

# TRIAD God Church Family

## Central Congregational Church, UCC

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### Worship on Sunday mornings at 9:30am In-person and Online

**August 7, 2022**

*The Sacrament of Holy Communion  
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost*

Worship at **9:30am** in-person  
in our Air Conditioned Sanctuary  
and Online now through August

Please Note—Masks are required  
while inside the Church building.

Sermon: "Abram"

Scripture: Genesis 15:1-6

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**August 14, 2022**

*Tenth Sunday after Pentecost*

Worship at **9:30am** in-person  
in our Air Conditioned Sanctuary  
and Online now through August

Please Note—Masks are required  
while inside the Church building.

Sermon: "Faith in the Future"

Scripture: Hebrews 11:29-12:2

**August 21, 2022**

*Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*

Worship at **9:30am** in-person  
in our Air Conditioned Sanctuary  
and Online now through August

Please Note—Masks are required  
while inside the Church building.

Sermon: "Missing God's Grace"

Scripture: Luke 13:10-17

Baptism Today for  
Connor Masinda



### TECH TEAM MEMBERS and ELEVATOR OPERATORS WANTED:

If you have an interest in Technology for live streaming our worship Services, or a desire to help people by running the elevator on Sunday mornings (or for funerals), please speak with Rev Carole any Sunday in August.

We would like to set up a few training sessions on the technology and on how to run the elevator so that we are prepared for September.

**WE NEED Y—O—U!**

**August 28, 2022**

*Seventh Sunday after Pentecost*

Worship at **9:30am** in-person  
in our Air Conditioned Sanctuary  
and Online through this day.

Please Note—Masks are required  
while inside the Church building.

Sermon: "Be Careful"

Scripture: Luke 14:1, 7-14

**NOTE:** Worship will be held  
at 10:00am beginning  
September 4th.



# Central Church Calendar

## Tuesday, August 2nd

7:00pm CE Meets in the Vestry

## Thursday, August 4th

7:00pm Mission Meets in the Vestry & by Zoom.

## Sunday, August 7th

### ***The Sacrament of Holy Communion***

9:30am Worship in-person in the Sanctuary & by Zoom.

## Sunday, August 14th

9:30am Worship in-person in the Sanctuary & by Zoom.

## Wednesday, August 17th

**7:00pm Deacons will meet.**  
**Method of meeting TBA.**

## Sunday, August 21st

9:30am Worship in-person in the Sanctuary & by Zoom.

**Baptism Today for Connor Masinda.**

## Tuesday, August 23rd

**TRIAD DEADLINE for early—mid-September news and information.**

## Saturday, August 27th

4-6pm CE Family Olympics and Cookout/ Outside on the CE Lawn. Watch your email and announcements during Sunday worship for more information coming soon!

(Rain Date—Sept 10th)

## Sunday, August 28th

9:30am Worship in-person in the Sanctuary & by Zoom.

## ***Friendly Stewardship Reminder...***

If you plan to be away this summer, did you know that you can send your pledge to the church ahead of time? You may also set up automatic payments with your bank for the time you will be away. We appreciate your extra efforts to keep your pledge current, especially during the Summer months.



## **Our Parish Register**

**At Home** Jen DiSalvio, Roberta Bumpus, Loretta Lomov, Richard Lamoureux, Ed Dyer, Ben, Eamon (Jan Meierdiercks' Grandson) Bob Krajewski (Deb Trowbridge's husband), Nancy Kelly (Kathy Trowbridge's Mom).

## ***Residing in Elder Care...***

### **Carolyn Farrell**

The Falls at Cordingly Dam  
2300 Washington St.  
Newton Lower-Falls, MA 02462

### **Jackie Glass**

Maples Rehab and Nursing Center  
90 Taunton St., Wrentham, MA 02093

## ***Our Congratulations to...***

**Jillian (Boraski) and Eric Georgio** on the birth of their daughter, Liliana Jacquelyn. Liliana is the Great Granddaughter of **Jackie Glass**.  
*Congratulations to the whole family!*



## **TRIAD DEADLINES to submit information:**

**Tuesday, August 23rd and  
Tuesdays, September 6th & 20th**



## **August Birthdays**

01 Jackie Glass	11 Ryan Barth	20 Del Nunes
01 Pam Tarallo	13 Sean McElwee	21 Jason Wilanson
02 Lee Ross	16 Natalie Jones	22 Roberta Bumpus
03 Tom Fish	16 Katherine Ovoian	23 Deb Trowbridge
03 Jen DiSalvio	17 Donna Schumm	26 Grant Mitchell
07 Ken Mitchell	18 Nancy Dillon	26 Richard Lamoureux
08 Carolyn Will	18 Ana Lomov	26 Dave Valerio
10 Casey Renner	19 Hannah Bachand	30 Bob Ovoian

### From the Board of Deacons

Our next meeting will be held on  
**Wednesday, August 17th and  
September 21, 2022**  
at 7:00pm by Zoom—Only.

**Summer Worship Sunday mornings  
at 9:30am through August 28th** In-Person  
and also continuing by Zoom. **Please note**  
that to attend in- person worship, we require  
a mask to be worn covering your nose and  
mouth at all times while you are inside the  
church building.

#### **ELEVATOR OPERATORS & TECH TEAM MEMBERS WANTED**

We are seeking people who want to learn  
how to operate the elevator or learn the  
technology to record and use Zoom  
for worship on Sundays.  
If interested in either or both, please see  
Rev. Carole any Sunday.

### From the Board of Trustees

Our next meeting will be held on  
**Tuesday, September 20, 2022**  
at 7:00pm  
In-Person/Vestry & Zoom.

### From the Christian Education Committee

Our next meeting will be held on  
**Tuesday, August 2nd** at 7:00pm  
in-person in the Vestry and by Zoom.

#### **Vacation Bible School**

Weird Animals VBS was held on Tuesday,  
July 12<sup>th</sup>. We had a fun night with the  
children. They rotated through different sta-  
tions including Sing & Play Stampede, Bible  
Adventures, Critter Café, Untamed Games,  
Imagination Station and The Tail End. Each  
station reminding them that Jesus' love is  
one of a kind and even though you are a  
different, Jesus loves you!

**A HUGE thank you** to all the volunteers who  
gave of their time to help with set creation,  
set up, clean up and the one-night event.

Thank you to all the parents and children  
who participated in the event learning about  
Jesus' one of a kind love and the love he has  
for each of us.

**Teen Training – Small Group Discussion**  
For those who signed up for the training

course, *Tackling the Four Biggest Hurts of  
Teens* (Self-Harm, Addiction, Depression  
and Suicide), offered by Group Publishing,  
we will have our first small group discus-  
sion on **Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup> at 11 am in the  
Vestry**. You can also join the discussion  
via Zoom. At this first small group meeting  
we will discuss the first two issues present-  
ed in the training – Self Harm and Addic-  
tion.

If you have any questions, you can contact  
Sharilyn Hepburn  
at [sharilyn.hepburn@gmail.com](mailto:sharilyn.hepburn@gmail.com) or at 781-  
704-5454.

#### **COMING SOON....**

##### **Family Olympics and Cookout**

Please join us for an all-church Family  
Olympics and Cookout hosted by the Chris-  
tian Education Committee. Church family  
and friends of all ages are invited. There  
will be various Olympic Events for all ag-  
es. Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be  
provided by the Christian Education Com-  
mittee. If you are able to contribute a food  
item for the cookout please sign up when  
you RSVP.

**When:** Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup> (Rain Date:  
Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>)

**Time:** 4 pm – 6 pm

**Where:** Christian Education Building  
Lawn

To RSVP go to the church website,  
[www.attleborofallschurch.org](http://www.attleborofallschurch.org) and select  
Events from the menu OR click on the  
following link. **Family Olympics &  
Cookout RSVP**

Please **RSVP** by Wednesday, August  
24<sup>th</sup>. We hope to see you there! Grab  
your chair and join us!

#### **SAVE THE DATE ....**

Sunday School Classes will begin on  
**Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**. Registra-  
tion will be available online in August.

#### **Youth Group Happenings**

**Explorer's Youth Group** – We hope  
you are having a great summer! Please  
join us for the Family Olympics and  
Cookout on August 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Teen Youth Group** – We will not be  
having a summer event. Please join us  
for the Family Olympics and Cookout  
on August 27<sup>th</sup>.

Questions on Sunday School or Youth  
Group or interested in being added to

the Sunday School and/or Youth Group  
Facebook groups to stay updated on  
events to come - Please contact Shari-  
lyn Hepburn at 781-704-5454, [shari-  
lyn.hepburn@gmail.com](mailto:shari-<br/>lyn.hepburn@gmail.com) or friend her on  
Facebook.

### From the Memorial Gifts Committee

Our next meeting will be announced.

### From the Executive Council

Our next meeting will be held on Wednes-  
day, September 7th at 7:00pm  
in-person in the Vestry and by Zoom.

### From the Stewardship Committee

#### **The Stewardship of Time and Talent**

*Like good stewards of the manifold (varied  
and rich) grace of God, serve one another  
with whatever gift each of you has received.  
Whoever speaks must do so as one speak-  
ing the very words of God; whoever serves  
must do so with the strength that God sup-  
plies, so that God may be glorified in all  
things through Jesus Christ. To him belong  
the glory and the power forever and ever.  
Amen 1 Peter 4:10-11*

The past several weeks we've spent think-  
ing about Stewardship as a Way of Life.  
Let's take the next step and consider how  
the mindset of stewardship as a way of life  
is expressed in the stewardship of our time  
and talent. In the verses above the Apostle  
Peter reminds us that the stewardship of our  
time and talents is the wise and responsible  
us of the special gifts God has entrusted to  
each of us. It is believing that God has cre-  
ated each one of us with unique abilities and  
attributes – including our personalities, inter-  
ests, motivations, life experiences, talents  
and skills, hopes and dreams – which make  
us who we are. We are one-of-a-kind crea-  
tions of God with unique contributions to  
make in this world. Our lives have real  
meaning only when we use our gifts in ac-  
cordance with God's will. As we grow in  
stewardship, we grow in our relationship  
with God. We grow in our ability to hear and  
accept God's call and to let our life be guid-  
ed by God's will, not our own desires and  
impulses.

**OUR LIVES ARE GOD'S GIFT TO US;  
HOW WE LIVE IS OUR GIFT TO GOD.**



## Committee Corner

### From the Mission Committee

**Our next meeting is set for 7:00 PM  
on Thursday, August 4, 2022.**

**Attending via Zoom will be offered.**

**Bible Verse:** ‘...And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God.’  
*Micah 6:8 (English Standard Version)*

#### August Mission –

**Jean M. Parisot Children’s School in Jacmel, Haiti** The Mission Committee is pleased to announce that our project will be seeking financial support for the Jean M. Parisot School located in Jacmel, Haiti! Many members will recall that for several years Martha McHatton personally requested contributions toward the construction of this school. She and her husband Ken have been involved with the congregation in Massachusetts that initiated this project. They also traveled to Haiti with a team to see the location and observe construction. Since the doors of the school opened, through our annual mission project promotion, we have been able to provide much needed financial support to the school. Now, more than ever, following the COVID epidemic and the volatile political climate in Haiti, our financial and prayer support is even more critical. Martha will be providing more insight through our August Mission Moments during Sunday Worship. Please prayerfully consider your response to this project. When making your contribution on the memo line of your check please indicate **Haiti School**.

#### September Mission –

**Children’s Clothing Swap** As previously announced, the Mission Committee is introducing this new Church mission outreach! **The event is scheduled for Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> in the C. E. Building.** Our three-fold purpose is:

With rising prices of everything, assist families with children’s clothing needs.

Continue to support Lenore’s Pantry assist families experiencing food insecurity.

Introduce new families and individuals to our Church!

#### What is a Children’s Clothing Swap?

Participants may fill several bags with donated clothing for their children. Clothing will be provided for infant/toddlers, children, and youth – all ages through high school - per donations received! At departure, a donation of \$5.00 or more to benefit Lenore’s Pantry

will be gratefully received!

**YOU can help** - Provide and / or promote the need for donations of gently used clothing. We will only accept clothing for infant/toddlers, children, and teens. Nothing else will be accepted for this event. Reach out to your family members, your local network of friends and personal contacts. **Donations will be received September 18-21 only.** Set-up in fellowship Hall will be Sept. 19-23. Volunteers needed to support Mission Committee members. ‘Experienced’ rummage sale workers welcomed! Also Volunteers to support day of event with clothing table oversight. Church members who enjoy making friendly conversation with our event visitors will be welcomed and can share printed information about our Church. **Promotional Flyers for distribution will be available on counter outside church office soon.** **Please pray about your role! We need your help for this Church-wide mission!** (Questions: Contact Gil Reynders: Cell: 508-594-9619; email: [gireynders@aol.com](mailto:gireynders@aol.com))

#### **UPDATES:**

**May Mission – New Hope, Inc** – We are pleased to announce that a \$500 contribution was given thanks to your giving!

**June & July Mission – Supporting Kid’s Summer Café Program** - We provided the Attleboro Area Interfaith Collaborative a \$377.00 contribution designated for the Kid’s Summer Café program thanks to your giving in June. A second contribution will be provided based upon our giving in July.

**Year-Round Missions** Keep supporting Lenore’s Pantry and our Aluminum Tab Collection/recycling Project

**Closing Thought – “Strategic Thinking”**  
**Scripture Reading:** Matthew 10: 5-15

**Meditate** CONSIDER: Can you think of a time when you were puzzled by God’s guidance but with hindsight came to see the wisdom of the Lord’s plans? Give thanks.

**THINK FURTHER:** The Scripture reading begins with an instruction that may make us feel uncomfortable. Jesus tells his disciples not to pursue their mission among the Gentiles and Samaritans. Did Jesus only care about the Jews, then? No, for he did heal and teach the few Gentiles he met on his travels; he conversed with the Samaritan woman at the well, for instance (John 4:7-

26) and cast out a legion of demons from a man in Gentile Decapolis (Mark 5: 1-20). Later, at his ascension, he called his followers to ‘make disciples of all nations’ (Matt. 28:19) .

Jesus, then, was not prejudiced against Gentiles but simply had a clear mission strategy: to go to the Jews first then the Gentiles. He was building a team from nothing, and his disciples needed time to grow in their understanding of their faith rather than be dispersed far and wide. Moreover, this was before they had witnessed Jesus’ death and resurrection or received the Spirit’s empowering at Pentecost, so at this point they lacked the courage, knowledge, and ability for such wide-scale mission.

Jesus was, then, guided by God in his mission strategy and clearly communicated that strategy to his disciples, but helping people to follow God’s guidance can be challenging, as often illustrated at church meetings when Christians pull in different directions. How important it is, then, to pray through our ideas before we advocate them, so we can sift out those that simply reflect our own thoughts rather than God’s. Leaders bear a particular responsibility to encourage their churches to seek God’s guidance and to speak out when they feel their flock are drifting away from the Lord’s priorities and timings. What challenges does this bring leaders and how can congregations support them in this?

**APPLY** Pray for your church to know God’s guidance in its mission and for everyone to follow that divine direction rather than pushing for their own ideas and preferences.

**PRAY** Holy God, as witnessing opportunities cross my path today, enable me to grasp them and effectively witness for you.

*Mediation written by Caroline Fletcher, a freelance writer based in Sheffield. She has an MPHIL in biblical studies and is a trained Religious Education teacher. Caroline is involved with youth work and all-age services at her local Anglican church and is married to a vicar. – This meditation was the July 11, 2022, reading in the Scripture Union Encounter with God Bible guide.*

Considering our discussions regarding the ‘future of our church’ I felt led by the Lord to share it with you. May we continue to seek the Lord’s guidance and His strategy as we contemplate the future as a congregation and an individual.

Blessings,  
Gil Reynders, Chair, Mission Committee



# August 2022

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
<b><u>August Mission</u></b> <i>Rev Jean Parisot School in Haiti</i>	1	2 7pm CE Meets in Vestry	3	4 7pm Mission Committee meets— in-person / Vestry & by Zoom	5	6
<b>7 Holy Communion Today</b> 9:30am Worship In-Person & Zoom.	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 9:30am Worship in—person & ZOOM	15	16	17 7:00pm DEACONS WILL MEET by ZOOM.	18	19	20
21 9:30am Worship in—person & ZOOM <i>Baptism Today.            Please join us            in-person to            welcome a new            member of the            Family of God.</i>	22	23 <i>TRIAD DEADLINE</i>	24	25	26	27 4-6pm FAMILY OLYMPICS/ Outside on CE Lawn. (Rain Date 09/10) <i>See details pg 3</i>
28 9:30am Worship in—person & ZOOM	29	30	31	NOTE: Worship will be held at 10:00am starting September 4th.		

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ORGANIST/CHOIR DIRECTOR – *Dave Valerio*

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT – *Heather Bonfilio*

SECRETARY – *Kathy Trowbridge*

***Church Office Hours***

*Tuesday & Thursday - 8:30am—4:30pm*