



**Pastor's Message**

Our church is having two big events in April. On April 6<sup>th</sup>, we will be having a service to celebrate the life of Doris "Micky" Webber. On April 21<sup>st</sup>, we will celebrate the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday. As I look at both, I cannot help but make connections.

We have had many "pillars of the church," yet I think Micky was in another category. Her devotion and love for this church was way above and beyond the call. She was instrumental in starting many different traditions of the church, like the Strawberry Festival and the Ecumenical Easter sunrise service.

Although these are traditions, at their inception, they were new ideas and were met with many questions and even opposition. I'll never forget Micky talking about the first Strawberry Festival, when she planned to put tables out in front of the manse, only to be kicked off the lawn by the Pastor's wife. Not daunted, she moved the tables

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**Sunday Worship 10:00 am**

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**Faith at Home**

This year, Holy Week and April Vacation collide. This creates some unique opportunities and challenges for families. On the positive side of things, kids will have more time and more flexibility to live into the week. It is a great year to help kids experience the Holy Week. It is a roller coaster ride that between school and work, often feels hard to fully enter. We start with the high of Jesus' triumphant entry on Palm Sunday. Then we travel to the temple where Jesus over throws tables and begins a period of teaching. All of this excitement leads to the Last Supper, to Jesus arrest, trail, and crucifixion. Good Friday is a sobering low we can only call good because we know what is to come. Easter Sunday we return to exuberance as we celebrate the resurrection. As a church we come together in prayer on Palm Sunday, on Maundy Thursday, on Good Friday, and on Easter Sunday. Many years it is hard to have kids attend Holy Week worship services due to school and bedtime. This year the challenge is different. Many people will be traveling. One of the many amazing things about church is it travels. There are lots of tools to help your family have Holy Week devotionals on the road. There are also churches all over the world. No matter where you will be this Holy Week, there are worship services you can attend. I would love to help your family figure out what will work for you. Let me know about your School Vacation plans and we can brainstorm Holy Week plans together. I want to help your family find a meaningful way to enter into the fullness of Easter that works for School Vacation Week.

**~Kate Byers**

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across the street to the lawn of house currently owned by Harley and Nancy Haynes. Keeping these traditions going was not always automatic. They took constant recruiting of people to organize and plan the event. Micky was a great recruiter – who could refuse her request? Of course, Micky would always be there to work. Even a couple years ago, I found Micky in the kitchen on the day of the Strawberry Festival, arranging wildflowers that she collected in the area into little vases to go on the tables, like she had been doing for decades.

Perhaps her most enduring and important legacy to our church – and other churches - is the Easter sunrise service. This was a great vision had, that takes extra coordination, since it involves multiple houses of worship in Bedford getting together and coordinating. Micky did this with total ease and grace. Her hard work definitely paid off. For many, this service defines what Easter is all about.

I think Micky wanted a sunrise service because Easter was at her core. She believed in new life. She spent her life nurturing new life in her day care on Fletcher Road. She believed in her kids, and showed up to every musical, every play, every sports event to cheer them on. She sent countless letters and notes to so many of her kids to encourage them, especially when life was hard.

Easter proclaims that death is not the end, but the pathway to resurrection. Micky lived a long and meaningful life, touching countless ways with her compassion, vision and nurturing. It is a joy to imagine her resurrected in heaven with Jesus welcoming her, saying “well done, good and faithful servant.”



It is sad not to have Micky with us anymore. I will miss her warmth, her smile, her gentle presence. I miss her notes, which I often found on my desk. I will especially miss her at these events which she started. But I hope that we can also celebrate a woman who believed in the resurrection, not just with her mind, but with the whole life she lived. I hope we can rejoice that a heavenly life of total love, joy and peace is hers for all eternity.

~ Pastor John

**The Memorial Service  
for Doris “Micky” Webber  
is on Saturday, April 6th  
2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary  
Collation to follow**



**Bible and Bagels and Luke!**

Our “Bible and Bagels – and Luke” Bible Study, continues in April on Thursday Mornings from 8 to 9 a.m. at Bruegger Bagels on Great Road. This year, Bible and Bagels will be coordinated with the “Journey with Luke” sermon series during the year. Each session, will be an opportunity to “talk back” about last week’s sermon as well as learning more about the upcoming sermon. We will delve deeper into Luke: his background, his writing style and his faith. This is a drop-in bible study: show up anytime - no prior knowledge of the Bible is necessary. This is a “low stress” Bible Study aimed at those who don’t know much about the Bible, but are curious to learn more. So join us and get your day started right, with a good dose of inspiration. And bring a friend, too!

**2018-2019 Annual Reports  
are due to the Church Office  
no later than Wednesday, May 1st**

## Holy Week

Holy Week is one of the most important times in the Christian calendar, where we remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, his confrontation with the religious leaders, his arrest, suffering and crucifixion and ultimately, his glorious resurrection on Easter morning. We invite all members, friends and neighbors to the following Holy Week services.

### **Sunday, April 14th – Palm/ Passion Sunday**

Join us for a special service that starts with Jesus' triumphal march into Jerusalem, and ends with his suffering and crucifixion. The service will include the Sunday School children marching in and distributing Palms to the congregation. Pastor John will be offering a dramatic retelling of the story of Jesus' last week in Jerusalem as recorded in the Gospel of Luke. You will not want to miss this powerful and moving service!

### **Thursday, April 18th – Maundy Thursday**

After a simple supper at 6:00 p.m., we will be having a 7:15 service. The first part of the service will remember Christ's last supper with his disciples. The second part of the service will recount the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus, using eight symbols connected with his passion and death. The service will include the extinguishing of candles and the ringing of a bell 33 times, remembering the 33 years Jesus spent on earth.

### **Friday, March 30th 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. – Good Friday**

This year, we will be offering an innovative multi-media service in the sanctuary. We invite you to come at anytime between 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. to experience this powerful service.

### **Sunday, April 21st – Easter Sunday**

We will begin our Easter celebration with an ecumenical Easter Service at 6:30 at Fawn Lake. Our traditional Easter Breakfast will be held at 7:15, followed by an Easter Egg Hunt. Finally, come to our 10:00 a.m. service as we joyfully celebrate the resurrection of Jesus.

We hope and pray that each of you will join us, as we commemorate and remember the events of Jesus' life, death and resurrection.





**Women's Fellowship**  
**Comedy Night & Dignity Matters**  
**Collection**



Please join the First Church Women's Fellowship/Soul Sisters (WFSS) at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 23, in the Vestry for a combined Comedy Night and celebration of our month-long collection drive to support Dignity Matters, a nonprofit that supplies feminine-hygiene products and underwear to homeless women and girls.

Dignity Matters collects and supplies personal items for women and girls in need, to help them stay healthy, regain self-confidence, and live with basic dignity. During the month of April, WFSS will lead a church-wide drive for financial donations to Dignity Matters, so it can purchase feminine-hygiene items at a fraction of the retail cost.

It's hard to imagine, but the lack of access to feminine-hygiene products is a HUGE issue for tens of thousands of women in the U.S. There are women in almost every community who cannot afford these monthly necessities, which are not covered by Food Stamps (SNAP benefits), and not provided by most homeless shelters or public schools.

We will also collect donations of underwear. The focus is on NEW bras (any type, color, size) and NEW packages of women's underwear. (Large sizes are particularly needed!)

In celebration of our Dignity Matters collection, we will gather for an evening of funny stories and videos. Please bring some of your favorite jokes to share and make this a light-hearted program that leaves everybody smiling – and helps out a worthy cause.

**Upcoming Mission Trip Fundraiser**

~~~ Community Spaghetti Supper ~~~

**SPAGHETTI DINNER**



**Friday, April 26th**

**5:30 pm -8:30 pm**

**Upper Fellowship Hall at First Church**

Join us for a delicious spaghetti supper to raise funds for the Mission Trip.  
 Suggested donation of \$10/adult, \$5/child with a maximum family donation of \$25.

## Fifth Annual West Virginia Mission Trip - July 6<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>



After another successful Mission Festival, it is time to start thinking of our Mission Trip in July! Signing up for this life-changing experience is officially open! Here's a few details about this year's trip:

### Who Can Come?

All members and friends of the congregation are welcome – ages 13 and above.

### What Will We Be Doing?

There are two options:

- Rehabilitating run-down homes, buildings – even churches. No special skills or abilities are required. Work will be given based on your physical ability and comfort level.
- Working at the Wade Center, an after-school program for disadvantaged youth.

### How Will We Get There?

Once again, you have two options:

- Driving down on Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup>. This is a 12-hour trip, split into two days, with a stop-over in Pennsylvania on Saturday night.
- Flying to either Charleston, West Virginia or Charlotte North Carolina on Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup>, then driving 2-3 hours.

### What Are The Accommodations?

The Appalachian South Folklife Center has comfortable accommodations, with dorm-style rooms. We will be purchasing food at local supermarkets and cooking our own food. The Center has a fully-equipped kitchen plus a grill and fire pit.

### What Does The Trip Cost?

A \$50 deposit is required by May 15<sup>th</sup>. A balance of \$200 for adults and \$100 for youth is due by July 1<sup>st</sup>. All other costs will be covered by the Outreach Board, with the exception of plane fare if you choose to fly. If you have trouble paying for the trip, please talk to Pastor John. **No one should decide not to attend due to cost.**

### Information Meeting

We will have an information meeting on **Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>** after church to address any questions or concerns you may have. For those who decided to go, we will have a planning meeting on **Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>** after church.

### Who Do I Go To With Any Questions Before the Meeting?

Feel free to contact Pastor John with any questions. His cell phone is 857-939-0711. His email address is pastorjohn28@gmail.com.

### Wonderful Wednesday

#### A Special Wonderful Wednesday – April 3<sup>rd</sup>

Please join us on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm for a special Wonderful Wednesday. We will host Rob Schadt from the Africa Exchange Project at the Plymouth Church in Framingham, along with two visitors from Tanzania: Wingred Kihongosi and Spora Sanga. Wingerd and Spora are teachers from the Pomerini Secondary School. After dinner, they will share their stories of teaching in rural Tanzania as well as sharing their dream of building a new science facility at the school. Many will remember how our partnership with the Africa Exchange project began several years ago, where we gave 100% of our Fall Fair proceeds to purchase seven water wells in Tanzania, working through the Africa Exchange project.

#### 2019 Wonderful Wednesday Dates

April 3 – Africa Exchange Project

May 1 – Kate Reynold's

May 22 - First Church Jeopardy

### Nurture and Holy Week

#### Palm Sunday – April 14

On Palm Sunday, children will distribute palms to the congregation towards the beginning of worship. This tradition is a great way for kids to participate in worship leadership while expressing some joy. Following the children's sermon, children and youth will head to Sunday school for an all ages Resurrection Egg hunt. The eggs will help us hear the Holy Week story in a new way using symbols, images, and our senses.

#### Easter Sunday – April 21

Easter Sunday, come join the Board of Christian Nurture in lower fellowship hall for an Easter Egg Hunt. **The hunt will begin at 9:30am.** Come ready to collect your team's eggs and to work as a group putting together a colorful puzzle. Following the Egg hunt all ages will head to worship. Easter Sunday is planned so all ages can meaningfully worship together.



### Bike to Church and Blessing of the Helmets

Bike to church on April 28<sup>th</sup>! All who are able are invited to come to church using fewer fossil fuels than normal. If you can Bike or walk great. If you are too far to bike, look into public transportation or a car pool. No matter how you get to church, bring your helmet. Spring is here which means all kinds of fun outdoor activities. Whether we are riding scooters, tricycles, bicycles, skate board, roller blades, or motor cycles our heads need protection. Bring in your helmet so we can bless Spring, Nature, and out door fun by blessing our helmets.



### Faith at Home

In addition to Easter, April means Earth Day. While Earth Day isn't a religious holiday it has spiritual connections. Most of us view creation care as part of our Christian Calling. Scripture tells us God created the earth and all the living creatures on the earth. God placed humans in relationship to creation giving us dominion over all the earth. God placed creation in our hands in a form of sacred trust. In our day to day lives, it is often easy to forget our connections with nature. To use resources in ways that make life easy for now but don't foster the long-term health of our planet. Earth Day is a chance to remember our sacred responsibilities to God and creation. It is a chance to think about the ways we use resources and to make mindful changes. It is a wonderful opportunity to take time as a family to think about how you currently care for creation and ways your family could do a bit better. We all do somethings and we all have room for improvement. What would your family like to change? How can you work together as a family to make those changes real? We all have a role to play, after all it is often the youngest among us who are most apt to remember the reusable grocery bags.

~Kate Byers

### Easter Plants

Our joy in the Easter season is reflected in the holiday decorations in our church. Easter plants will not only brighten our Sanctuary on Easter Sunday, but may be used to spread the blessings of this season throughout our church family to those who cannot attend Easter services.

Those wishing to purchase one or more plants may do so by returning this form to the church office with your check for \$12.00 each, made out to the "First Church of Christ, Congregational" with "Easter Plant" marked in the lower left-hand corner.

**The deadline for orders is: Friday, March 29, 2019**

Name(s) of donor(s): \_\_\_\_\_

In memory or honor of (optional):  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please check the number and kind of plant(s) you wish: Lily \_\_\_ Tulip \_\_\_ Daffodil \_\_\_ Hydrangea \_\_\_

#### Making coffee a Ministry?

Absolutely! Coffee hour after church is as important as anything else we do as a church. Where else do you get to check in with your church friends, deepen your relationships and create a stronger sense of "joyful fellowship?" Please sign up to help on the bulletin board in the Vestry



#### 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](mailto:laxmom5@aol.com) or signup online at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20foe49aaab22a6f49-flowers>

#### Save the Date Annual Rummage Sale Saturday, May 18, 2019 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Get started now cleaning out your closets, attic, basement, and garage! More information will be in the May Newsletter or contact:

Allyson Printz ([allyson@printzfamily.us](mailto:allyson@printzfamily.us)) Kathy Register ([registerk11@gmail.com](mailto:registerk11@gmail.com)) or Susan Wingfield ([susanw1@verizon.net](mailto:susanw1@verizon.net))





### Music Notes

Music groups at First Church are preparing special selections for Holy Week this month. For Palm Sunday and Easter, the Jubilee Ringers are playing two more selections they're also preparing for this June's Area One Handbell Conference. Listen for a change ring pattern from the balcony on Easter. This style has its origins in traditional English tower bell ringing.

### March Music Schedule:

- Monday, April 1 - Jubilee Ringers rehearsal 7:00 pm
- Thursday, April 4 - Adult Choir, no rehearsal (Wonderful Wednesday week)
- Sunday, April 7 - Adult Choir rehearsal 8:30 am
- Monday, April 8 - Jubilee Ringers rehearsal 7:00 pm
- Thursday, April 11 - Adult Choir rehearsal 7:30 pm
- Sunday, April 14 - (Palm) Music call times TBA
- Monday, April 15 - Jubilee Ringers, no rehearsal (Patriot's Day)
- Thursday, April 18 - (Maundy) Adult Choir call time approx. 6:30 pm
- Sunday, April 21 - (Easter) Music call times TBA
- Monday, April 22 - Jubilee Ringers rehearsal 7:00 pm
- Thursday, April 25 - Adult Choir, no rehearsal 7:30 pm (Wonderful Wednesday week)
- Sunday, April 28 - Adult Choir mini-rehearsal 9:00 am
- Monday, April 29 - Jubilee Ringers rehearsal 7:00 pm

~ Susan Capestro, Director of Music

### **THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU**

A huge and heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual West Virginia Mission Festival! It's a bit mind-boggling to think of all of the time, energy and creativity that spread throughout Bedford and bounced off the church walls as so many people worked together in support of our West Virginia friends.

We encourage you to take a moment to reflect on this most recent labor of love -- and all the myriad elements that united to create a successful fundraiser! From the logistics of event planning and advertising to soliciting donations (food, goods, services) to venue layout and set up, to hosting out-of-town guests, to setting up and managing the performance to feeding guests (and volunteers!), to actually managing day-of-event activities -- we could fill an entire newsletter with recognizing everyone's contributions!

Thank you to all the many, many people who participated in multiple, generous ways! We very much appreciate each and every one who strives (and succeeds) to "joyfully serve".

Event proceeds will be reported in next month's newsletter as the silent auction is on-going.

### **April Deacons Collection UCC: One Great Hour of Sharing - Sunday, April 7th**

One Great Hour of Sharing is an offering that makes the love of Christ real for individuals and communities around the world who suffer the effects of disaster, conflict, or severe economic hardship, and for those who serve them through gifts of money and time. Today, projects are underway in more than 100 countries, including the United States and Canada. In the 1990s, receipts have exceeded \$20 million annually. While specific allocations differ in each denomination, all use their One Great Hour of Sharing funds to make possible disaster relief, refugee assistance, development aid and more.

## Church School for 2018-2019

### **Nursery**

Children zero through five years old are welcome to join Jacob Mock in the nursery at the beginning of worship. They are also welcome to start worship with their family and go to the nursery following Children's time or to remain in worship for the entire service. Parents, you know your kids best. Please do whatever work best for your family and let us know how we can support you in caring for your children.

### **PreK-5th Grade**

During March children and youth will continue our Lenten focus on parables and questions. We will spend most of the month talking about the Good Samaritan and what it means to be a neighbor.

### **6th-12th Grade**

During April, youth will continue thinking about lent while working on a micro lending project through KIVA. These lessons will be largely youth lead. The youth will track past lending, lend about \$400 to people in need of support, and come up with a way to present their work to the congregation.

### **Programs for our youth: Think Outside Sunday Morning**

#### **Middle School and High School**

This year our older youth will explore questions central to life and faith, in four units organized around a central event with meetings before and after for learning and reflection. Each unit will be a distinctive focus running for about 4 consecutive weeks. The first few weeks we will meet at church for dinner and programming as we prep for a "big activity." The third week will be a more time intensive/exciting activity. Our final week will be a wrap up session where we reflect over food on what we have done and learned. Youth and their families are invited to commit to the units that work for them. This year our units are:

#### ***Caring for the earth: How are we called to live?***

Leading up to Easter and Earth Day, youth will spend 3 weeks thinking about environmental justice and our church. Youth will be empowered to work on a group selected project to help the congregation live into echo justice. The big event for this unit will be an overnight camping trip in June.

April 7 - Dinner and programming from 6 to 7:45pm

June 21-23 – Camping with a ropes course

#### ***Seeking social justice: What are we called to do?***

Our May unit will focus on an overnight trip into Boston with City Reach where youth will work with people experiencing homelessness to serve the homeless community of Boston. The prep meetings will encourage youth to think about homelessness and about mission through relationship.

April 28<sup>th</sup> – Dinner and programming from 6 to 7:45pm

May 5<sup>th</sup> – Dinner and Programming from 6 to 7:45pm

May 10-11<sup>th</sup> – Overnight with City Reach/Common Cathedral in Boston

May 19<sup>th</sup> – Dinner and Programming from 6 to 7:45

Daily Lectionary Scripture References - April 2019

**Mon., Apr. 1**  
Psalm 53  
Leviticus 23:26-41  
Revelation 19:1-8

**Tues., Apr. 2**  
Psalm 53  
Leviticus 25:1-19  
Revelation 19:9-10

**Wed., Apr. 3**  
Psalm 53  
2 Kings 4:1-7  
Luke 9:10-17

**Thurs., Apr. 4**  
Psalm 126  
Isaiah 43:1-7  
Philippians 2:19-24

**Fri., Apr. 5**  
Psalm 126  
Isaiah 43:8-15  
Philippians 2:25—3:1

**Sat., Apr. 6**  
Psalm 126  
Exodus 12:21-27  
John 11:45-57

**Sun., Apr. 7**  
*Fifth Sunday in Lent*  
Isaiah 43:16-21  
Psalm 126  
Philippians 3:4b-14  
John 12:1-8

**Mon., Apr. 8**  
Psalm 20  
Exodus 40:1-15  
Hebrews 10:19-25

**Tues., Apr. 9**  
Psalm 20  
Judges 9:7-15  
1 John 2:18-28

**Wed., Apr. 10**  
Psalm 20  
Habakkuk 3:2-15  
Luke 18:31-34

**Thurs., Apr. 11**  
Psalm 31:9-16  
Isaiah 53:10-12  
Hebrews 2:1-9

**Fri., Apr. 12**  
Psalm 31:9-16  
Isaiah 54:9-10  
Hebrews 2:10-18

**Sat., Apr. 13**  
Psalm 31:9-16  
Leviticus 23:1-8  
Luke 22:1-13

**Sun., Apr. 14**  
*Passion or Palm Sunday Palms:*  
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29  
Luke 19:28-40  
Passion:  
Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Psalm 31:9-16  
Philippians 2:5-11  
Luke 22:14—23:56  
or Luke 23:1-49

**Mon., Apr. 15**  
Isaiah 42:1-9;  
Psalm 36:5-11  
Hebrews 9:11-15;  
John 12:1-11

**Tues., Apr. 16**  
Isaiah 49:1-7;  
Psalm 71:1-14  
1 Corinthians 1:18-31  
John 12:20-36

**Wed., Apr. 17**  
Isaiah 50:4-9a;  
Psalm 70  
Hebrews 12:1-3;  
John 13:21-32

**Thurs., Apr. 18**  
*Maundy Thursday*  
Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14  
Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19  
1 Corinthians 11:23-26  
John 13:1-17, 31b-35

**Fri., Apr. 19 Good Friday**  
Isaiah 52:13—53:12  
Psalm 22  
Hebrews 10:16-25 or  
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9  
John 18:1—19:42

**Sat., Apr. 20 Holy Saturday**  
Job 14:1-14 or  
Lamentations 3:1-9, 19-24  
Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16  
1 Peter 4:1-8  
Matthew 27:57-66 or  
John 19:38-42

**Sun., Apr. 21**  
*Easter*  
Acts 10:34-43 or  
Isaiah 65:17-25  
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
1 Corinthians 15:19-26 or  
Acts 10:34-43  
John 20:1-18 or  
Luke 24:1-12

**Mon., Apr. 22**  
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
Joshua 10:16-27  
1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

**Tues., Apr. 23**  
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
Judges 4:17-23; 5:24-31a  
Revelation 12:1-12

**Wed., Apr. 24**  
Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
2 Samuel 6:1-15  
Luke 24:1-12

**Thurs., Apr. 25**  
Psalm 150  
1 Samuel 17:1-23  
Acts 5:12-16

**Fri., Apr. 26**  
Psalm 150  
1 Samuel 17:19-32  
Acts 5:17-26

**Sat., Apr. 27**  
Psalm 150  
1 Samuel 17:32-51  
Luke 24:36-40

**Sun., Apr. 28**  
*Second Sunday of Easter*  
Acts 5:27-32  
Psalm 118:14-29 or  
Psalm 150  
Revelation 1:4-8  
John 20:19-31

**Mon., Apr. 29**  
Psalm 122  
Esther 7:1-10  
Revelation 1:9-20

**Tues., Apr. 30** Psalm 122  
Esther 8:1-17  
Revelation 2:8-11

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| <b>1</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7p Jubilee Ringers (Music Room)                                    | <b>2</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7:30a Violence Prevention Committee (Vestry)<br>6:45p AA (12 Step Men) (Room 5)<br>7p AA Tuesday Evening (Room 7A)<br>7p Outreach (Vestry)            | <b>3</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7a Men's Group (Vestry)<br>6p Wonderful Wednesday (UFH/KV)   | <b>4</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>8a Bible and Bagels (Bruegger's Great Road)<br>9a Coffee and Conversation (Bruegger's Great Road)<br>7:30p AA (UFH)   | <b>5</b><br>Pastor John Day Off<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6:30p AA (Beginner Mtg) (UFH)                             | <b>6</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>8a Women's Fellowship Retreat (Vestry)<br>2p Micky Weber Memorial (Sanctuary, UFH, Kitchen) | <b>7</b><br>COMMUNION<br>FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>8:30a 8:30 Group (Parlor)<br>10a Worship (Sanctuary)<br>6:30p Prayer Group (Parlor) |
| <b>8</b><br>May Newsletter Deadline<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7p Jubilee Ringers (Music Room)         | <b>9</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7:30a Women's Fellowship Breakfast (Riverview-Billerica)<br>6:45p AA (12 Step Men) (Room 5)<br>7p AA Tuesday Evening (Room 7A)<br>7p Cabinet (Vestry) | <b>10</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7a Men's Group (Vestry)   | <b>11</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>8a Bible and Bagels (Bruegger's Great Road)<br>9a Coffee and Conversation (Bruegger's Great Road)<br>7:30p AA (UFH)  | <b>12</b><br>Pastor John Day Off<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6:30p AA (Beginner Mtg) (UFH)                            | <b>13</b><br>6a AA (UFH)   | <b>14</b><br>SIXTH SUNDAY OF LENT<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>8:30a 8:30 Group Parlor<br>10a Worship (Sanctuary)<br>6:30p Prayer Group (Parlor)               |
| <b>15</b><br>Office Closed<br>PATRIOTS' DAY<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7p Jubilee Ringers (Music Room) | <b>16</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6:45p AA (12 Step Men) (Room 5)<br>7p AA Tuesday Evening (Room 7A)   | <b>17</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7a Men's Group (Vestry)   | <b>18</b><br>MAUNDY THURSDAY<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>8a Bible and Bagels (Bruegger's Great Road)<br>9a Coffee and Conversation (Bruegger's Great Road)<br>6p Maundy Thursday Dinner (Upper Fellowship Hall)<br>7:15p Maundy Thursday Worship (Sanctuary)<br>7:30p AA (UFH) | <b>19 Good Friday</b><br>GOOD FRIDAY<br>Pastor John Day Off<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6:30p AA (Beginner Mtg) (UFH) | <b>20</b><br>Easter set up (Sanctuary)<br>6a AA (UFH)  | <b>21 Easter</b><br>EASTER<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>8:30a 8:30 Group (Parlor)<br>10a Worship (Sanctuary)<br>6:30p Prayer Group (Parlor)                    |
| <b>22</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7p Jubilee Ringers (Music Room)                                   | <b>23</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6:45p AA (12 Step Men) (Room 5)<br>7p AA Tuesday Evening (Room 7A)   | <b>24</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7a Men's Group (Vestry)<br>9:45a Pastor Group (John) (Wellesley)<br>10a Newsletter Folding (Music Room) | <b>25</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>8a Bible and Bagels (Bruegger's Great Road)<br>9a Coffee and Conversation (Bruegger's Great Road)<br>7:30p AA (UFH)  | <b>26</b><br>Pastor John Day Off<br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6:30p AA (Beginner Mtg) (UFH)                            | <b>27</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>5:30 pm Spaghetti Dinner   | <b>28</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>8:30a 8:30 Group (Parlor)<br>10a Worship (Sanctuary)<br>6:30p Prayer Group (Parlor)                                     |
| <b>29</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>7p Jubilee Ringers (Music Room)                                   | <b>30</b><br>6a AA (UFH)<br>6:45p AA (12 Step Men) (Room 5)<br>7p AA Tuesday Evening (Room 7A)<br>7:30p NAMI (Room 4)  |   |  |   |  |   |



~ April Worship ~



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| April 7, 2019<br>~ Communion        | 10:00 am | “Journey with Luke: A Thief in Paradise”<br>Rev. John Castricum, Sr. Pastor           | Luke 23: 39-43                               |
| April 14, 2019<br>~ Palm Sunday     | 10:00 am | “Journey with Luke: The Passion According to Luke”<br>Rev. John Castricum, Sr. Pastor | Palm: Luke: 19:29-40<br>Passion: Luke 22, 23 |
| April 18, 2019<br>~ Maundy Thursday | 7:15 pm  | 6pm supper & 7:15 Worship Service   |  |
| April 19, 2019<br>~ Good Friday     | 3:00 pm  | Multi-Media Worship Service   |  |
| April 21, 2019<br>~ Easter Sunday   | 10:00 am | “Journey with Luke: Resurrection at the Core”<br>Rev. John Castricum, Sr. Pastor      | Luke 24: 1-12                                |
| April 28, 2019                      | 10:00 am |   | Luke 24: 13-35                               |

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Easter Sunday, April 21, 2019:  
10:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary



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