



CONGREGATIONAL  
**CHURCH**  
OF NEEDHAM

May 12, 2013

***BIBLE SUNDAY***

Theme: Legacy



**Our Covenant**

We strive to be a joyful, welcoming Christian Community.

We seek to be faithful in a world torn by suffering, injustice, oppression, and war,

We are inspired by God, Christ's ministry, and the examples of other faithful people.

We join together in worship and song, fellowship, study, and mission, to embrace the risks and challenges of continuing Christ's ministry.

We struggle to live out our faith in the world by furthering justice and peace, witnessing to the truth, and proclaiming God's love and mercy for all people.

*As a covenant community we are committed to the belief that all people are created equal before God. In affirmation of the inclusive love of Christ Jesus, we welcome persons of any race, gender, age, sexual orientation, ability and economic circumstance to full participation in our community life and ministry. We strive to reflect these beliefs in the language and content of our worship and in our lives together.*



Sunday, May 12, 2013

10:00am

*Childcare for infants and toddlers is available downstairs. Preschoolers and grades 9-12 go directly downstairs to class. 7th-8th graders go to chapel to assist with Bible Village. Grades K-6 leave after the "Time for Children" to the chapel and go to their workshops: grades K-1 to games in Linden AB, grades 2-3 to science in the rainbow room, grades 4-6 to theater in the tent room. All children 1st grade and under must be picked up in their classroom by a family member after class. Children in 2nd grade and older will be dismissed to Fellowship Hall.*

**PRELUDE**

*Lied from 24 Free Style Pieces*

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Cici Hunt**

Leader: Come into God's house this day.

**People: We come together with joyful hearts.**

Leader: Enter this church to receive the gift of faith and then pass it on.

**People: We gather to receive the tradition and to pass it along- knowing the privilege of passing faith from one generation to the next is one of life's great blessings.**

**\*OPENING HYMN #276**

**Holy God, We Praise Your Name**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Cici Hunt**

*Call to Prayer*

Leader:

Lift up your hearts.

**People:**           **We lift them up to the Lord.**  
**Leader:**           Let us pray.

*Unison Prayer*

**O God, the Source and End of life, you have called us together this day through the prodding of your Spirit. Lead us in worship.**

**We praise you for the legacy of faith.**

**The gifts of bread and cup that keep on giving,**

**The Bible stories that nurture us over time,**

**The mentors who left a mark on our souls,**

**The church that holds such promise for our world.**

**Help us to see how much we have inherited, and how much you need us to leave our gifts for those who follow. Inspire us to consider those legacies as we pray...**

*Silent Prayer*

*Lord's Prayer*

*Prayer Response   Sevenfold Amen   Sir John Stainer (1840-1901)*

**TIME FOR CHILDREN (All children will leave for Bible Village after the Bible presentation)**

**CHILDREN'S HYMN (#526)**

**We Are Marching In  
The Light Of God**

**ANTHEM**

*If I Forget, Yet God Remembers*

poem by Robert Browning (1812-1889)

music by Daniel Pederson (2005)

If I forget, yet God remembers. If these hands of mine cease from their clinging, yet the hands divine hold me so firmly that I cannot fall. And if sometimes I am too tired to call for Him to help me, then he reads the prayer unspoken in my heart, and lifts my care.

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Matthew 6:16-21 NT p. 5-6

**SERMON** Your Legacy—Treasure in Heaven   Susan Cartmell

**HYMN (seated) #289 (black)    Come Forth, O Love Divine**

**MORNING PRAYER**

*Concerns and Celebrations*

*Call to Prayer*

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your spirit.**

Leader: O Lord, show your mercy upon us.

**People: And grant us your salvation.**

Leader: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

**People: And take not your Holy Spirit from us.**

Leader: Let us pray.

*Pastoral Prayer*

*Congregational Response*

**Spirit of the Living God**

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

**OFFERTORY**

*Anthem*

*Ave Maria*

Franz Biebl (1906-2001)

*\*Doxology*    Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise God, all creatures here below,  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication*

**\*CLOSING HYMN # 315 (black)    O Word of God Incarnate**

**BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION** *The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

Peter C. Lutkin (1858-1931)

**POSTLUDE**

*In dir ist Freude*

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

*\*You are invited to stand.*

- Welcome to all who are here for the first time. Please fill out the blue “Welcome” card in the pews to receive weekly emails or newsletters.
- Please turn off your cell phone before attending the service.
- Please ask an usher if you would like a copy of the sermon, or need a hearing device. Copies of the sermons are also available on the sermon link at [www.needhamucc.org](http://www.needhamucc.org), our church website.

*Worship Leader:* Cici Hunt

*Deacons:* Carol Oberle and Peter Atallah

*Ushers:* Alex Cullen, Eric Slosser, Nancy Lane, and Frank Luppino

*Altar Guild:* Debbie Wentworth

*Flowers:* Gail Browne

*Flower Delivery:* Jane Clayton-Matthews

*The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Edward Cook by his wife, Doris Cook.*

## **BIBLE RECIPIENTS**

### **Kindergarteners:**

*Hayden Donna DeValerio Andrews  
Charlotte Rachel Bolivar  
Ashley Bradham  
Bridget Grace Howell  
Nina Elise Johnson  
Anran Liu  
Lilly Elizabeth Meyi  
Violet Elizabeth Miller  
Charles Robert Muller  
Jasper Popper  
Addison Charlotte Stedman  
Ella Tometsko  
Owen Charles Ward*

### **4<sup>th</sup> graders:**

*Megan Rose Allen  
Nicole Lois Allen  
Claire McGarty Dirks  
Jack Peter Hurwitch  
Tovey Katherine Rock  
Evelyn Anne Sanborn  
Elinor Wilson*

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Jannatha Coffin-Malia, Dir of Youth Music

The Rev. Dr. Paul Clayton, Pastor Emeritus

**Guatemala Yard Sale, May 18th:** This much-anticipated annual fundraiser will be held Saturday, May 18th, 9am - 2 pm, at Caryl and Dave Johnson's (505 Great Plain Ave.). Items sought: Household items, children's toys/games/equipment, sports equipment, bicycles, electronics, collectibles, jewelry, books/DVD's, tools, small furniture, lawn furniture, etc. (no clothing, TV's, or computers/monitors).

DROP-OFF instructions: Beginning at 5:00 pm, Sunday, May 12th (to Noon, Friday, May 17th, space permitting), please leave your items in the Johnson's garage. If the site is unattended, lift up the left-side garage door and deposit items inside (Drop-offs until 8:00 pm). Workers Needed:

Contact Brenda Metzler: [bmetzler7@verizon.net](mailto:bmetzler7@verizon.net). Please join us for the sale on May 18th!

**Men's Breakfast, Sunday May 19.** The Men's Breakfast brings men of all ages and persuasions together once a month before worship in honest and lively discussion touching our faith and our lives in today's complex world. We get together in the Library on the third Sunday of the month and enjoy breakfast fare provided by volunteers. We have always welcomed men of all ages and can always accommodate those with scheduling challenges. Arrive at 8:15 AM for fellowship and breakfast or by 9:00 AM for the discussion.

On May 19, Paul Brown will remind us that sometimes what seems new is really quite old in a discussion of sustainable practices in ancient Israel. Join us!

Contact Keith McClelland ([kmmlkm@rcn.com](mailto:kmmlkm@rcn.com)) for more information.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CALLING ALL KEYS!!!** If you have a church key kindly contact Danielle at the office to let her know (office@needhamucc.org)! If you are not a leader of a church group or committee, please return the key to the office or mail to the church at 1154 Great Plain Ave. Thank you.

### **Earth Care Opportunities for Mission 4/1 Earth**

TODAY!

Sunday, May 12 is Mothers' Day. Remember to take care of our Mother Earth! Join us for watching *Dirt: The Movie* at 11:30am after the service in Linden Hall. Lunch served.

Welcome to **Youth Group Parties** for 5th and 8th graders! Because 5th and 8th graders will be eligible to join Youth Group next fall, we would like to welcome them with a special party! 5th graders are invited to attend a Junior High Youth Group Meeting on Sunday, May 20, 2012, 5:00-6:30pm in Stevenson Hall, and 8th graders are invited to attend a Senior High Youth Group Meeting at 7-8:30pm. There will be games, make your own ice cream sundaes, and lots of FUN! To RSVP, call or email Rev. Jamie Green, Youth Minister, at [781-444-2510 ext 104](tel:781-444-2510) or [revjamie@needhamucc.org](mailto:revjamie@needhamucc.org).

The Friendly Society Strawberry Festival will be held on **Wednesday, May 15, at 7:30 p.m. in Linden Hall**. Unfortunately the Pollard Middle School Jazz Band will not be our entertainment. However, we will gather for an enjoyable evening of fun and feast--fun to socialize and to feast on delicious strawberry shortcake prepared by our Friendly chefs under the direction of Patty Stewart. All women in the church are cordially invited to attend.



## *CALENDAR for May 12<sup>th</sup> – May 26<sup>th</sup>*

<p><i>Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup></i></p> <p><b><u>BIBLE SUNDAY</u></b></p>	<p>9am Chancel Choir Rehearsal, <i>Sanctuary</i>            10am Worship, <i>Sanctuary</i>            11:30am Lunch and Movie Presentation of "DIRT",  <i>Linden Hall</i></p> <p>NOTE: There will be no Friendly Chime Ringers today            There will be no Youth Choir Rehearsals this today            There will be no JH/SH Youth Group today            *** WALK OR BIKE TO CHURCH!!!</p>
<p><i>Monday May 13<sup>th</sup></i></p>	<p>9am Cancer Support Group, <i>Reception Room</i>            6pm Confirmation Class, <i>Linden Hall</i></p>
<p><i>Wednesday May 15<sup>th</sup></i></p>	<p>7:30pm Friendly Annual Meeting, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>            7:30pm Music Team Meeting, <i>Room 108</i></p>
<p><i>Thursday May 16<sup>th</sup></i></p>	<p>7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i></p>
<p><i>Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup></i></p>	<p>10am Friendly Chime Ringers Rehearsal, <i>Sanctuary</i>            9-2 Guatemala Yard Sale @<i>Johnson's (505 Great Plain)</i></p>
<p><i>Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup></i></p>	<p>8:30am Confirmation Breakfast, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>            8:15am Men's Group Breakfast &amp; Discussion, <i>Library</i>            8:30am New Family Breakfast, <i>Reception Room</i>            9am Chancel Choir Rehearsal, <i>Sanctuary</i>            10am Worship, <i>Sanctuary</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>PENTECOST AND CONFIRMATION</b></p> <p>11:30am Board Forum, <i>Linden Hall</i>            11:30am Joyful Noise Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i>            12pm Hallelujah Choir Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i>            4pm Shepherd's Staff Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i>            5pm Junior High Youth Group, <i>Stevenson Hall</i>            7pm Senior High Youth Group, <i>Stevenson Hall</i>            ***WALK OR BIKE TO CHURCH!!!</p>
<p><i>Monday May 20<sup>th</sup></i></p>	<p>9am Cancer Support Meeting, <i>Reception Room</i></p>
<p><i>Wednesday May 22<sup>nd</sup></i></p>	<p>7:30pm Outreach Meeting, <i>Library</i></p>
<p><i>Thursday May 23<sup>rd</sup></i></p>	<p>7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i></p>
<p><i>Saturday May 25<sup>th</sup></i></p>	<p>10am Friendly Chime Ringers Rehearsal, <i>Sanctuary</i></p>

<b><i>Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup></i></b>	9am	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, <i>Sanctuary</i>
	10am	Worship, <i>Sanctuary</i>
	11:30am	Board Forum, <i>Linden Hall</i>
	11:30am	Joyful Noise Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i>
	11:45am	Friendly Chime Ringers Rehearsal, <i>Sanctuary</i>
	12pm	Hallelujah Choir Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i>
	4pm	Shepherd's Staff Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i>