

First Community Church

Newsletter

October 2009



Our Mission Statement

We are a community of faith believing in the power of prayer and seeking earnestly to deepen our spiritual life and share the love of God with others.

The Pastor's Message

Several years ago physiologists began to differentiate the functions of the right and left sides of the brain. People who are “right-brained” tend to be creative, intuitive, and feeling-oriented. People who are “left-brained” tend to be rational, linear, and their thinking is grounded in facts. It seems to me that these two types of “thinking” correspond to the two ways of looking at time. For left-brained people (or cultures), time is linear. In right-brained cultures (or religions), time has been depicted as cyclical.

It is no secret to anyone who knows me that I tend to be left brained. I am organized, structured, and think in a causal, linear mode. I have a good sense of the future as a process that flows along like a stream. If you put something in a river (or take something out), you will be able to see its effects downstream. If you plant a seed now, eventually it will bear fruit.

Most of the time I am immensely grateful for my left-brained proclivity. Without it, I would not be able to keep on top of my peripatetic schedule. I believe it also helps me to be patient, knowing (or at least believing) that if we are good stewards of what is entrusted to us in the present, the future will unfold in a fairly predictable way. This is why I am an eternal optimist when it comes to the future of our church.

The right-brained people, however, also have an interesting and valid perspective. I am reminded of this every fall, a time when I resonate with the change of the seasons. Fall reminds me that we don't move through life in a linear mode, though our chronological age does go steadily upward. We go through life in cycles that repeat again and again throughout the year.

Heraclitus once said that you can't step twice in the same river. This is because the river is always flowing and changing. Although it is the same river in a general sense, it is actually not the same river it was yesterday. In addition, if we are growing and changing, we will not be the

same person who stepped in the river yesterday. This is why it would probably be more accurate to depict our movement through time as a spiral. Again and again we return to the same spot in our day, our week, our year -- but is it really the same spot?

Here we are again at the beginning of another church year. We begin the year in the same old way -- with Rally Day and a cookout the first Sunday after Labor Day; with the renewal of our Pastor-Parish Covenant the first Sunday in October; and with the observance of All Saints Day, a time when we remember loved ones who are no longer with us, on the first Sunday of November. We hold our annual stewardship campaign in November and celebrate Stewardship Sunday (not coincidentally!) on Thanksgiving Sunday. This year the last Sunday in November marks the beginning of the Advent season.

I have heard people say, as an explanation for why they don't attend Sunday worship, "It's the same old thing every Sunday." To some extent this is true. We have the same order of worship we have had for many years. We do the same old things again and again -- yet hopefully it is never the same. Every time we listen to a reading from the Bible or note the words of the hymn we are singing, we can discover something different, something we didn't see or hear before. We never know what part of the worship service will touch us. Worship is never the same because (hopefully) we are never the same. As we grow, as we are shaped by our life experiences and our spiritual journey, we experience the time-honored rituals and lessons of our faith in new way.

I can already feel the difference in energy as we enter into this new church year. New people are attending church, bringing their own unique gifts and new ideas. In our Sunday morning Bible study we are exploring Jung's psychological approach to religion. Our Thursday evening Spiritual Study and Growth Group is off to a great start in our discussion of William Paul Young's book *The Shack*.

As we enter into this new church year, let us try to look at "the same old things" with new eyes. As we confront problems and challenges that we have confronted many times before as individuals, as families, and as a church, let us confront them this time from a slightly different perspective. As we enter into this stewardship season, let us explore the spiritual dimension of our giving to see how it shapes not only our church but also us in new ways. Let us celebrate the cycles, the spirals of this wonderful life that God has given us, and the ways in which the old, even within our church, contains the seed of new growth.

Faithfully yours,
Reverend Paul D. Sanderson

Adult Bible Study

This year we are continuing our exploration of what it means to approach religion in general and the Christian faith in particular from a psychological perspective. We are presently reading the Jungian psychologist Edward Edinger's article, "Christ as a Paradigm of the Individuating Ego." Please join us for this fascinating exploration of our faith!

The Adult Bible Study group will be meeting again this year on the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays of every month from 9:15 – 10:30 AM in the Vestry.

Confirmation Class

This year our confirmation class will be studying the Book of Acts as an introduction to the early church and an understanding of what it meant to the first generation of Christians to be a follower of Christ. We will also learn about the apostle Paul, his missionary journeys, and we will read one or two of his letters. For the next few weeks we will be watching a video on Peter, Paul, and other members of the early church as they faced persecution and even execution for their beliefs. Everyone from 7th grade up is welcome! We meet from 5:00 – 6:00 PM on Thursdays in the Vestry.

Missions Offering

THE TIBET FUND

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Our October Mission Offering will go to The Tibet Fund to sponsor Yeshi Tenpa, an eighteen-year-old Tibetan refugee boy now living in a resettlement community in India. We have been Yeshi's sponsor for nine plus years.

The Tibet Fund's primary mission is to help Tibetans rebuild and improve their lives, and preserve their distinct cultural heritage and national identity. The Tibet Fund was founded in 1981 at a time when the international community had seemingly forgotten the people of Tibet, though they remained under Chinese occupation. Few foreign journalists or tourists were allowed into Tibet, and the story of the Tibetan people and their suffering was largely unknown.

The Chinese brutalized the Tibetans into submission, and tried to crush the Buddhist religion that lay at the heart of Tibetan society. At the time of the invasion, there were about 6,000 monasteries in Tibet. All but a dozen were razed.

The Chinese burned ancient Tibetan texts, destroyed libraries, smashed thousands of religious relics, and shipped hundreds of tons of crafted Tibetan metals to Beijing, where they were melted down. They also committed genocide on a scale that matched some of the worst atrocities seen in the 20th century. Hundreds of thousands of Tibetans were beaten, imprisoned, enslaved, tortured, shot, or starved.

This year, 2009, Tibetans around the world are commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Tibetan diaspora, the flight into exile of His Holiness the Dalai Lama and 85,000 Tibetans following a failed popular uprising against the Chinese occupation of Tibet in 1959.

While this historic passage marked a dark and painful chapter in Tibetan history, and the Tibetan struggle continues unresolved to this day, it also marked the beginning of an extraordinary story of cultural survival that has touched the hearts and lives of millions of people around the world.

Under the Dalai Lama's visionary leadership, 150,000 Tibetans living in exile have succeeded in building a strong and vibrant community that stretches from India, Nepal and Bhutan to more

than 40 countries around the world. They have formed a democratic system of government and established major institutions that have sustained the Tibetan way of life, language, cultural traditions, and identity for a half century outside their homeland.

The Tibet Fund is hosting 50 Years in Exile: a Celebration of Tibetan Culture to raise awareness about the Tibetan refugee community's achievements and the impact of Tibetan culture and religion on the global community. This project supports and expands on the 50th anniversary program being organized by the Central Tibetan Administration in Dharamsala, India. There will be other programs around the world as well and you will be able to learn about them on the 50 Years in Exile website -- www.50yearsinexile.org.



Stewardship Sunday

Sunday, November 22 is Stewardship Sunday. This is the day when we consecrate our annual pledges to our church. These pledges are totally used to cover operating expenses. Our budget for the following year is based on the amount pledged – plus an estimate of income from special fund raising events – plus a “faith factor.”

Every year for the past ten years the total amount pledged has slowly and steadily increased, despite the fact that the total number of pledging units has remained approximately the same. Every year we lose some pledges but we also gain others. Last year the amount pledged was the highest in the history of our church. This means that many of our church members increase their pledges every year. This will have to happen again this year if we are to cover increased heating bills, etc.

Please approach this stewardship season in a prayerful and thankful spirit. We can make history again this year if we all pull together!

Report Of The Trustees

With many projects on the Trustee's list, the kitchen roof has taken the first position. It is deteriorating at a fast rate and the time has come to have it repaired. On initial research, the cost for the materials alone is approximately \$1,500.

Still collecting and sorting, the Trustees are still asking everyone to please look around their home, closets, attics, and basements for any church related information and documents that may be hanging around. Please make sure to give anything that you find to one of the Trustees. Thanks to George Nutting, all of our information is being scanned then put on a CD for preservation. This is a big undertaking by George and it will be most helpful to anyone looking for “historical information” about what has happened in our church over the years.

Our next meeting is set for Tuesday, October 13, 6:15 PM.



A Dozen Years

Never in the history of the 2nd Congregational Church, (1865-1922) the First Federated Church (1922-1969) or the currently named First Community Church (since 1969) has our Church had a Pastor stay for a dozen years. Until this month!

Paul had served Pilgrim Church in Southborough back about 1970 and since that time has enjoyed serving as chaplain at state hospitals, teaching, serving as an interim Pastor and even living in Europe for one year while he studied at the Jung institute in Zurich, Switzerland.

In 1997, after Susan Hansberry left as our Pastor, the UCC provided our Church with a long list of possible Sunday pulpit supply preachers for the summer. Jim Holmes, as a Deacon, agreed to make the calls. Rev. Sanderson of Foxboro was on the list. Unaware of his previous ties to Southborough, the call was placed to him. He quickly agreed to fill several Sundays. This grew into his briefly becoming more of our interim pastor. He expressed strong interest in returning to Southborough and becoming our “full time” Pastor. Since being a “full time” pastor for us is in actuality a “part time” position, it would work very nicely with his private practice and teaching at Assumption College in Worcester. The Pastoral Search Committee was excited by this possibility and presented him to the Congregation as the recommended Pastor in October 1997.

Paul has often talked to us of the significance of the number 12 -- the 12 disciples - the 12 tribes of Israel. It is the product of 3 (the divine number) and 4 (the earthly number - 4 elements: earth, air, fire and water). The tree of life will give 12 manners of fruit (Revelation 22:2). And of course in nature the 12 months of the year.

And so we are in uncharted waters as we join in congratulating Paul and look forward to his hitting the “baker’s dozen.”

Spiritual Study & Growth Group

The Shack

An Eight-Week Program Led By Rev. Sanderson

This year we are exploring the religious issues raised in William Paul Young’s best-selling book *The Shack*. The turnout for this discussion group has been excellent – a total of 15 people from our church, Pilgrim church, and people from the community (thanks to our sign!) are attending. This book provides us with a different way of looking at God in the hope that we can come to a deeper understanding of not only why tragedies (including evil acts) occur, but also how we might handle them when they touch our lives. It is not too late to join us! Come even if you can’t attend every meeting!

We meet on Thursday nights from 7:00 – 8:30 PM and will finish on November 12.

Investment Committee



The Investment Committee is pleased to say that with the stock market beginning to rebound, our investments in both the Parsonage and Endowment Funds are beginning to grow again! To take full advantage of the rebound, the Investment Committee, with the advice of Peter Bradstreet, our broker, we have decided to move a larger share of our investments back into the stock market. By keeping some of our investments out of the stock market during the downturn, we have been able to avoid some of its impact.

Additionally, the Investment Committee has recently “purchased” the IBM stock donated by Joan Adler from the Church’s General Fund, allowing her gift to not only provide our fabulous new sign, but also to continue to grow and benefit the Church in the future.

Investment Committee

Lou Dundin, Karin Farmer, Beverly Lees, Sandra McKeen, and Cathy Ten Eyck

Report Of The Diaconate

Rally Sunday was celebrated with our annual cookout on September 13. It was well attended and a good time was had by all. Thank you to all the worker bees that helped with that event.

Below is the list of the Missions that we have chosen to support for 2010:

Abby’s House	Salvation Army
Assabet Valley Pastoral Counseling Center	Southborough Food Pantry
Central Asia Institute	Straight Ahead Ministries
Church World Service/Tools of Hope & Blanket Program	Tibet Aid
Heifer Project	Worcester County Food Bank
His Royal Ministry/Haiti Mission Church	World Vision
Rape Crisis Center of Central Massachusetts	

This fall's Spiritual Study and Growth Group began on Thursday, September 24 and will continue through November 12. The discussions are centered on the book entitled *The Shack*. The Group is open to anyone and meets each Thursday at 7:00 PM in the Vestry.

The next meeting of the Diaconate will be on Tuesday October 6 at 7:15 PM.

Women’s Fellowship

“Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain.” John 15: 16

The Women’s Fellowship had its first fall meeting on September 15 at 6:30 PM with a delicious potluck dinner and brief meeting.

Our next meeting will be October 20 at 7:00 PM. Cricket Port will be leading devotions while Mattie Cummings and Martha Hubley will handle refreshments.

A gentle reminder to all who are taking part in “Make A Difference Day” for Abby’s House Thrift Shop – Please begin bringing ladies and children’s clothing bagged, and three or more kitchen items all boxed up, on Sunday, October 11. This is the Sunday before our next meeting that will be held on Tuesday, October 20. Our meeting night is the cut off time for gathering up items that will be delivered to Abby’s House in Worcester on Saturday, October 24.

Mattie Cummings, Chair

Annual



Sale

Our annual Church Pie Sale, sponsored by the Trustees, will be held on Saturday morning, November 21, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon in front of Mauro’s.

This is a big hit with the townspeople who look forward to serving pies from our world-renowned bakers on Thanksgiving Day. Please think about what you could bake for the sale and then consider doubling it. The pie sale is usually one of the biggest annual fundraisers in our church. This year, with the income from our investments still down, we need more pies than ever!

From The Desk Of The Collector

The third quarter has ended. You have done your job and fulfilled your pledge. Now it is my “busy” time, to get the weekly collection sheets transferred onto individual statements for “pledgers.” These should be available at the Church the end of October.

For everyone (and that is most of you) who has met their pledge, THANK YOU! For everyone who has donated to the voluntary Building Fund, THANK YOU! Our Trustees have been especially busy this year and put that money to very fiscally prudent use. You cannot beat free labor! Recently I read an article about Eli Broad, founder of two Fortune 500 companies. He is devoting his retirement to philanthropy. But he says he is not in the “check writing charity business. We’re in the venture philanthropy business.” Which is to say, he wants to see results. At First Community Church, if you want to see results from your Building Fund monies, look at what the Trustees have done this year!

As we enter our final quarter, usually our most generous, we are slightly behind on collections. We do not have a fair this year so that will negatively impact our bottom line. We may need to tap into our limited special savings accounts. We can’t do this forever.

New pledge envelopes have been ordered for 2010. After the completion of the Stewardship Drive, they will be available in the Narthex to those who have completed a pledge card and checked off that they desire envelopes.

As always, thanks for your support!

Jim Holmes, Collector

A Blast From The Past

100 Years Ago

1909 – October

- ◆ The moving picture show at Southville was attended by many from Cordaville.
- ◆ The entertainment at the Congregational Church last Tuesday evening consisted of a “Succotash supper” followed by a stereopticon lecture. The evening was perfect and all who were in attendance seemed well paid for having gone.
- ◆ During the coming winter on the first Tuesday of each month the Home Circle will have a supper and sociable in the vestry of the Congregational Church in Southville.
- ◆ It is said a new business is to be started in Southville at the old shoe shop that was recently the plaster factory. This is a fine location with good railroad accommodations, and business was carried on extensively there in the manufacture of boots and shoes until 11 years ago when a plaster firm located under the name of “Mitchell”, coming from Lowell, and only employed a few hands. It is said the new concern will employ 100 hands.

75 Years Ago

1934 – October

- ◆ A Roll Call Supper was served at 6:30 PM in the vestry by Mrs. W. Hayward, Mrs. S. Clark and Mrs. H. Gilman, about 50 members present. After supper, the Annual business meeting was called to order by Mr. Pemberton (our pastor). Mr. Merriam was elected moderator and Mrs. Annie Boutilier clerk pro-tem.

Records of last annual meeting and special meetings were read and approved. Very fine reports were read from Sunday School Kings Heralds High School Group – Alder Young People – Rogers Bible Class – Religious Educational Committee, and Standing Committee.

The Pastor’s report was very interesting telling the work he and his wife have accomplished. Missionary committee reported what had been done the past year, and hoped to do more this coming year. Voted Mr. Lincoln and pastor have charge of all moving pictures. Voted to adjourn at 10 P.M.

50 Years Ago

1959 – October

- ◆ The 37th Annual Meeting of the First Federated Church of Southville was held on Oct. 3, 1959. After the three groups concluded their separate meetings, the clerk called the Annual meeting together at 8 P.M. with 28 members and Dr. & Mrs. Frank Duddy of Worcester in attendance.

Howard Norcross was elected Moderator. Reports were printed in a yearbook, which was a new innovation this year. This book was compiled and printed through the cooperation of Mr. & Mrs. Kersenbrock, Barbara Masterman and Winifred Stone, the cover material being donated by Ray Hyde. It served its purpose well during the meeting.

“Bud” Williams reported for the Men’s Club, with a rising vote of thanks to the committee, for the work in the Church Vestry (i.e. installing new drain, pouring

concrete floor, removing old S.S. room platform, coal bin and toilet and then laying new tile, making a once dark, dismal and small Sunday School room and dining hall into a bright and shining all purpose room.

Dr. Duddy, Congregational Area Minister said “you are in the main stream of fashion by doing your own work, as many churches are doing this” and also that he “hoped we would continue to take pride in our Church.”

The Pastor’s report showed much progress during the past year in all groups. Twenty-four new members had been received into our Church, attendance at morning worship services had increased and this progress was apparent all down the line. A total of 423 visits had been made during the year by our Pastor.

- ◆ Mrs. Earl Killam gave a short report for the Visiting Committee, a new committee this year, and showed that much more could be done along this line.
- ◆ The Pastor recommended and it was so moved, that we grant the youth fellowship groups permission to use the Vestry for dancing in our own groups of young people, and that they have adult supervision. So carried.
- ◆ Ray Hyde made the motion that the Board of Directors be instructed to appoint a committee to look into the By-laws to delineate the duties of these Church offices and committees and prepare such amendment as necessary to make these duties a matter of record and to have these amendments ready for action at the next Annual Meeting. Seconded by Charles Perkins. Motion carried.

25 Years Ago

1984 – October

- ◆ Peter Bishop of the Assabet Valley Pastoral Counseling Center spoke to the Church and explained our association with, and our part in the counseling center.
- ◆ A Halloween costume party was held for the Sunday school.
- ◆ The Women’s Fellowship met at the home of Beth Hook in Shrewsbury with nine present. It was voted to contribute to the fund for drapes for the parsonage. A Cookie Station was held during the Heritage Day festivities and realized a profit of \$112. A group of ladies met at the Church and cleaned the kitchen.

S O U T H B O R O U G H F O O D P A N T R Y

Please help us help others!

First Community Church Shopping List for October

PAPER GOODS

For the month of October, we will be collecting paper towels, facial tissue, toilet tissue, and napkins.



The collection box is located in the Vestry for you to drop off your items. If you prefer, you can call Cathy Ten Eyck (508-481-3517) to come by your home and pick up your donations.



Support Our Troops

HOLIDAY CARE PACKAGE DRIVE

We need your help and support! Please support our brave servicemen and women with donations of their most requested items. Read their personal requests at www.anysoldier.com. Let's send them as many Care Packages as we can!



On Saturday, October 17 (9-to-4) and Sunday, October 18 (9-to-3) at the Southborough Senior Center there will be a collection of their most-requested items (see list below) to be shipped in "Care Packages" to our servicemen and women serving overseas.

Also much appreciated by the troops, some of whom receive very little normal mail, are letters and cards, especially those written and/or illustrated by children. Donated items for this most worthy cause may also be left in our church vestry for transport to the Senior Center on the 18th.

"The care packages that we receive are like Christmas to us. It isn't so much the contents in the boxes, but the love, thoughts and well wishes that go into them from people we have never met." CPT Dorothy Watkins

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

Deodorant - male/female
 Toothbrush/Toothpaste
 Shower **GEL**
 Q-tips and Baby wipes
 Razors
 Feminine hygiene products
 Body lotions and Sunblock
 Shaving **GEL (No Aerosol)**
 Chapstick or Blistex
 Foot powder and Socks
 Air fresheners

 Hand Warmers
 Holiday Decorations

FOOD ITEMS

Gum
 Hard candy – Lifesavers, Jolly Ranchers, etc.
 M&Ms, Skittles, Twizzlers, etc.
 Lollipops for soldiers and children
 Nuts, sunflower seeds, Trail Mix
 Dried fruits, raisins, apricots, Fruit Roll-ups
 Pop Tarts
 Canned fruit (single serving)
 Microwave foods -Popcorn, Easy Mac, Ramen,etc.
 Protein/granola/breakfast bars
 Oatmeal (individual packs)
 Cookies and Crackers (individual packs)
 Tuna in packets
 Beef Jerky/Slim Jims

DRINK ITEMS

Presweetened mixes
 Crystal Light, KoolAid
 Coffee, tea
 Cocoa, iced tea mix

OTHER ITEMS

Puzzle books/playing cards
Paperback Books
 Batteries – all sizes
 Computer games
 Pens/pencils
No VHS Tapes Please
 DVD (new or used)
 Wash Cloths

From The Editor

The deadline for the November 2009 Newsletter will be **Sunday, October 25.** Remember to include any dates for meetings or events you would like listed on the calendar.

Articles and/or dates for the calendar may be submitted to Cheryl Holmes by:



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From Our Missions

Dear Friends,



Prak first attended a Straight Ahead Bible study in 2002 when he was locked up at age 14 in a juvenile facility in Boston. Prak's family, like most of the Cambodian gang kids we work with in our Lynn program, were survivors of the Khmer Rouge genocide where three million were tortured and massacred from 1975-1979. His mother doesn't drive or speak English, so when Prak went to court, his family had no means to be there with him.

Our Lynn director, Claire Sullivan attended Prak's bail hearing in 2003. As she spoke up on his behalf, the judge decided to release him on bail and mandate him to Claire's custody, stating that the only thing Prak would be allowed to do was to work with Straight Ahead.

His case continued over the next two years. During this time, Prak was employed under our Summer Jobs Program at a lumberyard and served the homeless through our Community Outreach Program. His entire appearance began to change. He wanted to dress like his mentor and job trainer Hartman.

But Prak was also a gang member. As he started to make breaks with the street life, one time on his way to our office he was jumped and stabbed 24 times from behind. His lung was punctured and he nearly died. Through that low time, Prak saw how our staff loved him and stuck with him – became family in a way stronger than the gang had been – and he determined to go a different way with his life. He got his GED, his driver's license, and signed up for every program we offered.

Now at age 20, Prak is on staff with us full-time. He is taking classes at North Shore Community College as well as the Juvenile Justice Ministries courses Scott teaches through Gordon College. On Sunday he preached at House of Hope Church, the church we planted for youth and homeless people on the streets of Lynn.

Prak is also a community leader at "The Table," a program we started where our staff meets with rival gang leaders and we brainstorm together about strategies to bring down the violence in Lynn. It's amazing to see Prak sit at "The Table" with the same youth who stabbed him 24 times. "I've forgiven him," says Prak, "I don't want to fight anymore. I want to live."

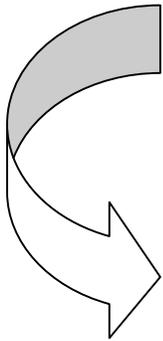
Thanks for all your prayers and support that make stories like Prak's possible!

In His Service,

Scott and Hanne Larson
(Founders of Straight Ahead Ministries)

With Our Special Thanks To --

- ◆ Everyone who helped to make Rally Day, our traditional “beginning of a new Church year,” a delicious and enjoyable event. Thanks to the Diaconate for organizing, thanks to all who brought food and a big thanks to Bob Farmer for manning the grill to keep up with our appetites!

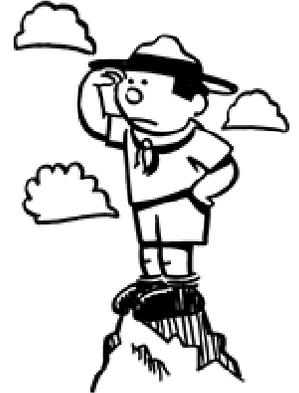


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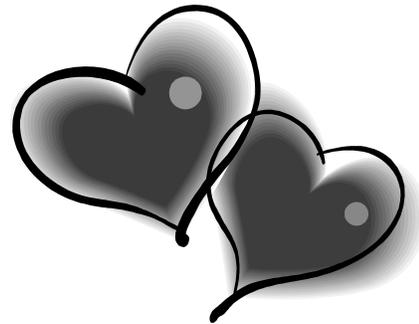
Annual Church Pie Sale
Saturday, November 21

Stewardship Sunday
Sunday, November 22

United Parishes Ecumenical
Service of Thanksgiving
Tuesday, November 24



Write down these dates!!



Birthdays

Ben Mountain	1 st
Ava Willman	1 st
Tim Deschamps	8 th
Jeanne Davis	12 th
Mitchell Hilbert	14 th
Lisa Nelson	17 th
James Robertson	22 nd
Beth Hook	25 th
Bob L'Heureux	30 th

CELEBRATIONS

Anniversaries

Kathleen & Reggie Lirette	5th
Karin & Bob Farmer	8th
Susan & Lou Elias	9th
Charles & Richard Curtiss	9th
Martha & George Nutting	12th



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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