

The Church of the Messiah's
Good News
January 13, 2019

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



In the gift of this new day
In the gift of this new day
in the gift of the present moment
in the gift of time and eternity intertwined
let me be thankful
let me be attentive
let me be open to what has never happened before
in the gift of this new day
in the gift of the present moment
in the gift of time and eternity intertwined.

~ Written by J. Philip Newell in his Celtic Psalter, *Sounds of the Eternal*
~ and found on the website of InwardOutward.org, a ministry of the
Church of Our Saviour in Washington, DC on January 7, 2019

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 enriched by Your love and the power of the Spirit. Amen.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Our prayers are asked for those who suffer from addiction, anxiety, are survivors of abuse or assault, are unemployed or are homeless. We also pray for refugees seeking safety and security in this and other countries.

NEW VOLUNTEERS WELCOME AT THE VILLAGE AT CATAUMET:

Next Monthly Dinner, Wednesday, February 6, 5PM

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).

REFRESHMENT HOUR

To help with the simplicity, we have received a very generous offer from a parishioner to underwrite the cost of having *Pie in the Sky* provide the coffee and hot water for tea during the fall and winter. The carafes will be brought to church each week (along with a milk container and milk.) We are asking that the hosts return the carafes to Pie after church. Please bring (and take home) your own mug. Thank you.

January

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| 13 | Terry Soares |
| 20 | Mary Swope |
| 27 | Annual Meeting – Sandwiches provided |

OUTREACH NEWS: Supporting the Falmouth Service Center.

As we continue to support the Falmouth Service Center, our suggestions for donations in January are coffee, tea and hot chocolate mix for the cold winter days.

In response to concerns parishioners raised last week regarding those in the US Coast Guard who are being effected by the government shutdown, Brenda Swain, director of the Falmouth Service Center, said the FSC is continuing to serve families on Joint Base Cape Cod as well as offering to have some of these service families and other clients come to the center for additional help. If you would like to help support this particular program during these economic challenges for Coast Guard members and their families, you may send a check payable to the *Falmouth Service Center* at 611 Gifford Street in Falmouth (02540) marked *Joint Base Cape Cod on the memo line*.

The next Outreach Committee meeting will be **Monday, January 14th**, 10 AM in Fisher House.

FIRST CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATE

We are approaching the finish line! I have been attending the weekly site meeting as we approach the end of our building project. Our team of Jim Vieira, Delphi Construction and Keenan and Kenny are energized as we near our completion goal of the end of February. Kitchen cabinets will be delivered and installation will begin by the 3rd week of January. Painting and installation of fixtures are on track and we are scheduling movers for Mid-March!

- final grading of the grounds around the building and parking lot wall, and stabilizing the hillside will be completed by the end of next week. Loam and seeding will be completed in the spring;
 - the fire systems have been installed in the basement and on the first and second floors;
 - hanging of drywall is continuing;
 - the painters have started priming the walls;
 - the downspouts and gutters have been installed;
 - Delphi is in conversation with National Grid to determine when we can get a new gas line installed into the new Parish and Community Center now that the moratorium and lock out is over and company workers are back on the job. If this cannot be done expeditiously, a temporary installation between the Stone Church and the Parish and Community Center will be completed until a permanent connection can be installed.
 - Peg Nicholson and Jim Vieira met with Delphi to review the budget projection to the end of construction.
- Wiring and plumbing for a future generator are on track, although the generator itself is not in the budget.

The most recent FCBC meeting was held on Wednesday, January 9th and included a walk-through of the building.

Thank you very much for your ongoing support and suggestions. We are almost there!

Terry Soares, FCBC chairperson

NEW PARISH AND COMMUNITY CENTER - *Capital Campaign Update*

On December 15th, about 50 community members accepted our invitation to tour the transformed structure. Delphi did a wonderful job in preparing the project site and building for these visitors. Brian Switzer has created a 2 minute video report that beautifully captures the visitors' enthusiasm. The video can be played from our website: (<http://www.churchofthemessiahwoodshole.org/capital-campaign>) or via this link: <https://vimeo.com/308424117>.

To show the progress of the campaign, on the project site we now have a striking graphic with a mostly red candle that we hope to color in completely as the campaign progresses. The current total of gifts and pledges is approaching \$2.2 million against our stretch goal of \$2.5 million.

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

Charles Mann, Chairman, Capital Campaign, Phase 2

Don Aukamp

Arden Edwards

Carol Casey

Mark Haycock

Deborah Dougherty

Sandra Rodgers

STEWARDSHIP LETTER TO BE MAILED LATER THIS MONTH

The late fall is when we usually send our annual stewardship appeal. However, because of our ongoing capital campaign, we are postponing this appeal until later this month. – *The Vestry*

FROM CHRISTMAS CARDS TO GIFT TAGS

Do you still have some of the Christmas cards you received this year? Carol Wagner has been turning the front of cards, with no writing on the back, into gift tags for the following year, and they could be sold at the Renaissance Fair, as well as the soup. Please bring any cards to the church and Carol will collect them. Contact her if you would like to get together to work on the project. Thank you.



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