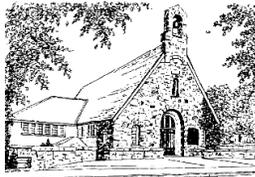


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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

October skies! The fall season is one of my favorite times of the year, the colors, the pleasant days and cool evenings, it's one of the reasons why this Florida transplant loves New England...and Houghs Neck.

In this letter, I want to encourage us to begin to talk to each other about the Climate crisis. You may already be talking about it around the dinner table with your spouse, your children or among your circle of friends, at work.

For us at Houghs Neck Congregational Church our motivation for talking about it is that we take seriously the prayer of Jesus, *"that they shall be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I am in you..."* (John 17:21). We believe that humanity is one body, not just as neighbors to one another, as citizens of our Commonwealth, our Nation, and, yes, even our planet, but, as in the eyes of the Apostle Paul, we are more than that to each other - we are organically and spiritually connected just as our arms, legs, eyes, and ears, are connected. We need each other. *"The eye cannot say to the hand, I have no need of you..."* (Paul's first letter to the church at Corinth in present- day Greece. (1 Corinthians 12:21)). He goes on to say, *"If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together."* (1 Corinthians 12:26). We are connected. How much our relationships with each other in Houghs Neck and with others around the world would be strengthened if we saw each other in that light.

Sixteen year old Greta Thunberg from Sweden sees her relationship to each of us in that light. If you don't know who she is, google her. Based on her speeches to our Congress and the United Nations, she clearly sees the suffering of many people around the world due to global warming. And she suffers. We too, in subtle ways, are suffering. One wonders how much suffering will have to happen before we as the human family decide to act and begin to heal this broken planet which is OUR home. What do you think? We need to be talking about this with each other, taking it seriously. Believe it or not, we really are one.

Blessings,
Pastor Steve

SEASIDE SOCIAL CLUB**OCTOBER 8, 2019****7PM PROGRAM****'STAR GAZING'**

Join us at 7:00 on October 8 as Pastor Steve Vandergrift takes us on a trip to the stars. We are not talking about seeing Katy Perry or Matt Damon, but an introduction to Cassiopeia, Hercules, or Cygnus. Pastor Steve is a former Astronomy teacher! We will meet in the conference room (on second floor) at the Nut Island Headworks (take Sea Street to Sea Avenue and the facility will be on your right at the end of Sea Ave.) Star gazing is best in the fall and winter when the cooler air is clearer than during warmer weather. Please bring telescopes or binoculars if you have them. There will be a business meeting for club members at 6:30 in the conference room. Be sure to bundle up as we will be outside for the program, weather permitting. Refreshments will be served. Membership is open to all women of the community. Programs are open to the public. Please join us for an evening with the stars.

hncc memories**125 years**

Keep your eyes open in newsletters throughout the rest of our 125th anniversary year for remembrances or comments submitted by church and community members in honor of our 125th.

"Congratulations on your 125th Anniversary! What a milestone. Our sincerest apologies we weren't able to attend the celebration. Please accept our donations in honor of the great work you all do for your congregation and the community."

-Margaret LaForest

"Please accept the enclosed check for the church's 125th Anniversary. Although we belong to the 'other' church in the neighborhood, we've always been so grateful for our friends who have called your church 'home' over the years.

Wishing you much success in your work and praying for your continued success for the next 125 years."



By the Sea *Holiday Fair*

Friday, Oct. 25th 6pm-9pm

Sat., Oct. 26th 9am-3pm

Craft Table

Gift Basket Table

Bake Sale

Raffles

Resale Shop

Bling Boutique

**Houghs Neck
Congregational Church
310 Manet Avenue, Quiney**

FREE ADMISSION

Friday night - dinner available for purchase

Saturday - breakfast, lunch & snacks available for purchase

Toiletry donations will graciously be accepted for DOVE, Inc.

(Domestic Violence Ended)



THE GIFT BASKET TABLE



We have received some gift cards already but we could use some more if possible. Small denominations (\$5, \$10) gift cards would work best - whatever you are able to give. Some examples are—Hough Many Scoops, Starbucks, Dunkin Donuts, Stop & Shop.

Donations of any kind may be given to us directly after services on Sundays

or contact either of us for pick up.

Thanks,
Christine and Moe

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Anne Baxendale
Linda DellaCroce
Linda Beck
Marie Blanchard
Bob Craig
Mary Giggey
Donnie Gamble

Edward Duddy
Elizabeth M. Orchard
Sheena Giggey Curley
May Keith
Maeve Hughes
Jane Neale
June Paul

Martha Chase
Jaime Toby
Joan Kirby
Beth Little
Laurie Milligan
Kelly Stewart Cassier
Mark Paul

Jim Hoggrell
Paula Younie
John White
Sandy White
Eileen Menz
Harry & Bette Olson
Wink Wakelin



HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAY!!



Wish a happy birthday with a smile, a call
or a card to our OCTOBER birthday folks!

OCTOBER

2	John Plonowski	21	Connie Sparks
3	Eric Wainwright		Susan Carr
			Barbara Christie
5	Helen Murphy	23	Martha Chase
13	Emily Butruccio	25	Isabella Plonowski
		29	Michael Carr

SPIRITUAL MESSAGES



No other religion, no other, promises new bodies, hearts, and minds. Only in the gospel of Christ do hurting people find such incredible hope.

-Joni Eareckson Tada

One man with God on his side is always in the majority.

- John Knox

The church treasurer counts what we give; God counts what we keep.

-John Blanchard

Affliction is often that thing which prepares an ordinary person for some sort of an extraordinary destiny.

-C.S. Lewis

Faith, which is trust, and fear are opposite poles. If man has one, he can scarcely have the other in vigorous operation. He that has his trust set upon God does not need to dread anything except the weakening or the paralyzing of that trust.

-Alexander Maclaren

October 2019 Daily Lectionary

These Scripture readings are from the two-year daily lectionary of the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (Westminster John Knox Press 2018). The readings from the three-year Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals are not included in this document.

Year 1**OCTOBER****Tuesday, October 1**

Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
2 Chron. 29:1–3; 30:1
(2–9) 10–27
1 Cor. 7:32–40
Matt. 7:1–12

Wednesday, October 2

Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
2 Kings 18:9–25
1 Cor. 8:1–13
Matt. 7:13–21

Thursday, October 3

Morning: Pss. 116;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 26; 130
2 Kings 18:28–37
1 Cor. 9:1–15
Matt. 7:22–29

Friday, October 4

Morning: Pss. 84; 148
Evening: Pss. 25; 40
2 Kings 19:1–20
1 Cor. 9:16–27
Matt. 8:1–17

Saturday, October 5

Morning: Pss. 63; 149
Evening: Pss. 125; 90
2 Kings 19:21–36
1 Cor. 10:1–13
Matt. 8:18–27

Sunday, October 6

Morning: Pss. 103; 150
Evening: Pss. 117; 139
2 Kings 20:1–21
Acts 12:1–17
Luke 7:11–17

Monday, October 7

Morning: Pss. 5; 145
Evening: Pss. 82; 29
2 Kings 21:1–18
1 Cor. 10:14–11:1
Matt. 8:28–34

Tuesday, October 8

Morning: Pss. 42; 146
Evening: Pss. 102; 133
2 Kings 22:1–13
1 Cor. 11:2 (3–16) 17–22
Matt. 9:1–8

Wednesday, October 9

Morning: Pss. 89:1–18;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 1; 33
2 Kings 22:14–23:3
1 Cor. 11:23–34
Matt. 9:9–17

Thursday, October 10

Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 16; 62
2 Kings 23:4–25
1 Cor. 12:1–11
Matt. 9:18–26

Friday, October 11

Morning: Pss. 51; 148
Evening: Pss. 142; 65
2 Kings 23:36–24:17
1 Cor. 12:12–26
Matt. 9:27–34

Saturday, October 12

Morning: Pss. 104; 149
Evening: Pss. 138; 98
Jer. 35:1–19
1 Cor. 12:27–13:3
Matt. 9:35–10:4

Sunday, October 13

Morning: Pss. 19; 150
Evening: Pss. 81; 113
Jer. 36:1–10
Acts 14:8–18
Luke 7:36–50

Monday, October 14

Morning: Pss. 135; 145
Evening: Pss. 97; 112
Jer. 36:11–26
1 Cor. 13:(1–3) 4–13
Matt. 10:5–15

Tuesday, October 15

Morning: Pss. 123; 146
Evening: Pss. 30; 86
Jer. 36:27–37:2
1 Cor. 14:1–12
Matt. 10:16–23

Wednesday, October 16

Morning: Pss. 15; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 48; 4
Jer. 37:3–21
1 Cor. 14:13–25
Matt. 10:24–33

Thursday, October 17

Morning: Pss. 36; 147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 80; 27
Jer. 38:1–13
1 Cor. 14:26–33a
(33b–36) 37–40
Matt. 10:34–42

Friday, October 18

Morning: Pss. 130; 148
Evening: Pss. 32; 139
Jer. 38:14–28
1 Cor. 15:1–11
Matt. 11:1–6

Saturday, October 19

Morning: Pss. 56; 149
Evening: Pss. 118; 111
Jer. 52:1–34
1 Cor. 15:12–29
Matt. 11:7–15

Sunday, October 20

Morning: Pss. 67; 150
Evening: Pss. 46; 93
Jer. 29:1, 4–14
or Jer. 39:11–40:6
Acts 16:6–15
Luke 10:1–12, 17–20

Monday, October 21

Morning: Pss. 57; 145
Evening: Pss. 85; 47
Jer. 44:1–14
or Jer. 29:1, 4–14
1 Cor. 15:30–41
Matt. 11:16–24

Tuesday, October 22

Morning: Pss. 54; 146
Evening: Pss. 28; 99
Lam. 1:1–5 (6–9) 10–12
or Jer. 40:7–41:3
1 Cor. 15:41–50
Matt. 11:25–30

Wednesday, October 23

Morning: Pss. 65; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 125; 91
Lam. 2:8–15 or Jer. 41:4–18
1 Cor. 15:51–58
Matt. 12:1–14

Thursday, October 24

Morning: Pss. 143;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 81; 116
Ezra 1:1–11 or Jer. 42:1–22
1 Cor. 16:1–9
Matt. 12:15–21

Friday, October 25

Morning: Pss. 88; 148
Evening: Pss. 6; 20
Ezra 3:1–13 or Jer. 43:1–13
1 Cor. 16:10–24
Matt. 12:22–32

Saturday, October 26

Morning: Pss. 122; 149
Evening: Pss. 100; 63
Ezra 4:7, 11–24
or Jer. 44:1–14
Philem. 1–25
Matt. 12:33–42

Sunday, October 27

Morning: Pss. 108; 150
Evening: Pss. 66; 23
Hag. 1:1–2:9
or Jer. 44:15–30
Acts 18:24–19:7
Luke 10:25–37

Monday, October 28

Morning: Pss. 62; 145
Evening: Pss. 73; 9
Zech. 1:7–17 or Jer. 45:1–5
Rev. 1:4–20
Matt. 12:43–50

Tuesday, October 29

Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
Ezra 5:1–17 or Lam. 1:1–5
(6–9) 10–12
Rev. 4:1–11
Matt. 13:1–9

Wednesday, October 30

Morning: Pss. 96; 147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
Ezra 6:1–22
or Lam. 2:8–15
Rev. 5:1–10
Matt. 13:10–17

Thursday, October 31

Morning: Pss. 116;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 26; 130
Neh. 1:1–11 or Lam. 2:16–22
Rev. 5:11–6:11
Matt. 13:18–23

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Weekly service of worship

**Sundays
at 10:00 a.m.**

Reverend Stephen Vandergrift

There is a potluck Coffee Hour each Sunday in the Conference Room after our service. All are welcome, please join us! We serve coffee, tea and whatever goodies are donated. Please volunteer to make and serve coffee and clean up!