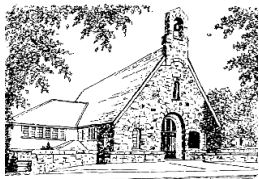


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# HOUGHS NECK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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## FROM THE PASTOR

*Reverend Stephen Vandergrift*

With summer coming to a close, the mixed feelings of sadness and joy begin to creep into our souls: Sadness that the summer days of relaxation and outdoor fun have whizzed by, seemingly all too soon, but joy in the anticipation of beginning a new cycle in our work lives, a new church year, a new school year. The rhythm of fall approaches.

Hopefully you collected enough warm memories to last you through the coming winter weather. Jean and I had a wonderful time in Ireland and Scotland, seeing some beautiful countryside and meeting some very friendly people, some of whom were likely distant (mostly very distant) relatives. Jean, whose family name is Halligan, met by coincidence a gentleman whose mother was a Halligan. Part of my family lineage stems from the Scottish town of Luss on the western shore of Loch Lomond. The Colquhoun clan originates from there. My middle name is Calhoun, my mother's maiden name. Calhoun is a derivative of Colquhoun pronounced by Scots "ca hoon" with the accent on the last syllable. Like many of us who had ancestors that came to America, the name evolved into its present form by any number of possible reasons. The Colquhouns are known for the breeds of sheep they developed over the years, particularly the popular black-faced sheep.

In 1603 clan Gregor (MacGregor), known for their rustling of cattle and sheep, attacked the Colquhoun clan at the battle of Glen Fruin. Of the 500 Colquhoun men involved in the battle, story has it that 200 were killed. I was told that it is likely that I had a relative that survived that battle. Before 1603 there had been no dispersia of Colquhouns to other parts of the world. Lucky break for me! As yet, I have not been able to trace my ancestry back to that relative that survived the battle Glen Fruin. I suppose he was either brave and fought well, or he was a fast runner!

Interest in one's ancestry as you are well aware is popular these days. Knowing one's roots seems to offer us clues to why we are and who we are. It has been said that if you go back far enough we're all related. That seems logical. It's also biblical. God knows us all, each of us, as his children. All of us. Who are we to deny that lineage? Blessings on all of you - my sisters and brothers.

Blessings and Peace,

Pastor Steve

## **CHOIR REHEARSALS BEGIN AGAIN ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>**



Do you like to sing and can you carry a tune? Then by all means, come and join the choir! We are always ready and happy to welcome new singers (or past singers who would like to sing again!). The old saying certainly applies here: the more the merrier! Why not give it a try? We rehearse Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm and are almost always done by 8:30. Come and help us “make a joyful noise unto the Lord.”

## **BAKE SALE AT THE CHOWDAFEST SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>**



The Houghs Neck Congregational Church will continue our tradition of hosting a bake sale at the Chowdafest to benefit a worthy cause. This year we will once again focus our attention on the homeless children in the Quincy Public Schools. The program to support these students is the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Program which can be found at this link:

<http://quincypublicschools.com/qpsinfo/download/district/support-services/Brochure%20%20Homeless%20Assistance.pdf>.

All money raised at the bake sale will be donated to this program in the Quincy Public Schools. The program assists with school supplies, food, clothing, pre and after school programs, tutoring, mentoring, transportation and other services.

We welcome donations of baked goods at the Chowdafest and items may be dropped off between noon and 2:00. Cookies should be packaged 6 to a bag and brownies or squares, 4 to a bag, or small tea breads. Anything with nuts or peanut butter should be clearly marked. There will also be a can for donations of cash or checks (made payable to Quincy Public Schools). Please participate in all of the fun at the Chowdafest and stop by the Bake Table to make a purchase or donation to support our homeless children. Thank you and looking forward to seeing you there. Questions, call Gayle 617-653-5928.

## SEASIDE SOCIAL CLUB



**Tuesday, September 11**

### **John Galluzzo "Greater Love Hath No Man" - Shipwrecks of the South Shore**

The Seaside Social Club is excited to kick off our 2018-2019 year on September 11, at 7:00 pm with speaker John Galluzzo. John's presentation, titled "Greater Love Hath No Man" is the epitaph of a famous lifesaver from the South Shore. John will tell the story of shipwrecks on the South Shore through this man's life. John Galluzzo is a writer, editor, and grant writer and the author of over 30 books. His writings focus on both the sea and shore of New England. John is a regular writer for the Hull Times, grant writer for the YMCA, on the Foundation for Coast Guard History, and affiliated with many other organizations on the South Shore. This program is open to the public (yes, men too) and no admission is charged.

Prior to the program, club members will have a business meeting at 6:30. All women of the community are welcome to join the club. Member dues are \$20 per year. Come join us and become a Seaside Socialite!

## SPIRITUAL QUOTES

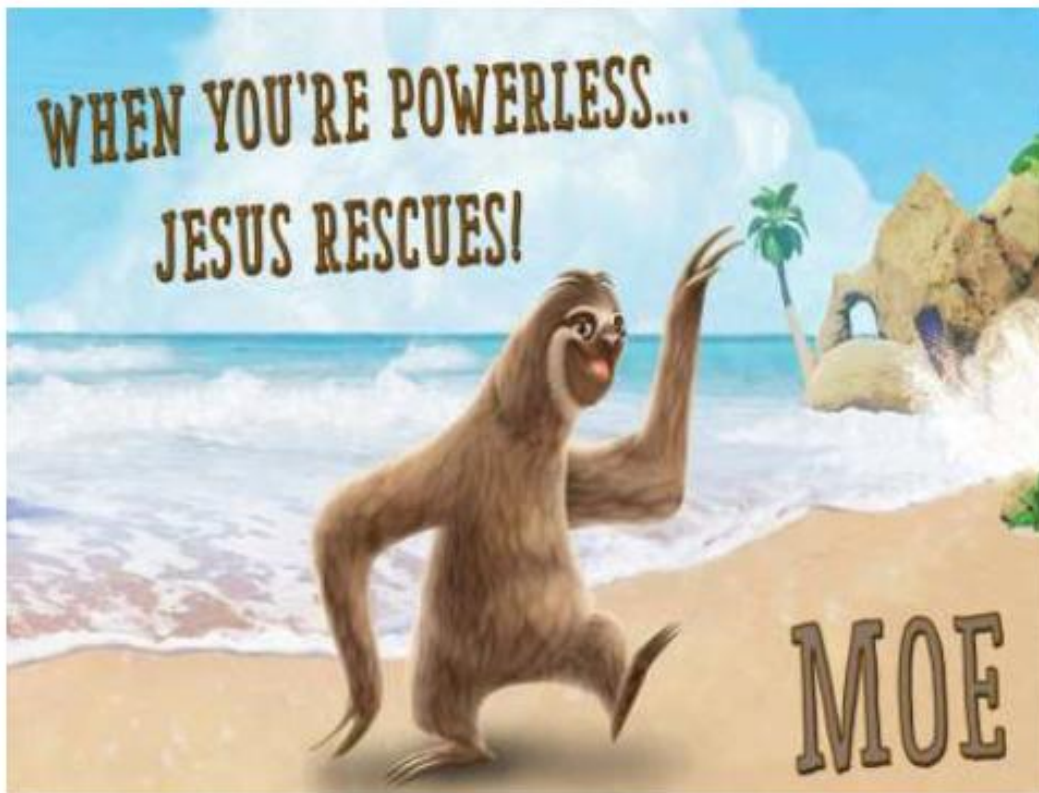
*Conformity to the world can be overcome by nothing but conformity to Jesus.* – Andrew Murray

*The Lord's goodness surrounds us at every moment.* – R.W. Barbour

*Affliction is often that thing which prepares an ordinary person for some sort of extraordinary destiny.*  
- C.S. Lewis

*There are no shortcuts to spiritual maturity. It takes time to be holy.* – Erwin W. Luther

*Lord, let me make a difference for you that is utterly disproportionate to who I am.* David Brainerd



## **YOU'RE INVITED!!**

We had so much fun at Shipwrecked Vacation Bible School, we don't want it to end, so it doesn't have to!!!!

Please join us  
Friday, September 21, 2018 at  
Houghs Neck Congregational Church

**6:00PM** – BBQ & VBS Sing Along  
**7:00PM** – Outdoor Movie Night "Camp Cool Kids"  
Rated PG Length: 1 hr 44 minutes  
Bring your blankets too!

**\*We will move the event indoors if rain is forecast.**

# HOUGH'S NECK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

On Sunday, Sept 23rd join us for "Rally Day" when we kick-off our Sunday School classes! Start the year with some fun crafts, songs, and as always, learning about God's LOVE

We hope to see you there!  
Ages 2.9 - grade 8

Classes begin on **9.23.2018**  
Sundays | 10 AM - 11 AM

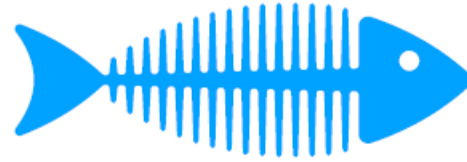
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LOBSTER



FISH

DINNER

FRIDAY, SEPT. 28

5-8 P.M.

**HOUGH'S NECK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**

MENU: Lobster or fish, baked potato, salad, corn on the cob,  
homemade bread, dessert and beverage

PRICE: **LOBSTER -\$15 FISH- \$12**

(Children under 12-\$5)

**RESERVATIONS PREFERRED**

Call or email Nancy or Ralph Jacobs 617- 479-6441

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## NURSERY OPENING SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>



The Nursery will open the Sunday after Rally Day - September 30th. It will follow our Sunday School schedule. The ages of children are infants - 2.9 years old.

For those looking for volunteer opportunities, we do need people in the nursery!

**For more information or to volunteer, please see Jill Hockney or email her at [quincysea29@yahoo.com](mailto:quincysea29@yahoo.com)**

## ★ ★ ★ “BY THE SEA” HOLIDAY FAIR ★ ★ ★

**November 2 and 3, 2018**

Mark your calendars for our *By the Sea Holiday Fair* on Friday evening, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. and on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We will again have many of your favorites such as the Take-a-Chance table, Crafts, Gift Baskets, Pet Items and the Resale Shop. We will have homemade pickles and jams, baked goods, Christmas items, Bling and much more. And don't forget our Raffles with so many awesome prizes!! Something for everyone! Come on Friday night for dinner and on Saturday for breakfast and/or lunch. For questions please call or e-mail the church at 617-479-8778 or [hccc@comcast.net](mailto: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 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>.

We will need everyone's help to make this fair a huge success – so buy some raffle tickets - sign up to bake for the Bake table or make something for the Sugar & Spice table - or donate items for any of our tables – Crafts, Pets, Bling, Gift Baskets, etc.

*Thank you,  
Jill and Kara – 2018 Fair Co-Chairs*

## **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. \$5, \$10 or even \$20 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](mailto:cmon1695@hotmail.com) or 617-512-7177  
Maureen at [jandmflores@gmail.com](mailto:jandmflores@gmail.com) or 617-669-6349

Thanks,  
Christine and Moe

## **M. ALICIA COREA STUDENT FUND**

The Seaside Social Club, formerly MOTHERS Club is 73 years old and still growing. Back in the early 60's we had a program called "This is Your Life M Alicia Corea" which was based on a popular TV program. In honor of Alicia the M Alicia Corea Student Fund was established. Rev. Alicia and Dr. Peter Corea felt very strongly about helping students further their education. One of the early recipients was Marty Gordon who received a slide rule. Since then most of the awards were changed from gifts to monetary awards. Over the years the fund has given over \$26,000 to students sponsored by members of the club.

This year we are late giving the awards because our beloved president of the fund, Gail Freel, passed away before we had met to determine them. Her children knew how Gail wanted to help students. It was a pet project of hers. They asked that any memorial gifts be given to the MAC fund as we affectionately call it. People have been very generous. We received another donation recently. We are happily accepting all donations.

This year we have given awards to 4 graduating students:

James Pearson who will be attending Massasoit Community College majoring in Computer Science

Emme Elizabeth Shaw attending Salve Regina majoring in Nursing.

Jonathan Boyd attending Plymouth State University majoring in Meteorology

Emily Butruccio attending Curry College majoring in Early Child Care.

If you have any questions about the club or the fund please see Carol, Nancy, or Gayle.



## OFFERING ENVELOPES & PLEDGE CARDS

Anyone who does not have a box of offering envelopes but would like to have a box, please see Shirley Pearson in church or call her at 617-479-1918 and she will see that you get the box and pledge card information.

If you have not returned your pledge card yet, please send it back to Shirley. The Finance Committee needs the information to plan for the year ahead.

Thank you,  
Shirley Pearson



**HAPPY SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY!!**  
**WISH A HAPPY BIRTHDAY WITH A SMILE, A CALL OR A**  
**CARD TO**  
**OUR SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY FOLKS!**

### SEPTEMBER

2	Michael Stewart	17	Mary Alice Morris
3	Diane Robbins	18	Ann Beaumont
8	Joe Flores		Shirley Pearson
9	Bethany Keenan		Taylor Hall
10	Josselyn Prendergast	19	Robin Praetsch Kriech
	Ashley Flibotte	21	Suzanne Cranston
15	Kelly Stewart	30	Scot Batson
16	Robert Paul Gordon		



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

## September 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.*

**September**

Saturday, September 1

Morning: Pss. 122; 149

Evening: Pss. 100; 63

Job 9:1; 10:1-9, 16-22

Acts 11:1-18

John 8:12-20

Sunday, September 2

15th Sunday after Pentecost

Morning: Pss. 108; 150

Evening: Pss. 66; 23

Job. 11:1-9, 13-20

Rev. 5:1-14

Matt. 5:1-12

Monday, September 3

Morning: Pss. 62; 145

Evening: Pss. 73; 9

Job 12:1-6, 13-25

Acts 11:19-30

John 8:21-32

Tuesday, September 4

Morning: Pss. 12; 146

Evening: Pss. 36; 7

Job 12:1; 13:3-17, 21-27

Acts 12:1-17

John 8:33-47

Wednesday, September 5

Morning: Pss. 96;

147:1-11

Evening: Pss. 132; 134

Job 12:1; 14:1-22

Acts 12:18-25

John 8:47-59

Thursday, September 6

Morning: Pss. 116; 147:12-20

Evening: Pss. 26; 130

Job 16:16-22; 17:1, 13-16

Acts 13:1-12

John 9:1-17

Friday, September 7

Morning: Pss. 84; 148

Evening: Pss. 25; 40

Job 19:1-7, 14-27

Acts 13:13-25

John 9:18-41

Saturday, September 8

Morning: Pss. 63; 149

Evening: Pss. 125; 90

Job 22:1-4, 21-23:7

Acts 13:26-43

John 10:1-18

Sunday, September 9

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Morning: Pss. 103; 150

Evening: Pss. 117; 139

Job 25:1-6; 27:1-6

Rev. 14:1-7, 13

Matt. 5:13-20

Monday, September 10

Morning: Pss. 5; 145

Evening: Pss. 82; 29

Job 32:1-10, 19-33:1, 19-28

Acts 13:44-52

John 10:19-30

Tuesday, September 11

Morning: Pss. 42; 146

Evening: Pss. 102; 133

Job 29:1-20

Acts 14:1-18

John 10:31-42

Wednesday, September 12

Morning: Pss. 89:1-18;

147:1-11

Evening: Pss. 1; 33

Job 29:1; 30:1-2, 16-31

Acts 14:19-28

John 11:1-16

Thursday, September 13

Morning: Pss. 97; 147:12-20

Evening: Pss. 16; 62

Job 29:1; 31:1-23

Acts 15:1-11

John 11:17-29

Friday, September 14

Morning: Pss. 51; 148

Evening: Pss. 142; 65

Job 29:1; 31:24-40

Acts 15:12-21

John 11:30-44

Saturday, September 15

Morning: Pss. 104; 149

Evening: Pss. 138; 98

Job 38:1-17

Acts 15:22-35

John 11:45-54

Sunday, September 16  
17th Sunday after Pentecost  
Morning: Pss. 19; 150  
Evening: Pss. 81; 113  
Job 38:1, 18–41  
Rev. 18:1–8  
Matt. 5:21–26

Monday, September 17  
Morning: Pss. 135; 145  
Evening: Pss. 97; 112  
Job 40:1–24  
Acts 15:36–16:5  
John 11:55–12:8

Tuesday, September 18  
Morning: Pss. 123; 146  
Evening: Pss. 30; 86  
Job 40:1; 41:1–11  
Acts 16:6–15  
John 12:9–19

Wednesday, September 19  
Morning: Pss. 15;  
147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 48; 4  
Job 42:1–17  
Acts 16:16–24  
John 12:20–26

Thursday, September 20  
Morning: Pss. 36;  
147:12–20  
Evening: Pss. 80; 27  
Job 28:1–28  
Acts 16:25–40  
John 12:27–36a

Friday, September 21  
Morning: Pss. 130; 148  
Evening: Pss. 32; 139  
Esther 1:1–4, 10–19  
Acts 17:1–15  
John 12:36b–43

Saturday, September 22  
Morning: Pss. 56; 149  
Evening: Pss. 118; 111  
Esther 2:5–8, 15–23  
Acts 17:16–34  
John 12:44–50

Sunday, September 23  
18th Sunday after Pentecost  
Morning: Pss. 67; 150  
Evening: Pss. 46; 93  
Esther 3:1–4:3  
James 1:19–27  
Matt. 6:1–6, 16–18

Monday, September 24  
Morning: Pss. 57; 145  
Evening: Pss. 85; 47  
Esther 4:4–17  
Acts 18:1–11  
Luke (1:1–4) 3:1–14

Tuesday, September 25  
Morning: Pss. 54; 146  
Evening: Pss. 28; 99  
Esther 5:1–14  
Acts 18:12–28  
Luke 3:15–22

Wednesday, September 26  
Morning: Pss. 65;  
147:1–11  
Evening: Pss. 125; 91  
Esther 6:1–14  
Acts 19:1–10  
Luke 4:1–13

Thursday, September 27  
Morning: Pss. 143; 147:12–  
20  
Evening: Pss. 81; 116  
Esther 7:1–10  
Acts 19:11–20  
Luke 4:14–30

Friday, September 28  
Morning: Pss. 88; 148  
Evening: Pss. 6; 20  
Esther 8:1–8, 15–17  
Acts 19:21–41  
Luke 4:31–37

Saturday, September 29  
Morning: Pss. 122; 149  
Evening: Pss. 100; 63  
Esther 9:1–32  
Acts 20:1–16  
Luke 4:38–44

Sunday, September 30  
19th Sunday after Pentecost  
Morning: Pss. 108; 150  
Evening: Pss. 66; 23  
Hos. 1:1–2:1  
James 3:1–13  
Matt. 13:44–52

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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!**