

**SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2009**

**One Worship Service at 9:30 am**

**Wednesday Worship at 7:00 pm**

Sermon: The Rev. Richard A. Weisenbach,  
D. Min.

*The Trouble with Weeds*

Scripture: St. Matthew 13:4-30; 36-43

Calendar for Sunday, June 21, 2009

9:30 am Sanctuary Worship Service  
(infant and toddler care provided)

10:30 am Fellowship Hour (vestry)

**The memorial flowers** on the left will be given by Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Schmidgall in loving memory of his mother and father; those in the center will be given in loving memory of Arthur E. Wessels, Jr. by his father Arthur E. Wessels, Sr. and family; those on the right will be given in loving memory of Herbert W. and Eva Standke by their daughter Linda.

**Minister's Reception Line Volunteer:**

Kathryn Millheim. **Ushers:** Angelin Ross, Frank Brown, Philip Gindi, Stephen Gates, Joseph Toto, and Linell Nester (captain).

**Greeters:** Timothy Hildreth, Sarah, Brendon and Stephen Hildreth. **Fellowship Hour**

**Hostess:** Lee Given.

**DEADLINE FOR NEXT "Church Herald"**

**Thursday, June 25, 2009**

(will cover dates of

**July 5—August 1, 2009)**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2009**

**Morning Worship Service at 9:30**

**Wednesday Worship at 7:00 pm**

Sermon: The Rev. Richard A. Weisenbach,  
D. Min.

*Life As It Was Meant to Be*

Scripture: St. Matthew 5:1-12

Calendar for Sunday, June 28, 2009

9:30 am Sanctuary Worship Service  
(infant and toddler care provided)

10:30 am Fellowship Hour (vestry)

**The memorial flowers** on the left will be given in loving memory of Emily R. Tredinnick by her family; those on the right will be given in loving memory of Ethan Edward Kearney by his parents, his sister Casey, and his brother Cash.

**Minister's Reception Line Volunteer:**

Kathryn Millheim. **Ushers:** Angelin Ross, June Sheridan, Philip Gindi, Stephen Gates, Frank Brown, and Linell Nester (captain).

**Greeters:** Becky and James Fosnock.

**Fellowship Hour Host:** open

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**COMING SOON TO YOUR SANCTUARY!!**

It won't be long now before we will be hosting the internationally renowned Christ's College Choir from Cambridge, England: Tuesday, June 30, 7:30 pm. As you've heard already, our humble church is on the same tour that includes the huge Cathedral of St. John the Divine in NYC and the National Cathedral in Washington DC!! This is a concert you should tell all your friends who like good music about, and bring them along with you; it won't be too often you'll be able to hear a choir of this stature right in our own sanctuary! Their program, not surprisingly, will focus to some extent on British composers such as Britten and Parry, but also include music by other European composers such as Scarlatti and J. S. Bach, and will cover a range from Renaissance to the 20<sup>th</sup> century. You can read more about this group, the CD's they've made and see their pictures (as well as a picture of our church!) on their web site: <http://www.christs.cam.ac.uk/college-life/chapel-and-choir/choir/choir-tours/>

You can help our church welcome this choir in other ways besides attending the concert too: if you can help cook for or serve the pre-concert dinner in the Fellowship Room or host a choir member or two for 2 nights in your home, that'd be a big help too. Please see Joe D'Agostino if you can help in either of these ways.

But more important: COME!!

Don Hodgkins, Director of Music Ministries

## IN MEMORIAM

VICTOR R. RIVERS

May 28, 2009

Member of First Parish Congregational Church  
since April 28, 2957

*May the heartfelt sympathy  
Of those who truly care  
Make the sorrow in your heart  
Less difficult to bear.*

### CHURCH ATTENDANCE

	Chapel	Sanct.	Total
Sunday, May 31, 2009		147	147
Sunday, June 7	30	147	177

Church School  
Sunday, May 31—51 children  
Sunday, June 7—61 children

### MUSIC NOTES

As you're probably aware, we give our Sanctuary Choir a well-deserved couple of months off in the summer, which gives all of you out there who can't fit choir into your schedule an opportunity to share your talents! I'm looking for singers or instrumentalists who'd like to sign up to provide our special music for a Sunday and/or Wednesday service. This is a marvelous opportunity for our high school students, especially, to sing or play in a relaxed, non-competitive environment in order to start to feel more comfortable performing in front of an audience; in this case, a very non-judgmental, supportive congregation! Please talk to me or email me at [Don-hodg@aol.com](mailto:Don-hodg@aol.com) if you'd be interested in helping us out for a service, and I'll be happy to work with you to choose an appropriate piece and accompany you or not as you prefer.

Don Hodgkins,  
Director of Music Ministries

## THANK YOU'S

*My sincere thanks for all the beautiful flowers sent to me recently from First Parish. The many prayers, cards, phone calls, flowers, prayer shawl, and my own guardian angel, all made me feel surrounded by your love. I am recovering well. God Bless you all!*

*Irene Whitehead*

### Hooray for Fathers

A Houston newspaper asked readers to send in thoughts about their fathers. Letters flooded in, and what people wrote about their fathers is most inspiring.

A few comments:



- Dad was always there for me. He sacrificed to make sure that we had what we needed.
- When disappointment came my way, Dad said, "Son, real life ain't about getting what you want but more about doing something with what you get."
- My dad was disabled, but he worked hard to make sure we children had a good education and lived moral lives. He would say, "I want you to succeed more than I did."
- My dad wanted us to be Christians and took us regularly to church.
- What would you write about your father?

### WHEN ON VACATION

When on vacation, be with us in spirit.  
The rest of the summer, be with us in person.

## **R.A.W. Material**

## ***Get Plugged In!***

“I had no idea the church was so involved!” That was one of several positive comments I heard from those passing through the greeting line on Sunday, May 31. That morning twelve members of the congregation took two minutes each to describe the one particular ministry opportunity they are committed to. After the service, all twelve speakers took their place behind display tables in the vestry, answering questions and “plugging in” interested folks. It was a very informative morning.

**Food Pantry**—Becky Fosnock, 781-224-0182. Check out the grocery carriage in the vestry, take a bag and return it with your donation.

**Place of Promise**—Tim Hildreth, 781-944-2998. Become a mentor, training provided.

**Prayer Shawls**—Linda O’Neil, 617-548-3634. Gather to knit or crochet shawls (2nd Monday evening) for those who need a hug: the grieving, sick, lonely, etc.

**Project Hope**—Steve Gates, 781-246-2323. Join a work party, for a week, to help repair communities destroyed by natural disaster.

**Rosie’s Place**—Barbara Parish, 781-779-1225. Help prepare a meal for 60-80 women, 9-11 am, third Friday, church kitchen. Deliver the meal to Rosie’s Shelter the third Saturday, 4-6 pm.

**Stephen Ministry**—Pastor Rich Weisenbach, 781-245-1539  
Minister, one-on-one, one hour a week to a brother or sister (training provided and required), two-year commitment.

Just in case you missed it, here is a brief summary of the ways you can add your time and energy to the outreach ministry of your church:

**The Basement**—Maurine Doyle, 781-245-1539 (leave message with office) Provide youth with a safe place to “hang out.” Need adult supervisors, Tuesdays & Thursdays, 2:30-5 pm

**Birthday Cakes**—Linda D’Agostino, 781-245-0243 Bake a cake (8 needed) on the 4th Wednesday of each month to help residents at the Salvation Army Housing Unit in Saugus celebrate their birthdays.

**Clothing Closet**—Angela Faylor, 781-246-0643. Help sort donated clothes every Thursday 11-12; setup on 3rd Friday 9-11 am; greet and supervise on 3rd Saturday, 8:30-11:30 am.

**Community Breakfast**—Earl Sheaff, 781-245-8018. Prepare on 3rd Friday night and serve on 3rd Saturday 7-10 am.

**Community Dinners**—Jill Sullivan, 978-535-5936; Darcy Hildreth, 781-944-2998. Setup twice a year (Palm Sunday, and Sunday prior to Thanksgiving); provide transportation 12-2 pm; serve 2-3 pm; cleanup 3-5 pm.

**Compassion International**—Ernie Chandler, 781-245-0371; Compassion Int’l, 800-336-7676. Support a needy child in a third-world country/\$32 a month.

**R.A.W.**