



CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF NEEDHAM

July 13, 2014

Theme: Great Stories of the Bible



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.

TIME TO REFLECT

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

**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 #286(NCH)

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

FINAL BLESSING

**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, our church website.

Deacons: Mary Lou Hughes, Frank Luppino

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

Altar Guild: Carol Miller

Flowers: Chris Arren

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in loving
memory of Reverend John Cartmell by Susan Cartmell.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** BLESSING OF 1180 GREAT PLAIN AVE.***

Mark your calendars for a Blessing of our new space at **11:15 a.m on July 20**. The ministers will do a special liturgy for the blessing of the building. Refreshments will be served there after worship and there will be an opportunity to view the property.

Guatemala Delegation Send-Off -- Tuesday, August 5th, 7:00 pm: All are invited to join the Guatemala travelers for a brief send-off celebration at the Taylor's residence, 372 Warren St., Needham. Travelers are co-leaders Alan Clayton-Matthews and Caryl Johnson, Will Barber, Madison Darmofal, Amy Kennedy, Chloe Kennedy, Dave Johnson, and Suzanne Wildman. Folks will have a chance to hear about the delegation's planned activities and share refreshments and well-wishes with the travelers and their families. The Report back presentation following the delegation's return will be Sunday, September 14th at 11:30 am in Linden Hall.

Calling all Partner-Family Letters for Guatemala! If you haven't yet written the letter to your partner-family or scholarship student, please do so TODAY and e-mail it to: Davebjohnson@verizon.net. With the delegation leaving in early August, there is just enough time remaining for our volunteer translators to get your letters translated into Spanish. Writing your letter now will also help you (as well as the Guatemala Partnership) avoid any follow-up/reminder phone calls. Many thanks.

Join a "Pick Up" Choir :This summer Valerie, our Youth Music Director, will lead a Pick Up Choir every Sunday throughout July and August.

What you do: Arrive at 9 a.m. in the Choir Room
Practice an uplifting anthem
Sing at the service

Who is welcome: All singers. This might be for you if you don't have time to commit to the choir but love to sing.

This is a fun, and a nice way to share your musical gifts.

Noah's Ark Board Position :There is an opening for a treasurer for the pre-school board. We need someone to keep track of the budget and attend the Board meetings monthly on the second Monday. Please speak to one of the ministers or NAP Board president Laurie Davis if you are interested in being considered.

Capital Campaign Pledge: If you have not paid your capital campaign pledge and are in a position to pay anytime, this summer would be a good

time to pay any or all of the amount. Some families are paying on a monthly or yearly schedule. If you have any flexibility in your ability to pay your pledge, this would be a helpful time to make your contribution. As always, the church remains very grateful for your generosity.

VBS Program: Is in need of **empty cardboard cereal boxes**. Please bring them to the church throughout the summer and drop off at Rev. Jamie's office.

Registration for the 2014/2015 school year at The Center is now open: The Center is an after school drop-in program for 6th (and returning 7th/8th) graders. For more info, visit www.myyouthcenter.org or contact Jamie at 781 -444-2510 ext. 198 or info@myyouthcenter.org.

Join the February 2015 Delegation to Guatemala: The February 2015 delegation to Guatemala is beginning to fill, so if you may be interested, contact delegation leader Brenda Metzler soon for more information or to sign up: bmetzler7@verizon.net. Travel dates are February 11-22, 2015. Tickets will be purchased in September or earlier if the delegation fills up, so start planning now. We especially would like to have a good youth component.

CALENDAR July 13—August 17

The Blessing of our new building at 1180 Great Plain Ave. is scheduled for July 20, following the Worship Service.

Sunday, July 13th	10:00 am	Worship Service, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
Sunday, July 20th	10:00 am 11:15 am	Worship Service, <i>Fellowship Hall</i> 1180 Great Plain Ave. Building Blessing
Sunday, July 27th	10:00 am	Worship Service, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
Sunday, August 3rd	10:00 am	Worship Service, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
Tuesday, August 5th	7:00 pm	Guatemala Delegation Send Off, <i>Taylor Residence</i>
Sunday, August 10th	10:00 am	Worship Service, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
Wednesday, August 13th	10:00 am	Board Meeting, <i>Library</i>
Sunday, August 17th	10:00 am	Worship Service, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>