Ushers

Sunday, May 3:

Doug Hyde (C)
 Jerry Verzino
 Michael Gettings

Sunday, May 10:

Dix & Dianne Howard (C)
 Steve & Ingegerd Larch
 Ron & Joy Sudduth

Sunday, May 17:

Bob Kadehjian (C)
 Bob Robertson
 Jim & Linda McKenzie

Sunday, May 24:

Bill Holbrook (C)
 Sheldon Blaney
 Don Friedl
 Lee Adourian

Sunday, May 31:

Dave & Bonnie Blomquist (C)
 Chris Pfaff
 Dan & Karen Wagner

HOSPITALITY AT FIRST PARISH

Coffee Volunteers

If a date is blank, volunteers are still needed. Sign up in the Parish Hall or contact the church office!

Sunday, May 3: The Holbrooks

Sunday, May 10: The Linde/Marten family

Sunday, May 17: ??????????

Sunday, May 24: ??????????

Sunday, May 31: ??????????

Worship Greeters

It is so important to offer a welcoming smile to friend and stranger alike – can you help?

Sunday, May 3: Sue Burgess

Sunday, May 10: ????????????

Sunday, May 17: ????????????

Sunday, May 24: ????????????

Sunday, May 31: ????????????

There are lots and lots of things happening at First Parish in the next 30 days - so we thought an "At-A-Glance" page might help you keep everything straight.

Keep this page on your refrigerator, so you don't miss a thing!

MAY AT-A-GLANCE

Friday, May 1st

- ◆ Yard Sale set-up in the Parish Hall from 9am-9pm

Saturday, May 2nd

- ◆ Spring Yard Sale in the Parish Hall from 8am-2pm

Sunday, May 3rd

- ◆ 10AM Communion worship, with Southern Rail Bluegrass special music
- ◆ Church School Mini Walk for Hunger (10-11:20am)
- ◆ 11AM Congregational Meeting in the Meetinghouse
- ◆ 11:30 AM Confirmation Class in the Vogel Room
- ◆ 4PM Southern Rail Bluegrass Band concert in the Meetinghouse
- ◆ 6PM Leadership Pot Luck Supper in the Parish Hall

Thursday, May 7th

- ◆ Senior Moments Fellowship lunch in the Parish Hall

Sunday, May 10th

- ◆ 10AM worship & Graduate Recognition
- ◆ 10:20 AM church school
- ◆ 11:30 AM CE meeting in the Stage Classroom

Wednesday, May 13th

- ◆ 7PM New Members Meeting in the Vogel Room

Thursday, May 14th

- ◆ 10:30 AM Fox Hill Bible Study

Sunday, May 17th

- ◆ 10AM worship & New Members Sunday
- ◆ 10:20 AM Church School
- ◆ 11:30 AM: Teachers Meeting in the Stage Classroom
- ◆ 11:30 AM: Confirmation Class in the Vogel Room
- ◆ 4PM Service of Installation for Pastor Chris

Monday, May 18th

- ◆ 9:30 AM Rosie's Place in the Parish Hall

Tuesday, May 19th

- ◆ 7PM Communications Committee in the Stage Classroom
- ◆ 7:30 PM Church Council in the Stage Classroom

Thursday, May 21st

- ◆ Retired Men's Fellowship in the Parish Hall

Sunday, May 24th

- ◆ 10AM worship
- ◆ 11:20AM K-8 Church School group lesson

Monday, May 25th - Memorial Day (offices closed)

Wednesday, May 27th

- ◆ 7:30 PM Book Group in the Vogel Room

Sunday, May 31st

- ◆ 10AM worship, Sacrament of Baptism & Rite of Confirmation
- ◆ 10:20 AM Church School