



CONGREGATIONAL  
**CHURCH**  
OF NEEDHAM

August 18, 2013

Theme: Today's Saints



### **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, August 18, 2013

10:00am

*Childcare for infants & toddlers is available downstairs in the nursery. Older children are welcome to attend the worship service.*

WELCOMING MUSIC

WORDS OF GREETING

**\*HYMN # 55 (Black)      Rejoice You Pure in Heart**

READING

PRAYER

*Silent Prayer*

*Lord's Prayer (using "debts," p.513, red hymnal)*

LIGHTING CANDLES FOR JOYS & CONCERNS

MUSIC

SCRIPTURE READING      Matthew 5:43-48

SERMON      Sister Helen Prejean: Love Your Enemies

PASTORAL PRAYER

*Congregational Response #283 (Black Hymnal)*

**Spirit of the  
Living God**

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

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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 # 576 (Black) For the Healing of the Nations**

FINAL BLESSING

POSTLUDE

*\* 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.

*Deacons:* Carol Oberle and Robert Kennedy  
*Ushers:* Chris Nyland, Bob Everts, Jim Conroy  
*Altar Guild:* Denice Koljonen  
*Flowers:* Debbie Wentworth  
*Flower Delivery:* Heike Werder

*The flowers on the altar are given in loving memory of Emily and Stuart Campbell by Debbie and Blair Wentworth.*



**BACK FOR THE SUMMER!  
AUGUST 26-29<sup>th</sup>**

*Kids ages 3 to 10 are invited to a week of active, adventurous fun at The Congregational Church of Needham's VBS program.*

***THEME: "EVERYWHERE FUN FAIR"***

Fee: \$20 per day for morning activities (8:30-12)  
Lunch Bunch offered from 12-1pm for \$5 per day

Additional children in each family will receive 50% discount  
AND save \$20 if you register by August 1<sup>st</sup>!

***Download a registration form at  
[www.needhamucc.org/learn/vbs](http://www.needhamucc.org/learn/vbs)***

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The Rev. Susan Cartmell, Senior Minister  
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The Rev. Jamie Green, Youth Minister

Bobby DeRegis, Director of Music Ministries  
Jannatha Coffin-Malia, Dir of Youth Music  
The Rev. Dr. Paul Clayton, Pastor Emeritus

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PICTURES FOR THE DIRECTORY!** We are currently collecting pictures for our updated Church Directory. Send a great photo of you and your family to the church office at [office@needhamucc.org](mailto:office@needhamucc.org).

**VBS IS BACK AUGUST 26-29!** Kids ages 3 - 10 are invited to a week of active, adventurous fun. The theme is "Everywhere Fun Fair"! The fee is \$20 per day (8:30am-12pm). Lunch Bunch will be offered from 12-1pm for \$5 per day. Additional children in each family will receive a 50% discount and EVERYONE can save \$20 if you register by August 1<sup>st</sup>! Download a registration form at: [www.needhamucc.org/learn/vbs](http://www.needhamucc.org/learn/vbs).

**The Village Fair!** It's not too early! We are accepting applications from Artists that wish to show and sell their work at the Village Fair on November 16, 2013. Applications are available online at <http://needhamucc.org/come/villagefair/> or email [office@needhamucc.org](mailto:office@needhamucc.org).

If you would like to volunteer to help with the Fair please contact Danielle Jurdan in the office at [office@needhamucc.org](mailto:office@needhamucc.org) or 781-444-2510.

## **CALENDAR for August**

<b>August 7<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup></b>		Guatemala Delegation returns
<b>Sunday August 18<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Worship, Sanctuary
<b>Sunday August 25<sup>th</sup></b>	10am	Worship, Sanctuary
<b>Monday August 26<sup>th</sup> - Thursday August 29<sup>th</sup></b>	8:30am-12pm	Vacation Bible School