

The Church of the Messiah's
Good News
July 15, 2018

Welcome to the Church of the Messiah
We are delighted to have you worshipping with us.



For the Diversity of Races and Cultures

O God, who created all peoples in your image,
we thank you for the wonderful diversity
of races and cultures in this world.
Enrich our lives by ever-widening circles of fellowship,
and show us your presence
in those who differ most from us,
until our knowledge of love
is made perfect in our love for all people.
This we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

- adapted from the Book of Common Prayer (1979) p. 840.

Church of the Messiah
Mission Statement

The Church of the Messiah is an inclusive and welcoming community

- Committed to serving God by serving neighbors near and far;*
- Affirming the dignity of every human being;*
- Believing we are called to be stewards of creation.*

- adopted by the Vestry of the Church of the Messiah on February 10, 2015.

A PRAYER FOR OUR FUTURE

As our capital campaign continues, we invite you to join together in praying the following prayer that was composed by members of the parish and the rector.

O God, Giver of all good gifts.
We thank You for the grace of serving You by serving our neighbors.
May our hearts be kind and generous.
May our ministry be rooted in love and bold in imagination.
In transforming the First Church, renew our lives and all who join us so the community may be changed by Your love and the power of the Spirit. Amen.

FIRST CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATE

In an effort to keep everyone informed of our progress on the First Church Building Project, here is the latest update:

- The final building permit has been issued – so it is “all systems go!”
- As you know from previous updates, the demolition and septic permits were issued previously, allowing the start of work on the front and rear of the building, as well as some demolition in the interior of the building.
- The old electrical wires from the street to the First Church were taken down on Wednesday, making it possible for tree work to continue on the north side of the building, in preparation for the small parking lot which will be used as a staging area for the project.
- Fencing has been put up around the entire site, along with appropriate signage, in order to insure the safety of the public and the workers during this project.
- The Interior committee met with Jim Vieira and Lou Ann Burgess on June 21st to review kitchen items. Recommendations were made for the cabinets, countertops, sinks, faucets, appliances and flooring in the kitchen and kitchenette. The FCBC will receive these recommendations at their next meeting on Thursday, July 19th. The estimated costs for these items are within the project’s budget projection.
- Landscape architect, Tom Lee, met with Jim Vieira to look at stone for the parking lot retaining wall. A proposal based on the design and materials will be brought to the next FCBC meeting, as well as given to potential mason contractors.

If you have any questions, please contact me: mtscapecod@gmail.com.

Thanks for your ongoing support!

- Terry Soares, FCBC chair

NEW VOLUNTEERS WELCOME AT THE VILLAGE AT CATAUMET:

Next Monthly Dinner, Wednesday August 1st at 5 PM.

We’re serving dinner to our neighbors at the Village at Cataumet, the shelter for families, on the first Wednesday of the month. This is a continuing ministry and we always welcome new cooks and new servers. Look for a sign-up sheet in the back of the church on Sunday morning and join us. We are trying to show our neighbors that we care about their difficult situation. Help once a year or once a month – every contribution is welcome! If you would like to contribute or have questions, please contact Carol Casey (508-299-8330)

NEW PARISH AND COMMUNITY CENTER - *Capital Campaign Update*

Our original fundraising goal was \$1.55 million with a stretch goal of \$1.7 million. To date we have raised approximately \$1.8 million. Escalating labor and material prices have pushed up substantially the cost of the project. The pre-project costs plus the actual contracts total about \$2.3 million. That is now our revised campaign target. If we could reach \$2.5 million we could avoid borrowing to fund the remaining elements of the hardscape, landscape, and furnishings.

While the permitting process has taken longer than we had hoped, we still expect prime contractor Delphi to complete the project by early February, 2019. Terry Soares and the First Church Building Committee, and Clerk of the Works Jim Vieira are doing a splendid job managing the myriad details and processes that are necessary to move the project forward.

We will continue with active fundraising through this year and into the next. We have sent out reminder notices on pledges. Any donors able to prepay pledges will reduce bridge finance during construction. We continue to develop our campaign outreach to the community, foundations and grant sources. Commencement of work on the site and building promises to generate a new level of interest, excitement and support!

We welcome your questions and suggestions. We are deeply grateful to all who are supporting this project; a project central to effective service to the parish and providing new opportunities to the wider community.

Charles Mann, Chairman, Capital Campaign, Phase 2

Don Aukamp

Carol Casey

Deborah Dougherty

Arden Edwards

Mark Haycock

Sandra Rodgers

REFRESHMENT HOUR

We are very appreciative to these people who have kindly offered to provide refreshments during the following Sundays.

July

15 Alling Graney Family

22 The Haucks

29 The Aukamps

August

5 Lynne Hoar

12 Jane Vose

19 Falmouth Road Race – No coffee hour

26 Barbara Billings & Mary Fran Buckley

SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR REFRESHMENT HOUR

The following dates are open:

September

2

9

16

Please sign up after church or call the office, 508-548-2145. Sally Hauck and Jane Vose will have the new schedule for the fall beginning on September 23rd. Thank you.

MUSIC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

OFFERTORY MUSICIANS AND SOLOISTS: We are very grateful to those musicians who have or will be providing music during the summer months. Last Sunday, we were so fortunate to hear *Mary Swope* sing a beautiful solo from a portion of Handel's *Messiah*. This Sunday, we are honored to have *Wells Graney*, a rising fifth grader at St. Thomas Choir School in New York City sing a beautiful blessing written by the English composer, John Rutter. If you or someone you know would be interested in singing or playing an instrument for a service, please speak to me.

SUMMER CONCERTS: Due to the construction and excitement that will be taking place this summer, we have decided to take a break from Noontunes this year. But don't worry; it will be back in full force next summer! In the meantime, there will be a few musical events taking place. **Friday, July 20th at 7:30 p.m., Courante**, an early music ensemble featuring Jan Elliot on recorder, David Gable on violin, Molly Johnston on Viola da Gamba and Brittany Lord on harpsichord, will present a program of early music by Bach, Telemann and others. In August, the **Woods Hole Cantata Consort** will hold their annual concerts **on August 18th and 19th**. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for these special events! Thanks very much for your continuing support of our music ministry. - Brittany

Baroque Music for a Summer Evening



Photo by Dorene Sykes

Presented by the Upper-Cape based Early Music group

Courante

Jan Elliott, recorder David Gable, violin
Molly Johnston, viola da gamba Brittany Lord, harpsichord

Friday, July 20th, 2018 at 7:30pm

Church of the Messiah, 22 Church Street
Woods Hole, Massachusetts

Suggested donation \$15

For more information, please call (508) 548-2145

WOODS HOLE INSIGHT MEDITATION GROUP: Mondays, 3- 4 PM in the Stone Church

The weekly insight meditation group that meets on Mondays from 3- 4 PM is now gathering at the entrance to the Stone Church in the newly created open space. The group is open to any and all in the community. The format includes 10 minutes of introductions, 30 minutes of sitting, time for questions, a closing loving kindness meditation for 10 minutes and an opportunity for people to gather informally afterwards. On occasion, we have a half hour discussion on meditation practice after our sitting for anyone who wishes to attend. Our leaders include several people who are experienced meditators and have done some teaching. I welcome this opportunity to continue to open our doors to people in the parish and community who wish to spend quiet time together at the beginning of the week. Please speak with me if you have any questions. – Deborah

DISASTER PLANNING TEAM UPDATE

Church of the Messiah’s **Disaster Planning team** is at work putting together our disaster pastoral care program. In Fisher House, the map of our community is up and we hope every parishioner can fill out a tab and put their family name on it and place it at their location so we can complete the neighborhood groups. After we collate the questionnaires, we will finalize our notification system for such events as power outages, or when snow, ice or other weather condition cause services to be cancelled. Please confirm with the office that we have your LOCAL address that we can include in our map as there are over 60 parishioners that only have an out of area address in our files. Your information will be confidential and extremely important as we identify ways to support each other. If you can help, please contact Dicky Allison (508-274-2935, mallison@whoi.edu). Thanks very much!

FALMOUTH SERVICE CENTER

HELP WITH FOOD ALL YEAR LONG!

Grocery Bill of the Month Club

Become a new member of the **GROCERY BILL OF THE MONTH CLUB** for as little as \$25 and you will be providing a bag-full of *fresh* food and vegetables to a neighbor in need— 100% of your monthly *donation* goes to helping FSC fulfill its commitment to distribute the healthiest food to its clients.

Name _____

Address: _____

Tel # _____ Email address _____

___ I will donate online using PayPal or credit card-- click the red "Donate" button on the www.falmouthservicecenter.org website home page.

___ I commit to a monthly grocery bill of: \$25/1 bag ___ \$50/2 bags ___ \$100/4 bags ___ other \$ ___

Please mail this form to:

Falmouth Service Center @ PO Box 208, Falmouth, MA 02541-0208

Presiding Bishop Michael Curry Joins Other Faith Leaders in a Statement on Family Separation at Our Borders 2018-06-13 | The Office of Government Relations of the Episcopal Church

Recently, the Administration announced that it will begin separating families and criminally prosecuting all people who enter the U.S. without previous authorization. As religious leaders representing diverse faith perspectives, united in our concern for the wellbeing of vulnerable migrants who cross our borders fleeing from danger and threats to their lives, we are deeply disappointed and pained to hear this news.

We affirm the family as a foundational societal structure to support human community and understand the household as an estate blessed by God. The security of the family provides critical mental, physical and emotional support to the development and wellbeing of children. Our congregations and agencies serve many migrant families that have recently arrived in the United States. Leaving their communities is often the only option they have to provide safety for their children and protect them from harm. Tearing children away from parents who have made a dangerous journey to provide a safe and sufficient life for them is unnecessarily cruel and detrimental to the well-being of parents and children.

As we continue to serve and love our neighbor, we pray for the children and families that will suffer due to this policy and urge the Administration to stop their policy of separating families.

His Eminence Archbishop Vicken Aykazian
Diocesan Legate and Director of the Ecumenical Office
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