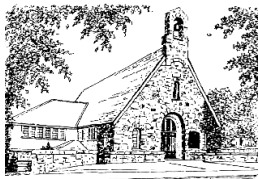


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FROM THE PASTOR

Reverend Stephen Vandergrift

Greetings Sisters and Brothers!

October is a busy month. We're back into the swing of things on Sunday mornings with the children and choir resuming their places among us in worship. Sunday School is also officially under way.

Each week in October brings something new and exciting happening in our community:

- Look for our **Bible Study** to resume the first week in October. We will be doing an introduction to the Old Testament. Keep an ear out for details!
- On Sunday, October 7th is **World Communion Sunday** when we celebrate the Lord's Supper with Christians around the world.
- On the 9th the **Seaside Social Club** is hosting Rev. Shari Johnson, a spirit medium. I'm not familiar with her practice, so I'm looking forward to hearing what she has to say. Some of you that have heard her speak before and have expressed a fascination with her work. Does she do what she does from a Christian perspective? What qualifies her to be a medium? Here's your chance to ask questions. Join us!
- On Saturday, the 13th, the Scouts are celebrating an **Eagle Court of Honor** at the Church for three young men who have earned Eagle Scout status. Among them is our own Jake Gordon. Jake is the third generation of Eagle Scouts in his family following in the footsteps of his grandpa, Marty, and dad, Rob. When you see Jake, congratulate him - his family too! They all supported him.
- Saturday, the 20th, is **Super Saturday** for the UCC Massachusetts Conference. I have found it to be a great occasion to meet with other Congregationalists from around the Commonwealth, attend some educational workshops, and hear some inspiring speakers. If you've never attended, give it a try. Let me know ASAP if you think you'd like to go.
- Of course, the 31st is **Halloween**, historically known as All Hallows Eve. You are likely aware that the name Halloween is derived from the contraction of "Hallows Evening." It probably should be called All Saints Eve because the following day, November 1st, is traditionally known as All Saints Day. A Hallow is an old English word for Saint. From time to time over the centuries the Church recognized some exceptional individuals as "saints" and he or she would be assigned a day in the year on which they would be remembered. When the number of saints exceeded the number of days in a year (365) it was determined that one special day, November 1st, would be set aside to remember all the saints. It became a part of church folklore that unkind spirits, ghosts, goblins and such would show themselves on All Hallows Eve as their last chance to do their mischief before all the Saints showed up the following day and scared them away. That's sort of how it all got started. We Protestants are less attached to celebrating All Saints Day than our Catholic sisters and brothers - but we sure like the sweets of All Hallows Eve! Enjoy Halloween! And be Safe!

Blessings and Peace,
Pastor Steve

SEASIDE SOCIAL CLUB**Tuesday, October 9****Shari Johnson – Spirit Medium**

The Seaside Social Club will meet on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 7:00 in Fellowship Hall of the Houghs Neck Congregational Church. Our special guest will be the Rev. Shari Johnson who will share her talents as a Spirit Medium. Our friend Shari will talk about her work and how she communicates with those who have crossed over. Shari is a Reiki Master, Medium, Holistic Healer and so much more. The program is open to the public and free of charge. Refreshments will be served. There will be a meeting for members at 6:30 prior to the program.

***** “BY THE SEA” HOLIDAY FAIR *****

By the Sea Holiday Fair
at the
Houghs Neck Congregational Church
310 Manet Avenue
November 2nd and 3rd

Mark your calendars for our *By the Sea Holiday Fair* on Friday evening, November 2nd from 6:00pm to 9:00pm and on Saturday, November 3rd, from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Check out our Gift Baskets and Pet Items tables - along with many of your favorites such as the Take-a-Chance game with prizes, Craft items and the Resale Shop. We will have homemade pickles and jams, baked goods, holiday cards, scarfs, handbags, bling and more! And don't forget our Adult Raffle and Children's Raffle with many awesome prizes!! Something for everyone! This year we will have a special demonstration designed to keep the kids entertained while parents' shop; featuring our very own Pastor Steve. Come on Friday night for dinner and on Saturday for breakfast and/or lunch. For questions please call 617-479-8778 or email hccc@comcast.net. Admission is free. Toiletry donations will graciously be accepted for DOVE, Inc. (Domestic Violence Ended).

We look forward to seeing you at the *By the Sea Holiday Fair* on November 2nd and 3rd.

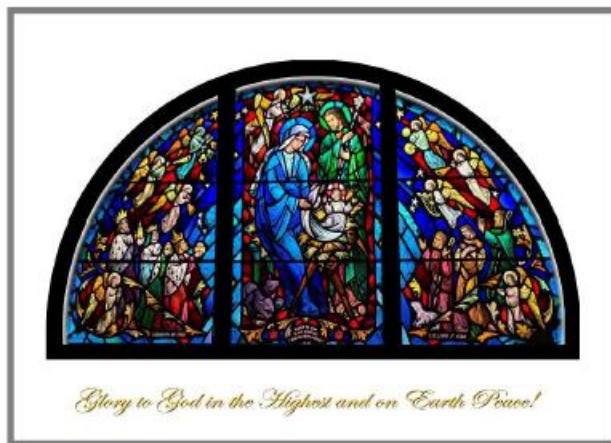
Houghs Neck Christmas Cards Pre-Order Now



This whimsical card features the names of organizations and landmarks in the Neck in red and green. Size is 4.25" X 5.5". Inside: *Merry Christmas from our "Neck" of the woods to yours!*
\$10 per box of 8.



Featuring a black and white drawing of our peninsula dressed up with a red bow this sophisticated card is perfect to send to friends far and near. Size is 4.25" X 5.5". Inside: *Merry Christmas from God's Country here in Houghs Neck!* \$10 per box of 8.



This spiritual card featuring the lunette window in the Houghs Neck Congregational Church captures the true meaning of the season in full color. Size is 5" X 7" and is suitable for framing. Inside: *May the Love, Joy & Peace of Christmas be with you now and throughout the New Year!*
\$15 per box of 8.

Cards will be available at the Houghs Neck Congregational Church Fair, 310 Manet Avenue, on November 2 and 3, or may be delivered locally the second week of November, or shipped for a shipping & handling fee of \$10 for up to 4 boxes.

Place your order on our website: www.hncong.org or e-mail hncc@comcast.net



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 QUOTES

All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all.
-Cecil Frances Alexander

The problem with atheism is having nobody to talk to when you are alone.
-Unknown

God has never promised not to solve our problems. He has promised to go with us.
-Elisabeth Elliot

Trust the past to God's mercy, the present to God's love, and the future to God's providence.
-Augustine

Holiness consists of three things - separation from sin, dedication to Good, transformation into Christ's image.
-James H. Aughey

THE GIFT BASKET TABLE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We will run the Gift Basket Table at the church fair again this year. We've been shopping for goodies for the baskets already but we could use your help, too. We would like gift cards or gift certificates to add to the baskets. Small denominations (\$5, \$10) gift cards would work - whatever you are able to give. Some examples are—Hough Many Scoops, Starbucks, Dunkin Donuts, Stop & Shop.

Donations of any kind can be placed in the bin marked for fair donations (which will be in the vestibule of the church in the coming weeks), given to us directly after services on Sundays or contact either of us for pick up.

Christine at cmon1695@hotmail.com or 617-512-7177
 Maureen at jandmflores@gmail.com or 617-669-6349

Thanks,
 Christine and Moe



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

Edward Duddy
 Elizabeth M. Orchard
 Sheena Giggey Curley
 Leah Davis
 Barbara Dickson
 Jane Neale

Mary Panasci
 Jaime Toby
 Joan Kirby
 Beth Little
 Laurie Mulligan
 Kelly Stewart Cassier

Martha Chase
 Paula Younie
 John White
 Sandy White
 Melissa Hughes
 Charles Hughes

October 2018 Daily Lectionary

These Scripture readings are from the two-year daily lectionary of the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (Westminster John Knox Press, 1993). The readings from the three-year Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals are not included in this document.

October

Monday, October 1
Morning: Pss. 62; 145
Evening: Pss. 73; 9
Hos. 2:2–15
Acts 20:17–38
Luke 5:1–11

Tuesday, October 2
Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
Hos. 2:16–23
Acts 21:1–14
Luke 5:12–26

Wednesday, October 3
Morning: Pss. 96;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
Hos. 3:1–5
Acts 21:15–26
Luke 5:27–39

Thursday, October 4
Morning: Pss. 116;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 26; 130
Hos. 4:1–10
Acts 21:27–36
Luke 6:1–11

Friday, October 5
Morning: Pss. 84; 148
Evening: Pss. 25; 40
Hos. 4:11–19
Acts 21:37–22:16
Luke 6:12–26

Saturday, October 6
Morning: Pss. 63; 149
Evening: Pss. 125; 90
Hos. 5:1–7
Acts 22:17–29
Luke 6:27–38

Sunday, October 7
20th Sunday after
Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 103; 150
Evening: Pss. 117; 139
Hos. 5:8–6:6
1 Cor. 2:6–16
Matt. 14:1–12

Monday, October 8
Morning: Pss. 5; 145
Evening: Pss. 82; 29
Hos. 6:7–7:7
Acts 22:30–23:11
Luke 6:39–49

Tuesday, October 9
Morning: Pss. 42; 146
Evening: Pss. 102; 133
Hos. 7:8–16
Acts 23:12–24
Luke 7:1–17

Wednesday, October 10
Morning: Pss. 89:1–18;
147:1–11
Evening: Pss. 1; 33
Hos. 8:1–14
Acts 23:23–35
Luke 7:18–35

Thursday, October 11
Morning: Pss. 97;
147:12–20
Evening: Pss. 16; 62
Hos. 9:1–9
Acts 24:1–23
Luke 7:36–50

Friday, October 12
Morning: Pss. 51; 148
Evening: Pss. 142; 65
Hos. 9:10–17
Acts 24:24–25:12
Luke 8:1–15

Saturday, October 13
Morning: Pss. 104; 149
Evening: Pss. 138; 98
Hos. 10:1–15
Acts 25:13–27
Luke 8:16–25

Sunday, October 14
21st Sunday after
Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 19; 150
Evening: Pss. 81; 113
Hos. 11:1–11
1 Cor. 4:9–16
Matt. 15:21–28

Monday, October 15
Morning: Pss. 135; 145
Evening: Pss. 97; 112
Hos. 11:12–12:1
Acts 26:1–23
Luke 8:26–39

Tuesday, October 16
Morning: Pss. 123; 146
Evening: Pss. 30; 86
Hos. 12:2-14
Acts 26:24-27:8
Luke 8:40-56

Wednesday, October 17
Morning: Pss. 15;
147:1-11
Evening: Pss. 48; 4
Hos. 13:1-3
Acts 27:9-26
Luke 9:1-17

Thursday, October 18
Morning: Pss. 36;
147:12-20
Evening: Pss. 80; 27
Hos. 13:4-8
Acts 27:27-44
Luke 9:18-27

Friday, October 19
Morning: Pss. 130; 148
Evening: Pss. 32; 139
Hos. 13:9-16
Acts 28:1-16
Luke 9:28-36

Saturday, October 20
Morning: Pss. 56; 149
Evening: Pss. 118; 111
Hos. 14:1-9
Acts 28:17-31
Luke 9:37-50

Sunday, October 21
22nd Sunday after
Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 67; 150
Evening: Pss. 46; 93
Micah 1:1-9
1 Cor. 10:1-13
Matt. 16:13-20

Monday, October 22
Morning: Pss. 57; 145
Evening: Pss. 85; 47
Micah 2:1-13
Rev. 7:1-8
Luke 9:51-62

Tuesday, October 23
Morning: Pss. 54; 146
Evening: Pss. 28; 99
Micah 3:1-8
Rev. 7:9-17
Luke 10:1-16

Wednesday, October 24
Morning: Pss. 65;
147:1-11
Evening: Pss. 125; 91
Micah 3:9-4:5
Rev. 8:1-13
Luke 10:17-24

Thursday, October 25
Morning: Pss. 143;
147:12-20
Evening: Pss. 81; 116
Micah 5:1-4, 10-15
Rev. 9:1-12
Luke 10:25-37

Friday, October 26
Morning: Pss. 88; 148
Evening: Pss. 6; 20
Micah 6:1-8
Rev. 9:13-21
Luke 10:38-42

Saturday, October 27
Morning: Pss. 122; 149
Evening: Pss. 100; 63
Micah 7:1-7
Rev. 10:1-11
Luke 11:1-13

Sunday, October 28
23rd Sunday after
Pentecost
Morning: Pss. 108; 150
Evening: Pss. 66; 23
Jonah 1:1-17a
1 Cor. 10:15-24
Matt. 18:15-20

Monday, October 29
Morning: Pss. 62; 145
Evening: Pss. 73; 9
Jonah 1:17-2:10
Rev. 11:1-14
Luke 11:14-26

Tuesday, October 30
Morning: Pss. 12; 146
Evening: Pss. 36; 7
Jonah 3:1-4:11
Rev. 11:14-19
Luke 11:27-36

Wednesday, October 31
Morning: Pss. 96;
147:1-11
Evening: Pss. 132; 134
Nahum 1:1-14
Rev. 12:1-6
Luke 11:37-52

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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!