



The Friendly Word

The *March 2010* Newsletter of the Federated Church of Hyannis, 320 Main Street, Hyannis, MA 02601



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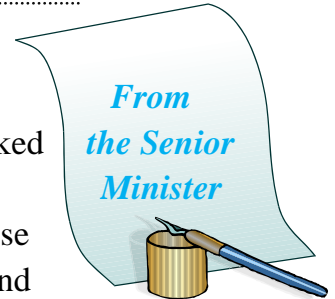
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Look around at church and you will see a lot of white hair and several shiny scalps. In fact when there was a noisy baby in church people looked around – some in surprise and some in dismay. I have wondered if I needed to explain that the noise you were hearing is a baby. That is what they sound like. It is a companion sound to the squeaky hearing aid and the cell phone going off in the purse of a lady who is hard of hearing or the snoring of a man in the front row.



Cape Cod is filled with white hair and blue hair and shiny scalps. It is the oldest county in the Northeast. The average age on the Cape is higher than in Florida. Does that mean when seniors make up the majority of those making up a congregation that we should despair for the future? Not at all.

A man named Steve Matheson in the journal *Preaching Today* wrote an article entitled “Older People: The Future of Our Church.” That caught my eye. He quoted Titus 2:1–5 which describes the role of older people in the church. Here is what he said:

- God has a role for older Christians. In Titus 2:2–5, Paul indicates that the role of a senior Christian is as much to become something as to do something.
 - Older Christians are to model what the next generation is to become.
 - Older Christians must continue to learn.
- Then he addressed youth. Young people need to do three things.
- First, get to know the older people in your congregation.
 - Second, encourage and affirm the older Christians.
 - Third, realize that you’re going to get old some day.

What a joy and blessing to know that wherever we are on life’s journey that we have gifts to give and room to grow.

Blessings

Dr. John

Christian Education Corner



Moving into the season of Lent gives us the opportunity for reflection on how we can grow spiritually. Our Sunday School will focus on preparing spiritually for Easter as the children work on Lenten Calendars. We will of course have the traditional Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Sunday after church, but more importantly, we will look at how Christ's message of love can change our lives.

Looking ahead to summer, bring your kids to SonQuest Rainforest VBS—an experience of discovery they'll never forget! Based on five key Bible verses that will change a child's life—including John 3:16—SonQuest Rainforest VBS transports young minds into a vivid rainforest environment of jungle sounds, sights and smells, where they'll dig into the Bible and meet Jesus in every day's story.

Five Bible verses, five days of discovery and an experience that can last a lifetime: Gospel Light's SonQuest Rainforest VBS will bring your kids closer to Jesus, every day. The dates are Monday-Friday, July 5-9 from 9-noon daily. For those who may have grandchildren visiting for the summer, this is a perfect opportunity to have them participate in church activities. On the last day, there will be a closing Assembly at 11am in Fellowship Hall. You might plan to put in an order for the Lobster Roll Luncheon that day and make it a complete experience.

Finally we still need individuals to help weekly with Sunday School and Nursery coverage. Take the time to sign up outside the office. We need YOU!
Peace, Marilyn Lariviere Director of Christian Education

Youth StreetReach Activities

For those who have not experienced this wonderful outpouring of God's love for the homeless, you are welcome to join us for breakfast on March 27 at 7am in Fellowship Hall. This is a time for local youth from different churches to prepare and serve breakfast and give out clothing to individuals from local shelters. It is also a chance for YOU to help by bringing an egg casserole. If you are interested in contributing a casserole, call Marilyn at 508-776-6059 or email mlariv@comcast.net. Twenty or more casseroles are needed for each breakfast. *Copies of the recipe available in the Narthex.*

Scripture Reading for March

Third Sunday in Lent

March 7, 2010

Isaiah 55:1-9, Psalm 63:1-8, 1

Corinthians 10:1-13, Luke 13:1-9

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 14, 2010

Joshua 5:9-12, Psalm 32, 2

Corinthians 5:16-21, Luke 15:1-3,
11b-32

Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 21, 2010

Isaiah 43:16-21, Psalm 126,

Philippians 3:4b-14, John 12:1-8



Liturgy of the Palms

March 28, 2010

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29, Luke
19:28-40

Liturgy of the Passion

March 28, 2010

Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 31:9-16,
Philippians 2:5-11, Luke 22:14-
23:56, Luke 23:1-49



Birthdays of the Month

Carol Wroblewski ~ 4	George Levesque ~ 19
Elsie Hudson ~ 4	Ruth Carlson ~ 19
Daniel Barnes ~ 6	Pamela Hammond ~ 21
Ruth Berry ~ 7	Rita Jones ~ 21
John Bjork ~ 8	Barbara King ~ 21
Jean Keavy ~ 9	Wendy McKay ~ 27
Dorothy Ryan ~ 9	Bill Howes ~ 28
Rene King ~ 10	Dave Llewelyn ~ 29
Josie Rupert ~ 13	Joanne Brooks ~ 29
Jean Lowther ~ 16	

Prayer List

Helen Blanchard, Ruth Carlson, Earl Eldridge (deployed to Afghanistan), Anton Hitchcock, Bart Melcher, David Sandberg and Laurie Yancy.

Each New Day!

Oh Lord, make this a new day I pray. A clear, heavenly pure day oh Lord, I pray. Please oh Lord, help us wipe our troubles away, cleanse our hearts, clear our souls each and every day! Oh heavenly Father, show us your way. Clear our path-way so that we may see more clearly in thy way. Oh Lord, show us all of your plans for our lives each and every new morn as we pray. This is my glory this is my prayer for a most wonderful harmonious new day each new day ! Oh Lord, this is my prayer as I pray to you each and every new day. Amen. Written By Wendy D. McKay, February 2, 2010 *Dedicated to her Cousin Bart Melcher.*

Members in Nursing Homes

Jean Smith ~ Cape Heritage: 37 Rte. 6A Sandwich, 02563, (508)888-8222.

Louise Hallowell, Rm. # 308 ~ Harbor Point at Centerville: 22 Richardson Rd. Centerville, 02632, (508) 778-2311.

Dorothy Cabral, Rm. #205 ~ Harborside Healthcare – Mashpee: 161 Falmouth Rd. Mashpee, 02649, (508)477-2490.

Ruth Carlson, Otto Kittila ~ Mayflower Place: 579 Buck Island Rd. W. Yarmouth 02673, (508) 957-7007.

Kenneth Loader ~ The Pavilion: 876 Rte. 28, Hyannis 02601, (508)775-6663.

The Lord replied, "The times when you have seen only one set of footprints in the sand, is when I carried you."

Birthday Bash - March 21, 2010

Our first and hopefully annual "Birthday Bash" will be held following Church on March 21. Since this is a first, I want to explain to everyone what a Birthday Bash is all about. It's a way to celebrate everyone's birthday and have lots of fun while doing it.

There will be twelve tables set up in Fellowship Hall, each decorated with a theme for a particular month. Everyone will sit at the table corresponding to their birthday month, and there will be a light lunch of sandwiches, etc. In addition to the different themes for each month, we have volunteers supplying a birthday cake for each table. We plan on having a contest with prizes for the best decorated cake, as well as for best table decorations. There will be other surprises to make this a very Happy Birthday for all.

Please plan on coming, and joining in a great time. See you in Church, Geri Brown

The Women's Fellowship

Don't you just love the changes that this season brings with the new birth all around us? Love is all around us as God, creates new fresh blossoms, pretty singing birds and the lovely blue skies.

This month we're inviting all of you to join us to have a fun filled afternoon with a film and project. Our special guest speaker of the month is our very own Linda Baker. The title of Linda's program is *Does Love Make You Real?*

Do you have a loving pet, or a special friend, a favorite flower, a favorite family member or someone you absolutely love? Yes love does make a large difference in all of our lives.

We invite all of you to come and join us at our entertaining and interesting Women's Fellowship meetings held on the the first Monday of each month at 1:00 p.m.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you and enjoying our fellowship time together on Monday March 1st at 1:00 p.m. See you then.

2010 Officers

President ~ Lou Field

Vice President ~ Carmen Dejdard

Secretary ~ Dorothy Gilliland

Assistant Secretary ~ Margaret MacLeod

Treasurer ~ Faye LaVallee

Assistant Treasurer ~ Janice Galusza

2010 Committee Chairmen

Sunshine ~ Christine Werner

Programs ~ Wendy McKay

Publicity ~ Wendy McKay

Membership ~ Marion Johnson

Visiting ~ Dede Fish

Year Book ~ Margaret MacLeod

Church Women United ~ Carmen Dejdard

Guest Book ~ Elinor Dee

Devotional Coordinator ~ Ginny Powers

Thrift Shop Committee ~ Lou Field, Carmen Dejdard, Wendy McKay

From Your Friendly Thrift Shop

There are signs of spring in the air here on Cape Cod, as some of the birds are flying back home from the south. Has anyone noticed the warmth of the early afternoon sun as you walk along the edge of the beach on the Main Street of your hometown?

Yes spring is only a few weeks away starting on March 20th, and the beautiful, heavenly gifts from God are all around us. We're getting excited to see all of the bright new flowers that will be here soon and we're also excited to announce our annual *Spring Bag Sale*, which will run for the whole month of March !

You can fill a bag with clothes, shoes, hats and pocketbooks...all for only \$3.00 per bag!! Who knows you might just find a pretty sweater, shoes or that coat that you've been looking for.



We're In Need Of Nice Reusable.....

Dish sets, loose silver (spoons & forks etc.), jewelry, rain coats , poncho's, kids beach toys, craft direction books for knitting, crocheting and needlepoint etc.

For all of you who are Irish, and are Irish, at heart we'd like to wish you all a very **Happy St. Patrick's Day!**

We'd also like to thank our nice, helpful and friendly volunteer's for all of their help.

Blessings,

Wendy Mc Kay

Spring Bible Study ~ The Book of James

The book of James is relatively SHORT--only 5 chapters, but it packs a powerful punch. He addresses many of life's core issues.

In Chapter 1 - What a Christian **HAS** - (a confident stand)

In Chapter 2 - What a Christian **DOES** - (compassionate service)

In Chapter 3 - What a Christian **SAYS** - (careful speech)

In Chapter 4 - What a Christian **FEELS** - (contrite submission)

In Chapter 5 - What a Christian **GIVES** - (concerned sharing)

If these issues "speak to you", I invite you to join a group of us for The Spring Bible Study.

WHEN AND WHERE?

THURSDAYS APRIL 8-29 & MAY 6 and 13(6 weeks)

SESSION I: 4:00p.m.-5:30p.m.

SESSION II: 6:30p.m.-8:00p.m.

You are welcome at either session as your schedule dictates.

COST: \$10.00

Please sign up on BIBLE STUDY SHEET outside of the office. A sample booklet of the study can be found in the parlor. Take a look. Study booklets will be available on Palm Sunday, March 28th in the parlor. A "DO AT HOME STUDY" will be included in the bulletin beginning April 11th. Please consider joining us as we read and share our thoughts about the BOOK OF JAMES

Blessings to you all,

Linda Baker, 508 428 0577

Mission Committee ~ The Mission Committee has many people to thank this month for their many gifts. First, a thank you to all who remember to bring in food for the Salvation Army Food Pantry on the first Sunday of each month. This seems to be a good way to remember to help feed our neighbors by combining the food donations with Communion Sunday.

Second, we have several people who donate their time by serving lunch at the Salvation Army one or two days a month. Jan Bearse, Silpa Dame, Jinks Keil, John Bjork, Marge Bjork, Carmen Dejdard and Jan Llewelyn have all given countless hours of their time, and we want to thank them and let them know how much they are appreciated.

Third, cell phones have been donated and will be sent to be used by our service men and women.

Last, we are very pleased with the response to our special request for donations to Haiti Relief. Although the final figure is not in, we will be able to send the Salvation Army a check in excess of \$1000.00 from our members and friends.

Once again our Church family has showed great generosity in helping others in need, and the Mission Committee appreciates your continued support.

Memorial Committee

The Memorial Committee oversees four categories in which donated funds are placed. They include the General Fund, Scholarship Fund, The Betty Hudson Memorial Scholarship Fund and the Steeple Cross Maintenance Fund. To make sure that your donations are being credited to the area that you wish, please indicate in the memo area of your check where you would like your donation to go. All donations are gratefully appreciated. Two hand held microphones for use in the Church sanctuary were recently purchased with Memorial Funds.

Operation "Adopt a Garden Spot"

What is it? You adopt a small garden area on the church grounds and keep it beautiful.

When do you do it? Anytime you wish, there are no scheduled work times! You keep it beautiful by weeding it when necessary.

Please consider helping us keep the outside of our church beautiful... so beautiful that passersby will want to come inside.

Adopt a spot with a friend or group of friends....share the fun!!!!

A map of the spots available for adoption will be ready in April.

Thank you,

Your Grounds Committee ...and Spiritual Father's too



Easter Lily Order Form

I would like to order an Easter lily to be displayed in the Sanctuary for the Easter service.

Please Order _____ Plant(s) at \$12.50 each.
Total Cost _____

You may pay when ordering, and all checks should be made out to **Federated Church** and please record **Easter Lily** in the memo section.



I would like the dedication to read:

In Loving memory of _____

In honor of _____

Please check one of the following:

_____ I would like to take my plants home.

_____ Please, give my plants to a shut-in.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

**All orders must be received no later than March 26th.*

March 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>“Prayer is about our heart, not about our words.”</i>	1. 11:00 am – Staff Meeting 1:00 pm – Women’s Fellowship Regular Meeting	2. 10 -2:00 Craft Workshop	3. 5:30 p.m. – Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. – Senior Choir	4. 10 – 3:00 p.m. Friendly Thrift Shop	5. 10 – 3:00 p.m. Friendly Thrift Shop World Day of Prayer	6. 10 – 1:00 pm p.m. Friendly Thrift Shop
7. 9:00 a.m. – Senior Choir Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service, Sunday School 11:30 am – All Committee 6:30 - p.m. - Overnight of Hospitality (FH)	8. 11:00 am – Staff Meeting 3:45 – 4:30 p.m. Sing Along Mayflower Place	9. 10 -2:00 Craft Workshop 6:00 pm – Ladies Friendship Club	10. 5:30 p.m. – Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. – Senior Choir	11. 10 – 3:00 p.m. Friendly Thrift Shop	12. 10 – 3:00 p.m. Friendly Thrift Shop	13. 10 – 1:00 pm p.m. Friendly Thrift Shop
14. 9:00 a.m. – Senior Choir Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service, Sunday School Day Light Savings Time	15. Friendly Word Deadline 11:00 am – Staff Meeting	16. 10 -2:00 Craft Workshop	17. 5:30 p.m. – Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. – Senior Choir St. Patrick’s Day	18. 10 – 3:00 p.m. Friendly Thrift Shop 10:00 a.m. – Membership Committee (Parlor)	19. 10 – 3:00 p.m. Friendly Thrift Shop	20. 10 – 1:00 pm p.m. Friendly Thrift Shop
21. 9:00 a.m. – Senior Choir Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service, Sunday Sch. 11:00 am - Confirmation 11:30 Birthday Bash	22. 11:00 am – Staff Meeting 3:45 – 4:30 p.m. Sing Along Mayflower Place	23. 10 -2:00 Craft Workshop 6:00 pm – Ladies Friendship Club	24. 5:30 p.m. – Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. – Senior Choir	25. 10 – 3:00 p.m. Friendly Thrift Shop	26. 10 – 3:00 p.m. Friendly Thrift Shop <i>Easter Lily order is due.</i>	27. 7:00 am – Streetreach Breakfast 10 – 1:00 pm p.m. Friendly Thrift Shop
28. 9:00 a.m. – Senior Choir Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. - Worship Service, Sunday School 6:30 - p.m. - Overnight of Hospitality (FH)	29. 11:00 am – Staff Meeting	30. 10 -2:00 Craft Workshop	31. 11:30 - Women’s Fellowship Board Meeting 5:30 p.m. – Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. – Senior Choir	<p><i>“Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.” (Funnies from church bulletins)</i></p>  <p>choir practice</p> <p>No try outs necessary and we rehearse on Wednesday nights. Come sing and be merry.</p>		

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Vision Statement of

The Federated Church of Hyannis

Our vision for The Federated Church of Hyannis is of an inter-generational, inter-cultural, faithful Christian church, committed to maturing discipleship that cares for its members, reaches out to the community, and serves as a beacon of hope to all.

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