

The Messenger

News and Information for the First United Methodist Church, Hudson, MA
March 2023

Join us this Sunday!

Current Schedule:

11:00am In-Person / Online Worship Service

Our Online Worship services are broadcast on YouTube.

Office Hours: Mon – Fri, 9:30am – 1:30pm

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Staff Leaders 2023:

Pastor: Pastor Chris Jones

Certified Lay Minister: Susan Niro

Music Director: Lisa Schliker

Organist: Margarita Merriman

Administrator: Bonnie Elman

Newsletter Editor: Lisa Schliker

Sexton: Mario DiMare

Nursery Care: Sarah DiMare

Spiritual Lay Leader: Barbara Robinson

Lay Leader: Ada Arenstrup

TV Ministry: The DiMare family

Caregivers & Grief Support Group 1st and 3rd Monday - 11:00am

Thanks to all who have used our support group for the often- challenging times we experience in a caregiver capacity.

Agape Café Thursdays 4:30pm

Dine Inside or order “To Go” and pick-up in our parking lot.

These free dinners are for everyone; all are welcome to partake. Be sure to check out the table with all the desserts and take what you like!

MASK Update: A Friendly Reminder from our Church Council

We ask you to please take the following precautions.

- If you are sick for any reason, please stay at home.
- If you're not feeling well but are planning to come to worship, please wear a mask
- If you have not been vaccinated, you must wear a mask.

Remember, we need to care for others as well as ourselves. Thank you for your understanding and consideration of this request.



Craft Group is Starting Up Again

It's time to start creating the crafts that we will be selling at the 2023 Christmas

Country Fair, and the more hands the better! No experience is required. We'll have plenty of crafts that need different skills – or no particular skills! It's really more about the Fellowship!!

(Oh, and if you have any cool ideas, please feel free to share!!)

Beginning March 14, we will meet Tuesdays from 1:00 – 3:00 pm in Lamson Hall.



From the FUMC Trustees Corner

If anyone has any concerns or issues regarding any trustee issues please bring it to my attention and I will share it with the other Trustees. We always want to hear about any concerns one might have, good or bad.

Bob Scerra trustee



Cherokee Wisdom Two Wolves

One evening an old Cherokee told his grandson about a Battle that goes on inside people.

He said, "My son, the battle is between two "Wolves" inside us all. One is Evil. It is anger, envy, jealousy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, and ego.

The other is Good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion, and faith."

The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather: "Which wolf wins?"

The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed."



"Changing Our World"
Nellie Amedee
Submitted by Barbara Robinson

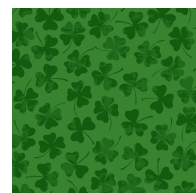
MOO March Mission Opportunity Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner

Join us on Saturday, March 11th at 5:00pm for our annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Fund Raising Dinner in support of Bridges to Malawi.

This project, headed by our own Dr. Brian, is to help provide aid to villagers in Malawi, South Africa. For \$15.00, Come enjoy a delicious corned beef dinner with potatoes, turnips, onions and carrots. Of course we will have dessert and beverages so plan to come hear Brian's presentation while enjoying your home cooked dinner and the fellowship of our community.

Want to help?:

We are asking for help in providing the items needed to prepare the meal. Please check out the board in the sanctuary that has index cards indicating what we are looking for.



Lenten Bible Study

Join us on Thursdays from 10 - 11am in Lamson Hall. Pastor Chris will lead a new Bible Study, based on the book, "24 Hours That Changed the World", describing Jesus' last and greatest hours before his crucifixion. There is a charge of \$14 for the book. We have a few extra books if you decide you'd like to attend.

For those who would like to attend the study in the evening, Pastor Chris will also lead on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm



March Birthdays

4	Adam Krasinski
6	Janice Owen
6	Frances Wolfe
10	Christopher Jordan
10	Brody O'Leary
11	Karen Wetherell
15	Rosanne Roberts
16	Melissa Sniffin
23	Deb O'Malley
24	Meaghan Scerra
28	Becky Millbury (nee Kauffman)

March Anniversaries

31	Rosanne & Cliff Roberts
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Prayer Joys and Concerns:

Continued prayer support for Pastor Chris' mom, grieving the loss of a very dear friend. Pam; for 14yr old Melody who has a degenerative muscle disease.

Bonnie's Grand-daughter Brittny, Heartfelt thanks to everyone who is praying for her and has donated to her go-fund me. So much gratitude.

Doris; Safe travels for Granddaughter Abigail, to Florida and for son-in-law, Rick going to S. Carolina.

Healing and recovery for the earthquake survivors in Turkey/Syria and an end to the war in Ukraine.

Let love and peace soar, to end violence, acts of hate and injustice.

For all to practice simple acts of kindness to others.

Monthly Friendship Dinner

On the 4th Saturday of each month, we host a free homecooked dinner, open to all.

Dinners are served at 5:00pm. You can also call ahead to order a meal to go. Come and enjoy an evening out while letting someone else do the cooking. Come by yourself or bring a friend. We look forward to seeing you!

Our next Friendship dinner is on Saturday, March 25th.

From the Newsletter Editor...

April Newsletter submissions are due Monday, March 27 at 5pm. Please send your articles to me at: lpattovb@yahoo.com



Thank you! Lisa
Schliker – Newsletter
Editor