

# Presbyterian Church in Sudbury

*upward, outward, onward*

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## THIS WEEK ... at the Presbyterian Church in Sudbury

Dear Peggy

We invite you to join us this week for Worship and Sunday School.

Be sure to check the weekly bulletin or our [website](#) and the [master calendar](#) for additional news about [study groups](#), [upcoming events](#) and [updates](#).

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9:30am Worship and Christian Education - 10:30am Fellowship - 11:00am Traditional Worship

### Worship March 8th

Jesus overturning the tables in the temple courtyard (wielding a whip, no less!) is considered "Out of Character" by some, while others may seek to justify violence based on Jesus' actions. The placement at the beginning of his ministry in John 2:13-22 contrasts with the Holy Week setting in other gospels, yet allows us to ponder exactly where and how we know the presence of God. The Ten Commandments in Exodus 20 and Paul's words on faith and foolishness in I Corinthians 1:18-25 round out the week's texts.





## DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Please remember to "spring forward" this weekend, by setting your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday night before bed. Otherwise, you will be welcomed for worship during the benediction!

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## PASTOR'S NOTE

Lent moves along, and while our brothers and sisters in the Southern Hemisphere are experiencing the fall season, we welcome spring and the new life that will...eventually...emerge. In looking ahead, we will continue the recent tradition of Holy Week services at the church on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 7:30pm. We will not observe the Saturday Easter Vigil this year. The community Good Friday service will again be held at the Martha Mary Chapel. In the meantime, my our Lenten disciplines of prayer and study open us to the gift of grace we experience each day.

With Christ's peace,  
Rick Otty, Interim Pastor



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## CONGREGATION MEETING CALLED FOR MARCH 15

By action of the Session, a special congregational meeting has been called for Sunday, March 15, following the 11:00am worship, for the purpose of electing two deacons to fill vacancies on the Board of Deacons. The Nominating Committee will nominate Molly Anderson and Pat Trusell to be elected for three and two year terms, respectively. As always, there will be provision for nominations from the floor.



**Stewardship Update** Deep appreciation to all who responded to the call to review and increase their 2015 pledges in order to sustain the key Missions of Music, Youth Mission and Ministry. To date 26 increased pledges have been made for a total of \$40,610. That leaves a revenue gap of \$11,690 which we are confident will be met.

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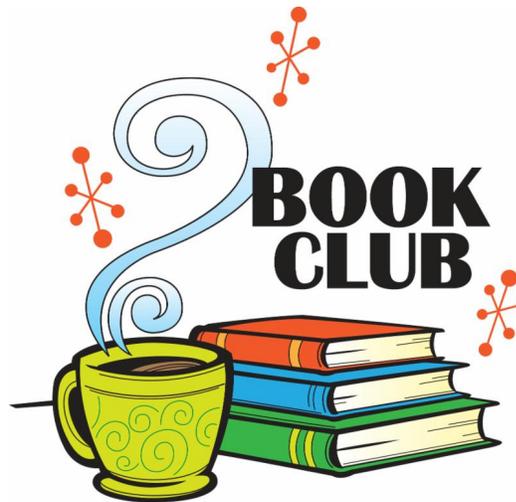
## Easter Lilies and Spring Flowers

We would like to beautify our Sanctuary this Easter season with Easter lilies and spring flowers. The cost is \$10/ plant. The order forms can be placed in the wicker basket in the Fellowship Hall. The deadline for orders is Palm Sunday - March 29th.



### We need you!

**Coffee hour** is a great time to share fellowship with friends. Even if you have not volunteered before, please just give it a try. Refreshments don't need to be homemade or elaborate. The sign up sheet is in the front hallway. Questions? If you need help learning how to operate coffee maker or dishwasher, just let me know. Diana Fraser, dkfraser@att.net.



### PCIS Book Group

The meeting of the new PCIS book group will take place here at church on Saturday, March 28th at 7:00pm. We will discuss the book Quarantine by Jim Crace, with Catherine Crow serving as the monthly leader. All are welcome to attend.

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## Fellowship Luncheon to Welcome Interim Pastor Rick Otty- March 8th

All are welcome! Join with us in welcoming our interim pastor Rick Otty at a fellowship lunch on March 8th. All are welcome! Let's chase away those winter blues, catch up with friends and have some fun together over good food! Sign-up sheets will soon be hung in the foyer or sign-up on line at [www.pcsudbury.org/volunteer-at-pcis](http://www.pcsudbury.org/volunteer-at-pcis). With help from others, the event will be coordinated by Diana Fraser and Tammy Wilson. Our thanks to both!!



After enjoying a short lunch there will be an opportunity for those interested in joining PCIS to attend a new member orientation meeting on the same day in the Chapel. Please let Aileen Gardner know if you would like to attend this meeting. Thank you



## Youth Ministry Updates

1) High School Cafe will meet Sunday in the chapel at 9:30am: We continue this Sunday with our study of the great stories and diverse themes of the Bible. Our topics for this Sunday include Miriam, the sister of Moses and Aaron, and the fascinating history of the Menorah.

2) Middle School Sunday School will meet Sunday on the lower level at 9:30am: The text on which this Sunday's discussion is based is Exodus 20:1-17, and the topic is the "Ten Commandments."

3) High School Youth Group will meet Sunday at 6:45pm: This Sunday is the first of the final three Confirmation Classes and a very important class as we have two special guests, Sarah and Adaiah, joining us to share their experience of Christian faith from the front lines of ministry. We ask all of our students to be present for this Youth Group! There will be light refreshments provided (juice, soda, chips & cookies)! Dinner is not provided.

# Youth Ministry Corner

**The bedrooms were so beautifully set up by the Youth Group from the Islamic Center of Boston. Welcome signs were hung, furniture arranged and flowers displayed. It was a true coming together of several faith communities. This morning during our worship time at Peace, a prayer was said welcoming each guest in the programming and giving thanks for all the congregations that are assisting in our two host weeks:**

**Congregation Or Atid  
Peace Lutheran Church  
Memorial Congregational Church  
Church of the Holy Spirit  
Presbyterian Church in Sudbury  
Islamic Center of Boston  
St John Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Temple Shir Tikva  
Temple Beth El  
as well as individuals from nearby communities.  
Congregation Beth El**

**Thank you for all your support and prayers.  
Kim Canning  
Kim Ho**

**Cindy Fenichel**

**6th Annual Walk Away Homelessness Walkathon**

Have you got your walking shoes

4) Middle School Club meets next on Sunday, March 15, at 1:30pm: Our next Club is a 'Movie Club,' so were pulling out the couches, eating pizza and watching movies. Could be 'Enchanted', 'Pirates of the Caribbean' or another all-time favorite...students choice! So bring a couple of DVD's for everyone to vote on! Lunch will be provided.

### **Middle School Club Serving their Neighbors**

**Our guests arrived this evening at Peace welcomed by members of Or Atid and Peace. We have four families in the program, with 5 adults and 8 children. It was wonderful to see the families that we already know - the children have grown so much! And we welcomed a new family. We all sat down to a delicious meal provided by the Presbyterian church in Sudbury.**

ready? Family Promise Metrowest is excited to announce our 6th Annual Walk Away Homelessness Walkathon SATURDAY, April 11, 2015 on Natick Common, registration opens at 7:45am Walk begins at 8:30AM. Entertainment, raffle prizes and refreshments to follow post-walk.

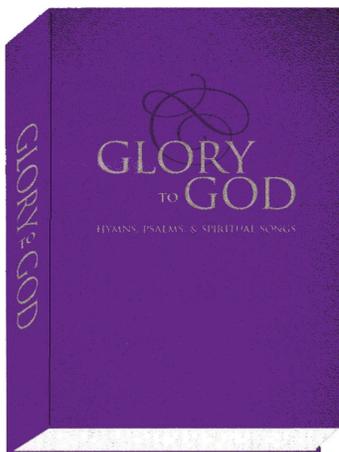
Gather a group of colleagues, friends, fellow parishioners, family members, or strangers - ALL AGES WELCOME!

Alternatively, you can sponsor a walker. TOGETHER WE WILL "WALK AWAY HOMELESSNESS" This year's goal is \$80,000 - we need your help!

By participating your proceeds will benefit families who are homeless with housing, job training, healthcare services, transportation and life skills counseling, to name a few.

For details of the day visit our website: [www.familypromisemetrowest.org](http://www.familypromisemetrowest.org) or call 508-318-4820.

**E-mail [Matt Crane](mailto:Matt.Crane@familypromisemetrowest.org) with questions.**



### **Purchase a Hymnal Dedication**

If you would still like to purchase a dedication to go inside one of our new Glory to God hymnals, look for the table in Fellowship Hall where you can fill out your information for what you would like your dedication to say. For a donation of \$20, you will be able to dedicate one of the new hymnals, and you are welcome to take home one of the blue Presbyterian hymnals. If there is no one manning the table, you can place your donation in the case box. Catherine Crow has agreed to inscribe the dedications, which means they will look lovely!

**Church Office** - Tricia Connors, temporary, will be in on Wednesday, March 11th this week. As Spring approaches, the administrative assistant position is in transition and will be filled temporarily, and there may be different persons working to complete the work. The personnel committee, in coordination with our new interim pastor, are planning to seek a person to fill the position permanently, enabling us to have someone present in the church office Tuesdays through Fridays. Thank you for your patience during this transition time.

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### Winter Weather Reminder

If severe weather requires Sunday service to be canceled, every effort will be made to notify church members. Information can be found on the church's website ([www.pcsudbury.org](http://www.pcsudbury.org)) at WBZ ([www.wbz.com](http://www.wbz.com), look under "school closings"), and on our telephone's recording message (978-443-9151). Remember to use good judgement and don't venture out if conditions feel unsafe.



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