

Notes from Your Missions Committee

October Outerwear Drive ~ During the month of October, we are collecting outerwear for The Wish Project of Lowell. Please bring your gently used coats, snowsuits, and boots and deposit them in the bin at the side entrance. For health reasons, donated mittens/gloves and hats must be new. Should you have any questions, contact our Mission Project Coordinator, Suzanne Spezzano, at suzspez@comcast.net.

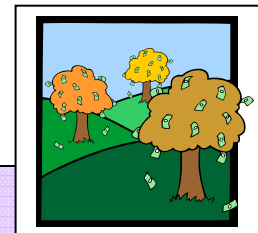
Food Pantry Volunteers Needed on Make a Difference Day ~ The Tewksbury Community Pantry is partnering with the Tewksbury Rotary Club and the Postal Carriers to conduct a "Mailbox" food drive on Saturday, October 25th. They welcome TCC volunteers for any amount of time between the hours of 12:00-4:00 to inspect and sort incoming donations. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the Helping Hands bulletin board if you are interested, and – if you don't already have a Mission/Outreach red t-shirt – please contact Beth McFadyen.

Church World Service School Kits ~ Today, we dedicate 33 School Kits which will be distributed to students in need through the CWS organization. Warm thanks are extended to all of the children who donated school supplies during the month of September. You have *made a difference* for 33 children! And great big thanks to the Gasdia-Cochrane Family for coordinating this project and to our super seamstress, Jean Metcalf, who continues to offer her exceptional skills in sewing each bag with much love and great care. Another project well done; thanks to all.

Leftover Party Supplies ~ Do you have a few Dora plates or a handful of Spiderman cups left over from a birthday party? If so, we welcome you to bring them to the church office this week (or to ABCs on Tuesday night) so that we can use them at next Sunday's School Sponsorship Student Birthday Bash. Contact Rita Masters or Beth McFadyen for more details.

Halloween Candy Collection ~ Yes, as has become tradition, we will be collecting candy on the two Sundays following Halloween. Stay spooked for details!

Faith notes!



Notes on Worship

Today is the second Sunday of our annual Fall Stewardship Campaign. This year's theme is "***The World of the Generous Gets Larger and Larger***", which is taken from the Proverbs 11:24.

Last Sunday, we explored the topic of Faith. Responses from the Congregation and Sunday School classes to the question "*Who in your life has demonstrated a Faith for which you are grateful?*" were written on the acorns hanging from the Faith tree in front of you. Today's topic is **Hope**, with Love and Dedication to follow over the next two Sundays. The question on Hope is:

In light of the Beatitudes, please express your Hope for our church.

- ❖ *Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*
- ❖ *Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.*
- ❖ *Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.*
- ❖ *Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.*
- ❖ *Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.*
- ❖ *Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.*
- ❖ *Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.*
- ❖ *Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

On your way into the sanctuary this morning, you were handed a maple leaf, on which to write your response, sharing the markers found in the pews. During the morning's offering, please place your maple leaf with your response in the offering plate. Next Sunday your answers will be placed on the "**Hope**" tree.

No person has ever been honored for what has been received. Honor is our reward when we give.

- Calvin Coolidge



Of note...

Please check the bulletin board outside the church office. You'll read about a great new play that Celia Couture is directing called the **Rabbit Hole**. All proceeds after expenses will be returned to the Woburn High School Music and Drama program. The play runs through October 25th.

Don't forget next Sunday's **Hands-on Workshop** at 10:45 in the Vestry celebrating the birthdays of our four Sunday school sponsored students: Florinda, Azael, Peterson and Dario. Come and enjoy face painting, games, cake and ice cream and end with breaking the piñata.

Jean Metcalf and the Holiday Friends will be displaying a Christmas tree at the annual **Festival of Trees** at the Tewksbury Library in November. If you have an old-fashioned Christmas ornament that you would like to lend to Holiday Friends to use on TCC's tree, please contact Jean at 978-640-9220. Holiday Friends has scheduled some Monday evening craft workshops at 7:00pm in the Vestry on October 27th, November 3rd and 17th to work on fair projects.

Today

Junior Choir
9am, Fairgrieve Room
Coffee Hour
10:30am, Fellowship Hall
Cherub Choir
10:45am, Room 7
LTLC Meal Serve
4:45pm, leave TCC parking lot
Interfaith Choir Rehearsal
7:30pm , Fairgrieve Room

Please note the time change for the monthly Wednesday Bible study to 11:00am.

Reminder

Parents! Don't forget—if your child is in college and would like to receive a unique package from the Jr./Sr. High Sunday school class, please make sure the church office has the student's address.

Donations are welcome to help fill the packages for the students such as hot cocoa mix, candy, cereal bars, etc. Help with postage costs will also be appreciated! Contact Betsy Goodell or Serena Santoro for more information. Donations can be left in the church office.

Monday

Office Closed
6:00 PM Jubellation
Ringers
7:30 PM Carillon
Ringers

Tuesday

7:15 PM ABC's

Wednesday

8:30 AM Prayer Circle
11:00 AM Bible Study
7:00PM Deacon's Meeting
7:00 PM Mexico Team VBS Meeting

Thursday

9:00 AM Holiday Friends

7:30 PM Sr. Choir Rehearsal

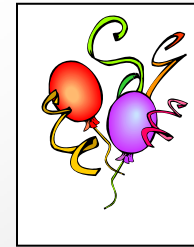
Friday

2:30PM Blaire House Worship Service

Saturday

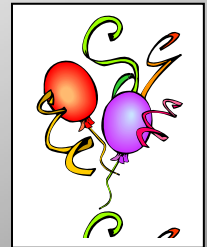
1:00 PM – New Member's Class and Discussion

5:00 PM – Devotions Church Parlor



Celebration Dinner
Saturday, October 25th

Dinner – 6:00 pm
Program – 7:00 pm
Adjourn – 7:55 pm.



Come and celebrate “Make a Difference Day” by hearing the many good things that TCC accomplishes with your help and support. This is a church wide event for the entire family. Sign up at coffee hour.

Babysitting provided.

Please make sure that when you use a room or a hall, that everything is put back where it was before the room was used. Specifically, if you move any furniture in Fellowship Hall, the hall must be returned to its previous state. The kitchen too—if you use equipment in the kitchen, please return all items to the drawers or cupboards. This is very important as we have so many people and organizations using the building.