

THE MESSENGER

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*"We believe God is calling us to walk in the ways of Jesus Christ
and to bear witness to the Gospel through worship and service, empowered by the Holy Spirit."*

Welcome back to Payson Park after a summer season that hopefully gave you a chance to rest and recreate! Living in New England we're blessed to be close to some of the most delightful spots for exploration and enjoyment that the USA can boast. To walk even a portion of the Freedom Trail in Boston or the Minute Man Trail between Lexington and Concord gives you a sense of this country's revolutionary past and the sweep of years through which we in Massachusetts can take pride in living as heirs and stewards of our American form of democracy.

Driving the twisting back roads of Massachusetts this summer, I also came to more fully appreciate how we Congregationalists and members of the United Church of Christ can proudly point to the white clapboard Congregational churches standing prominently on nearly every village green or common in small towns dotting the state. They speak of the church being at the center of the community, and often along with offering sanctuaries for worship they actually served dual purposes as being the Meeting Houses of the New England towns in which they were planted. Town Meetings and other communal events central to a well-functioning democracy took place right in the Congregational church until later in our development as a nation we acquired a more pronounced interpretation of the separation of church and state. But the concept underlying the centrality of the church as a main pillar of the community is in the process of being adapted to a new, 21st Century expression. And it is to that end that Payson Park Congregational Church is in the process of redefining its role as a key player in the health and welfare of Belmont, Watertown, and our surrounding communities.



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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

9:30 AM

Rev. Joe Zarro, preaching

Rev. Thomas Forster-Smith presiding

A Service of Holy Communion

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

10:30 AM

Rev. Thomas Forster-Smith preaching

Homecoming Sunday

Church school, nursery care and choir rehearsals begin

Mission trip meeting

This month the acolytes from God's Garden are Rosie Garcia and Nicole Michaud. The deacon on duty is Emily Dallman. Reading scripture is Sally Markham. Altar flowers are given by Janet Coleman in memory of her father, Joseph M. Finnerty's birthday. Flowers are also given by Cindy Lou Benson in honor of the new year in God's Garden. The fellowship hour is given by the Christian Education Committee. The ushers greeting are Ann Alves and Carl Miller.

SUNDAY WORSHIP:

SCRIPTURE READERS WELCOMED!

Would you like to give voice to one of the scripture readings during our Sunday morning worship services? A sign-up sheet for the upcoming months is on the bulletin board outside the church office. We would love to have you be a part of our time together!

SUMMER SUNDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

"Thank you" to all who participated in and attended our summer worship services! Our time together through the summer months was filled with rich moments of faithful prayer, song, and contemplation. Thank YOU for being a part of our prayerful community!

July 3 - 43

July 10 - 28

July 17 - 31

July 24 - 33

July 31 - 32

August 7 & 14 @ Plymouth Congregational

August 21 - 65

August 28 TBD

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

10:30 AM

Rev. Bill Ragan preaching

The altar flowers are given by Nancy & Paul Fergus in memory of loved ones. The deacon on duty is Carl Miller. Reading scripture is Pat Cappadona. The fellowship hour is given by John & Cynthia Lasker and Sally Markham. The usher greeting is Carl Miller and Cynthia Lasker.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

10:30 AM

Rev. Thomas Forster-Smith preaching

Moment of Recognition — First Responders

Altar flowers are given by Joan Blackman in memory of her husband, Jack. The deacon on duty is Marty Gledhill. The fellowship hour is given by Barbara Benjamin and Holly Bloomfield. Reading scripture is Nancy Slavinsky. The ushers greeting are Carl Miller and Nancy Slavinsky.



"Seek and you will find."
- Matthew 7:7, NIV

SEARCH COMMITTEE:

UPDATE

"The Payson Park Church Search Committee has been faithfully and prayerfully meeting each week on Wednesday evenings during the summer. The Committee has received over 35 pastoral profiles which we have discussed and studied for hours. We have interviewed several extremely qualified, highly educated and enthusiastic Pastor candidates and we are excited about the prospect of finalizing our search this fall. Thank you for your prayers and support in this most difficult, but exhilarating journey."

SHARING & CARING

“Music, hospitality and mission...” These are the three greatest strengths our congregation has self-identified as the gifts we feel most called to offer to our wider community. They serve as the focus of what our congregation’s outreach efforts will try to be as we call a new settled pastor to lead Payson Park into its next chapter of life as a Congregational Church and proud member of the United Church of Christ. Just as Christ himself called his followers to open their arms and hearts to those most in need in their communities, regardless of who they were or where they came from, so we too are called to reach out in love to this changing world of which we’re an active part. We’ve been planted at the center of our community to help engage it in becoming all God means for it to be.

Christian discipleship means worshiping God, learning about faithful living from reading and studying the Bible together, and reaching out in loving service not just to our own congregation but to the world around us. Please read further in this issue of the Messenger for how you can get involved as autumn begins in playing this important role as one of Christ’s faithful disciples at Payson Park Church and in the community beyond!

Faithfully,

Rev. Tom Forster-Smith

THE WIDER CHURCH:

EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Are you interested in attending educational or other events offered by our denomination? The offices of the Massachusetts Conference of the United Church of Christ, located in Framingham, provide a host of classes and workshops that are available to lay and clergy members alike. Events are regularly posted on our bulletin boards, or you may log on to the denomination’s website at www.macucc.org.

MACUCC COLLABORATION

SUPER SATURDAY

The MA Conference United Church of Christ is hosting a day of worship, workshops & networking on October 15, 2016. For more information go to their website or visit the church office for a copy of the brochure.

<http://www.macucc.org/files/files/documentsleadershipdevelopment/super+sat+fall+2016+brochure.pdf>

GATHERING TOGETHER IN

FAITH, HOPE & LOVE, TUES., 2:00 – 4:00 PM

All women of the church are invited to join together Tuesday afternoons in the MacDonald Room parlor. Inspired by the knitting of prayer shawls, this is a time of “sharing and caring” in the spirit of “faith, hope, and love.” Whether you knit or not, please consider coming once or every week to get together with new and old-time friends of the church.



PAYSON PARK NURSERY SCHOOL

Are you looking for a nursery school program for your child? Do you have neighbors or friends who are making plans for their young children for the fall? The Payson Park Church Nursery School is currently accepting applications for enrolment in September. Scheduling is flexible, and 20% discounts are available for church members. Please call Janet Coleman, Nursery School Director, for more information (617/489-4824).

SHARING & CARING



MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!

CHORAL OPPORTUNITIES

Each Sunday we enjoy many and varied musical offerings during worship. From the choirs of children and youth directed by Molly Jo Rivelli to our adult Chancel Choir directed by Megan Henderson, our community is blessed with talent and inspiration. *You* are invited to join in the fun. Rehearsals take place Sundays so the time commitment is manageable for those who work or have family responsibilities. Speak with our Directors or choir members if you have questions. You can be a part of helping Payson Park make a joyful noise!

SHARING & CARING:

THE DEACON'S FUND

The Deacon's Fund mission is to provide aid for those in need. Generally, this offering is received on the first Sunday of the month and this money is distributed by the minister and our deacon chairperson to make sure those who are without utilities, food or other necessities are aided directly, efficiently and respectfully. Please support the Deacon's Fund on the first Sunday of the month. Designated envelopes are in the pews.



CELEBRATING NEW LIFE

IN OUR CONGREGATION

On Sunday, August 21, we celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism as we gave thanks for the life of Charles Jonathan Nuss and his family and grandmother, Linda Knight. We give thanks for the gift of life and Charles's arrival in this world, as we covenanted with them and family to walk together on the Christian path of discipleship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS IN WORSHIP:

SHARING OUR LIVES WITH ONE ANOTHER

We want to hear from you! Sharing news about events in the church and wider community as well as personal concerns and celebrations for prayer is a vital way we grow together. Through the fall season, announcements will be made by the pastor at the Sunday's worship service so that the information can be heard by all. If you have a prayer request that you would like announced during worship, please speak with our pastor in the days before our Sunday service. If it is on Sunday, please speak with an usher. You may also give a written request to an usher. Thank you for sharing & caring!

DO YOU NEED TO REACH THE PASTOR?

The Rev. Thomas Forster-Smith, Interim Pastor, can be reached through the Church Office or by email at pastor@paysonpark.org.

The Rev. Bill Ragan, Ministerial Associate, can be reached on his cell phone 484/860-4108 or by email at minassoc@paysonpark.org

MISSION & OUTREACH

BRISTOL LODGE: FOOD KITCHEN

We are about to begin another season of cooking monthly hot meals to serve to the 75-80 guests who come daily to the Bristol Lodge Food Kitchen at Immanuel Methodist Church in Waltham. Some of these guests are homeless and living in shelters, but many are working people struggling to get by on their meager incomes. They come for the food but also for the companionship, for card and domino games and for warmth and shelter during the hour that the kitchen is open. They are all very grateful for the nutritious meals that we serve and we receive many words of thanks as they leave.

Payson Park Church has been engaged in this community service for many years, thanks to the generosity of several loyal members. We hope to continue this mission and we look forward to having some new volunteers join us. There are many ways that you can help, such as shopping for and cooking a designated meal to serve 12 people (most often a one-dish casserole); delivering and serving meals from 5:00-5:45 p.m. at the Waltham church; donating cash to help with the purchase of beverages, salad ingredients and rolls. You may volunteer every month or whenever you can - any help is needed!

The date is always the 4th Tuesday of the month and a different recipe is used each month, reasonably priced and simple to prepare. The fall dates are 09/27, 10/25, 11/22, 12/27. Please make a note of these dates, check the M&O bulletin board by the church office for recipes and sign-ups, and contact colasker@comcast.net with questions. I look forward to your participation!

Date: Tuesday, September 27, 5-5:45 pm

Place: Immanuel Methodist Church, 545 Moody St, Waltham

Deliver: 3-5 pm; Serve: 5-5:45 pm

Menu: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, salad, rolls, beverages

FALL MISSION TRIP TO MAINE: H.O.M.E., Orland

The M & O committee along with interested participants agreed to a Mission trip date of Friday, October 7th – Monday, October 10th.

Mandatory Kick Off Meeting: Sept 11th after service. If you are unable to attend this meeting, please contact Brian or Cindy Lou with your interest in the Mission trip and your desire to be included in the planning for the trip - we will make sure you get the meeting notes and additional information

Mission News: We have been in contact with Gina of HOME to coordinate the “jobs” they have lined up for PPC. Also, Gina did confirm that there is no age restriction but that the young ones have to be monitored by someone in our group (PPC requires that to be a family member). We will need to provide our own meals and food, but we do have access to the soup kitchen to prepare and serve. We will need to provide our own linens and pillows, and work gloves and boots.

If you are interested in this mission, and have not already done so, please reach out to Brian Cornwall brian.cornwall@gmail.com as soon as possible with your contact information (email) so that you can be included in all future communications.



MISSION & OUTREACH

CITY MISSION:

COAT BOSTON

In recognition of the 200th anniversary of City Mission, we can be one of the churches performing "200 Acts of Kindness" by collecting new, warm winter coats for young school children in Boston during the months of October and November.

Coat Boston began in 2009 under the direction of June Cooper who recognized the need for warm jackets for children whose parents struggled to pay for rent, heat and food, leaving little money for clothing in the cold winter months. Citizen's Bank of Boston underwrote the first program and has been doing so ever since. To date, 12,000 coats have been given to children through bank funds and individual or church donations and the goal for this year is to collect 3000 coats beyond the amount purchased by Citizen's Bank funding.

Winter jackets should be new, for boys or girls, ages pre-school to middle school. There will be more news in October and there will be a collection box in the Narthex. This drive is sponsored by the Mission and Outreach Committee; speak to Cynthia Lasker for details, please.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2016

NEIGHBORS-IN-NEED COLLECTION DRIVE

The annual Neighbors-In-Need (NIN) offering will be received in October as part of the World Communion Sunday observance. It supports the United Church of Christ's ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. Imagining that another world, a better world is possible. A world without hunger, poverty, violence, discrimination and oppression; the Neighbors-In-Need Offering helps to make this happen. Please give with hope and joy this October.

GLOBAL HARVEST FESTIVAL

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2016

12 PM - 4PM

Heifer's annual Global Harvest Festival is a fun -packed cultural celebration for everyone! This festive celebration features international crafts and games in the Global Village, live music, delicious food, hay rides to the pumpkin patch and of course all the farm animals. If you are interested in attending, please speak with Cindy Lou during our time together at fellowship hour.

A COMMUNITY IN ACTION:

OUR ACTIVE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Please bring in new canned goods and dry food items on Sunday, **October 2** (Sept 4 we are at Plymouth Church) to continue with the mission project for our two local food pantries in Belmont and Watertown! The Belmont Food Pantry will receive the offering in October.

CITY MISSION FALL GOSPEL CONCERT:

SAVE THE DATE: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 @ 3

Old South Church in Boston

Lift Every Voice Gospel Concert, Session II

Payson Park started a trend for City Mission by sponsoring the Lift Every Voice Gospel Concert in April at PPC. If you missed this inspiring event, now you have a second chance to hear some wonderful music and to worship in song. During the year-long celebration of City Mission's 200th anniversary, there have been and will be many ways to perform 200 acts of kindness. Having achieved our act of kindness in the spring, we can join others in singing the praises of this important mission in the city of Boston and in supporting the work of our partner in faith, The Rev. June Cooper. More details will follow in the fall. For more information, please go to their website.

<http://citymissionboston.org/events/>

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

NEW CURRIUCLUM:

GOD'S GARDEN

Spice Rack is a downloadable Bible curriculum perfect for middle school and high school students. Each lesson is packed with a variety of activities, discussion questions, and games providing leaders the flexibility to use any time of the year in any ministry environment.

Spice Rack – Thanksgiving Bundle –

Giving thanks in all circumstances helps us draw near to God. This three-week series points students to the importance of thanking God when things are going well and even when life throws some curveballs. Scripture pass-ages include Habakkuk 3, John 6, and John 12. Sessions can be done in any order.

Spice Rack – Stewardship Bundle –

How we spend our money shows what is important to us. These three lessons on stewardship will provide space for students to look at different parts of the Bible to see what it says about giving, commitment to tithing, and how possessions are viewed by God. Scripture passages include Deuteronomy 14, Malachi 3, and Proverbs 3. Sessions can be done in any order. Cindy Lou Benson and Wendy Gulley — teaching

Deep Blue – curriculum for elementary aged children. Deep Blue was written just for kids, with an adventure each week. Published by Cokesbury. Based on the Bible, this awe-inspiring resource for children includes adventure, exciting stories, science experiments, arts and crafts, animated video storytelling, and active games — all combined into a faith experience that helps children discover what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ today!

Hilandia Rendon and Sandy Philpott— teaching



ALL ARE WELCOME:

IN GOD'S GARDEN

God's Garden, Growing in Faith is a welcoming place for the church community and not just for parents and children! Volunteers from the entire church community are needed. Perhaps being with the youth on a Sunday morning could be a way for YOU to help fulfill our mission. *"We believe God is calling us to walk in the ways of Jesus Christ and to bear witness to the Gospel through worship and service, empowered by the Holy Spirit."* Teaching contributes to the faith development of our youth as well as the future of our church. Plus, it will deepen the understanding of your own personal faith. Teaching in our church school, God's Garden, Growing in Faith, is a shared responsibility of everyone, a contribution well needed. Where do you see yourself? Speak with Cindy Lou Benson, Christian Education Director, for helpful suggestions and ideas.

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF A CHILD:
VOLUNTEER AS A CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHER IN
GOD'S GARDEN, GROWING IN FAITH.**

EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP



The Christian Education Committee will be meeting on Sunday, September 18, at noon to discuss the youth group and other educational agenda items. If you are interested in this committee, you are welcome to join the meeting.

PERKINS SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND TOUR: MARK YOUR CALENDAR

On Sunday, October 16 @ 9:30 AM the older class in God's Garden will be taking a tour of the Perkins School for the Blind. We will be returning after the 10:30 worship starts. Adults are welcome to join but must preregister with Cindy Lou Benson, Christian education Director. Did you know: Perkins has been known as the Perkins Institution for the Blind. Perkins manufactures its own Perkins braille and braille teaching tool, the Perkins SMART Braille, at the Perkins Solutions division housed within the Watertown campus's former Howe Press, which is used to print embossed, tactile books for the blind.

CHURCH NURSERY CARE: FALL WORSHIP TIME

A special time of nursery care for our young children is provided every Sunday from 9:00 to 10:15 under the supervision of the experienced and qualified staff. The church nursery provides a Christian environment as well as a joyful safe space. The early morning hours give parents the opportunity to help with fellowship hour set up, teaching in God's Garden, singing with the Adult Choir, and/or studying with the Theology, Literature & Coffee group. Please speak with Cindy Lou Benson, Christian Education Director, if you have questions. Regular nursery care for infants, from birth to three years of age, is available from 10:15 to noon.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE BIBLE THIS FALL

It's striking how little most "mainline" Protestants know about the Bible and their own scriptural heritage on which so much of their religious tradition is based. Protestant Christianity grew out of the understanding that to be a responsible Christian, lay people as well as clergy needed to be educated in the Christian scriptures and familiar with the Bible themselves. Only by knowing what the Bible really says can responsible Protestants, like members of Payson Park Congregational Church, know what is a faithful interpretation of Christ's teachings and God's will for the world in which they live. In this political season of presidential campaigning it's particularly timely to get re-familiarized with the contents of scripture, and to focus once again on what role God is calling us Christians to in the context of the wider community.

Two opportunities happen each week for scriptural study at Payson Park Church: both are held in the church parlor on Thursday mornings. The Men's Breakfast meets and eats from 7:00 to 8:15 a.m., and chews on the scriptural lessons taken from the Revised Common Lectionary that serve as the basis for worship the coming Sunday. The Faithful Reflections Study Group does the same discussion-based study of the lessons each Thursday morning from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., beginning September 8. Please contact Rev. Tom for further information about either group. Listing of the lessons for each week is available, either in hard copy or e-mailed form, and the lectionary for the month is shown on the Payson Park website

<http://www.paysonpark.org/faithful-reflections>



EDUCATION & FELLOWSHIP

Upcoming Ministry Conferences

A ministry of Greenhouse, a Ministry of Berea

Lead Youth

October 15, 2016 At Grace Baptist Church, Hudson, MA

This day of training & renewal is for youth ministry workers. Greenhouse designed this event from the ground up for our New England region. There will be 30+ breakout sessions featuring leading local and national youth leaders. "We will gather together, for two general sessions, as an army of servants for worship and the Word, offering key moments for setting the tone for the day and being reminded of our critical calling!"

<http://leadyouthconference.org>

Simply Worship

October 22, 2015 At Grace Chapel, Lexington, MA

A small church in Massachusetts asked Greenhouse Ministries to come help train their team early in 2012. Greenhouse decided to open the one-day event to other churches. 125 worship leaders from dozens of churches attended. The response was overwhelming and the need was clear. Simply Worship is an affordable, biblical, practical event for volunteers who help lead worship or run AV at their churches. Greenhouse has seen incredible growth since their first event in 201

2012 – 125 in attendance, 2013 – 450 in attendance, 2014 – 650 in attendance, 2015 – 750 in attendance

They are honored to be a resource to encourage and equip the local church and have designed this event to serve volunteer leaders. Whether you are a seasoned veteran of worship ministry or are new to serving the church in the worship arts arena, they have designed Simply Worship to serve the local church.

<http://simplyworshipconference.org>

Lead Kids

March 2017 At Grace Baptist Church, Hudson, MA

An all-day of training and renewal for children's ministry workers.

Berea's mission is to create and continuously develop programs which appeal to children, teens, adults and families such that they respond to the message of Jesus Christ within the context of meaningful relationships and memorable experiences. In short, their goal is to change lives for Jesus Christ.

For more information on these affordable and local events, check out the links or speak with Cindy Lou Benson, Christian Education Director.

BRISTOL LODGE MEALS:

MISSION WORK

IN GOD'S GARDEN

God's Garden older youth class is scheduled to prepare the Bristol Lodge meal monthly on Sunday morning during church school time. This mission activity is one of many that is planned for our youth. Leader Brian Cornwall and the youth class enjoy preparing these meals. If you are interested in helping this cooking workshop, please contact Cindy Lou Benson, Christian Education Director.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

A SUCCESS!

Over 30 children & 10 teen counselors gathered for our annual Vacation Bible School. Under the dedicated leadership of Cindy Lou Benson along with many adult volunteers, it all came together to make "Surf Shack" a great success. We thank everyone involved in this valuable outreach program that touches the lives of the many children here at Payson Park Church and those from the wider community.

ADMINISTRATIVE NEWS

MEETING & GREETING ON SUNDAYS:

PLEASE WEAR A NAME TAGS

Help us grow as faithful and loving community! Wearing a name tag on Sunday mornings helps visitors and new friends get to know YOU. It also demonstrates our desire to be a friendly and welcoming church. New and old name tags can be found in the Narthex area. Please speak with an usher on Sunday if you need assistance.

ALTAR FLOWERS:

HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Would you like to honor someone in your life? Each Sunday our altar flowers are given in honor or remembrance of those we hold dear. This program also offers us a chance to reach out to those in our congregation who cannot attend worship, as the flowers are regularly delivered to those hospitalized or shut in. If you care to make a donation, please call the office. 617/484-1542.

MISSION & SERVICE TRANSPORTATION:

TAXI VOUCHERS AVAILABLE!

Do you or someone you know need a ride to Sunday worship services or a special church event? Taxi vouchers are available for you! Offered by the Phillips Transportation Fund, these vouchers can help you or someone you know remain active in the life of our congregation. Don't be driven to despair – let us help you be transported to hope and life in community!

GOT A QUESTION?

GIVE US A CALL!

In the church office you will find our Administrative Coordinator, Cindy Lou Benson, available to help you with a multiple of church questions or requests. Simply call or drop by, Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. Our Interim Pastor, Tom, is available through the week as well as in the office and making visits.



CONTRIBUTING TO THE CHURCH:

WE THANK YOU!

Returning after a summer away? The Treasurer and members of the Finance Committee want you to know that your contributions to the church are needed and valued! If fulfilling your pledge through the summer months was deterred because you were away, please consider “catching up” soon. Our financial planning for the final months of the year depends upon our faithful contributions. *We need you!*

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE:

RECEIVING OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

Did you know that The Messenger is available by email or from the church web site? Would you like to help reduce paper and postage costs here at the church? Many people have now elected to receive our monthly newsletter by email. If you would like join in this environmentally friendly effort, please email the office to sign up at office@paysonpark.org

CABLE BROADCAST SCHEDULE

If you or a loved one are unable to attend worship on Sundays, we hope you'll join with us in the spirit of prayer during the week. The Sunday services of our church are broadcast on local cable networks at the following times: In Arlington - Sundays at 4:30 pm & Fridays at 7:00 am, Belmont - Sundays at 9:30 am, & 4:30 pm, Lexington – Sundays at 6:00 pm, Waltham - Sundays at 8:00 am, Watertown - Sundays at 10:00 am & Wednesdays at 11:00 am.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

7:00 AM Men's Breakfast with Tom

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

9:30 AM

Union Service at Plymouth Congregational Church

Service of Holy Communion:

The Rev. Joe Zarro preaching

(Please note time of service is 9:30)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

2:00 PM Faith, Hope & Love

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

7:00 AM Men's Breakfast

10:00 AM Faithful Reflections Bible Study

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

The Rev. Thomas Forster-Smith preaching

Homecoming Sunday

Church school, nursery care and choir rehearsals begin

9:00 AM Chancel Choir rehearsal

9:00 AM Child care in the Nursery

9:00 AM Theology, Literature & Coffee

9:15 AM Youth Choir rehearsal

10:30 AM Worship & Church School

10:45 AM Cherub Choir

11:30 AM Alleluia Choir

11:30 AM Fellowship Hour (*Christian Education*)

12:00 PM Mission trip meeting

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

2:00 PM Faith, Hope & Love

7:00 PM Church Council

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

7:00 AM Men's Breakfast with Tom

10:00 AM Faithful Reflections Bible Study

BIRTHDAY WISHES:

Can you believe it? Irene Richard's 104th birthday is September 13!

UPCOMING EVENT

"Murder at Rundown Abbey" – by Craig Sodaro,
Mark your calendar for this Dinner Theatre event,
hosted by the Belmont Dramatics Club
Performances: November 12 and 13, 2016 at
Payson Park Church

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

The Rev. Bill Ragan preaching

9:00AM Chancel Choir rehearsal

9:00AM Child care in the Nursery

9:15AM Youth Choir rehearsal

10:30 AM Worship & Church School

10:45 AM Cherub Choir

11:30 AM Alleluia Choir

11:30 AM Fellowship Hr. (*John & Cynthia & Sally*)

12:30 PM Christian Education Committee

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

2:00 PM Faith, Hope & Love

6:30 PM Deacon's Meeting

6:30 PM Finance Committee

7:00 PM Property Committee

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 *Messenger deadline*

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:00 AM Men's Breakfast with Tom

10:00 AM Faithful Reflections Bible Study

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

The Rev. Thomas Forster-Smith preaching

Moment of Recognition, First Responders

9:00 AM Chancel Choir rehearsal

9:00 AM Child care in the Nursery

9:15 AM Youth Choir rehearsal

10:30 AM Worship & Church School

11:30 AM Fellowship Hour (*Barbara & Holly*)

12:00 PM Mission & Outreach

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

2:00 PM Faith, Hope & Love

5:00 PM Bristol Lodge, serving meal

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

7:00 AM Men's Breakfast with Tom

10:00 AM Faithful Reflections Bible Study

11:30 AM Messenger mailing

THE MESSENGER:

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE & MAILING

Articles, announcements and church events may be submitted by email or written notes to the church office for the October newsletter by Wed., September 21 The Messenger will be mailed on Thursday, September 29.

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HOMEcoming SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 11, 2016
10:30 AM WORSHIP



*Fellowship Hour hosted by the Christian Education Committee
Chancel Choir, Youth Choir, Church School and Nursery Care begin!*

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