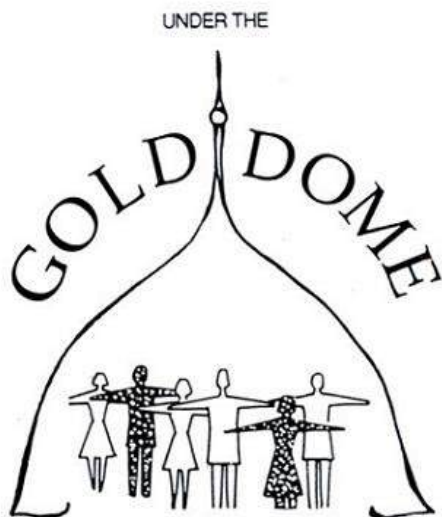


# Summer 2025

Southwick Congregational Church  
488 College Highway  
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Return Service Requested



*The **Good** Newsletter of the*  
Southwick Congregational Church  
United Church of Christ  
Southwick, MA

Please join us Sundays for Worship Service 11:00 am  
and Coffee Hour to follow

**Website: [www. SouthwickUCC.org](http://www.SouthwickUCC.org)**



## MISSION STATEMENT

*Southwick Congregational Church is a faithful Christian presence in the community of Southwick since 1773, and we look to the future. We are a diverse and loving congregation, joyfully serving, teaching, and sharing with one another, according to the gifts we have been given.*

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We invite you to join us each Sunday for our in-person service at 11:00 am and coffee hour that follows.

## OFFICE HOURS

The church office hours are Tue, Wed & Thu 9:30-4.

Leave a voicemail message or an email if you need anything nonemergent after hours.

Rev. Paul has office hours.  
If you would like to meet with him,  
please call the church office at  
(413) 569-6362 or email him at  
revpaulnesbit@gmail.com  
to arrange.

Rev Paul will be away Aug 18—Sept 1



## VISIT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE!

Our Facebook page is  
**Southwick Congregational Church UCC**  
Please check it out, "like" us, and follow us!!!  
Keep track of what our very busy church is doing!

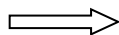
**REV. PAUL'S CORNER****Summer Breezes and the Holy Spirit**

Summer is here! As this is written, we are in the middle of our first heat wave with a 93 degree temperature at 1:00 PM. However, we are blessed to know that we will not be in the middle of a heatwave for the entire summer—at least I hope we are not. I remember summer nights sitting on the front porch with the sounds of the Red Sox games on the radio or coming from the television. We'd banter about who was better, the Red Sox or the Yankees. Of course, in the late 60s and 70s, it was mostly the Yankees with a better record, much to our chagrin.

While we licked our wounds, we also licked ice cream be it from the "Ding Dong Cart", Dairy Queen, Friendly's, or our own freezer. We'd also wait for the evening breeze that almost always came from the hills to the west of us. The breeze would cool us off and allow us to sleep. How many of you also grew up without air conditioners? I wonder how we did it.

I can't help thinking, though, that the summer evening breeze could also be a signal from the Holy Spirit for us to stop, relax, and put our minds at ease. It could also be used as a signal for us to stop and thank God for the beautiful summer day where things would be a little less stressful and as the song went, 'the livin' is easy.'

My prayer for all of you this summer is that we can find the joy in a summer evening breeze and keep our relationship with God ongoing, free, and easy. I hope you can get to the beach, lake, or a place that



## REV. PAUL'S CORNER, CONT.

makes you happy this summer. Church services will still happen so we hope to see you throughout the summer months when you're in town. Otherwise, we'll see you in September.

Love and peace,

*(Rev.) Paul*

Rev. Paul B. Nesbit

Pastor

## APRIL PRAYER LIST

**Roberta & Ted K., Jim R. (Eric N.), Julie, Emilie & Ted (Dawn), Emma C., Ron R., Jeanne S., Jane W. (Patty), Robert R., T.J.W., Raymond F., Diane R., Brian C., Chris L. (Robin), Cara C., Sharon W., Owen L. (Melanie), Sarah B. & Susan U. (Patty), Jennifer (Deb), Jill (SteveP), Avany, Dick A. (Kirsten), Patricia F., Judy R. (Kristy), Dennis W. (Eric), R.J. (Robin), Bob B., Bobby (Terry), Ashley, Melanie D. (Dennis & Melissa), Kim & Jenn (Cynthia), Julie C, Jemma (Robin), Dominic, Pat M., Lorraine B., Mike D. (Lori), Rachel (Terry), David S. (Robin), Sarah (Karen), Selwyn W., Robyn (Terry), Heather H. (Jen), Karen, Sierra P (Steve & Cynthia), William C.'s family, the family of Bob Bates at his passing, Heidi (Julie), the staff, Residents & their families of the Fall River Home (Patty), Lainey at Boston Children's Hospital (Lee), Amy P. (Rev Paul), Traci C. (Rev Paul), Elizabeth M. (Terry), Anne B. (Robin), Angie K. (Kirsten), and Mark.**  
**Nursing Homes/Assisted Living: Michael C., and Julie C.**

**Serving in our Military at home and abroad: Samantha P., and Samuel H.**

2025 STRAWBERRY SUPPER



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 9:30am - Office Open 10am - Thrift Shop OFF 6pm - OA
2						
3 9:30am - SCEC NFH 11am - SCC	4	5 9:30am - Office Open	6 9:30am - Office Open	7 9:30am - Office Open	8 10am - Thrift Shop OFF 6pm - OA	9 10am - Thrift Shop
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24 RevPaul out	25 6pm - BSA Old Hall	26 9:30am - Office Open	27 9:30am - Office Open	28 9:30am - Office Open	29 10am - Thrift Shop OFF 6pm - OA	30 10am - Thrift Shop
31 RevPaul out 9:30am - SCEC NFH 11am - SCC	1 Labor Day 6pm - BSA Old Hall	2 9:30am - Office Open	3 9:30am - Office Open 6:30pm - Cub Scouts	4 9:30am - Office Open	5 10am - Thrift Shop OFF 6pm - OA	6 10am - Thrift Shop





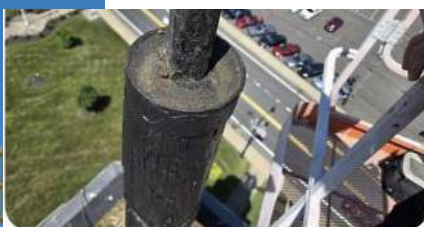


## ANNOUNCEMENTS

—Joint Service with First Congo, in **SOUTHWICK**,  
August 17th at 11:00am

—Rev Paul will be away Aug 18—Sept 1.

## STEEPL LEAK FIXED



We think we located the leak...

So we know it wasn't the caulking on the wood covering the pole... That looked like it was done yesterday... In great shape. Hey, julie, all of the wood on the pole is really solid.

We believe water was running down behind the top ball and pooling at the area in the picture.

And there was a split or a hole that looks like it would have been a little drain. You should be able to see it in the picture.



So we did this with the sealant...we think your good to go.



## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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<b>Staff:</b> Choir Director/Organist	Robertta Kowal
Custodian	Christopher Robin Roberts
Administrative Assistant	Joseph Stiefel



**Come, Holy Spirt, and fill the  
hearts of your faithful and kindle  
in them the fire of your love!**

**Please join us for our joint Church  
service with First Congregational  
Church of Westfield in Southwick  
on Sunday, Aug 17th at 11:00 am**



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