

Presbyterian Church in Sudbury

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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](#).

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

Worship March 22

"Sir, we would see Jesus," requested a group of unidentified Greeks to disciple Philip in John 12:20-33. While there is no indication they ever saw him, Jesus' response provides a glimpse of who he is, why he has come, and how our eyesight improves when we set aside barriers of ingrained, "worldly" attitudes. In his sermon, "Seeing From Within," Rick Otty will explore the John passage along with the "new covenant" promise of Jeremiah 31:31-34 in which God's word is written on hearts, not table.



PASTOR'S NOTE

Dear PCIS friends,

This Sunday, we have the opportunity to receive a new member in our early service, and following the second service, we will elect two members to serve as deacons.

As with a blend of spices, the life and leadership of a congregation is changed with each addition. What binds the blend together is our connection by God's Spirit, and our commitment to walk together as followers of Jesus, which during this Lenten season takes us to Jerusalem.

With Christ's peace,

Rick



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 29..



Sudbury Listening Project: The Sudbury Clergy Association has been active in encouraging the Sudbury Listening Project, inviting The Harvard Negotiation and Mediation Clinical Program (HNMCP), as a neutral party, to engage Sudbury residents in a listening project. The project's purpose is to gain a better sense of the challenges Sudbury faces, as well as to identify opportunities to help the town move forward.

Whether actively engaged in town matters or not, all members of the Sudbury community are invited to share their thoughts and experiences by completing a survey. The survey will help provide input from as many voices as possible.

You are encouraged to fill out the brief, anonymous [survey](http://tinyurl.com/oghp32v) by March 23 by visiting this link below: <http://tinyurl.com/oghp32v>

We value and welcome your participation in this process. For more information, please visit our Facebook page at this link:

www.facebook.com/sudburylistingproject



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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One Great Hour of Sharing Fact

Did you know that 12% of this world does not have enough access to food? That's 854 million people!

The Presbyterian Church (USA) works in countless communities all across the world where people lack access to basic necessities like food, clean water, education, or sanitation. The PCIS congregation supports programs to work to end hunger in two ways:

- Through your individual gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS)
- Through our PCIS Local Mission budget that supports area food banks

You can make your gift to OGHS this Sunday or on Palm Sunday, March 29th in three ways:

- Give using the envelopes in the church pew racks
- Text OGHS to 20222 to give \$10
- Presbyterianmission.org/give-oghs

Your gift to One Great Hour of Sharing will be dedicated on Palm Sunday.



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 28 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.



Youth Ministry Corner

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 'Jericho' and 'Megiddo', two ancient towns with amazing histories that still speak to us today!

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 Jeremiah 31:31-34, and the topic is "A new covenant."

Middle School Club meets this Sunday at 1:30pm:

This Sunday's Club is a 'Movie Club,' so we 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.

High School Youth Group will meet Sunday at 6:45pm: This week will mark our penultimate Youth Group Confirmation Class, and our special focus will be on 'Knowing the Bible'--with the reasonable expectation that our students will leave church on Sunday night having learned more about the Bible in this one evening than they have ever learned about it in such a brief time! There will be light refreshments provided (juice, soda, chips & cookies). Dinner is not provided.

6th Annual Walk Away Homelessness Walkathon

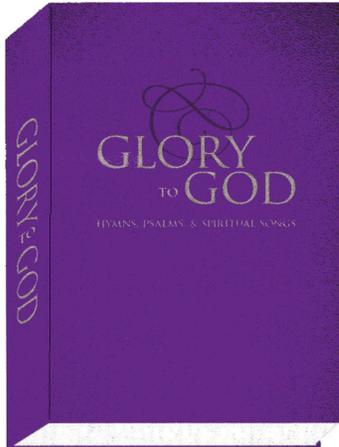
Have you got your walking shoes ready? Family Promise Metrowest is excited to announce our 6th Annual Walk Away Homelessness Walkathon SATURDAY, April 11, 2015 on Natick Common, registration opens at 7:45am Walk begins at 8:30AM. Entertainment, raffle prizes and refreshments to follow post-walk.

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 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 UPDATE: Tricia Connors and Peggy Harrison are now sharing the position of administrative assistant. With the exception of several days this month (March 24, 26, 27 and 31), one of them will staff the church office on Tuesdays through Fridays, from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Contact email: pcsudbury@pcsudbury.org, phone: 978-443-9151 x10.

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) at WBZ (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.



MAINE MISSION TRIP

Alice Rober is gathering names of people who are interested in joining the mission trip to Maine this summer. We will be spending the last week of July working with Mission at the Eastward (MATE), helping improve the living conditions of new friends there by repairing their houses. We will be staying in the dorms at UM Farmington, working and eating together. If you have questions or are interested in coming along, please ask or email alinerober@aol.com. We need a cook or two, in addition to the workers. Come, see how much difference a week can make!



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