

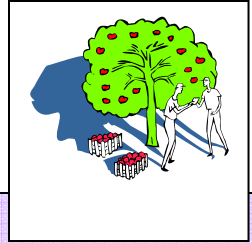
Hike for Hope, TODAY ~ It is not too late to join the TCC Team in either a one or a five- mile walk through the streets of Andover this afternoon, supporting Lazarus House of Lawrence. The registration fee is \$20 and can be paid at the Merrimack College starting line before the walk commences at 1:00pm. If you are not able to walk today but wish to support the TCC Team, you can make a pledge through www.hikeforhope.org. Simply click Pledge on the left side of the Hike for Hope home page, and then select TCC from the dropdown menu of teams. You will see a complete listing of our walkers which – as of Wednesday – include the McFadyen Family, Cathie and Craig Seaman, and Jenna and Sam Stanley. If you'd like to walk with us today, see Beth McFadyen after worship to claim your red Mission/Outreach t-shirt and meet us at Merrimack College between 12:30-12:45. We'll be wearing red!

Outerwear Drive Begins Today ~ 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.

LTLC Meal Serving Opportunities, Tonight and Thursday ~ Are you one of the many people in our Congregation who want to serve a meal at LTLC but just haven't gotten around to it? If so, why not do it tonight or Thursday night? Join Cathie and Craig Seaman tonight at 4:45 or Jean and Noel Metcalf on Thursday night at 4:45 in the TCC parking lot to carpool to LTLC. You can expect to return between 6:30-6:45 with the warmth of hospitality and service bursting from your heart. Sign-up sheets are available on the Helping Hands bulletin board in Fellowship Hall.

Brownie Baking, Wednesday Night ~ Join Carol Sturtevant in the TCC Kitchen on Wednesday night from 7:00-9:00pm to bake 150 brownies (from scratch!) for Thursday night's LTLC dessert. The only ingredients that are still needed are 3 gallons of whole milk to serve with the brownies. If you are willing to donate a gallon, please clearly mark it and place it in the refrigerator no later than Thursday at 4:30pm (and add your name to the ingredient sign-up sheet on the Helping Hands Bulletin Board).

Faith notes!



Notes on worship (from the Pastor)

Today marks the beginning of our annual Fall Stewardship Campaign. This year's theme, "***The World of the Generous Gets Larger and Larger***", is taken from the book of Proverbs. Over the next four Sundays, this theme will be explored through questions on Faith, Hope, Love, and Dedication. Today's question on Faith is "*Who in your life has demonstrated a faith for which you are grateful?*" (first names only). On your way into the sanctuary this morning, you were handed an acorn on which to write your response. During the morning's offering, please place your acorn in the offering plate. Next Sunday your responses will be placed on the "Faith" tree.

*And now You're here -
the light is shining where
the darkness used to be -
and all the world
is a different place...*

...and every single day a fresh beginning.

- From The Song of Simeon

Great news! The **Jr. Youth Group (JYG)** had an exciting month. We have 16 registered members and one guest and we would like to invite even more kids in grades 6, 7 and 8 to come. Activities included a 'cook-in' (instead of a cookout!!), Scripture scavenger hunt, and we made some yummy ice cream sundaes. Members of the JYG will begin their service project collecting 'cooking utensils' for the *Wish Project*. Watch for posters! Contact JoJo (978-851-5298) or Crickett (978-694-8941) for more information on the activities of the JYG!

The **Sr. Youth Group (SYG)** is going on a field trip today to Canobie Lake's Haunted Park, and will leave the church parking lot at 5:30pm and return at 9:00pm. Don't forget to bring extra money to purchase food and beverages!

Friendship Circle will meet at Sarah SanClemente's for a morning of fun, food and fellowship Thursday, 10/9 at 9:00am. Call 978-667-9771 for more information. Children are welcome!

Today

Junior Choir
9am, Fairgrieve Room
Worship & Sunday school
9:30am
Coffee Hour
10:30am, Fellowship Hall
Cherub Choir
10:45am, Room 7
Open Door Bible Study
10:55am, Room 5
Sr. Youth Group, 5:30pm
Field Trip to Canobie Lake Park
6:00pm
Jr. Youth Group Meeting,
Fellowship Hall
7:30pm
Interfaith Choir Rehearsal
Fairgrieve Room

Today **Sunday school students** and their **teachers** in grades 4, 5 and 6 will join us for communion. After the *Children's Moment*, they will go to their classes, but will leave their class and come into the sanctuary at the appropriate time for communion. Following communion, they will return to their classrooms. Last year when the Kindergarten and first-grade Sunday school children participated in communion, it was an overwhelming response from the congregation to have them join us.

Monday
6:00 PM
 Jubellation
 Ringers
7:30PM
 Carillon
 Ringers
 Rehearsal

Wednesday
8:30 AM
 Prayer Circle
12:00 Noon
 Ladies Aid
7:00 PM
 Brownie
 Baking for
 LTLC

Thursday
9:00 AM
 Friendship Circle
4:45 PM
 Meal serve at LTLC
7:30 PM
 Sr. Choir Rehearsal

Hands-On Workshop
October 19th at 10:45am
 celebrating **Student Sponsorship**. Parents if you have any leftover kid's party supplies, can you donate them for this party? Drop off in the church office. Thank you!!



Today we observe World Communion Sunday.

The first Sunday in October has become a time when Christians in every culture break bread and pour the cup to remember and affirm Christ as head of the Church.

On this day, we remember that we are a part of the whole body of believers. Whether we share communion in a grand cathedral, a community church, a mud hut, outside on a hilltop, in a meetinghouse, or in a storefront, Christians celebrate the communion liturgy



We would like to welcome you as a member of the Tewksbury Congregational Church. A **NEW MEMBER CLASS** is scheduled on Saturday, October 18th from 1:00 to 3:00pm.

Learn about the Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, and in particular what it means to be a member of this church.

Call the church office at 978-851-9411 for more information.



SAVE THE DATE!
Celebration Dinner
 Saturday, October 25th
 6:00 – 7:55pm
 Fellowship Hall
 Fun for the entire church family!