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Newsletter

Rev. John Robie, Minister Lisa Snow, Secretary



The Pastor's Corner May 2022

Dear Members and Friends,

We had a memorable Season of Lent leading up to our services during Holy Week and the celebration of our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday. Alleluia!

This year we were blessed to actively participate in the "Son-rise" service at Great Hill. It was an honor and a privilege to be united with local clergy in this time of celebration!

I am grateful to all that have participated as Liturgist during our Sunday services. Your active role in worship adds to and brings us closer to God. Consider this an open invitation to join in the liturgy of the day. There is an outline provided to guide you along.

Reflections Bible Study will begin on May 4th. This series will be a book study from author C.S. Lewis, "The Screwtape Letters." It is readily available from various sources. Not only have I read the book I attended the production at the Wang Theatre. There is a study guide available that we will follow. Please send me an email if you would like to participate.

The monthly worship and communion services at Pope Rehabilitation continue to be well attended. It is an honor for me to lead these times of reading God's Word, prayer and song to a community of residents who show their love and devotion to God with GUSTO!

The Service of Installation as your Settled Pastor will be held on May 22nd at 2 pm. It was twenty years ago that I began exploring, consulting with clergy and praying about a career change and call into ministry. All along the way, during times of doubt, economic challenges, frustrations, discouragements, uncertainties and just plain trying to "make it," I prayed. I prayed without ceasing.

There were and continue to be two beings that have held me together through my journey along the roads of "trials and tribulations" related to my call to ministry. Thanks be to God and to my beloved partner, best friend, my voice of conscious and spiritual advisor, Edna Robie.

Faith in God has been and continues to be my lifeline. Countless times my prayers for encouragement and rescue involved God throwing me a lifeline. Many times during my four-year journey at Andover-Newton Theological school, Edna would throw me a lifeline with her words of support and active participation in various community events up on The Hill.

These were treasured moments of growth, reflection and development that continue to shape ministerial practices and procedures. Very seldom is the path toward God a smoothly paved surface devoid of bumps, obstacles and uncertainties. Just ask Moses, King David, Elijah, Jesus' disciples or the Apostle Paul. They are essential to our spiritual growth.



Frank Erickson, George Couper, Win Simmons, Becky Palmisano, Chris Lento, Judii M., Sandy Nilsson, Rachel Dunn, Arlene Reyenger, Jean Shea, David Joyce, Pat Arlington, Greta Cofield, Tucket Gibson, Caroline Deneen, Elaine Richards, Chris Lazzaro, Patrick Murphy, Ann Dee, Joan McCusker, John J., Rich Medina, Jean Tyson, Frederick Pepe, Carolyn Ryan, Irving Goldberg, Judy Hanlon, The family of Dianne Siedenspinner

Pastor John Robie - e-mail: pastorfcw@gmail.com, Cell: 781-426-6477

John's office hours: Tue - Thurs 9am-1pm

Available for appointments & visitations upon request

New Office E-mail (for Lisa)

Lisa's e-mail: office11fcw@gmail.com

Office Hours - Lisa's hours: Monday- Friday 10am-2pm

May

Deacons

Don & Janet Trudeau (Elaine Pepe & Ralph Ferguson will fill in May 1 & 21)

Flowers

- 1 - Communion
- 8- June Simmons
- 15- Angela Service
- 22- Open
- 29- Open

Counters

- 1 – Dick Sharp
- 8- David Llewelyn
- 15- Mary Obey
- 22- Anita Sharp
- 29- Fred Bonk

Coffee Hour Volunteers

- 1 - Open
- 8- Open
- 15- Open
- 22- Open
- 29- Open



Church Council

We held our April Church Council session in person and via Zoom with twelve in attendance. We plan to continue in this way through the Spring and all are invited to attend on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30PM. We continue to have a good turnout and active discussions in our meetings.

We continue to have a busy Spring at First Church! We look forward to celebrating the Installation of our 30th Settled Pastor, The Reverend John A Robie, on Sunday, May 22 at 2PM. This will be a very exciting day and we hope that you all will be able to attend! Wednesdays, starting May 4th, we will hold Reflections Bible study via Zoom at 10am. Mother's Day Brunch with everyone invited will be on Saturday, May 7th, at 2PM in the large hall. Please email reservations to the Church Office. On Thursday, May 12, at 7pm we will host a Abigail Adams Historical lecture at the Church. Children's Sunday cookout will be on June 12, and we are already talking about a Fall Fair and rummage sale with the dates to be announced.

Our Church Council is made up of the Chairs of each of our standing Committees listed below and is a place to align and share in the scheduled activities of our Church. If you are interested in becoming involved in any of these committees, please reach out to the Chair.

Deacons on Duty: Diaconate Chair

Ray Bean: Trustees Chair

Janet Trudeau/Marcia Stoddard: CE Co-Chairs

Dick Sharp: Finance Chair

Dorothy Pflaumer: Missions & Outreach Chair

Ralph Ferguson: Publicity Chair

David Llewelyn: Moderator

I appreciate the work that all of our members do throughout the year in support of our Church and our Church activities! God Bless our Church Family and we pray that everyone remains safe and healthy.

Respectfully submitted,

David Llewelyn

Moderator, First Church in Weymouth

Christian Education Committee

Update on Nurse/Sunday School room remodel. The room has been painted and new flooring installed. The CE committee is looking into furnishing for the room.

Church Cookout

An All-Church cookout was discussed and decided on as an activity our committee will manage. We will need to recruit volunteers to transport grills to and from the church and to do the grilling. Annis and Marcia will do the shopping. A date of June 12, 2022 was agreed on. The congregation will be invited to bring side dishes in disposable/take-home dishes. The Committee will do individual packaging of potato chips.

Sunday School: The second week of each month we will have a Sunday school.

May 8- Mother's Day project - Mrs. Lisa Snow

June 12- All Church cookout

Diaconate

Happy May First Church members and friends! What a delightful Easter Sunday and Lenten Season we have enjoyed here at FCW. The Easter season goes right up until Pentecost, so the celebrations continue.

The Diaconate was busy at the April meeting. Although much of the time was spent on the Holy week activities that many of you enjoyed, we also had some other business.

On Saturday, May 7, 2022, there will be a family dinner served by Don Trudeau and the kitchen crew. This is a family event so please make your reservations through Lisa Snow in the office.

A sub committee was formed for the purpose of planning the Installation for our pastor, Rev. John Robie. That will take place on Sunday, May 22, 2022, at 2PM in our sanctuary. There will be a collation following the service.

The Diaconate voted to update the prayer list every 2 months. The Diaconate can then decide who should remain on the list.

We will have a New Member Sunday on June 12, 2022. Anyone interested in becoming a member please speak to Pastor John.

The Prayer Shawl ministry is still alive and well. Anyone in need of a prayer shawl should contact the office or Annis Remsen.

There you have it! We all hope you enjoy the upcoming events and the coming of spring. Next month, Janet and Don Trudeau will be your Deacons on Duty.

Blessing to you all in this time of joy and renewal,

~June and Mark Simmons

Diaconate Chairs April 2022

Coffee Hour

We would like to encourage all those who have ceramic mugs at the church to resume using them during coffee hour. If you do not have your own mug at the church and would like to bring one, we encourage you to do so, they are stored in the cabinet for use each week.

Please remember that you are responsible to wash out your own coffee cup each week, this is not part of the responsibility of coffee hour volunteers.

Coffee Hour volunteers wanted, if you are interested in volunteering, please sign up on the sheet near the kitchen door. If you don't want to sign up to volunteer but would like to help in another way, we ask that you consider signing up just to bring the milk, cream & juice.

Any questions please see Lisa or Rob Snow. \



Save the Date

Saturday, May 7, 2022

First Church "Remember the Ladies"

We invite the women of First Church to join us for the Remember the Ladies celebration on May 7, in the large hall at 2pm. We invite you to bring your family with you to enjoy this special day. We will serve a meal, dessert and have entertainment for your enjoyment. Details to come.

Registration is required: Please call Lisa in the church office 781-335-1686 or Email- office11fcw@gmail.com no later than Wednesday, May 4, 2022

Sponsors Wanted

Becky Palmisano & Chris Lento plan to represent First Church again this year Sat., June 11th in the Walk for Hospice at Weymouth High School.

You can sponsor them online @ [South Shore Health. org/walk](http://SouthShoreHealth.org/walk)
or write check payable to: South Shore Health Foundation

(First Church Walk Team on the memo line). Any questions call Becky Palmisano 781-337-1763

& Mail to: Becky Palmisano

90 Phillips St.

Weymouth, MA 02188

First Church Scholarship

If you are interested in receiving the First Church Scholarship, write a letter with the name of the school you will attend as well as what you are studying and a short biography.

Letters must be received no later than May 10, 2022

Mail letters to: Scholarship Committee

C/O Mr. Wayne Keith

70 Fieldstone Lane, E. Weymouth, MA 02189





*The members of
The First Church in Weymouth
Cordially invite you to*

Service of Installation

for

Rev. John A. Robie

as the 30th Settled Pastor of our congregation

Sunday May 22, 2022, at 2:00pm

*The First Church in Weymouth
17 Church St.
Weymouth, MA 02189*

Reception Immediately following in the Large Hall

Please RSVP to the church office
office11fcw@gmail.com

*Your presence is appreciated as we celebrate the future ministry
of our church under the leadership of our new pastor.*



May 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
			Men's Breakfast 8:30am Jimmy's Reflections Bible Study 10am via Zoom Wed. Evening Service 7pm Lunch deadline			Mother's Day Lunch 2pm
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Communion Worship 10am Sunday School		Food Pantry Drive Thru 10am Church Council 7:30 Small hall	Reflections Bible Study 10am via Zoom	Trustees 7:30pm Small Hall		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Worship 10am Diaconate Meeting 11am Parish Post Deadline		Food Pantry Drive Thru 10am	Men's Breakfast 8:30am Jimmy's Reflections Bible Study 10am via Zoom Worship Service w/ Communion @ Pope 1:30pm		Book Club	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Worship 10am John's Installation 2pm		Food Pantry Drive Thru 10am	Reflections Bible Study 10am via Zoom Wed. Evening Service 7pm	Father Bill's lunches 9:30am		
29	30	31				
Worship 10am CE Committee 11am	Holiday Office Closed					

Have You Remembered The First Church in Weymouth in your Will or Trust?