



Youth Sunday *June 7, 2015*

The Congregational Church of Needham

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.



Youth Sunday

Sunday, June 7, 2015

10:00am

Childcare is available downstairs in the Preschool Room for younger children. Older children are welcome to attend the worship service.

**Designates when you are invited to stand.*

PRELUDE

Carol of Beauty
Arr by Mary Pennycuff
Joy and Hallelujah Choirs

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kristin Hydinger

Recognition of Abbot Scholars

Outreach Committee Member

Members of the Senior Class: Elizabeth Barber, Emily Bowers, Alex Caswell, Matthew Caswell, Whitney Chandler, Madison Darmofal, Madeline DeVeuve, Ellen Dunlavey, Greg Evans, Megan Fernandez, Morgan Garbe, Katie Horton, Lily Kip, Brianna Koljonen, Isabel Libby, Rachael Melia, Lucia Mitrano, Christopher Oetheimer, Nicholas Randazzo

CALL TO WORSHIP

Courtney Brennan

One: This is the day God has made.

Many: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

One: This is the day God has made.

Many: Let us feel lighter as we loosen our grips on our vices.

One: This is the day God has made.

Many: Let us be closer to our fellow created beings.

One: This is the day God has made.

Many: Let us be reflections of Christ today and every day.

***OPENING HYMN #451** (*Black Hymnal*)

Be Now My Vision

OPENING PRAYER

Elizabeth Kuhlman

Call to Prayer

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us pray.

Unison Prayer

**O God, you who gave us birth, and who will walk with us
through our older years,**

We come to you today, to worship and praise you.

We call you your name, and you answer us.

In every age of life, you give us what we need.

Help us cope with the challenges that we face at every age.

Surround us with your presence, you love, and your grace.

Silent Prayer

Lord's Prayer

DUET

Psalm 23

Composed by Philip R. Dietterich

Elizabeth Kuhlman and Christian Yeh

PSALM

Psalm 139: 1-16, 23-24

Isabel Libby

ANTHEM

Kia Hora Te Marino

Words and Music by Christopher Tin

Shepherd's Staff Choir

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Galatians 3:23-29
Courtney Brennan

REFLECTIONS OF EMERGING ADULTS

Ellen Dunlavey, Isabel Libby, Madison Darmofal

SLIDESHOW

PRAYER and OFFERTORY

Prayers of the People

Brianna Koljonen

Call to Offering

Brendan Rock

Sung Offering

Imagine

John Lennon

Elizabeth Kuhlman and Sam Atallah

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

Prayer of Dedication

Brendan Rock

***CLOSING HYMN #394** (*Black Hymnal*)

**In Christ There
Is No East or West**

BENEDICTION

Susan Cartmell

POSTLUDE

Lean on Me
Bill Withers
Worship Band

- 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, our church website.

Worship Leader: Senior High Youth Group

Worship Band: Courtney Brennan, Elizabeth Kuhlman, Kenneth Reutnik,
Christian Yeh, David Yeh

Deacons: Joanne Seiden, Lee McNally, Charles Baker, Mary Lou Hughes

Altar Guild: Sherrill Salisbury

Ushers: Junior High Youth Group

Flowers: Beverly Bolivar

Flower Delivery: Martha Lamb

*The flowers on the altar are given in honor of
Frida Boyd from her children.*



Congratulations!!

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The Rev. Dr. Paul Clayton, Pastor Emeritus

Bobby DeRegis, Director of Music Ministries
Valerie Becker, Director of Youth Music
Kristen Hydingler, Interim Youth Director

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY: Adult Education: Stepping Back Into Church History: On Sunday, June 7th at 11:30, join us for The Reformation Continues, how the Protestant Reformation informed and changed the centuries that followed.

TODAY! End of the Year BBQ. Junior & Senior High 4:00-6:00pm at the Rock/Priault resident (483 Great Plain Avenue). Please bring a dish to share: (Last name A-D: Dessert, E-K: appetizer, L-P: salad or side dish, R-Z: Drinks). Hot dogs, burgers, and veggie burgers will be provided. Youth, siblings, and parents welcome! Rain location: Fellowship Hall.

Do you like to get dirty? Do you like to garden? Or maybe you are just looking for a service opportunity....: if so, please join us at the **Needham Community Farm** on **Saturday, June 13th or Saturday, July 11th from 9am-12pm**. The Outreach Committee has created this opportunity to support our giving theme of aiding the fight against hunger in our local community. The Needham Community Farm's mission is to deepen our community's connection to nature and the food system by providing farm based education and increasing access to healthy produce. The Needham Community Farm donates all fresh produce to the **Needham Community Council Food Pantry**, servicing 200 Needham Families a month. If interested, please sign up at www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0844A8AA23A2FD0-outreach. Questions, please contact Heidi Wiesel at Heidi.wiesel@gmail.com or 781-467-9503.

Guatemala Partner-Family Letters Due June 28: Preparations are underway for the church's delegation to Guatemala in early August. Church families who write a family in Santa Maria Tzeja or sponsor a high-school scholarship student can do their part by writing their letters and e-mailing them by June 28th or earlier to: Davebjohnson@verizon.net. Our volunteer translators appreciate your efforts to decrease the stress of last-minute translations. And many thanks to the Confirmation Class for collecting vital school supplies for the delegation to deliver to the village!

School Supply and Medical Supply drive for Guatemala: The Confirmation Class of 2015, as their service project, is collecting supplies for the school children in our partner village in Santa Maria Tzeja. We don't think twice about pencils and paper, but in other places in the world they make a huge difference! There are collection boxes in the Narthex. Please bring items to church throughout the month of May! We hope that you will support us in our efforts. Thank you - The Confirmation Class 2015.

Volunteer Opportunity for Baby Basics: Driver(s) needed to pick up/drop off diapers

When: Pick up diapers first Monday of every month and have them delivered into South Boston by 5 pm.

Where: Pick up from BJ's in Weymouth and deliver them to the South Boston Community Health Center in South Boston.

How often: Once a month

What's needed: A car/truck/van large enough to fit 15+# of cases of diapers. (If you're not sure how many you can fit, give us a call and we can talk about it.)

The staff @ BJ's and the SBCHC usually help w/loading/unloading of diapers but volunteers should be able to move them independently if needed.

Why: We rely on our diaper drivers to pick up/deliver the diapers so that we can provide these free diapers to our working, low-income families. We are growing our program so need more volunteers.

Interested in helping? Contact Amy Millay @ 617-840-6060 for more details.

Thanks!

LED Bulb Donations to Continue: If you are out shopping for energy efficient LED bulbs for your home, please consider purchasing one or two for the church. Please leave bulbs in the donation box located near the mailboxes in the church office. Here is a list of what is needed for the church:

14 12W (800-1100 lumens) A-21 lamps

45 8W (450-800 lumens) A-19 lamps

30 8W (450-800 lumens) G25 lamps

All of the lamps should have a temperature of 2700K which will provide warmer light. Check out the EMT bulletin board for more information about LED bulbs.

New Grief Group : Grief does not end with a funeral. When you lose someone you love it takes a long time to adjust to the change. Whether the grief you experience is a death or other loss, sometimes it helps to know you are not alone. Living with someone who has memory loss is a grief process. Often it helps to be with others who have some similar experiences. If you would be interested in joining a prayer support group for those who are grieving please speak to Rev. Susan or send her an e-mail – revsusan@needhamucc.org.

Your Legacy?: Have you considered leaving the church in your will? For more information contact Len Chang. adelennig@verizon.net. Thanks for considering this important way to light the path for others who follow.

Friendly Chimers: Friendly Chimers invites anyone interested in a fun, hands-on musical experience to join them in their rehearsals, in the sanctuary. Prerequisites: be able to keep time, enjoy being in a group. For information, contact Joanne Seiden 781-449-6535; jseiden@basiclink.com.

Adult Bible Study: Sunday 11:30 Conference Room: Sunday Bible Study: Minor Prophets. Please join us during the summer to read an often overlooked section of the Bible, the minor prophets, those small books at the end of the Old Testament. There are powerful words here about justice, mercy and repentance.

If you would like to drop by and see what Bible Study is like, please do so- there is no need to have done any reading before joining us. But if you do want to know what we will be covering the following Sunday, please contact Sunu Yeh at dormouse99@gmail.com.

Registration for the 2015/2016 school year at The Center is now open: The Center is an after school drop-in program for 6th (and returning 7th/8th) graders. With staff supervision, we hope that youth grow in confidence and respect for themselves and others, develop lasting friendships, learn to make positive choices, and pursue new interests. For more information, visit www.myyouthcenter.org or call 781-453-4078 or email info@myyouthcenter.org.

End of Year Bible Village Celebration: *June 14, 11:30am-12:00pm.* The whole church community is invited to Fellowship Hall after worship for ice cream and a celebration of the Sunday School year, including: certificate distribution, teacher appreciation, rising up ceremony for Preschoolers entering Bible Village, and musical performances.

Summer Music: Our youth music director Valerie Becker will be playing the beautiful Steinway recently donated by Rich and Dana Devereux. Members are encouraged to offer solos and instrumental voluntaries during the service as well. Please contact Valerie Becker at davalvideo@verizon.net if you are interested.

Senior High Mission Day! Thursday, June 24, 8am-6pm. We will be organizing a Senior High Mission Day to do some much-needed work in our church building. Cost is now free! Bring your own lunch. Light breakfast, snacks, and dinner will be provided. Please sign up by June 20 via email to Kristen Hydinger at youth@needhamucc.org.

Babysitter Round-up: We are looking to generate a current list of eligible babysitters from the youth to distribute to Bible Village parents. If you (or your child) would like to be included in that list, please email Kristen (youth@needhamucc.org) with your name, age, babysitting certification status (yes/no), ability to drive (yes/no), phone number, and email.

Call for February 2016 Delegation Travelers: It's not too early to be planning to join the February 2016 delegation to Guatemala! Travel dates are February 10-21, 2016. We hope to have a healthy mix of adults and high school youth to represent the church. Since airline tickets must be purchased in late September, please contact delegation leader Brenda Metzler as soon as possible with your interest or questions: (781) 449-5696 or bmetzler7@verizon.net.

The Furniture Team needs your help. The church has lots of wonderful new space to furnish and put to work for church programs. Monetary and in-kind donations are welcome: **MOST WANTED FURNITURE LIST:** Two large confer-

ence tables and chairs, Nichols & Stone college arm chairs, Pair of modern upholstered chairs, Pair of traditional upholstered chairs, Loveseat, Coffee table and side table, FIVE 60" round folding tables, Artwork and frames--medium to large.

Items must be in very good condition. Upholstered pieces can be in need of slipcovers. Please contact Judi Stewart at jmgstewart@verizon.net with photos and dimensions or call 781-449-3999. The furniture team would like to look at all furniture prior to donation.

CALENDAR June 7th—June 17th

Sunday, June 7th Youth Sunday	8:30 am 9:00 am 9:15 am 10:00 am 11:30 am 12:00 pm 4:00 pm 7:00 pm	Youth Sunday Worship Band Practice Youth Sunday Speakers Practice Joyful Noise Choir Rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i> Worship Service, <i>Sanctuary</i> Back in Church History, <i>Linden Hall</i> Bible Study, <i>Conference Room</i> Friendly Chime Ringers, <i>Sanctuary</i> Hallelujah Choir rehearsal, <i>Choir Room</i> Shepherd's Staff Choir, <i>Choir Room</i> Junior High/ Senior High Youth Group End of Year BBQ Guatemala Meeting, <i>Library</i>
Monday, June 8th	8:45 am 7:00 pm	Cancer Support Group, <i>Reception Room</i> Finance Team Meeting, <i>Conference Room</i>
Tuesday, June 9th	7:00 pm	Board Meeting, <i>Library</i>
Sunday, June 14th	9:00 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, <i>Sanctuary</i> Worship Service, <i>Sanctuary</i> Bible Study, <i>Conference Room</i> End of Year Bible Village Celebration, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
Monday, June 15th	8:45 am	Cancer Support Group, <i>Reception Room</i>
Wed., June 17th	7:30 pm	Music Team Meeting, <i>Conference Room</i>