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A Roadmap for September Worship Times at First Congregational Church

Many special celebrations of new beginnings this Autumn bring this Fall schedule:

- September 8 10 a.m.*** The last Sunday of the Summer schedule. The Celebration of the Lord's Supper. An opening Hymn Sing!
- September 15 10 a.m.*** Church School Welcome Sunday, Commissioning of Church School and Family Ministries. The Sacrament of Baptism.
- September 22 10 a.m.*** The full schedule of Worship, Church School & Confirmation begins.
- September 24 10 a.m.*** Worship.

WELCOME

Welcome to worship Labor Day weekend. May our time together strengthen us so we can serve God in whatever work we do.



Minding Our Front Door

It is an expression often used by parish clergy: Christian Congregations need to give priority energy to “***Mind the Front Door.***” In other words, if you want to be alive, relevant and attractive as a community of Christ’s disciples, you *must* give priority energy to being invitational, accessible and welcoming to your community...and to people who walk in the door looking for _____ (that blank gets filled in differently for most any visitor who has the courage to walk into a church for the first time; it may be to worship, to find or renew faith, to gain education, to feel community, to be able to serve...).

Well, it is September. And, this September, “*Minding Our Front Door*” takes on many exciting and challenging meanings for us at First Congregational Church.

First of all, **ALL are invited.** Summer has scattered us to the four winds, and I have missed many of the young and old, new and “veteran” people who make us a vital congregation. I can’t wait for September’s “*Welcome Home*” to begin. In this issue of the “Congregator” you will find information on a multitude of involvements that are there for you and for the community we serve. There is worship; faith formation and education for children, youth and adults; inquirers’ gatherings for people new to our congregation; opportunities for service, mission and engagement with our neighbors. Look in these pages for:

- Church School Start-up,
- Bible Study,
- Ushering and fellowship hosting opportunities,
- Second Sunday service to the adult disabilities community,
- Our wondrous community outreach of Pumpkin Patch.

Find your spot(s), and invite someone to enter these multiple front doors with you!

Then there is the **issue of access** through our literal front door. On Monday, September 9, contractors will begin the final project of our building renovations. Over three weeks, FCC’s front porch will be enclosed, with new windows, doors, heating and air-conditioning, carpeting...as well as a front sidewalk that is rebuilt and level. This of course means that, for a few weeks, other doors will have to serve as our front door. There will be signs to let all know how to get in. So please prepare for a few more weeks of inconvenience. But the result will be truly accessible facilities, and a fresh welcoming face to the community. Sometime this fall (11/10?) we will have a Building Dedication, celebrating the completion of a year that has brought us new entries, accessibility and electrical systems, and a state-of-the-art community kitchen!

Finally, the most essential part of “*Minding Our Front Door*” is for you and me—all of us—to have a contagious attitude of welcome and hospitality. Invite friends, neighbors, co-workers or classmates, and family to join in worship, service or fellowship. Serving a Second Sunday dinner is easy and a lot of fun; so is unloading pumpkins! People are looking for ways to grow and learn. And to pray. When you are inside our front door(s), look for ways to welcome and become acquainted with folks you don’t recognize. So that the word gets out: “Look at those FCC folks, see how they love one another. I want to go in and out of those doors too!”

Godspeed,
Pastor Dennis

LEGACY OF FAITH

A meaningful way to remember/honor loved ones and friends is to make contributions to the Memorial Fund, Renovation Fund, Music & Arts Fund or the General Fund of the First Congregational Church of River Edge.

Kitchen Renovation Fund

In Memory of Kathleen McNally
By Evelyn & Bob Fialko

Music & Arts Fund

In Memory of Kathleen McNally
By Gloria Norton

Memorial Fund

In Memory of Kathleen May McNally
By Ellen & Paul Hiromura
Eric & Beth Schuler
Hilma Albrecht
Carla Capizzi

Building Renovation Fund

In Memory of Kathleen May McNally
By Heather Kubesch

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THE WORSHIP TEAM

Communion will be served on **September 8th**, (the 2nd Sunday of the month), by intinction (forward). Please advise an usher if you would like to share communion but are unable to go forward.

The ushers will be welcoming you midway in the Sanctuary aisles with the bulletins, large print bulletins and printed copies of the hymns. There are 4 stations where they are located – one in each aisle.

Please use the prayer list located in the narthex on the pedestal stand for any names of relatives or friends that may need our prayers for joys or concerns.

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INQUIRERS GROUP

ARE YOU:



- New to the First Congregational Church of River Edge?
- thinking about becoming a member of First Congregational Church?
- wanting to discuss basic issues of Christian faith?
- wanting to know more about how First worships and works?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then come to the **Inquirers' Group** which will gather in two Sunday morning sessions, September 8 and 15, 11:20 a.m. – 12:05 p.m., meeting in the Library. After the conclusion of the class, those who wish to become members of the congregation will be received as members on an October Sunday.

If you want to participate, please **call the church office at 201/261-1712 or email: office@fccriveredge.org**, to reserve your place in the class!

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SHAWL MINISTRY

The next 2 regular meetings of the Shawl Ministry will take place on:

Tuesday, September 10, at 7:30 pm

Thursday, September 12, at 1:00 pm

All knitters and crocheters are welcome to join us in making shawls...or bring your current yarn project and spend a relaxing afternoon in the Commons with us. Everyone is welcome. For information, please contact Alice Rushforth at 201-265-1062.

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ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to donate altar flowers for one of our worship services, please contact our Flower Coordinator, Carole Meeks at 201-262-3020. The donation for flowers is \$25.00. Flowers can be taken home after the service or given to one of our shut-ins. The deadline for ordering altar flowers is the Sunday prior to their being placed on the Altar.

MEMBERSHIP



Please consider volunteering for a very important FCCRE ministry by hosting Fellowship Time or Greeting for the upcoming Fall/Winter season, commencing September 15 and running through December 29.

Please sign up at Fellowship Time or contact Russell Van Wetering at (201) 261-1795 or aprilsky@optonline.net

NEW JERSEY DEVILS GAME!



Please join us on Saturday February 22 at 1pm as the New Jersey Devils take on the visiting Washington Capitals at THE ROCK!

(The Prudential Center)

10 tickets are available at \$53 each in

Section 123

Row 3

Seats 1-10

Hockey is the most exciting sport to watch live in person, so again, please join us for a fun filled afternoon of fellowship and New Jersey Devils hockey!

Please sign up at Fellowship Time or contact Russell Van Wetering at (201) 261-1795 or aprilsky@optonline.net

Thank you,
Russell Van Wetering
Leader
Membership Team

JOIN A CHOIR IN SEPTEMBER!



Chancel Choir, for middle school and up, rehearses on Thursday evenings, and sings at nearly all Sunday services. Rehearsals begin on September 12 at 7:00 pm.

Cantata Choir, for all ages, will rehearse six Thursday evenings, starting October 26, and will present a cantata on Sunday, December 10.

Pilgrim Ringers, for experienced musicians, rehearses Thursday evenings starting September 12 at 8:10 pm, and plays in church once a month.

Journey Ringers, for folks of any age or music ability, meets at the convenience of the participants.

Carol and Nowell Choir, for boys and girls in kindergarten through grade eight, meets at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the church library starting on September 15.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP



Women's fellowship has beautiful note cards which feature a picture of our church. They are sold in boxes of 10 for \$8.00. These cards will delight anyone who is a member or friend of our congregation. They make a perfect gift! See Michelle at fellowship time to purchase yours.



GIFT OF THE HEART KITS INFO

Remember to pick up some of the items for the school kits while they are on back to school sales. Our involvement in this mission project is in its 20 year. Just think of all the children we have helped get a good start in their education.

You're invited to
join the
2019-2020



Carol & Nowell
Choir

of First Congregational Church of River Edge

CAROL & NOWELL CHOIR is for boys and girls in grades K-8.
Rehearsals are each week at 9:30 in the church library.
Rehearsals begin Sunday, September 15.

CAROL & NOWELL CHOIR sings in church once a month
and for special occasions such as Christmas Eve and Easter.

To join, just come to rehearsal on September 15
or call the church office at 201-261-1712
or email Pam at pamelaweiler244@gmail.com

Hope to see you September 15th!

MISSION TEAM

Thank you notes from...

Center for Food Action (CFA) -July 1, "Thank you for your gift of **\$2,000**. ... Your donation means that the youngest and oldest among us have healthy food. It means that those living with disabilities and chronic illnesses have one or two things less to worry about. It helps to ensure that none of your neighbors go hungry ... while they search for work or face some difficulty...We ...couldn't help people in crisis...and the thousands of children living in poverty without your kindness."

*(Your donations in those first-of-the-month Food Pantry envelopes go toward our checks to CFA. In addition, the contributions made in appreciation of the wonderful spring **Bells & Whistles** concert totaled **\$855**, and this sum was included in our CFA contribution)*

Friendship House – June 20 – "Please accept our sincere thanks for your generous donation of \$500. Your contribution will help North Jersey Friendship House provide: ...Pre-Vocational & Job Training, Supported employment services, Adults-with-Autism Day Programs, (and the in-house training and employment opportunities of) the Innovative Culinary Opportunity Network, and the Custodial Learning Employment and Networking."

Youth Consulting Services (YCS) – July 1 – "...Thank you for your generous donation of \$250 for the children of YCS Holley Center...The children who live in YCS Holley center come to us because it is not safe for them to live at home. These children have suffered trauma and come to Holley Center to begin to heal...Your support is so critical to this process and we are so grateful." *(Hand-written note "Thank you for loving the Holley Children")*

Institute for Educational Achievement (IEA) – June 26 – "You can't image how pleased we are that you share IEA's commitment to children, adolescents and adults with autism."

Your generosity and most appreciated gift of \$225 will help to make a huge difference in the lives of many families...Through the kindness of people like you, we have been able to celebrate many triumphs ...first words spoken, new friendships embraced, graduations, new jobs and first paychecks! Thank you ... for believing in IEA!"

Congregational Library & Archives – June 21 "Thank you so much for you...gift of \$100...for our long overdue renovation project. Your support helps us ...(in) caring for priceless records, providing scholarships for researchers...Your support is much appreciated."

Christmas Fund Results - We raised almost \$1,200! A big THANK YOU to everyone who contributed to our Christmas Fund. The giving spirit of Christmas shines at First Congregational even in July.



SECOND SUNDAY

As summer comes to an end, Second Sunday is gearing up for another exciting year of fellowship and communal meals prepared in our newly renovated kitchen. We have much to be grateful for. We are sad at losing our dear worship leader, Tim Wallace but look forward to integrating new leadership with many new creative programs. Once again, I invite you all to come down and take a look at what we do and maybe, just maybe, you will catch the bug that brings us all back month after month to support this wonderful ministry.

Please keep us all in your prayers.

Betty Hogan

SEPTEMBER 2019

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday


Thursday

Friday

Saturday



september

<p>1 9:15 Summer Choir 10:00 Worship Service/The Rev. David Pomeroy/Child Care 11:00 Lemonade in the Parlor 12:00 Korean Baptist Church</p>	<p>2 Labor Day 12:00 Noon Al-Anon 7:00 Step by Step NA</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 7:00 AA</p>	<p>5 7:30 RE Swim Club</p>	<p>6 7:00 Tri-County Pipe & Drum Rehearsal</p>	<p>7 8:30 KWIS 7:00 AA</p>
<p>8 National Grandparents Day 9:15 Summer Choir 10:00 Worship Service/Communion The Rev. Dennis TeBeest/Child Care 11:00 Lemonade in the Parlor 11:20 Inquirers' Class 12:00 Korean Baptist Church 4:30 Second Sunday</p>	<p>9 12:00 Noon Al-Anon 1:30 Women's Fellowship 7:00 Worship Team 7:00 Step by Step NA</p>	<p>10 6:00 Funds Advisory 7:30 Shawl Ministry</p>	<p>11  7:00 Education Team 7:00 AA</p>	<p>12 1:00 Shawl Ministry 7:00 Chancel Choir 8:10 Pilgrim Ringers</p>	<p>13 7:00 Tri-County Pipe & Drum Rehearsal</p>	<p>14 8:30 KWIS 7:00 AA</p>
<p>15 Welcome Sunday 9:15 Chancel Choir 10:00 Worship Service/Baptism/The Rev. Dennis TeBeest/Church School/Child Care 11:00 Fellowship Time 11:20 Inquirers' Class 12:00 Korean Baptist Church</p>	<p>16 12:00 Noon Al-Anon 7:00 Step by Step NA</p>	<p>17 7:00 Leadership</p>	<p>18 12:00 Brown Bags & Bibles 7:00 AA</p>	<p>19 CONGREGATOR DEADLINE 7:00 Chancel Choir 8:10 Pilgrim Ringers</p>	<p>20 7:00 Tri-County Pipe & Drum Rehearsal</p>	<p>21 8:30 KWIS 7:00 AA</p>
<p>22 9:15 Chancel Choir 10:00 Worship Service/The Rev. Dennis TeBeest/Church School/Child Care 11:00 Fellowship Time 12:00 Korean Baptist Church</p>	<p>23 Autumn Begins 12:00 Noon Al-Anon 7:30 Step by Step NA</p>	<p>24 7:00 Mission Team</p>	<p>25 12:00 Brown Bags & Bibles 7:00 AA</p>	<p>26 7:00 Chancel Choir 8:10 Pilgrim Ringers</p>	<p>27 7:00 Tri-County Pipe & Drum Rehearsal</p>	<p>28 Set Up for Pumpkin Patch 8:30 KWIS 7:00 AA</p>
<p>29 9:15 Chancel Choir 10:00 Worship Service/The Rev. Dennis TeBeest/Church School/Child Care 11:00 Fellowship Time 12:00 Korean Baptist Church 4:00 Indo American Senior Citizens</p>	<p>30 12:00 Noon Al-Anon 7:00 Step by Step NA</p>					

Please join us for a relevant Bible study

JOB AND THE LIFE OF FAITH



“THE BOOK OF JOB CUTS STRAIGHT TO THE HEART OF WHAT IT MEANS TO BE HUMAN. IT IS THE MOST PROFOUND EXPLORATION OF THE LIFE OF FAITH EVER WRITTEN, AND WRESTLES WITH SOME OF LIFE’S MOST PERPLEXING QUESTIONS.”

AUTHOR CAROL M. BECHTEL

Brown Bags and Bibles

First Congregational Church of River Edge, Pilgrim Hall

Wednesdays, Noon-1:15 pm, September 18, 25, October 2, 9, 30, November 6, 13

(Bring a lunch; study begins at 12:20.)

Sign up in the Commons or contact FCC Office [201.261.1712]. Resource book: \$21

2019 - Our 11th Pumpkin Patch



The Pumpkins are Coming!

Delivery Date **Saturday October 5th!**



All Hands ---YOUR Hands ---Needed Please Volunteer

Pumpkin Patch is a labor-intensive project which takes a large team working *together* to make it a success. It's **important work** and it's fun too. There's plenty to do for everyone:

- Unload the trucks
- Work at the stand
- Distribute flyers
- Bake a favorite fall recipe for the bake sale
- Tell a friend
- Connect Pumpkin Patch through social media
- Shop till you drop

Please give an hour or two of your time for this vital project. Please sign up to help and bring a friend! As in past years, 60-65% of pumpkin sales will go to support Navajo farmers in New Mexico. The remaining 35-40% of pumpkin sales, plus 100% of the profits from the bake sale will go to the Building Renovation Fund at First Congregational Church of River Edge

To learn more about volunteering at Pumpkin Patch, please speak to Bob or Barbara Wieboldt or Evelyn or Bob Fialko at Sunday Fellowship time, or contact them at:

Barbara and Bob Wieboldt: email rbjwieb@aol.com or (201) 261-4767

Evelyn and Bob Fialko: email, vebobf@gmail.com or (201) 446-2945.

To sign up for pumpkin unloading or staffing the Patch, please stop by the Pumpkin Patch table at Fellowship Time or at the Patch once it opens.

The Pumpkin Patch will be open daily 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. and Saturdays 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. beginning October 5 through Halloween, October 31.

Pumpkin Patch is

- ❖ Our major opportunity to connect with our neighbors
- ❖ Our major Mission/Outreach
(We've raised \$161,000+ for Navajo farmers, where unemployment is 40%+)
- ❖ Our major Church Fundraiser
(We've raised nearly \$165,000 for our church Building Fund!)

Come be a part of it!

PUMPKIN PATCH GIFT CERTIFICATES

Like to indulge a friend, a co-worker, a neighbor with a treat from our Pumpkin Patch? Or maybe you just need a way to start a conversation about our church? Perhaps there's a family living on a tight budget you'd like to give a little boost? Or maybe you now live at a distance, and would like to treat a grandchild or former neighbor or old friend.

PUMPKIN PATCH GIFT CERTIFICATES ARE A GREAT WAY TO DO THESE THINGS!

Just fill out the below form and return it with your check as indicated on the form. Checks should be made out to the church, with "Pumpkin Patch" on check memo line. The Request Form is also available on our website, www.fccriveredge.org.

PUMPKIN PATCH VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers can sign up with Terrie Clark at Fellowship Time any Sunday. Also, please let any teenage neighbors know that this is a great opportunity to earn service project points for school. Letters will be provided for hours worked.

Pumpkin Patch 2019 Gift Certificate Request			
Column A <i>Denominations available</i>	Column B <i>Number of Certificates In this denomination</i>	Sub-Total Column A times Column B	Total
\$15		\$	
\$25		\$	
\$35		\$	
\$50		\$	
			\$
Name			
<input type="checkbox"/> I will pick up Certificates at Church during Fellowship Time			
<input type="checkbox"/> Address to which Certificates should be mailed (In most cases, your name and address)			

*If you have any questions, please leave a voice message for
Helen Koons at 1-201-261-4824, text her at 1-201-961-2350,
or email her at helenknkk@aol.com*

Please return this Gift Certificate Request Form with your check to the church Please make check payable to the church, with "Pumpkin Patch" on memo line.

First Congregational Church of River Edge Attention: Helen Koons 109 Continental Ave River Edge, NJ 07661
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EDUCATION

VBS 2019

I can't believe we did it, but ROAR VBS was a success! All the months of planning were well worth touching 23 children's lives by bringing them closer to God. Thanks to all who volunteered their time, talents and support to help make this happen. Reaching out to the community is answering God's call, so THANK YOU!

Church School Registration

Church School registration packets have gone out, so please return them ASAP. Forms are also available on our website. If you know anyone looking for religious education for their children, please refer to the website or share my email: nbabington@fccriveredge.org.



Welcome Sunday

The Education Team is getting ready for another exciting year of church school filled with fun and learning. Please join us on Welcome Sunday, September 15 to reconnect and commission our Church School Teachers. We will be kicking off our Church School year celebrating the baptisms of our newest church members. Can't wait to see all of you then! **DON'T FORGET** your Flat Jesus pics... email to me at nbabington@fccriveredge.org.

Church School Curriculum 2019-2020

The Education Team has decided to continue with the same curriculum for the 2019-2020 Church School year. We feel that it best suits our children currently enrolled in our church school program.

It concentrates on the full biblical narrative and focuses on building a lasting foundation of faith and Bible engagement.

Ages 3-5yrs will be using the **Frolic Preschool** curriculum. This program offers both Old and New Testament lessons and spreads one lesson over 2 weeks in order to give the children more time to explore the stories.

Grades 1-5 will be using the **SPARK All Kids** program with lessons that are intentionally designed for children ages 6-11 to learn together in one classroom. This gives them the opportunity to explore the Bible stories while the older children can lead the younger ones in buddy activities and relationship building moments.

Grades 6-7 will be participating in a Jr. Youth class following **SPARK's Colaborate Bible Study** program. This program will lead the youth through a process of discovery, learning and sharing with the Bible as a guide.

Grades 8-9 will be participating in our Confirmation curriculum, **Affirming Faith**, along with community service, worship participation and exploring other houses of worship.

Children's
Message



Our weekly children's message plays an important part in getting our children involved in the service of worship. It also gives the members of the congregation an opportunity to show our youngest members that we have a lot to teach them and that we care about their faith development. I will be reaching out for volunteers, so please consider giving 3 minutes to our children. You can sign up during Fellowship Time or with me directly.

Interaction with our Church School Classes

In case this has gone unnoticed, I have an admiration for children. I really believe that we are role models to them in every situation, good or bad, fun or stressful. They will be more willing to participate in anything in life if they know what to expect or have an idea of how to handle it. I would love to have members of the congregation share stories or experiences about their faith development or life experiences with our children. If you think you have a story to tell, please let me know!

Make A Difference



Wanted: Youth Group Members and Volunteers

A group designed for youth grades 5 and up is a great way for our young people to get together outside of the classroom. We had a few outings and meetings last year, and the members enjoyed the planned activities. I am in search of excited youth and encouraging adults to participate this year. This will not be a huge commitment for the youth or the adult volunteers, just an opportunity to enrich friendships and have some fun. We already have a trip to the Haunted Orchards lined up for October. Please reach out to me if you are interested in helping out.

Education Team Needs New Members

Interested in getting involved with our Youth/Adult/Family Ministries? These ministries are hoping to become more active in enhancing our member's faith formation experiences. In order to do this, some committed volunteers who are open to new ideas are needed. The team is looking for 1 full term member in addition to Co-Op positions, so if working with just one ministry and/or activity is your thing, the Education Team needs you! If interested, please contact team leader Beth Shuler at bethshuler7@gmail.com or Nicole at nbabington@fccrivedge.org

Childcare 2019-2020

The Ed team is in need of volunteers who are interested in helping out with childcare. Volunteering will allow parents the opportunity to worship while their young children are being properly supervised. Depending on the willingness of all of you, we are looking at possibly 2-3 Sundays/volunteer throughout the year. This is a very small commitment that has an extremely large effect on our congregation. Supporting young families will help us grow! Please contact me at nbabington@fccrivedge.org and say you will help!

Sept 2019

1-Emma Babington
8-Anabelle Babington
15-Ronnell Kearns
22-Pat Canzani
29-Heather Nicheski

~Nicole

SEPTEMBER 2019 COMMITMENT REMINDERS

Sunday, September 1, 2019

USHERS - ☩ Russell Van Wetering, Janet Arena, Susanna Motoike, Paul Motoike
COUNTERS – Tom Rushforth, Frank Meeks, Christine Banks, Pat Canzani, Don Huggett
GREETER – Cindy Fordham
LAY READER – Frank Meeks
ALTAR GUILD – Joanne Hernandez, Barbara Walcott
CHILD CARE – Emma Babington
LEMONADE IN THE PARLOR– Barbara Walcott

Sunday, September 8, 2019

COMMUNION TEAM/USHERS – Wayne Placek, Janet Arena, Janet Masiello, Joanne Hernandez, Frank Meeks
COUNTERS – Robert Owens, Diane Lento, Russell Van Wetering, Don Huggett, Tom Rushforth
GREETERS – Joan & Gene Hammerle
LAY READER – Bob Wieboldt
ALTAR GUILD — Joanne Hernandez, Barbara Walcott
CHILD CARE – Anabelle Babington
LEMONADE IN THE PARLOR– Gloria Norton

Sunday, September 15, 2019

USHERS - ☩ Jenn Young, Inge Reist, Richard Metz, Paul Motoike
COUNTERS – Chet Price, Tom Rushforth, Kathy Caughlan, Bill Hamilton, Don Huggett
GREETERS – Volunteers needed
LAY READER – Nadia Orendain
ALTAR GUILD – Joanne Hernandez, Barbara Walcott
CHILD CARE – Ronnell Kearns
FELLOWSHIP TIME – Van Wetering Family

Sunday, September 22, 2019

USHERS – ☩ Carole Meeks, Jeff Keehn, Frank Meeks, Helen Koons, Marvin Orendain
COUNTERS - Cindy Fordham, Barry Arena, Tom Rushforth, Art Caughlan, Don Huggett
GREETERS – Volunteers needed
LAY READER – Wayne Placek
ALTAR GUILD – Joanne Hernandez, Barbara Walcott
CHILD CARE – Pat Canzani
FELLOWSHIP TIME – Volunteers needed

Sunday, September 29, 2019

USHERS – ☩ Janet Arena, Bob Wieboldt, Barbara Wieboldt, Bill Hamilton, Janet Masiello
COUNTERS – Betty Hogan, Michelle Heinzinger, Terri Clark, Don Huggett, Tom Rushforth
GREETERS – Volunteers needed
LAY READER – Linda Stark
ALTAR GUILD – Joanne Hernandez, Barbara Walcott
CHILD CARE – Heather Nicheski
FELLOWSHIP TIME – Volunteers needed

☩ **Team Leader**

CHURCH MAIL



Dear church family,

Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, and phone calls while I was recuperating from my broken ankle and foot.

Your get-well wishes and kindnesses meant a great deal to me. God Bless You!

Love,
Carole Meeks

Dear Friends,

I want to thank you all for your calls and cards including the lovely message from Pastor Dennis. The altar flowers were so beautiful and brightened my living room. Everyone commented on them. I hope to be joining you at church before too long. Miss you all.

With love and many thanks,
Hilma Albrecht



Congratulations to Abigail Keehn and Michael Boele on the celebration of their marriage on July 14th.

SPECIAL DATES

- Labor Day, *September 2, 2019*
- National Grandparents Day, *September 8, 2019*
- Patriot Day, *September 11, 2019*
- Hispanic Heritage Month, *Sept. 15 - Oct. 15, 2019*
- First day of autumn, *September 23, 2019*



PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayers for Those with Health Needs

Terrie Clark, Michelle Heinzinger, Phyllis Malley, Noreen Van Wetering, Arlene Rudd, Victor Babington Sr., Hilma Albrecht, Chris Egner, Diane Pra, Barbara Schmidli, Chet Price, Brad Wieboldt, Kimberly Schmitt Thomas, Tom Rushforth, Karnig Thomasian, Doris Price, Marie Herrick, June Seilheimer, Barbara Christiansen, John Braden, Joan Sullivan, Annamae Relph, William Brewer, Paul Krokus, Rev. Muriel (Mimi) Hatchfeld, Edwina Arena, Barbara Carr,

Those Homebound, in Assisted Living Residences or Nursing Homes

Joan Jones, Annamae Relph, William Spencer, Mildred Alderdice, Joan Sullivan, Autumn Owens.

Serving in the Military

Michael Shuler, Michael Riabov and Bob Bailey

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Office is closed.
Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 – 4:00 pm.

CHURCH OFFICE INFORMATION

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