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.SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2010

**Family Worship Services—9:00 & 10:30 am
 with Holy Communion**

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

First Things First

Scripture: Psalm 1

Calendar for Sunday, June 6, 2010

- 9:00 am Chapel Worship Service
- 10:30 am Sanctuary Worship Service
(infant and toddler care provided)
- 11:30 am Fellowship Hour (vestry)
- Baby Shower for Abram & Sarah
Kielsmeier-Jones
- 12 n Junior Choir Rehearsal

Memorial Flowers

The flowers on the left will be given in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Harris M. Dolbeare and Mr. and Mrs. George E. Curtis by Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Adam and family. The flowers on the right will be given in loving memory of Paul Lazzaro by his wife Jo Lazzaro.

Ushers: Stephen Gates, Frank Brown, Jayna LaVerde, Linda Sabatula, Philip Gindi, and Linell Nester (captain).

Minister's Reception Line Volunteer: Alwyn Van Cor.

Greeters: Abram, Sarah and Jake Kielsmeier-Jones.

Fellowship Hour Hosts: Linell Nester, Linda Sabatula, Jean Sabatula and Stephen Gates.

.SUNDAY, JUNE 13, 2010

Worship Services —9:00 & 10:30 am

Sermon: Abram Kielsmeier-Jones

An Agnostic in the Grand Canyon

Scripture: Psalm 19

Calendar for Sunday, June 13, 2010

- 9 :00 am Chapel Worship Service
- 10:30 am Sanctuary Worship Service
(infant and toddler care provided)
- 10:30 am Church School Classes
- 11:30 am Fellowship Hour (vestry)
- 12 n Junior Choir Rehearsal

Memorial Flowers

The flowers will be given in loving memory of Allan J. and Ruth C. McLennan from the trust fund given in their memory.

Ushers: Stephen Gates, Joseph Toto, Linda Sabatula, Philip Gindi, and Linell Nester (captain).

Greeters: Linda and Joseph D'Agostino.

Minister's Reception Line Volunteer: Joyce Langone.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE			
	Chapel	Sanctuary	Total
May 16	63	236	299
May 23	30	173	203
Church School			
May 16	52		
May 23	57		

<p>DEADLINE FOR NEXT CHURCH HERALD</p> <p>Thursday, June 10, 2010</p> <p>(will cover dates of June 20 – July 3, 2010)</p>



NEWS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Egypt: Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace

Monday, June 28 – Friday, July 2
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Everything...from the music to the costumes to the Marketplace crafts...absolutely everything has the look, feel, and flavors inspired by ancient Egypt and Joseph's journey from prison to palace.

- Explore authentic traditions
- Build strong relationships with other family members
- Try new crafts and games
- Smell and taste new foods
- Learn from Joseph that God never leaves us alone through life's trials and triumphs.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

At Youth Group Friday nights (7:00 to 9:00 p.m., downstairs), we are taking part in a four-week series called *Biblical Justice in Action*. The world is not the way it would be—what does God call us to do about it?

Then, Friday night, June 18, is our last youth group of the year, and an end-of-school year party. At this event we welcome our rising 6th graders. Save the date! More details forthcoming.

SUMMER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHILDCARE

The Board of Christian Education is looking for volunteers to staff the childcare room for the 9:30 summer service (June 27-August 29). A poster will be in the vestry for signups. It is asked that if you currently use the childcare room, you sign up for at least one service to help during the summer. If there are not at least two people age 14 or up in the room, childcare will not be provided.

Please contact Darcy Hildreth – 781-944-2998 – if you have questions.



NEW ENGLAND RINGERS TO PRESENT CONCERT!

On Sunday, June 13, at 3:00 in our sanctuary, this handbell choir, made up of musicians from all over New England, will be presenting their concert "Decade" in our sanctuary, sharing their celebration of 10 years of bell-ringing with us and the general public. They come highly recommended, both by our own Pastor Rich, who heard them in concert last December, and by concert-goers from all over New England and New York over the past decade of their history.

Their program will include a diverse blend of both sacred and secular music arranged for, or written specifically for, six octaves of handbells (approximately 70 bells). Our First Parish set used by the Korean Handbell Choir on Easter is only about 30 bells, so imagine hearing more than double that number! The 14 or so people in the choir gather about twice a month to rehearse in Greenfield, MA, and some travel more than 2 hours each way in order to be a part of this ensemble.

This should be a marvelous concert, so please plan to attend and bring along some friends as well. Admission is free (thanks to funding from the Upham Fund, as authorized by Council), although we will receive an offering, and the concert will be followed by a reception in the vestry. (Home-baked goodies are welcome from anyone to help fill up the serving tables!)

If this exciting event isn't already on your calendar from the notices in the bulletin, put it there now! It should be a great afternoon!

Don Hodgkins, Director of Music Ministries

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News...

GRADUATES

Please inform the church office if you or a member of your family is graduating from high school, college, or a post graduate school. Graduates will be recognized on Sunday, June 13.

WOOD-TUPPER SCHOLARSHIP

Application forms are now available in the church office for the Wood-Tupper Scholarship. Please call or stop by the church office and pick up a copy for you or a family member. **The deadline for returning the application is June 12.**

TIME TO THINK ABOUT SUMMER MUSIC!

As our choirs get some time off from their responsibilities over the summer, I'm now signing up people to provide music for our worship starting in July and going through Labor Day. This is a great opportunity for musicians in our church, high school age or above, to obtain some experience performing for an audience—but a very friendly one! I welcome singers or instrumentalists for this opportunity, and you can choose to “go it alone” or have Ron Martin or myself accompany you. Groups of two or more are certainly welcome too, if you feel you aren't comfortable performing yourself. Please let me know when you can help us out by talking to me or e-mailing me at Donhodg@aol.com.

Don Hodgkins, Director of Music Ministries

Notes of Thanks and Appreciation...

*“We can do no great things—only small things with great love” -
Mother Teresa*

My heart thanks you for the lovely bouquet of spring flowers delivered on my birthday. Their beauty added much meaning to a day filled with joy and happiness. I'm grateful! I'm touched! I'm tickled pink! Thank you, thank you, thank you for a whole lot of thoughtfulness!

Sincerely, *Brenda Applin*

Many thanks to all who were able to join with our family in helping us celebrate our 25th anniversary on May 2. First Parish is where we met and has played a significant role in our life together. Thanks to Pat and Pastor Rich for delaying their plans in order to be with us. We also received cards and calls from other well-wishers that were much appreciated. Our church is truly a caring church family.

Marianne and Gregg Whitney

Sunday afternoon Jayna LaVerde brought a lovely bouquet from the Sabatula family church flowers. Jayna found a dusty vase, washed it, trimmed and arranged the bouquet. She is a joy and a very caring person.

It was wonderful to spend the winter in California with my West Coast family. However, it is wonderful to always return to Wakefield to my family here and to see and hear from my friends at First Parish and to be remembered as you so often do. Thank you, I am truly blessed

Sincerely, *Ada Towle*

I want to thank Steve Gates for the tasty lobster roll that he brought to me at Bear Hill. I had it for my evening meal, it was quite filling.

Warren Reeves