



First Church of Christ, Congregational United Church of Christ

April 2018 Newsletter



Pastor's Message

For many, Easter is just one day. True - it is a glorious day, with inspiring worship, spring flowers, Easter bunnies, dinner with family and friends. But then it ends.

Monday comes and its back to the usual.

But for the church, Easter is an eight-week season. We celebrate the resurrection for two months, right up to Pentecost. After the six weeks of Lent, this is a welcome change! We can sing a huge range of glorious Easter hymns, we can lift up joyous prayers and dwell on the amazing grace that happened when Jesus rose from the dead.

Easter lasts for eight weeks because the risen Jesus spent that much time on earth, with his followers and friends. In 1 Corinthians 15, Paul writes, that Jesus "appeared to Cephas (Peter), then to the Twelve, and then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at once — most of them are still alive to this day. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all he appeared to me." Imagine being among the 500 people who actually experienced Jesus!

There are stories in both the Gospel of John

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Sunday Worship 10:00 am

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West Virginia Mission Trip...

How you can help

After months of preparation, the Mission Team will be heading down to West Virginia on April 14th. We look forward to seeing where the Spirit will be leading us and who we will encounter on this trip.



Even if you cannot come down, you can be part of the team! Here is some practical ways you can support our trip:

- Donate Lowe's Gift Cards – this helps the team and the Folklife Center buy supplies for its rehab projects. If you cannot get to a Lowe's, send a check to the church, with "Lowe's Gift Cards" in the memo line, and we will purchase cards for you.
- Donate some Gas Cards to defray the travel costs for the team going down. Again, if you cannot get to a gas station to buy a card, feel free to send the church a check.
- Casseroles - Make your favorite casserole in a disposable aluminum foil pan and freeze it for the Mission Team. We have found these are wonderful ways of getting dinner ready after a hard day of mission work. Any type of casserole is appreciated: American Chop Suey, Chicken Broccoli. Rice, Lasagna or anything else. Make sure to label them and put them in the church freezer. Look for a casserole sign-up Genius coming soon.
- Desserts – sometimes a good cookie or brownie gives a mission team member great joy! Feel free to drop anything off to the church kitchen.

As always, we need your prayers as we head down and "do our job." We'll be sending regular blog messages on our West Virginia Mission blog: <http://firstchurchbedfordmission.blogspot.com/>.

Lastly, we can't say it enough: even though you might not be able to come with us, you are still part of the team. Your contributions to the trip are an essential part of its success. You all are going with us in spirit. Thanks to everyone who contributes!

~ Pastor John

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and Luke about the resurrected Jesus appearing to the disciples. These are rich stories, full of miracles, faith and forgiveness. It gives us a clue to how these twelve men, who had abandoned and denied Jesus were transformed into bold apostles, spreading the Good News with courage and conviction. I will be spending these eight weeks of Easter talking about these stories. They have so much to tell us about what it means to faithfully follow Jesus today.

If there is any consistent theme in these stories, it is Jesus sending his disciples out. Even though his presence has given them renewed faith and courage, he does not want the disciples to cling to him. He wants them to go out and spread the message.

With this message before us, I think it is totally appropriate that we are heading off to West Virginia right in the middle of the Easter season. It feels like the resurrected Jesus is sending us out with joy and faith to wherever the Spirit leads us. There are about 15 people heading out. Some with be going out a little skittish about what will be happening, wondering what it will be like. Mission trips take us out of our comfort zone, and this can create a little or a lot of anxiety for many. The message of Easter looks at these fears and anxieties and assures us that we don't have anything to fear. Jesus is risen! If death is defeated why should we be afraid of anything? That's the attitude the disciples turned apostles had. It's the attitude that God challenges us to have.

During our trip, I will be sending you reflections on the Mission Trip blog: <http://firstchurchbedfordmission.blogspot.com>. I'll be sure to include lots of pictures and hopefully, some videos. Please pray for the team as we head down, and we'll be praying for you.

As always, although 15 people are going down, you all will be with us. There are many ways you can support the trip – many have already. With every Lowe's gift card you buy, every casserole you make, every work glove you buy, you are part of the team! Please check out the Mission Trip article in this newsletter for how you can contribute. Thanks to all of you!

Christ is Risen! He is Risen, indeed!

~ Pastor John

Calling All "Artistic" People

Would you like to be part of the team that creates the banners and "installations" in our sanctuary? Do you have any ideas to add color and beauty to our worship space? Then join our visual choir! Pastor John has come back from his Worship Symposium with new ideas. We have plans to do new banners for next Advent and perhaps some new material for Easter or Pentecost. If you would like to join the team, just contact Pastor John and he would be happy to include you.

Bible and Bagels

Pastor John continues his "Bible and Bagels" bible study on **Thursdays mornings, from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.** at Bruegger's Bagels in Bedford. As always, this is a drop-in bible study: show up anytime you're free to go over a Bible passage with John. No prior knowledge of the Bible is necessary. This is an introductory session aimed at those who don't know much about the Bible, but are curious to learn more. Join us and get your day started right, with breakfast and a good dose of inspiration. And bring a friend, too!

Note: as Pastor John will be on the Mission Trip, we will not be having Bible and Bagels on April 19th.

Coffee and Conversation at Bruegger's

Pastor John will be continuing his "Coffee and Conversation" in April. He will be at Bruegger's Bagels on Great Road on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Drop by to talk about anything you want: faith, the Red Sox, weather or anything else on your mind.

Note: as Pastor John will be on the Mission Trip, we will not be having Coffee and Conversations the week of April 15th. He will be back at Bruegger's on April 24th.

April Deacons Collection

on Sunday, April 8, 2018 is for

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2017-2018 Annual Reports

are due to the Church Office

no later than Monday, April 23, 2018

Wonderful Wednesday

Join us on **Wednesday April 4th** at 6pm for dinner and conversation with Rachel DiBella. Rachel is the Assistant Director of Boston College's Women's Center. Rachel has spent nearly a decade in the movement to end sexual violence, specializing in counseling and clinical services for survivors, and through activism within LGBTQ/T communities. Rachel earned her MSW at Boston College with a focus in interpersonal trauma. She is joining us to speak about sexual harassment and the #metoo movement. Due to the nature of this conversation, the after dinner section of this Wonderful Wednesday is only open to people over the age of 18. Children and youth are invited to join us for dinner and dessert.

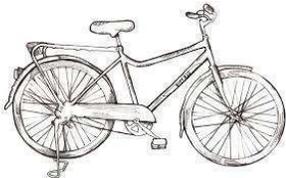
Join us on **Wednesday April 18th** at 6pm for dinner and Sunday School for Grown Ups. During Epiphany, the children learned about what it means to be the church in the world by studying Solomon's Temple and learning about Love (from 1Corinthians). Come experience a little bit of what they learned as our Sunday school teachers share parts of their favorite lessons with you. It is a great chance to get a better idea of what the children due in Sunday school and to engage scripture in a new way. We will do some art, try a few science experiments, and even play a game. It should be a fun and active evening.

Wonderful Wednesday Dates 2018

April 4 & 18, 2018

May 16, 2018

Bedford Bike to Church



Earth Day is **Sunday April 22**. This is also the 11th annual Bike to Church Sunday. Join us in celebrating by biking, walking or carpooling to worship. (Rain day April 29).



Easter Egg Hunt

Easter Sunday, April 1st, come join the Board of Christian Nurture in Lower Fellowship Hall for an Easter Egg Hunt. The hunt will begin at 9:30 am. Come ready to collect your team's eggs and to work as a group putting together a colorful puzzle.

Bible Sunday

Please join our Sunday School Children on **Sunday April 8th** as they celebrate and bless new Bibles. Some of the bibles will be used in our growing Sunday school rooms and some will be going home with children and families.

Confirmation Sunday

Please join our confirmation class on **Sunday April 29th** as they are confirmed into the Christian Faith and become adult members of our congregation. Our 9th-11th graders have been meeting all year to discuss God, faith, and life. They have all grown in their own spiritual journeys and are ready to be confirmed. This is a large step in the faith life of our young people. Come celebrate with the class during Worship and Coffee Hour. We need you to lay on hands, to eat cake, and to fully welcome these young people into adult Christian discipleship. Please join us in celebrating this year's confirmation class:

- ◆ Nathaniel Brown
- ◆ Jacob Burke
- ◆ Douglas Dussault
- ◆ Jillian Guetersloh
- ◆ Evan Majoros
- ◆ Jimmy McGinn
- ◆ Kieran Parikh
- ◆ Isabella Schmalz

~ Pastor John & Kate Byers



Christian Nurture

Happy Easter! Easter might fall on April 1st this year but it is far from an April Fool's joke. God really is reaching out to us in love. Jesus' death on the cross did not end our relationship with Jesus. There is no joke about it, God's love is more powerful than any other force and it is available for you. This Easter I invite you to be on the lookout for life and love.

Faith at Home

One of the things we think about during Easter is eternal life. It can be hard to recon eternal life with our experiences of loss and all of the unknowns that surround death. There is nothing concrete about eternal life making it a hard concept for children and many adults. One way we can make this a little more concrete for kids is to think about the ways people live in our memories. This Easter, I encourage you to make a family tree. Sit with your children and map out the important people in your family both those who are living and those who died. Talk a little bit about each person on the tree. Share memories about those people, if you have photos pull them out and show your kids what your grandmother looked like. Think about the things your family taught you and share these learnings with your kids. This project could be a fairly simple evening conversation or it would become a more complex multi-sitting project. The depth will depend on your kid's ages and their interest. This year they might only care about names and photos. In a few years they may be open to more information.

~Kate Byers

Youth Group Calendar (Changes are in **Bold**)

April 1 – Egg Hunt

April 28 – Helping with the Rummage Sale

May 19th – Fun event chosen by youth

June 9th – Marching in Boston Pride

Church School

***Pre-School*:** During April, we are continuing something new! Pre-school Sunday School will continue. The class is targeted at our increasing number of 2-5 year olds and will be primarily lead by Kate Reynolds. Kate is a professional pre-school teacher with years of experience. She will be crafting the class using the Spark pre-school curriculum. Thematically, lessons will line up with the elementary class's lessons. During April the children will learn about Lydia and Baptism. This class is looking for additional teachers. If you are interested in helping, please talk to Kate or Kate.

Elementary School: In April, the Elementary School will focus on the story of Lydia from the Book of Acts. Children will think about Baptism and what it meant to be a disciple after Jesus' death and resurrection. Connections will be made to children's own baptisms and to the rolls of disciples today.

Youth Forum: During April youth will spend some time looking at Jesus's post resurrection appearances and some time thinking about baptism and church membership. This will have them lined up with the elementary school class some weeks and the adults other weeks. The focus will be on what it means to be a disciple without Jesus physically here on earth. The entire unit should prepare youth to think about Pentecost and the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Youth for 2017-2018

April is a busy month for the church. There are multiple events for youth to plug in and participate in the wider church. Youth are encouraged to participate in all church events. The following March events are particularly youth friendly.

- April 1st is Easter Sunday! Easter Breakfast and the Easter Egg Hunt are fun ways to plug in Easter Morning.
- April 8th is Bible Sunday! Come celebrate with new youth and with rising youth as they receive their Student Bibles.
- April 13th-21st is the Mission Trip. A number of youth are going this year. If weren't able to join us this year, keep it in mind for next year.
- April 21st-27th is Rummage Sale Set Up. There are lots of ways to help make the rummage sale a success. Youth are invited to participate in all of the rummage sale set up. See Allyson Printz for details.
- April 28th is the Rummage Sale! Come volunteer or come and shop.
- April 29th is Confirmation Sunday! Come support your peers as they become adult members of the congregation.

Outreach Board Notes

2018 West Virginia Mission Trip:

See Pastor John's article on the front page for how you can help.

Dinner for Bedford Community Table:

On Thursday, April 5, First Church will be providing dinner for the Bedford Community Table. We will serve a delicious homemade meal of: Ham, Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw, and Brownies. Contact Allyson Printz, Nancy McKinney or Mary Criscione if you would like to volunteer or bake a dessert item.

House of Hope

Two representatives of our House of Hope team visit the shelter one Monday evening each month to help with serving dinner and cleaning up. We also provide salad and dessert to go with the meal. Many thanks to Dot Fallon, Cathy Gray, Mark Buccolo and Nancy McKinney for joyfully serving the families who live there. For more information about House of Hope, you can visit <http://houseofhopelowell.org>.

Flatbread Fundraiser – SAVE THE DATE:



We are planning a Mission Trip fundraiser at Flatbread Pizza, 213 Burlington Road, Bedford, MA on **Tuesday May 15 from 5-9 pm**. Enjoy a great pizza and contribute toward Mission Trip expenses. We will receive \$3.50 from every large and \$1.75 from every small pizza, dine in or take out.

Upcoming Outreach dates

- 4/5 Dinner for Bedford Community Table
- 4/14-4/21 West Virginia Mission Trip
- 5/15 Flatbread Fundraiser

Outreach meeting dates

- Tuesday, April 10
- Wednesday, May 2

Women's Fellowship

'Promoting Wellness in Women as We Age'

Please join the First Church Women's Fellowship/Soul Sisters (WFSS) for **Women's Health Night** at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 11, in the Vestry.

Our own Becky Konkle and Shirley Kring (both physicians), along with dentist Dianne Bridgeman, will explore ways to promote women's health and wellness as we age.

This lively presentation/discussion will revolve around common health issues that can affect us at various stages in our lives, as well as the importance of fitness and nutrition.

All church women are welcome. Bring a friend!

Allyson Printz (allyson@printzfamily.us)
Kathy Register (registerk11@gmail.com)

Pre-Rummage Sale Soup Supper

Everybody in the First Church community is invited to join the Women's Fellowship/ Soul Sisters (WFSS) for a light supper of hearty homemade soup & bread, and then help with the Rummage Sale.

Time: 6 p.m.

Date: Thursday, April 26, 2018

Place: Vestry (for soup & bread)

Following dinner, we'll roll up our sleeves and fan out to help organize and price items for the Rummage Sale -- to be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 28, 2018.

If you can't make it for dinner, come on down later. We can always use your help.

Please join us for soup & bread and fun fellowship! All ages and sexes are welcome. (Parents note: *This is an excellent opportunity for middle- and high-school students to fulfill community service hours.*)

Questions? Contact:

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Music Notes



Easter brings handbell music both soothing and spirited, a joyous combined anthem and the inevitably rousing *Hallelujah Chorus*. Notably, April is the month this year when the Adult Choir has a chance to relax a bit (after they sing on Easter Sunday).

- On Sunday, April 8, the theme of the worship service is complemented by a flowing Handbell Duo.
- On Sunday, April 15, the Women's Choir makes a reappearance, while the men are away on the Mission Trip.
- A fun First Church Men's Gospel Choir anthem is slated for Sunday, April 22. We'll see how many men we can muster up! Just in case, we do have a few women capable of singing a tenor part.
- On Confirmation Sunday, April 29, we're singing a famous song by The Steeles, plus one of our favorite Hillsong pieces.

Looking forward to all of the above!

April Music Rehearsals:

- Sunday, April 1: (Easter Sunday) Choir call times TBA
Monday, April 2: Jubilee Ringers 7 pm
Thursday, April 5: Adult Choir, no rehearsal
(Wonderful Wednesday Week)
Sunday, April 8: Handbell Duo 9:00 am
Women's Choir run-thru
9:30 am
Monday, April 9: Jubilee Ringers 7 pm
Thursday, April 12: Adult Choir, no rehearsal
Sunday, April 15: Women's Choir 9:15 am
Monday, April 16: Jubilee Ringers, no rehearsal
(Patriot's Day)
Thursday, April 19: Adult Choir, no rehearsal
(Wonderful Wednesday Week)
Sunday, April 22: Adult Choir 8:30 am
Men's Gospel Choir 9:15 am
Confirmation Music rehearsal
11:30 am
Monday, April 23: Jubilee Ringers 7 pm
Thursday, April 26: Adult Choir 7:30 pm
Sunday, April 29: (Confirmation) Music mini-
rehearsal 9 am
Monday, April 30: Jubilee Ringers 7 pm

~ Susan Capestro, Director of Music

Traveling Hymn Sing

If you have been having a hard time getting to worship lately, a group of singers is available to come to you and share some hymns. If you or someone you know would like some hymns, contact the church office (781 275 7951) or contact Alison Weaver (alison_weaver@yahoo.com) to schedule a time for a visit to your home or hospital room. Most visits will be scheduled for Sunday afternoon, but other times are possible.

Flowers for Sunday Worship



Enjoy the beauty of your and others' donations each week as a beautiful part of our worship together. Flowers may be donated in memory of a loved one or just because the Spirit moves you! We will order flowers for you unless you prefer to do it yourself. The cost varies depending on choices but runs \$30-50. There is a signup sheet in the Vestry on the bulletin board, or you may contact Betsy Cogliano at 781-275-9462 or at laxmom5@aol.com or signup online at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20foe49aaab22a6f49-flowers>



Baptism

Markus Lee Burris

son of

Christina Chin-Shao Lee & Terry Michael Burris, II

on March 18, 2018

In Sympathy

To Dianne Bridgeman and family
on the death of Dianne's mother,
Delores "Dee" Myers
On February 20, 2018 in Michigan

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To Dorothy Pedersen and family  
on the death of Gordon Pedersen  
on February 26, 2018

## General Memorial Fund Gifts

In memory of Gordon Pedersen  
Jacquelyn Deranian

## Rummage Sale — SAVE THE DATE — Saturday, April 28, 2018

**Date:** Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Benefits:** Local church budget, Bedford Food Pantry, Vietnam Veterans

**Donation at door:** \$1 for Bedford Food Pantry

**Committee Contacts:** Allyson Printz, Kathy Register, Susan Wingfield



### Donation Drop-Off Times

**10 a.m. – 8 p.m.: Tuesday & Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> & April 25<sup>th</sup>**

**10 a.m. – 4 p.m.: Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Please NO DROP OFFS Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**

**We need your help!!**

**CLEAN** —Get started now cleaning out your closets, attic, basement, and garage.



**DONATE** — We need your donations! However, we can only accept items in good condition. Please do not donate any items that are torn, broken, stained, moldy, rusty, or missing necessary pieces.

**WE ACCEPT** — Gently worn clothing, books, puzzles, games, toys, white elephants, household items, small WORKING appliances, linens, jewelry, small sports equipment (skates, soccer equipment, racquets) and shoes.

(A knowledgeable antiques person will evaluate better items so we can try to get the best price for your valuable donations. If you have a suggested price, please let us know.)

**WE CANNOT ACCEPT** — TVs, golf clubs/bags, computers and computer peripherals (printers, monitors, big speakers), large furniture, microwaves, or big sports equipment (skis and ski boots, rowing machines, treadmills) as our take-away truck can't accept them.

**VOLUNTEER** — Volunteer to help unpack, sort, price and organize. Come for soup, more sorting, and pricing on Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. Volunteer to work on the day of the sale --- it's really fun! **Also, we always need volunteers to help set up before the sale and to clean up after the sale. We will begin set up Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> after church. We need and appreciate any help you can give.**

**SAVE** — Save your paper bags and boxes for us.

**PUBLICIZE** — Publicize the rummage sale by telling your friends about it. Post flyers at work or in your car.

**SHOP** — Come and shop!

**QUESTIONS — Contact:**

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~ April Worship ~



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| April 1, 2018<br>Easter ~ Communion | 10:00 am | <i>"I Am the Resurrection"</i><br>Rev. John Castricum, Sr. Pastor     | Luke 24: 1-12  |
| April 8, 2018                       | 10:00 am | <i>"In the Garden"</i><br>Rev. John Castricum, Sr. Pastor             | John 20: 11-18 |
| April 15, 2018                      | 10:00 am | <i>"To the Missing"</i><br>Ms. Kate Byers, Director Christian Nurture | John 20: 24-29 |
| April 22, 2018                      | 10:00 am | <i>"Making Breakfast"</i><br>Rev. John Castricum, Sr. Pastor          | John 21: 1-14  |
| April 29, 2018<br>Confirmation      | 10:00 am | <i>"The Journey"</i><br>Rev. John Castricum, Sr. Pastor               | Luke 24: 13-35 |

Thank you for your help in publishing our newsletter on time. Our next Newsletter deadline is **April 9, 2018** Our next mailing is **April 25, 2018**. Please send you email articles to: fchurchb2@verizon.net. Thank you.

Please let us know if you change your address.  If you do not want to receive newsletters, check this box and mail this page to us at the above address or email the office at fchurchb2@verizon.net.

Join Us for  
Easter Sunday, April 1, 2018:  
6:30 am Fawn Lake Service  
7:15 am Easter Breakfast in UFH  
9:30 am Easter Egg Hunt in LFH  
10:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary



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| COMMUNION<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6:30a Fawn Lake Sunrise Service (Fawn Lake)<br>7:15a Easter Breakfast (UFH)<br>9:30a Easter Egg Hunt (LFH)<br>10a Worship (S)<br>6:30p Prayer Group (P) | 6a AA (UFH)<br>7p Jubilee Bells (MR)                                        | 6a AA (UFH)<br>7:30a Violence Prevention Committee (V)<br>9a Coffee & Conversation (Bruegger's)<br>6:45p AA (Room 5)<br>7p Masons (LFH)                        | 6a AA (UFH)<br>7a Men's Group (V)<br>6p Wonderful Wednesday (UFH/K/V)                               | 6a AA (UFH)<br>8a Bible & Bagels (Bruegger's)<br>9a Coffee & Conversation Bible Study (Bruegger's)<br>4p Cooking Dinner @ Bedford Community Table<br>7:30p AA (UFH) | Pastor John Day Off<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6p AA (UFH)        | 6a AA (UFH)                               |
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| 6a AA (UFH)<br>8:15a 8:15 Discussion Group (V)<br>10a Worship (S)<br>11:30a Deacons Meeting (UFH)<br>6:30p Confirmation (V)<br>6:30p Prayer Group (P)                               | May 2018 Newsletter Deadline<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7p Jubilee Bells (MR)        | 6a AA (UFH)<br>7:30a Women's Fellowship Breakfast (Riverview-Billerica)<br>9a Coffee & Conversation (Bruegger's)<br>6:45p AA (Room 5)<br>7p Outreach Board (V) | 6a AA (UFH)<br>7a Men's Group (V)<br>7p Women's Fellowship (V)                                      | 6a AA (UFH)<br>8a Bible & Bagels (Bruegger's)<br>9a Coffee & Conversation Bible Study (Bruegger's)<br>7p Nurture Board (V)<br>7:30p AA (UFH)                        | Pastor John Day Off<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6p AA (UFH)        | West Virginia Mission Trip<br>6a AA (UFH) |
| <b>15</b>                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>16</b>                                                                   | <b>17</b>                                                                                                                                                      | <b>18</b>                                                                                           | <b>19</b>                                                                                                                                                           | <b>20</b>                                                | <b>21</b>                                 |
| West Virginia Mission Trip<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>8:15a 8:15 Discussion Group (V)<br>10a Worship (S)<br>6:30p Prayer Group (P)                                                           | Office Closed<br>PATRIOTS' DAY<br>West Virginia Mission Trip<br>6a AA (UFH) | West Virginia Mission Trip<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6p Masons (UFH/LFH/K)<br>6:45p AA (Room 5)                                                                        | West Virginia Mission Trip<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7a Men's Group (V)<br>6p Wonderful Wednesday (UFH/K/V) | West Virginia Mission Trip<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7:30p AA (UFH)                                                                                                         | West Virginia Mission Trip<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6p AA (UFH) | West Virginia Mission Trip<br>6a AA (UFH) |
| <b>22</b> Earth Day                                                                                                                                                                 | <b>23</b>                                                                   | <b>24</b>                                                                                                                                                      | <b>25</b>                                                                                           | <b>26</b>                                                                                                                                                           | <b>27</b>                                                | <b>28</b>                                 |
| 6a AA (UFH)<br>8:15a 8:15 Discussion Group (V)<br>10a Worship (S)<br>6:30p Confirmation (V)<br>6:30p Prayer Group (P)                                                               | ANNUAL REPORTS DUE<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7p Jubilee Bells (MR)                  | 6a AA (UFH)<br>9a Coffee & Conversation (Bruegger's)<br>6:45p AA (Room 5)<br>7:30p NAMI (Room 4)                                                               | 6a AA (UFH)<br>7a Men's Group (V)<br>10a Newsletter Folding (MR)                                    | 6a AA (UFH)<br>8a Bible & Bagels (Bruegger's)<br>9a Coffee & Conversation Bible Study (Bruegger's)<br>7:30p AA (UFH)<br>7:30p Adult Choir (MR)                      | Pastor John Day Off<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6p AA (UFH)        | 6a AA (UFH)<br>9a Rummage Sale (ALL)      |
| <b>29</b>                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>30</b>                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                          |                                           |
| CONFIRMATION<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>8:15a 8:15 Discussion Group (V)<br>10a Worship (S)<br>6:30p Prayer Group (P)                                                                         | 6a AA (UFH)<br>7p Jubilee Bells (Music Room)                                |                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                          |                                           |

## Daily Lectionary Scripture References April 2018 (Year B)

### Sun., Apr. 1, Easter

*Resurrection of the Lord*  
Acts 10:34-43 or Isaiah 25:6-9  
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or Acts  
10:34-43  
John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8

### Mon., Apr. 2

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
Genesis 1:1-19  
1 Corinthians 15:35-49

### Tues., Apr. 3

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
Genesis 1:20—2:4a  
1 Corinthians 15:50-58

### Wed., Apr. 4

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
Song of Solomon 3:1-11  
Mark 16:1-8

### Thurs., Apr. 5

Psalm 133  
Daniel 1:1-21  
Acts 2:42-47

### Fri., Apr. 6

Psalm 133  
Daniel 2:1-23  
Acts 4:23-31

### Sat., Apr. 7

Psalm 133  
Daniel 2:24-49  
John 12:44-50

### Sun., Apr. 8

*Second Sunday of Easter*  
Acts 4:32-35  
Psalm 133  
1 John 1:1—2:2  
John 20:19-31

### Mon., Apr. 9

Psalm 135  
Daniel 3:1-30  
1 John 2:3-11

### Tues., Apr. 10

Psalm 135  
Daniel 6:1-28  
1 John 2:12-17

### Wed., Apr. 11

Psalm 135  
Isaiah 26:1-15  
Mark 12:18-27

### Thurs., Apr. 12

Psalm 4  
Daniel 9:1-19  
1 John 2:18-25

### Fri., Apr. 13

Psalm 4  
Daniel 10:2-19  
1 John 2:26-28

### Sat., Apr. 14

Psalm 4  
Acts 3:1-10  
Luke 22:24-30

### Sun., Apr. 15

*Third Sunday of Easter*  
Acts 3:12-19  
Psalm 4  
1 John 3:1-7  
Luke 24:36b-48

### Mon., Apr. 16

Psalm 150  
Jeremiah 30:1-11a  
1 John 3:10-16

### Tues., Apr. 17

Psalm 150  
Hosea 5:15—6:6  
2 John 1-6

### Wed., Apr. 18

Psalm 150  
Proverbs 9:1-6  
Mark 16:9-18

### Thurs., Apr. 19

Psalm 23  
Genesis 30:25-43  
Acts 3:17-26

### Fri., Apr. 20

Psalm 23  
Genesis 46:28—47:6  
Acts 4:1-4

### Sat., Apr. 21

Psalm 23  
Genesis 48:8-19  
Mark 6:30-34

### Sun., Apr. 22

*Fourth Sunday in Easter*  
Acts 4:5-12  
Psalm 23  
1 John 3:16-24  
John 10:11-18

### Mon., Apr. 23

Psalm 95  
1 Samuel 16:1-13  
1 Peter 5:1-5

### Tues., Apr. 24

Psalm 95  
1 Chronicles 11:1-9  
Revelation 7:13-17

### Wed., Apr. 25

Psalm 95  
Micah 7:8-20  
Mark 14:26-31

### Thurs., Apr. 26

Psalm 22:25-31  
Amos 8:1-7  
Acts 8:1b-8

### Fri., Apr. 27

Psalm 22:25-31  
Amos 8:11-13  
Acts 8:9-25

### Sat., Apr. 28

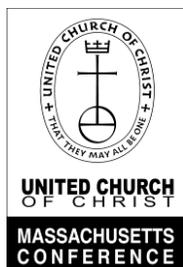
Psalm 22:25-31  
Amos 9:7-15  
Mark 4:30-32

### Sun., Apr. 29

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*  
Acts 8:26-40  
Psalm 22:25-31  
1 John 4:7-21  
John 15:1-8

### Mon., Apr. 30

Psalm 80  
Isaiah 5:1-7  
Galatians 5:16-26



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