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Worship on Sunday mornings at 10:00am in-person and Online

May 12, 2024

*Seventh Sunday after Easter
MOTHERS' DAY*

Worship at 10:00 am
in-person in the Sanctuary
and Online by Zoom.

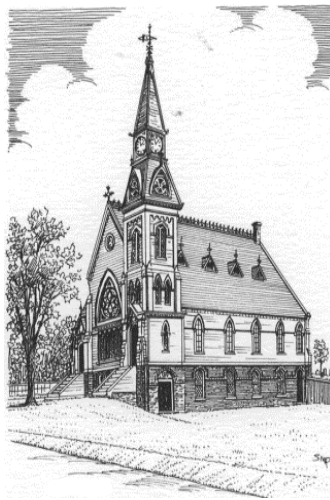
Guest Preacher:

Fellowship Hr: Deacon, Pam Morse

9:45am Sunday School/Hall

May 7, 2024

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*Eighth Sunday after Easter
CHILDREN'S DAY*

Worship at 10:00 am
in-person in the Sanctuary
and Online by Zoom.

No Fellowship Hour Today—

*Please join us outside on the CE lawn
for an All-Church picnic!
Games and Fun for children and Adults!*

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING CENTRAL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

ATTLEBORO FALLS, MASSACHUSETTS

In accordance with the by-laws of Central Congregational Church, Article VI, Section 2 (c), a special meeting is called for **Sunday, May 19, 2024 following the 10 o'clock worship service, in the Vestry**. The purpose of the meeting is to act upon the following business:

Article I - To Vote to allocate funding to hire a Cleaning Company to clean our Church and Christian Education Buildings on a regular schedule.

Article II – To Vote to allocate funding to hire a Human Resources Consultant to provide guidance on creating Policies & Procedures related to employees and volunteers.

Article III – To Vote Gil Reynders to the Board of Deacons, term to expire January 2025, replacing Jacqui Howard's unexpired term.

Article IV – To act upon any other business that may come before the Special Meeting.

Kate Marsland, Moderator

Central Church Calendar

Tuesday, May 7th

7:00pm CE Committee meets in Vestry & Zoom

Wednesday, May 8th

12noon Women's Christian Fellowship—
Lunch at a local restaurant.

Thursday, May 9th **ASCENSION DAY**

6:00pm Memorial Gifts/Vestry

7:00pm Choir/Vestry

Sunday, May 12th

MOTHER'S DAY

9:45am Sunday School presents—**WEIRD ANIMALS** / Hall

10:00am Worship/Sanctuary & Zoom

Fellowship Hr: Deacon, Pam Morse

11:15am - 2pm (**No earlier, please**)

DROP OFF RUMMAGE/HALL

Monday, May 13th

6:30pm Prayer Team meets by Zoom. All welcome!

RUMMAGE DROP OFF/HALL

1-4PM AND 6:15-8PM

Volunteers needed to sort and fold clothing.

Contact Cheryl Peterson at cgpPeterson@aol.com if you can lend a hand.

Tuesday, May 14th

RUMMAGE DROP OFF/HALL

1-4PM AND 6:15-8PM

Volunteers needed to sort and fold clothing.

Contact Cheryl Peterson at cgpPeterson@aol.com if you can lend a hand.

Wednesday, May 15th

RUMMAGE DROP OFF/HALL

1-4PM AND 6:15-8PM

Volunteers needed to sort and fold clothing.

Contact Cheryl Peterson at cgpPeterson@aol.com if you can lend a hand.

Thursday, May 16th

RUMMAGE SALE - HALL 9am—6pm

Volunteers needed to sort and fold clothing and otherwise “man” the Sale. Contact Cheryl

Peterson at cgpPeterson@aol.com if you can lend a hand.

Friday, May 17th

RUMMAGE SALE –HALL 9am—4pm

Volunteers needed to sort and fold clothing and otherwise “man” the Sale. Contact Cheryl Peterson at cgpPeterson@aol.com if you can lend a hand.

Saturday, May 18th

RUMMAGE SALE—HALL

NEW HOURS—8am—1pm

Volunteers needed to sort and fold clothing and otherwise “man” the Sale. Contact Cheryl Peterson at cgpPeterson@aol.com if you can lend a hand.

AND

YARD SALE—OUTSIDE on the LAWN

8am—1pm

Volunteers needed to work the Sale.

Contact Mike Dunbar at

Michael.dunbar@comcast.net if you can lend a hand.

Our Parish Register

At Home,

Gary Morse, Andy Valerio, Jane, Ed, Jake, Nick, Abby, Tyler, Kayla, Johnny, Julie King, Baltimore Bridge Victims and their families, Kristen Babcock, Susan Burns, Jillian (Boraski) Giorgio, Brett Hawes, Billy, Rev Dr. Mary Louise Gifford and Husband, Rev Martinson's wife, Linda Ryder, Andy Valerio, Jonathan and Meredith Newby, Joy Adams, Estelle, Peter, Paula, Greg, Denny, Wayne, Sonia and Ian Nembhard, Patty, Jacqui Howard, Janis Savage, Wilbert Parkes, Jermaine Hall, Jason Burke, Adam Bilsborough, Claire Mattson, Kelly, Chad Winship, Rev Carole, Amos Robinson, Ed Dyer, Jen DiSalvio, Sandy Thibodeau, Paul Homer, Richard Lamoureux, Loretta Lomov, Ben, Eamon.



Please call or send an email to the church office if you wish to have your name or another person's name added to, or removed from, this prayer list.

TRIAD DEADLINES

to submit information:

Tuesdays—

May 14 & 28, June 11 & 25

July 23 & August 20



May Birthdays

04 Valerie Welch-Ovoian	20 Eve Pecora	26 Kyle Trowbridge
04 Frank Bonfilio	20 Claire Mattson	26 Heather Ann Krasner
07 Michael Tolivaisa	20 Olivia Ross	28 Nick Darling
10 Megan Bonfilio	21 Joan Lindstrom	28 Andrew Silva
12 Nathan Rubyck	22 Kristy Simas	29 Madison Follett
15 Mark Trowbridge	22 Derek MacLeod	30 Ryan Marsland
17 Cheryl Rogers	23 Emily DiSalvio	30 Anna Marsland
18 Katheryn McNamara	25 Julie Goss	30 Kailey Lockavitch

BEGINNING MARCH 19, 2023

NEW ZOOM LINK

To join us in Worship and to join in your church meetings—
no waiting to be admitted:

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2148198082?j2148198082?)

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Committee Corner

From the Board of Deacons

Our next meeting will be held on
Wednesday, May 8th, 2024
at 7:00pm/Vestry & Zoom

From the Board of Trustees

Our next meeting will be held on
Tuesday, May 21st
at 7:00pm in the Vestry & Zoom.

From the Christian Education Committee

Our next meeting will be held on
Tuesday, May 7th
at 7:00pm in the Vestry & Zoom.

May 4-5th – CCC 150th Anniversary celebration with the 5th being a Family Sunday. The Sunday School children will participate in the Sunday morning service with a surprise presentation to the church.

May 12th – Weird Animal Day in Sunday School

May 19th – Children's Day and the Church Family Cookout following the morning service. Look for details on bulletin boards and in future issues of the Triad. Please let us know by signing up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board in the vestry. We want to make sure we have sufficient food for everyone. If you have any questions, please email cccfsundayschool@gmail.com.

From the Memorial Gifts Committee

Our next meeting will be held on
Thursday, May 9, 2024
at 6:00pm in the Vestry & Zoom.

Our newest members to be memorialized on our Bulletin Board by Memorial Gifts are Nicolai Lomov, Bob Smith and Pam Kennedy-Smith. All 3 of these individuals were long-time, active members who contributed their time and dedication to our church. Nicolai was our organist and choir director until he stepped down due to health concerns. Pam was involved in Sunday School and the Christian Education Committee. Bob and his son Mitchell were instrumental in the clock restoration. Be sure to take a look in the vestry during Fellowship hour and pay tribute to them.

From the Executive Council

Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 1st**
At 7:00pm in the Vestry & Zoom.

From the Stewardship Committee The Foundation of Stewardship

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it; the world, and those who live in it. -Psalm 24:1

The Bible consistently gives us a counter-cultural and counterintuitive understanding of the world and ourselves. It's so radical that many of us can't accept it.

The idea is that the world belongs to God, and so does everything **IN** the world. Even **US!** We, who proudly think of ourselves as autonomous, self-directed and self-made, actually belong to God. In other words, we don't own ourselves. We are possessions of the Almighty.

Think about that for just a minute. We don't own the earth, our houses, our cars, our possessions, our animals, our children, or even ourselves. It all belongs to God. We belong to God. We are humble servants, slaves, actually.

The reality that God owns everything, even us, forms the foundation for biblical stewardship. If God owns everything, including us, then we are responsible to God for our wisest and best use of the planet, our possessions, our talents and our lives.

Taking that responsibility seriously, God's people will prayerfully make choices that are in accordance with God's wishes. We will care for ourselves, our neighbors, and the earth. We will strive to love the Lord our God with all our being, and our neighbor as ourselves.

Prayerfully consider, how are you doing?

--Rob Blezard

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As a reminder...

We have the option of using our online giving app through the church's website: [Home | Central Congregational Church of Attleboro Falls \(myvanco.com\)](https://myvanco.com)

From the Prayer Fellowship Group

"And Jesus answered them.And whatever you ask in prayer, you will receive, if you have faith." *Matthew 21: 21a,22 ESV.*

Group Prayer meetings for the summer will be held monthly at 6:00 PM on the third Wednesday of the month except in June. The actual dates are May 15, June 26, July 17, August 21. To join the prayer meeting use the same zoom link as for Sunday Worship. Everyone Welcomed! Join us to hear new requests or share a concern or celebration. Pray as you prefer - spoken or silently. God hears every prayer!

Containers for leaving Prayer Requests

are found on the table in the Sanctuary Narthex & on the Vestry table under Mission bulletin board. Index cards and pens are next to the containers. Requests will be removed weekly after Sunday service and shared with Prayer Fellowship members. We will continue to pray for your requests during our personal prayer time and when the fellowship meets together. You may also continue to send a prayer request in an email to the church office at centralucc@verizon.net or call the church office at 508-699-7700 if you prefer.

Zoom Link – same as for Worship & Meetings.

Insight - Future of Our Church

Initiative As we Celebrate the 150th Anniversary of Central Congregational Church throughout 2024 and into 2025 continue to pray for the future of our church. Pray praising God for our glorious history of ministry and mission that has impacted thousands of lives.

Thank God for our pastors, over several generations, who have faithfully served. Pastors committed to proclaiming and teaching God's Word. Helping individuals to mature in their faith, identify their gifts and talents and use them in service to others to the glory of God.

Prayers for the Interim Minister that we hire. "May he/she be blessed with excellent structure to guide us in the work we are doing, and the work we have yet to discover that we will need to do as we proceed in forming a search committee to find the right person to become our new settled pastor. May the Interim have patience, wisdom, and the heart for doing this kind of work with us so that we may be blessed and fortified to continue doing God's work here in Attleboro Falls and spreading the Word all around the world through this work." (Kathy Trowbridge wrote and shared this prayer with the Prayer Fellowship.)

Pray: Thank you for your gift of prayer, Heavenly Father. Help me to pray with faith, to be persistent, and through it, to deepen my relationship with you.

Our Church Prayer:

Please God, let us be content for you to lead the way. Help us to be willing to live your plan each day. Keep us very close to you all through the coming week, and let our hearts be open wide to hear you when you speak. In Jesus' name. Amen.

From the Mission Committee

Our next meeting is scheduled
at 7:00pm on Tuesday, May 28th
in the Vestry and by Zoom.

"The purpose of the Mission Committee is to enable Central Congregational Church to fulfill its calling – to go out into the world and minister to those in need." - CCC By Laws
"Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger; and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.' "
John 6:35 ESV

MAY MISSION – Angel Flight NE



Angel Flight New England provides free angel flights and ground transportation so children and adults can access life-saving medical care.

For many patients, the journey back to health is a long process requiring multiple flights to specialty medical treatments. While medical care is available, the cost of frequent travel to medical appointments creates a barrier to accessing the care these patients deserve.

With your support, Angel Flight NE will continue to provide transportation to patients.

Let's Adopt an Angel Flight New England! Donor Levels begin at: \$300 donation will provide one flight. A \$900 donation provides 3 flights. A \$1800 donation will provide 9 flights! As a congregation let's see how many flights we can provide through our giving!

UPDATES and OUTCOMES:

APRIL MISSION – Project Breads' WALK FOR HUNGER

"Change Over Charity! Project Breads' Mission connects people and communities in Massachusetts to reliable sources of food while advocating for policies that make food more accessible—so that no one goes hungry."

On Sunday, May 5th, the Walk for Hunger will take place again at the Boston Common. It's not too late to contribute to PROJECT BREAD by supporting Bill Bentley as he completes the original Walk for Hunger distance of twenty miles - in North Attleboro!

TWO WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE to help Bill exceed his fundraising GOAL!

On-Line Giving:

Go to www.projectbread.org

Follow the directions: 1/After the site opens click on The Walk for Hunger. 2/ Click on 'Donate Now'. Look for Question: Would you like to credit this donation to a specific fundraiser? In box provided type in William Bentley. 3/ Answer the remaining questions below his name. 4/Click on preferred payment method and complete transaction.

IF On-line giving is not preferred, write a check payable to Central Congregational Church. On the memo line write 'Project Bread'. We'll be sure Bill receives credit toward his goal for all donations received.

Love Packages! Christian Book Project Extended through May!

To date we have received about five filled boxes of book donations. This mission effort will remain open through the end of May. Bins will continue to be in the vestry and outside the church office in the CE building. As spring house cleaning begins or you pull together donations for the church rummage sale in May, keep in mind this mission! This is your opportunity to donate old Bibles and Christian books that are no longer in use. **The vision of Love Packages, a Christian Non-Profit 501c3 organization, is simple. They want to see all of America's excess Christian materials placed on the mission fields of the world. Fill free to visit their website:** www.lovepackages.org

Our International Sponsorship Programs for Children –

PRAYER REQUESTED

Tibetan Refugee Self Help Center, Darjeeling, India

Pray for our ' Godchild: Thupten Gyaltsen, Age 16 (DOB: 4/12/2006)

The mission committee has renewed our sponsorship for another year!

St. Claire School, Jacmel, Haiti - The Reverend Jean Parisot Foundation

UPDATE! In March, the Mission Committee approved and sent our semi-annual '2024

sponsorship gift' of a \$1,000 to the foundation. We expressed we are praying for the safety of the children, their families and teaching staff in light of the political turmoil within Haiti. Rev. Jean Pierre Aubin sent us a thank-you letter and stated, "The school is doing okay. Our children are fine and go to school every day. Thank God most of the political turmoil and violence and destruction are in Port-Au-Prince, the Capital. Once again, thanks for your prayers, concern, and generosity". Keep praying for Haiti.

Year-Round Missions

Lenore's Pantry – We will continue to receive and deliver food to Lenore's. Place items in the bins located in the vestry or in the hallway of the CE building outside the church office. Monetary donations are also welcomed year-round!

When shopping please purchase these preferred items as requested by Lenore's Pantry.

FOOD: Lenore's is seeking protein items such as Spam, canned chicken, solid white tuna fish in oil or water. Other items seldom received but requested by families include canned hash, hot cereals (oatmeal), canned vegetables: beets, carrots, beans, peas, and canned fruit. Other shelf-stable items sought include canned chili/beef stew, canned pasta and soups, complete pancake mix and maple syrup, and potato mixes.

HEALTH & BEAUTY ITEMS: shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste, feminine hygiene products, toilet paper, paper towels, and laundry detergent.

Our Shriner's Hospital Aluminum Tab Collection continues. If you're not involved, join our regular contributors by saving the tabs from beverage cans and dropping them into the collection containers located in the vestry, on the table under the Mission bulletin board, or the container on the counter outside the church office in the CE building.



2024 SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

***Please begin to set aside items
for our Spring Rummage Sale.***

**Donations accepted and workers are needed:
Sunday, May 12th = 11:15am—2pm**

Monday, 05/13 thru Wednesday, 05/15 = 1-4pm and 6:15-8pm

Items to donate include: craft items, kids toys, games, small household items, seasonal decorations, knick-knacks, baby items, Spring and Summer clothing, shoes and accessories in ***good wearable condition.***

****Please note that we cannot accept:***

Lrg Appliances, Bikes, Car Seats, Computers, TV's, Furniture, Stuffed Animals, Microwave Ovens, Or Strollers.

Please Also Note:

***We do *not* have room to store rummage items prior to rummage week.
Please keep your items at home until rummage week. Thank you.***

~ SALE DATES ~

Thursday, May 16th 9am—6pm

Friday, May 17th 9am—4pm

Saturday, May 18th *NEW* = 8am—1pm

(HELP NEEDED FOR CLEAN-UP following the Sale)

*****Please speak with Cheryl Peterson if you can lend a hand – help is needed to sort and fold the clothing during the week and on Sale days. Please call Cheryl at 508 245 1563 or send an email to her at cgppeterson@aol.com Today.***



GIANT YARD SALE Saturday, May 18, 2024

8am – 2pm– RAIN OR SHINE

Looking to hold a Yard Sale but don't have enough traffic on your street to make it worth your while? C'mon over and rent a space on our church lawn! We're having a GIANT Sale and you're invited to join us at the best location in Town – right here on high visibility Commonwealth Ave!

Great rates for 10' x 10' spaces!

\$30 for "Street View"

\$25 for "Lawn view"

***BYO Tables and Chairs or Rent an 8' table and 2 folding chairs for an additional \$10 per set –
very limited number available.***

We'll do the advertising for you, too! We advertise in several local newspapers, Cable TV stations and on our new electronic sign out in front of our CE Building. Inexpensive food and beverages available for purchase all day. Clean, indoor restroom facilities available. Attract more buyers to your sale when you have multiple sales happening in one convenient location!

Not Renting a space?

We especially need your help with the following:

***Setting up from 6am – 8am:** bringing tables and chairs outside, putting up the canopy tent, getting the coffee pots turned on, bringing foods out to our food table.

***Cleaning up from 2-3:30pm:** bringing tables and chairs back into the Hall, taking down the canopy tent, getting the coffee pots cleaned-up and put away, bringing foods into the kitchen, boxing up any leftover sale items from our table to bring to Savers in Attleboro.

Supervised Youth, Scouts, Teens needing Community Service Hours all welcome to lend a hand!
If you can lend a hand, please contact Mike Dunbar at 508 243 5266.

****Donations for our Church Sale table can be dropped off***

Saturday morning between 6-8am outside behind the CE Building.

Please...no Furniture, TV's, Computers, Printers, Baby gear or Clothing for this Sale. Thanks!

**Renter Applications can be found on the table in the Narthex, Vestry and CE Office hallway.
Or, contact the Church Office to have an application sent to you by email.**

**Completed Renter Applications with payment can be placed in the offering plate on or before
Sunday, May 5th, or brought to the Church Office on or before Thursday, May 9th .**

*****The deadline to submit your application with payment is Thursday, May 9th *****



May 2024

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1 7:00pm EXECUTIVE COUNCIL Meets in Vestry & Zoom	2 6:00pm Choir Rehearsal /Sanctuary	3 5:00pm set-Up Vestry for refreshments following the concert on Sat night. <i>Contact Kathy T. in the office if you can lend a hand.</i>	4 3pm NA ELKS/Dinner 6:30pm FREE Concert in Sanctuary With refreshments to follow in the vestry.
5 OUR 150TH ANNIVERSARY TODAY! FAMILY SUNDAY <i>No SUNDAY SCHOOL Today.</i> 10:00am Worship In-Person & Zoom. Fellowship Hr: <i>Cheryl Peterson</i>	6 6:30pm Prayer Fellowship/ Zoom Only	7 7:00pm CE Meets /Vestry & Zoom	8 NEW MEETING DAY 7:00pm Deacons Meet /Vestry & Zoom	9 6:00pm Memorial Gifts/Vestry 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal /Vestry.	10	11
12 10:00am Worship In-Person & Zoom. Fellowship Hr: <i>Deacon Pam Morse</i> 11:15am - 2pm RUMMAGE DROP-OFF/HALL **DUE TO LACK OF STORAGE SPACE— PLEASE HOLD ALL DONATIONS UNTIL THIS WEEK. **	13 6:30pm Prayer Fellowship/ Zoom Only XXXXXXXXXXXXX 1-4pm & 6:15-8pm RUMMAGE DROP-OFF/HALL XXXXXXXXXXXXX	14 TRIAD DEADLINE XXXXXXXXXXXXX 1-4pm & 6:15-8pm RUMMAGE DROP-OFF/HALL XXXXXXXXXXXXX	15 XXXXXXXXXXXXX 1-4pm & 6:15-8pm RUMMAGE DROP-OFF/HALL XXXXXXXXXXXXX	16 9AM—6PM RUMMAGE SALE/HALL	17 9AM—4PM RUMMAGE SALE/HALL	18 8AM—1PM RUMMAGE SALE/HALL 8AM—2PM YARD SALE/OUTSIDE DROP OFF FOR YARD SALE 6AM—8AM TODAY ONLY.
19 CHILDREN'S DAY 10:00am Worship In-Person & Zoom. SPECIAL MEETING TO-DAY/VESTRY Fellowship Hr: <i>PICNIC ON CE LAWN</i>	20 6:30pm Prayer Fellowship/ Zoom Only	21 7:00pm Trustees Meet /Vestry & Zoom	22	23	24	25
26 10:00am Worship In-Person & Zoom. Fellowship Hr: <i>CE Committee</i>	27 Memorial Day	28 TRIAD DEADLINE 7:00pm Mission Committee /Vestry & Zoom	29	30	31	

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Tuesday & Thursday - 8:30am—4:30pm