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Vision Statement

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Covenant – We covenant one with another to seek and respond to the word and the will of God. We purpose to walk together in the ways of the Lord, made known and to be made known to us. We hold it to be the mission of the church to witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ in all the world, while worshiping God, and striving for the truth, justice and peace. As did those who came before, we depend on the Holy Spirit to lead and empower us. We pray for the coming of the kingdom of God, and we look with faith toward the triumph of righteousness and eternal life.

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A NEW CHAPTER IN GOD'S CARE

Friends, on Friday, June 4 I shared a big announcement which was more broadly announced to the congregation on Sun., June 6. It is with great sadness that I announce my resignation as your Senior Minister. I, of course, realize that this news will likely come as a shock, and for that I am so deeply sorry. My time serving alongside each one of you, the members and friends of FCC Marshfield, has been fulfilling and inspiring. It has been a blessing and you have been a blessing, which I will always remember. After much prayerful consideration, I have decided to follow a new path and have accepted the call to serve in the pastorate of a sister Congregational church in southeast Michigan. I will begin serving there this fall.

I greatly appreciate the love you have for one another and for the Marshfield community. My love for you, and your love for me and my family will be cherished in my heart always. As a historic Pilgrim church, you stand as a beacon not only to Marshfield, but also to the Church around the nation. I know you will continue to do so for generations to come to the glory of God.

God has richly blessed our time together these last few years. You've been blessed to complete a Capital Campaign culminating in the installation of a new Meeting House Steeple, communications have transitioned to include digital and online platforms, missions have reached the local community and beyond, a thrift shop ministry was born, education programs have flourished for all ages, and Worship has engaged members and friends to the glory of God even through a global pandemic. God has blessed this church in these and so many other ways and He will continue to do so.

While this news will certainly lead to heavy and even distracting thoughts, as we Worship and serve God I pray that you may continue to focus on Him, giving Him thanks for all our blessings, and asking His guidance as a new chapter begins. Please know that you will be in my prayers. I ask that my family and I may also be in yours. Thank you and God bless you.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus,
Pastor Joel

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Church Office Hours (Note Updated Schedule; by appointment only): Monday 9:00am-3:00pm; Tuesday 9:30am-12:30pm; Wednesday 9:00am-3:00pm; Thursday 9:00am-1pm (office is closed on Fridays)

Pastoral Office Hours: Tue—Thurs. 9:30am-12:30pm (Mondays are Pastor's day off).

Church Cancellations: Please watch FOX25 and www.myfoxboston.com. Also you can listen on WATD radio.

July/August 2021

THE BIBLE AT THE BEACH

- 1st Wednesday of the month

Put on your summer smile and join us for a new all-ages, outdoor series *The Bible at the Beach*. This monthly, interactive series is being offered in 4 sessions to take place in-person (masked and social distanced) at Burke's Beach/Green Harbor. Gatherings will be held on the 1st Weds. of the month. This series highlights scripture passages which focus on or take place near water. Bring a beach chair and a sandwich/light supper to enjoy outside at 6:30pm. Program to start at 7pm. For those without a Marshfield beach sticker, you may connect with someone in town to carpool (cars without a sticker may be parked at the Post Office on Beach St.). Sessions will be held on July 7, August 4, and Sept. 1. [Click here](#) to signup online. Hope to see you there!

BIBLE STUDY: LETTERS OF JOHN

- Wednesdays at 1pm (started April 28)

Join us in our Bible Study on the Letters of John, meeting Weds. online via Zoom at 1pm. These nine studies on The Letters of John from NT Wright help us become believers who are "walking in the truth" in our own day - people in whom the very life of God is at work for all to see. Study guides are available for a suggested donation of \$8 (Let BCE know if you'd like a copy. Books are available in the office.). [Click here](#) to signup and join us as we explore God's Word in 1 2 3 John! [Click here](#) to join the Zoom meeting (Password: 087699), or call +1 312 626 6799 or +1 646 876 9923 or +1 301 715 8592 or +1 669 900 6833 or +1 253 215 8782 or +1 346 248 7799 or +1 408 638 0968. Meeting ID: 912 2913 6401. All are welcome!

FROM YOUR DEACONS

By now most all of you will have heard about the resignation of Pastor Joel. His last day will be Sunday 8/22. Like you, we are saddened at this sudden news. We would like to thank Pastor Joel for his leadership and guidance during one of the most difficult periods that we can recall. Pastor Joel's innovation, faith and teaching has changed our church for the better and we are grateful for his ministry. We remind the congregation that Jesus was only with his disciples for 3 short years as well. A farewell party for Pastor Joel is planned for Saturday afternoon 8/21 and all are invited. (More details to follow) Please plan on giving Joel a wonderful send off with all of our well wishes and prayers.

Life goes on. We are sure you are noticing the changes in our worship services and our gradual return to normalcy. We are worshipping mask-less, without contact tracing, without advance sign up and without capacity and distancing requirements. (Those unvaccinated are still encouraged to wear a mask.) And you are invited to sing in worship again! Fellowship Hour will be allowed starting on Sunday June 11th. (Please note, no groups or committees have signed up to host yet, but the gathering is now allowed.) A limited number of printed bulletins will be made available starting on June 27th. Frank Wilkins will be filling the pulpit for Pastor Joel on that Sunday.

We have decided to delay the start of Summer Outdoor Worship until Sunday July 18th. Due to potential conflicts with traditional 4th of July public celebrations and our Fair on July 10th this seems like the better date to start our outdoor worship. Please bring a lawn chair and join us on the green beside the Parish Hall on July 18th. You are welcome to park in the church parking lots.

"We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body." 2 Corinthians 4:8-10.

From your Deacons,

Michael Rydberg, Judy Johnson, Rick Taylor, Lisa Brown, Frank Wilkins and Alyssa Titus.

SUNDAY MORNING KIDZ CLUB

July 18 through August 29 – 7 Sundays (9:30am-10:30am)

Ages 4 through children finishing 6th grade in 2021

Kidz, grandkidz, & friends of FCCM kidz...come join our Sunday morning club! It meets each Sunday at the "Clubhouse" in Parish Hall for an hour of fun, music, Bible stories, crafts, and outdoor activities. We may get dirty and we may get wet, but we don't care, 'cuz kidz just want to have fun!

Come see what club leaders Georgia Chrisman and Janet McGrath have planned! For sure, we will paint; we will glue and glitter; we will plant; we will hear some cool music; we will explore God's words; we will play outdoors!

Kidz, please invite your friends to join Kidz Club too. Meetings start soon; **so get your Club Membership Card from Miss Georgia!** Questions: Georgia Chrisman (781-361-1290).

FLOWER DEDICATION SIGN-UP SHEET

The sign-up sheet for the 2021 season, has been placed in the vestibule of the sanctuary. Please see dates available to celebrate, honor or remember a loved one. Remembering with the gift of flowers, brings great joy to the Lord and those we love. You may contact Liz Vaillancourt, 781-837-8114 or Sarah, in the church office, 781-834-7664.

FROM YOUR TRUSTEES

The Trustees voted to accept Joel's last working day as Aug 22, 2021. Trustee officers remain the same, Doreen is the chair, Greg is the assistant chair, Doreen will continue to be secretary until a new member joins the Trustees. Doreen will also serve on the Stewardship committee, and Greg will remain on the Nominating committee. We have completed our fundraising for the new door in the lower Parish Hall entrance. The door is on order, and Greg will work with Lew to replace it shortly. Greg is also working on enclosing under the wheel chair ramp to help with a storage area for the lawn mower and snow blower, as well as yard tools. He will let us know if he will need any additional funds to complete that project. Donna has scheduled the appointment to service our heating system in the Parish Hall since it has been years since that was done. This is a preventative measure that will help our insurance coverage. Donna has been very active working on our Alarm system and Internet/Phone contracts and has helped us upgrade to the wireless 5G in the Parish Hall. This allows us to drop a phone line, and go to a higher speed internet and we will be getting new phones in the Parish hall shortly with some new features. We did vote to use some of the grant money to add insulation to the Sanctuary ceiling and that is done. We elected to give Missions \$500 from the grant as well since they had agreed to go with much less than their normal amount when the budgeting was tight. On the financial side of things, we are running around \$7,000 in the red this year so far. Since we did carry over some money from last year and several people have given their full annual pledge already we are ok for now. We do ask that folks try to send along your pledges and donations throughout the summer, maybe on a monthly basis to keep us from getting into a financially strapped situation.

Together we serve the Lord,
Your Trustees – Doreen Taylor, Greg Prendergast and Donna McCue

A NOTE FROM YOUR CARING MINISTRY TEAM

The role of the Caring Ministry Team is to assist the minister in meeting the needs of the congregation. The Team consists of 8 members: Lisa Brown, Pam Drouin, Mary Ellingson, Jennifer Fields, Judy Johnson, Donna McCue, Michael Rydberg and Gisele Coville. Each parishioner has been assigned to a Caring Ministry Team member. If you don't know who your Caring Minister is, please contact Michael Rydberg (508-246-3037), Gisele Coville or Jennifer Fields. Our primary mission is to pray for the needs of our assigned parishioners. Please also let us know if a spiritual or practical need should arise.

ICF CONFERENCE ONLINE - July 23-25

Join us online for the Quadrennial Conference of the International Congregational Fellowship: The Voyage Continues! The conference will be held July 23-25, 2021. We are meeting: To commemorate the 400th anniversary of the sailing of the Mayflower, To share "Mayflower stories" of Congregationalism across the globe, To learn from the current activity of the Congregational churches across the globe, To enjoy fellowship with international brothers and sisters in Christ. Registration is free, but a donation will be welcomed when you register. For more information and to register, visit: www.internationalcongregationalfellowship.org.

LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY (LBS)

LBS had the last regular meeting on June 15, 2021 with our annual luncheon. We worked on the July 10th fair. We resume our meetings in Sept. 2021. — Phyllis. Have a great summer everyone.

CALLING ALL BUSINESSES and INDIVIDUALS

The Trustees are offering sponsoring space in The Bell newsletter. This initiative will help bring in additional revenue as well as defray the costs associated with The Bell. In this Bell, we are offering free ads to individuals and businesses affiliated with our church while we test the layout. This could be either a sponsorship or even a personal message. If interested, please contact the church office or speak to/email a Trustee.



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IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Thanksgiving/Joy: Christ's faithfulness to FCC Marshfield for 388 years, the gift of engaging in both in-person and online Worship, churches in MACCC and NACCC, development of COVID-19 vaccines. We give thanks to God for freedom and liberty for all people in the USA.

Healing: Those impacted by the COVID-19 crisis, including the medical teams and officials working to keep us safe. Edna Robie, Kim Callendar, Carol Spooner, John Coombs, John Ritucci, David McGrath Sr, Jack Pattison, Krista Gottschlich and Kaylee, George and Barbara Irvin, Stephanie, Daniel and for young Noah, Rex Hayden, Pat Taylor, Carl Titus, Barbara Coville, Kurt Sundwall, Bethany Andreson (Cindy Riley's granddaughter), Bonnie Titus, Jay Prendergast, Jill Titus, Howard Hill, Ethyln Balkam, Thomas Davis (Paul Tomeo's grandson), Derek Pugh, Joan Chubbs, Anne Sylvester

Comfort: families of Peter Sylvester, Gloria Chrisman, Nancy Tatten, Stephen Smith (Liz Vaillancourt's brother).

Homebound Church Family: Roz Novinsky, Marie King, Kathy Bryan, Alberta Bezanson, and Mary Ellingson.

Guidance & Protection: Men and Women in the military and our first responders, families struggling with addictions, stigma of mental illness, John Coombs, people of India and Myanmar, leaders of our nation, our unhoused youth in Marshfield, students, teachers and staff during summer break.

PRAYER PALS ON MONDAY EVENINGS



Prayer PALS pray for you, our church and our world Monday evenings 6:30-7:30pm in the church library. Pals start with a brief devotion, discuss prayer needs and then pray about those. Join them; numbers strengthen the petitions! If you can't, but have a prayer request, place it in the offering box, in an email to pastorfccm@gmail.com or call Georgia (781-361-1290). "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your prayers to God." Ph.4:6 NIV

UPDATED! IN-PERSON & LIVESTREAM WORSHIP SERVICE

-Sundays at 9:30am

With Covid restrictions being lifted by the state we are now allowed to gather for worship at 100% capacity WITHOUT MASKS, without contact tracing and without advance sign up. Fully vaccinated individuals may sit wherever they wish with whoever they wish. Anyone not yet fully vaccinated is encouraged to wear a mask and observe 6 foot distancing. If you feel safer with a mask on, please feel free to wear one. Everyone's decision to wear or not wear a mask will be respected. We continue to be fully aware of our obligation to ensure the health and safety of all who attend. For the time being we will continue to keep the windows open for ventilation and disinfect between services. We will enter through the Narthex and exit through the handicap ramp. The retiring offering will continue to be observed and communion will be offered in pre-packaged containers for now. All of our services will continue to be livestreamed on Facebook Live and available for viewing later. Childcare will not be provided at this time. All unvaccinated children in Sunday School are encouraged to wear a mask. Washing stations and restrooms will continue to be made available on the lower level of the Parish Hall. We look forward to joining you in Worship!

SEPTEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

- Articles due by Sunday, August 15

Please submit any articles/submissions for the September issue of *The Bell* newsletter to the church office by August 15. You may also submit your article via email to secretaryfccm@gmail.com. Thank you!

NACCC LAY MINISTRY TRAINING

This course of study supports the Congregational value of a learned laity. It provides basic training for people who desire to serve the church more fully, either as a lay minister or as a lay leader. The program assists in the spiritual development of individuals and enhances knowledge in areas of biblical knowledge, theology, worship, Congregational history and polity, pastoral care, Christian education and others. Online Class Registration and payment information for accepted program applicants coming soon. Class fees will be set at \$200 per session and scholarships are available through the Vitality Ministry Council. [Click here](#) for more info.

UPPER ROOM DAILY DEVOTIONALS

We have not renewed our subscription to the printed Upper Room Daily Devotionals. For those of you who miss the devotions, please know that they are available for FREE online at <https://www.upperroom.org/devotionals>

WORK FORCE/ACTION TEAMS NEEDED FOR SUMMER BLESSINGS FAIR

Save the Date! July 10, 2021

We have our Fair Task Force Leaders. Now we need Action Team Leaders and workers for our summer fair! We need your help for our Fair to be successful. Some teams have already formed, but we urgently need leaders and teams for Books, Kids activities, plants, set up and cleanup. Volunteers please contact Jean Hight (jhight2008@aol.com), Audrey Taylor (rick.audrey@verizon.net), Judy Johnson (Jtinkjni8@aol.com), Georgia Chrisman (2onmountainash@gmail.com).

VACCINE INFORMATION

As you may know, COVID vaccinations are now available for those 65 and older and with two or more health concerns (see official list for details). The vaccine is available at the Marshfield Fairgrounds. **Click here to signup for a vaccine.** [Click here](#) for the latest vaccine info from the Town Board of Health. [Click here](#) to preregister in MA.

UPCOMING MARSHFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY LECTURES: FCCM

FCCM has an opportunity to tell our story and let Marshfield know how we care. Tim Davidson of the Marshfield Historical Association has contacted Pastor Joel and the church to ask about some of the life of the church and the town. The people who gathered to pledge their best efforts, financial contributions and hard work to the Winslow Village Inc. was of special interest to Tim since he passes it everyday. It occurred to him that many people in town might not know that FCCM sponsored Winslow I and Winslow II and continue to serve on the board. A recent brief review of modern activities was held by "The Historical Committee," consisting of Greg Prendergast for general knowledge, Lisa Brown for Communications expertise, Becky Bates McArthur, and myself, with recommendations from Kim Kimball, our education specialist.

Our discussion revealed some interesting developments including:

- Winslow I and II affordable elderly housing for independent living in Marshfield.
- Good Neighbor Fund
- Mission donations to Community Christmas, Boys and Girls Club and the Good Neighbor Fund
- Saturday free pancake breakfast
- A bell tower that rings the time for the community
- Youth:
 - Sponsoring dances for Jr. High students, Sponsoring retreats and Christian education for teenagers
 - Visiting nursing homes and shut-ins during holiday, Working with other youth groups to provide free home improvements to those in need of otherwise costly home repairs.
- LBS

We spoke with Tim in May and he would like FCCM to present 3 lectures on these topics. One every year.

This is a time when we can bring our values and missions to the community and it may allow more people to understand the practical manifestations of our spiritual values as we follow Christ in our church in our lifetimes. This project should be an all-in attempt to accomplish these tasks. Your assignment, if you accept, is to communicate your participation in any or all of the discussions about these subjects. Thanks to Ernie Chandler for pitching in to tell me all he and his family have done for Winslow I and II. More to follow.

We will have the topic-for-the-day discussions at Coffee Hour sponsored by LBS every third Tuesday at 10 AM and catch-up-time at Coffee Hour for those interested. Pastor Joel has agreed to help us present the lectures, however we need to combine everyone's knowledge about these subjects and give it our best.

- Judy Johnson, *Church Historian*

July/August 2021



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MISSION PROJECTS FOR JULY/AUGUST

Seeing, understanding, showing compassion, and helping all people is part of our responsibility to God. Please continue to share in our mission to give support to everyone here and around the world.

Helping our on-going Marshfield Missions

Food Pantry - Please send a donation to the Food Pantry or to a group that is helping to feed the tremendous number of food-insecure families in the United States at this time.

Sowing Seeds - Please donate new socks, good winter clothing and sleepwear.

Good Neighbor Fund - Continue to buy your Grocery and Gift Cards through the Good Neighbor Fund. Our neighbors need help year-round.

Helping the Homeless - Please support this on-going project with the Youth Fellowship and donate travel sized toiletries or new clean socks.

Helping our Family and Friends around the World

Please continue to pray for our families and friends around the world.

Opportunities

The Missions Committee has received a donation to be used for Mission trips through a vetted organization. This is open to anyone in the church who might be interested. Please talk to members of the committee for more information. The NACCC has a list of some opportunities on their website.

MISSIONS UPDATE

Hello all from Missions! Although this year our budget is a bit tighter, we are pleased to announce we were able to help the Marshfield Food Pantry with a \$500 donation this May. We are all looking forward to an ease in restrictions soon to plan a project for some group participation! Blessings from your missions committee!

Congregation Involvement

During the Annual Meeting held May 16th, the congregation approved a trial period until the Annual Financial Meeting in February to use Task Forces and Work Groups (Action Teams) to support the diverse ministries of our Church. The Congregation Involvement Ad Hoc Committee and the Church Council will be assessing effectiveness of this organizational model. Parishioners are encouraged to seek and respond to Task Force and Work Group opportunities identified via various communication channels and to provide feedback on successes and suggestions for improvement. Most boards and committees will continue according to the by-laws with the same or fewer members serving during this trial period.

Overall Goal: Increase involvement and fellowship of church members and friends by reorganizing the responsibilities of Committees and Boards into shared organized tasks.

We hope that volunteering at FCCM will continue to enrich our lives with fellowship and friendship as well as provide opportunities that will assist with the outreach of the ministries of our church. Boards and committees provide the framework for fulfilling the mission of the FCCM; Task Forces and Work/Action Teams are the muscle to meet those goals.

Task Force – A Task Force is a group established to consider a single defined task, activity or specific problem in the ministries of our church. Task forces are short in duration and specific in focus with an end goal. If there is not a board or committee already responsible for a task, activity or problem, then a task force would be appointed by the Church Council with a specific charge and proposed deadline. **(An example of a Task Force would be in identifying individuals interested in a Church Fair. These individuals plan and present the concept, scope of the Fair, and the organization of a Work Group to successfully implement the Fair.)**

Work Group / Action Team – A Work Group / Action Team is established to assist with a specific project the Task Force identifies. They may consist of volunteers with a variety of skills. They work on the specific project but do not become members of the work group's parent entity. **(An example of a work group would be individuals assisting with the Palm Sunday Brunch. The Christian Fellowship Committee hosts the brunch, yet many people in a work group from the congregation provide the food and help with preparations and clean up after the event.)**

Communication: Opportunities for involvement should be communicated through all available avenues. These may include church-wide emails, the Pilgrim, text messages or announcement in church. One clear avenue for response should be provided. Needs and opportunities should be presented as far in advance as possible. Parishioners should be able to easily ascertain the type and scope of the task, activity or problem. New members and friends of the church should be invited and encouraged to participate in Task Forces and Work Groups (Action Teams).

Suggestions

1. Each Board and Committee should recommend the number of active members for optimum function.
2. Boards and Committees should work with the individual(s) coordinating the opportunities available.
3. All members and friends should be encouraged to familiarize themselves with opportunities in areas that they are willing and able to serve.
4. Summary Note: Trustee requests for assistance with the maintenance of our properties are good examples of using this model to complete the projects needing attention.

Respectfully,

Ad Hoc Involvement Committee (Bonnie Conant, Jean Hight, Carrie Sylvester, Audrey Taylor)

Kids' Korner

Here you will find either a fun cartoon or a Puzzle for you to try to complete (whether you are a kid in age or a kid at heart)!

The Fourth of July

Word Search Puzzle

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battles
cook-out
fireworks
freedom
justice
nation
red, white, and blue
stars and stripes
victory



The 127th Church Fair
“Summer Blessings Mini Fair”
July 10, 2021 - 10am to 6pm



Yes, we are having a fair...a mini one! And we are excitedly looking forward to it. Once again, there will be opportunities for fellowship, teamwork, and fun. Get ready; it's coming!

We have been blessed to have gotten many volunteers, but need more. Please peruse this newsletter, see where you could fit in, and then let the Fair Task Force know ASAP via call or text. Pray for God to bless us as He always has.

Fair Task Force

Jean Hight – 781.248.1178
Audrey Taylor – 617.877.3771
Judy Johnson – 781.319.0336
Geogia Chrisman – 781.316.1290

Some of our Fair Volunteers to Date

Kathy Doherty, the Conants, the Taylors, Dave Riley, The Murphys, Nancy Berberick, the Prendergasts, Phyllis Willis & LBS, Gisele Coville, the McGraths, Barbara Murray, Barbara Carney, Lisa Brown, Carol Gesner, Cheryl Strazdes, Mike Rydberg, Derik Noland, the Pattisons, Doug Grace, the Hights. Please consider joining the Fair Team. We need lots of helping hands, donations, and fair attendees too.

Teams & Captains

Thrift Gift Shoppe – C.Prendergast/B.Conant
Odds 'n Ends – Dave/Russell McGrath
Raffle – M.Rydberg/G.Chrisman/K.Robinson
Kidz Corner – C.Sylvester, G.Chrisman
Sara/Leah Murphy, Krista/
Kaylee.Gottschlich, A Rounbehler
Plants – B.Murray, B Carney, J Fields
LBS Crafts/Food – P. Willis & LBS gals
Sweets- A,Taylor/J.Hight
Treasurer – Gisele Coville
Books- G.Prendergast, H.Burgess, J.McGrath
Facilities - L Conant/R Taylor/S Hight
Trash Patrol – D Riley, S Flynn
Welcome Table – *Pastor Joel*

What Will Our Mini Fair be Like?

One will find many of the same offerings we found at our other fairs; some on a smaller scale. The big difference is it will be only one day, 10-6! If you plan a trip to the beach, visit us on the way to/from. Pick up a sandwich to enjoy at the beach or one on your way home for dinner. We are hoping to offer a dinner option too. Come check it out!

Sweets for the Sweet Shoppe

Sweet donations needed! Audrey Taylor has designed “Summer Blessings” labels for our sweets. Keeping with stricter health guidelines, we're using individual, small packaging for cookies. **Instructions for bakers & cooks:**

1. *Before* baking anything, call/text Audrey to report:
 - what you are making; ▪ first four ingredients;
 - number of identical items you are making; e.g. 3 apple pies, or 3 dozen sugar cookies, etc.
2. Bring the sweet to church July 9 or early July 10 with recipe or list of first 4 ingredients.

Summer Blessings labels identifying the sweet and “first 4 ingredients” will be affixed by the Sweet Team, if you HAV'NT already labeled. Note: Labels will be available by 7/3 in kitchen.

Those who bake cookies have two packaging options: 1) use small zip-lock, type sandwich bags; *or* 2) use 4x6 cellophane bags (available in church kitchen by 7/3).

Cookies per bag: large-1; medium-2; small-3.

Call Audrey with questions - 617.877.3771

Vendor “Penny Raffle”

Take the opportunity to buy *inexpensive* raffle tickets (a sheet of 30 tickets for \$3) for a craft made by our vendors! Stuff their boxes with tickets for those crafts you want to win! **Need donations for grand raffle prize:** *Gift certificates, event/movie/sports/scratch tickets, as well as new items.*



Be a part of this 127th fair. If you would like to help anywhere, tell Jean Hight, Audrey Taylor, Judy Johnson, or call/text Georgia Chrisman (781-361-1290). **YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU!**

Artisans, Crafters, Farmers

Looking for artisans, crafters and produce growers; spot is \$25 + a craft donation valued \$15-\$20. Reserve your spot: 2onmountainash@gmail.com; only a maximum of 20 accepted.

Kidz' Corner

This year it will be smaller than Kidz Corral, offering a craft, a free frog pond and popcorn. Please call the church office (781-837-7664), or call/text 781-361-1290, if you want to help here; It's so fun to work with little ones!

Books

Bring your already-read or collecting-dust books to the Hall's entryway and leave near the front.

Everyone can participate by attending our Summer Blessings Fair. Purchase some food; buy a book, some plants or Sweets; shop Thrift & Gift, Odds 'n Ends, Crafters Row and/or buy a sheet of raffle tickets for 3 bucks! Volunteering or purchasing something, supports God's church!

Plants

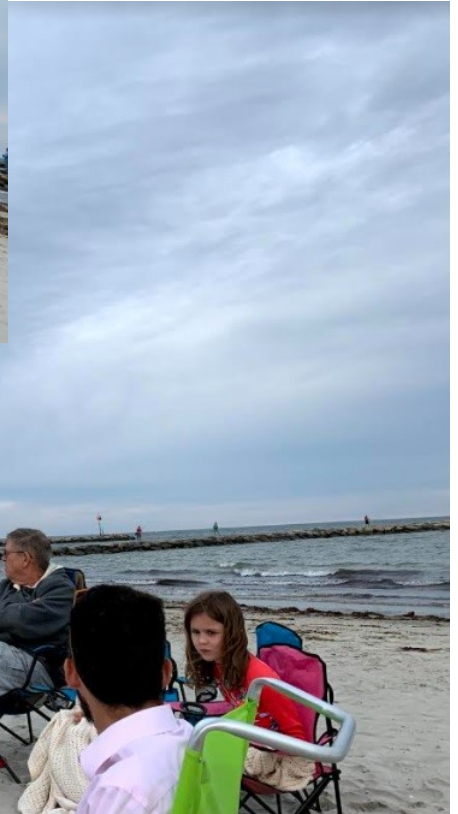
Seeking annuals & perennials, cut flowers for bouquets, anything that says "garden," such as tools, watering cans, garden ornaments, etc. Think creatively!

Needed

- Homemade fudge/candy & baked goods
- *Plants (your extra perennials or annuals, cut flowers)*
- *Garden Fresh Fruits & Veggies*
- Gardening items/lawn ornaments
- *Books*
- *Raffle Items: Gift cards, Sport Event/ Movie/ Scratch Tickets*
- *Sales people in several areas*
- Cash donations also accepted

Fair Set-up & Clean Up

Both men and women needed.. Task is much easier than years past. Smaller Fair requires less work. Join an already established team of volunteers. Set-up begins 5:30p 7/9 and clean up 6:15p 7/10. Many hands make light work!



***Bible at the Beach
June 2, 2021***

***(7pm Every 1st. Wed.
of Summer months)***