



CONGREGATIONAL  
**CHURCH**  
OF NEEDHAM

June 16, 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, June 16, 2013

10:00am

*Childcare for infants and toddlers is available downstairs.*

*Preschoolers go directly downstairs to class. 7th-8th graders go to chapel to assist with Bible Village. Grades 9-12 stay in worship.*

*Grades K-6 stay in worship and leave after the Sacrament of Baptism to the chapel and go to their workshops: grades K-1 to theater in the tent room, grades 2-3 to games in Linden AB, grades 4-6 to science in the rainbow 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**     *Prière à Notre-Dame- from Suite Gothique, Op. 25*  
*Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)*

*Recordare from Requiem- Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)*  
Caitlin McCarville, soprano; Maggie Furtak, alto;  
Nate Ramsayer, tenor; Crosby Goshgarian, bass

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Frida Boyd**

Leader: Come all who love God's name

**People: Let us gather to proclaim God's love for all the world.**

Leader: There is good news! God's grace is not confined to heavens shores, or held beyond our grasp.

**People: Good news! Seeds of faith hope are manifest all around us each day.**

Leader: So let us lift our voices in songs of praise, and let every tear be dry.

**People: Standing here, on holy ground, let us praise God's name together.**

**\*OPENING HYMN # 43 (Black)**

**Love Divine, All Loves  
Excelling**

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Frida Boyd**

*Call to Prayer*

**Leader:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** **We lift them up to the Lord.**

**Leader:** Let us pray.

*Unison Prayer*

**Lord, our God, you have loved us before we were born.  
You love us still.**

**Grateful for your many gifts, we seek ways to serve you.**

**Teach us how to be bearers of light and hope.**

**Where there is confusion let us bring clarity.**

**Where there is unrest, let us bring peace.**

**When we encounter mean spirits, let us foster goodness of heart.**

**When we find fear, let us live with faith.**

**As we ponder today's saints – set our imaginations free to fly  
with your Holy Spirit to those places where you can match our  
gifts with the world's great needs...**

*Silent Prayer*

*Lord's Prayer*

*Prayer Response*

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

**Baptized today is Josephine Lane Dancy, daughter of Ellen Busher  
and Christopher Dancy**

**Welcome and Questions**

**Congregational Response**

**We promise to this child and to his parents our love,  
support and prayers.**

**Baptismal Prayer**

**Act of Baptism**

**Congregational Response**

**Give to this newly baptized child strength for life's  
journey, courage in time of suffering, the joy of faith,  
the freedom of love, and the hope of new life, through  
Jesus Christ, who makes us one. Amen.**

**Baptism Hymn #325 (Black Hymnal)**

**Child of Blessing, Child of Promise**

**ANTHEM**

*Hear My Prayer*

*Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)*

Caitlin McCarville, soprano

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Mark 8: 27-30

NT, p. 41

**SERMON**

**“The Christ of Dietrich Bonhoeffer”**

**HYMN (seated) # 413 (Black)**

**By Gracious Powers**

**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*

*Greater Love Hath No Man*

*John Ireland (1879-1962)*

Caitlin McCarville, soprano; Shawn Rock, baritone

Many waters cannot quench love; neither can the floods drown it. Love is strong as death. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness. Ye are washed, ye are sanctified, ye are justified, in the name of the Lord Jesus. Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation. That ye should shew forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness, into His marvelous light.

I beseech you, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

*\*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 #295 (Black)**

**I Sing a Song of the Saints  
of God**

**BENEDICTION**

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

*Peter C. Lutkin (1858-1931)*

**POSTLUDE**

*Toccata from Suite Gothique  
Léon Boëllmann*

**We would like to thank the Chancel Choir and section leaders for their dedicated service to our church through the ministry of music. We wish them a restful and relaxing summer, and look forward to their return in September.**

*\*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:* Frida Boyd

*Deacons:* Fabienne Madsen and Diana Conroy

*Ushers:* Mike Normile, Janet Jankowiak, Stan Normile, Bob Everts, Jim Conroy

*Altar Guild:* Lee McNally

*Flowers:* Beverly Bolivar

*Flower Delivery:* Joanne Seiden

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God in honor of our father. Happy Father’s Day from the Cullen family.*

**High School Graduates in Santa Maria Tzeja**

Today we are celebrating this year’s high school graduation of 5 students from Santa Maria Tzeja who received scholarships through our church. Today’s slide show will provide more details about the graduates, including their pictures. These graduations

were made possible through the generosity of our church, as expressed by individual donors/sponsors and by the congregation's support of Guatemala fundraisers.

Below are some quotes from recent student letters:

- “This is my first year of study toward my career. My school, the Maya Technical Institute for Natural Resources, is one of the best high schools in the region. On June 25th we will be planting 1,100 little pine trees as part of a special project called "Reforestation Central America.”
- “This was the happiest day of my life because from this day forward, having completed the road I wanted to follow, I will begin a new stage in my life.”
- “I will always be grateful to you for the help you are providing, which will one day allow me to share what I have learned with those in need. People have hope and faith in us, and that is my other dream, that someday all of us will move forward and there will be a change in our country.”



**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  
The Rev. Heike Werder, Associate Minister  
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

### **Jews & Christians: A Journey of Faith, Part II, 11:30am**

Join us in Linden Hall to finish what we started in April and watch Part II of this amazing documentary. Lunch will be served.

### **Party for Guatemala Partner Families, Saturday, June 22nd, 1:00 - 4:00 pm!**

The Guatemala Partnership invites all partner families to an afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship at the home (and pool!) of Dianne and Bill Rees, 81 Clearwater Drive, Westwood. All ages welcome, BBQ lunch and Pool provided, bring your own towels. RSVP to Dianne: [reesd@comcast.net](mailto:reesd@comcast.net) or (781) 769-8895.

### **Ecclesiastical Council for John Allen – Tuesday June 25, 7pm**

John Allen is in the process of preparing for ordained ministry in the UCC. John has just graduated from Union Theological Seminary with great honors and is now ready to take his next step, the Ecclesiastical Council. As his fellow congregants and church members, you are invited to attend to support John in this next step toward ordination.

**ALTAR FLOWERS FOR JULY 7th!** We have an opening on July 7 for altar flowers. If you would like to donate the flowers on the altar in memory of a loved one, please contact the church office at 781-444-2510 or at [office@needhamucc.org](mailto:office@needhamucc.org). Thank you!

**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).

**Letter-Writing Time for Partner Families!** A RECORD-sized delegation will soon pack their bags for Guatemala bringing friendship, support, supplies, camaraderie, good will and eagerness to learn. They hope to carry YOUR letter for your partner family. Please write your letter by **July 7th** and send to Dave Johnson: [davebjohnson@verizon.net](mailto:davebjohnson@verizon.net), to allow time for it to be translated. Include pictures if you can. Thanks.

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

**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 vehicle 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.) BJ's and the SBCHC usually help load/unload diapers but volunteers should be able to move them independently if needed.

**Why:** We rely on our 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!

***CALENDAR for June 16<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>***

<b><i>Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup></i></b>	8am	Men's Breakfast, <i>Library</i>
	9am	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, <i>Sanctuary</i>
	10am	Worship, <i>Sanctuary</i>
	11:30am	Jews & Christians: A Journey of Faith, Part 2 <i>Linden Hall</i>
<b><i>Monday June 17<sup>th</sup></i></b>	9am	Cancer Support Group, <i>Reception Room</i>
<b><i>Wednesday June 19<sup>th</sup></i></b>	7:00pm	Mission Trip Safety Training, <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
	7:30pm	Music Team Meeting, <i>Reception Room</i>
	7:30pm	Outreach, <i>Library</i>
<b><i>Thursday June 20<sup>th</sup></i></b>	7pm	Center Open House for Perspective Students, <i>SH</i>
<b><i>Sunday June 23<sup>rd</sup></i></b>	10am	Worship, <i>Sanctuary</i>
	11:30am	Mission Trip Parent and Youth Meeting, <i>Chapel</i>
	1-3pm	Walker School Carnival for Junior and Senior High Youth Groups
<b><i>Monday June 24<sup>th</sup></i></b>	9am	Cancer Support Meeting, <i>Reception Room</i>
<b><i>Tuesday June 25<sup>th</sup></i></b>	7pm	John Allen Ecclesiastical Council **Senior High Mission Trip Begins
<b><i>Sunday June 30<sup>th</sup></i></b>	10am	Worship, <i>Sanctuary</i>