



## The Foreside Community Church United Church of Christ

# April 2024

*Connecting to God ~ Nurturing Community ~ Discovering how our Lives Make a Difference*



*"Everyone was so impressed by the quantity of donations that came over to help all the animals! And how gentle all the kids were with the pets."*

*Dr. Susan Hayhurst, MS, DVM  
Animal Refuge League staff veterinarian, and beloved FCC member*

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## Pastoral Notes

*Dear new Foreside friends,*

Sarah and I are excited to be accompanying you on the “Way” of Christ for these three months while Pastor Geoff is on sabbatical. In last month’s *Steeplenotes*, he shared with you his plans for this time, and offered prayer for you, and for the gifts of generations before and after you, and for new discoveries of beauty, language, and arts that might give you glimpses of the divine, and that you might also know you are beloved at rest. Although you and we together, will be carrying on the work of the church for these three months, Sarah and I hope to offer a sabbatical “change of pace” for the congregation. We look forward to learning about the generations of this congregation and getting to know the current generation. We expect to catch glimpses of the divine as you all share your gifts of beauty, language, and arts with us. Maybe we can encourage each other to “let go and let God” and know that we are all beloved at rest as well as at work.

In this season of resurrection and new life, we are planning a worship series focused on the “wisdom tradition” within Christianity, and on Jesus as a wisdom teacher. In these days that are so fraught with stress and anxiety brought on by the ever more troubling personal, local, national, and world events; Jesus’ teachings have much to offer. His wisdom was originally offered to a people struggling under the oppression of a cruel and exploitive Roman occupation, and the collaboration of their local political and religious leaders. We will dig into his teachings in their original context and find the timely universal wisdom for our day.

Except for the first and last Sundays of this Sabbatical, only one of us will be leading worship each Sunday, and because we are working around previous commitments, we won’t just be alternating Sundays, so it may seem that there is no rhyme or reason to the schedule. We’re just keeping you on your toes. Because I am the ordained one, you will find me in the pulpit on communion Sundays. Most weeks, I will be available on Tuesdays – leading a mindfulness class in the morning and joining the knitting group with my own yarn and needles at noon. I will be available for pastoral visitation or meeting with people at the church on Tuesday afternoons. Sarah will be available every other Wednesday late afternoons and evenings, and on the Sunday afternoons that she has led worship.

In case of pastoral emergencies, I can be reached directly by phone or text at 207-560-7052. If I don’t answer, it is either because I am too far from my phone to hear it, accidentally left it on mute, or it is in my backpack and it sounds like someone else’s phone ringing. *Please* leave a voicemail message so that I will know that you are trying to reach me and can call you back. We also both have new Foreside email addresses which we will be checking every day. Cheryl’s is [canderson@foresidechurch.org](mailto:canderson@foresidechurch.org) and Sarah’s is [swhitfield@foresidechurch.org](mailto:swhitfield@foresidechurch.org).

### *Worship in the sanctuary...*

...and attendance on Sundays is open to all with the following protocols in place:

- Mask wearing is voluntary (a supply can be located in the narthex).
- We ask households to give each other good social distance.
- Windows will be opened enough to increase ventilation.
- Worship continues to also be live-streamed for attending convenience by going to:

[https://www.youtube.com/  
ForesideCommunityChurch](https://www.youtube.com/ForesideCommunityChurch)

Bulletins for each service, including words to that day's hymns are also posted at the above website address.

On the road and missing a sermon? Want to go back and revisit any one sermon? Want to share a sermon with a friend or family member? Pastor Geoff's sermons in both written and audio form from May 2019 to March 31, 2024 and including Easter services (minus "Prayers on the Patio") can be viewed and/or heard on FCC's website at:

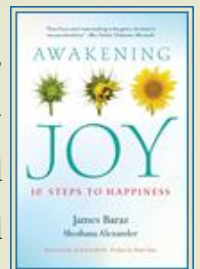
[http://www.foresidechurch.org/  
index.php/category/sermons/](http://www.foresidechurch.org/index.php/category/sermons/)

### *WELL-BEING IN THE MIDST OF IT ALL*

Mindfulness Class

**Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. *in person* at the church  
starting April 2, first meeting in the parlor**

In this class, led by one of our sabbatical pastors, you will learn mindfulness practices to help you cultivate a sense of well-being and even happiness in the midst of all the troubling personal, local, national and world events. Each session will include a talk, discussion, a guided meditation, and additional mindfulness exercises to practice during the week. There is no required reading, but the class will be loosely based on the book *Awakening Joy* by James Baraz and Shoshona Alexander so you may be inspired to read it. This class is open to anyone interested and will continue to build to accommodate new attendees as awareness spreads.



The Rev. Cheryl Anderson is a retired United Church of Christ pastor, as well as a certified Mindfulness Meditation teacher. Mindfulness Meditation comes out of the Buddhist tradition but is taught as a secular practice to deal with stress and anxiety, and Cheryl enjoys tying the practices into the teachings of Christ.

## Giving Thanks for Tori Curtis

### *Changes for Youth and Family Ministry*

It is a gift to be a place where we are all called to share in the ministry of the church, and where we are called to explore gifts and callings. We have been blessed in this year that one of our newest members, Tori Curtis, has been serving as our Youth and Families Ministry Coordinator. She has brought all her energy to that work, coordinating and supporting Sunday School, Family Church, and other events. She's also brought the awareness and experience that comes from currently parenting two of our younger members, too!

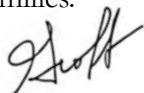
Yet one of our deepest callings of the church is to support one another in remembering that we belong in beloved community simply as we are, and recognizing that God calls us into different seasons of life and service together.

Last week, Tori shared with me, and with Wendy Tracy of Christian Education, that the current needs of time with and care for her family require her to step back from her employment with the church. We both understand and see the deep discernment and thought that went into that decision, and we bless it as a sign of Tori's care for family and our congregation.

For now, Tori and her family will need some quieter time to focus on those family needs and simply reclaim that holy time together. If you do see Tori around church or town, I hope that you will give thanks for her work and celebrate and support her decision.

In the meantime, Tori has done wonderful work to organize curriculum and materials for our Sunday School volunteer teachers for the rest of the year. The Christian Education ministry will be working with its members to cover the rest of the Sunday School year. When I return in July, I will work with CE on sharing our job opening again and seeking new applicants. You can support that work with prayer, and by thinking of faithful folk with education in their background you'd like to share that opportunity with when it is posted!

A final thanks to Tori for the gift of her time and effort this year, for the continued blessing of being in community with us, and to God for all that will yet be here at Foreside Community Church as we minister to and with our young people and their families.



### ***Welcome New Members!***

***March 17th's service was highlighted by the welcoming of four new members to the FCC congregation.***

(Pictured l to r) Michael Messina, Autumn Storteboom, Chris Rothermel and Laura Rothermel. Sporting the blue boutonniere and standing in support of his parents is Xander Rothermel. Administering the oath of membership is FCC & MOW member Sally Somes.



## SPRING MEETING ADVANCE NOTICES AND RELATED INFORMATION

### Message to FCC Membership from Cynthia Beggs, Moderator, Governing Board

Hello everyone,

**Our Spring Annual Meeting is coming up in May – on May 19<sup>th</sup> after the Sunday Service.** We will be announcing our Ministry rosters for the upcoming year, among other orders of business.

One of those business items will be to approve by vote a recommendation from the Board regarding our Stewardship Ministry. Please see the details below. I want to give everyone a chance to look it over well ahead of time so that you have a clear understanding of the thinking that is behind the proposal.

Please reach out to me, or any of our Governing Board members, if you have questions. And kindly make a note on your calendar of the Annual Meeting. It is always fairly brief – and painless! - and we will be recognizing this year's Bob Fuller Award recipient as well. Thank you

#### Proposed Structure Change to Stewardship Ministry

The Governing Board is recommending a change to the Stewardship Ministry. We are proposing that our Stewardship Ministry be re-organized as two separate ministries: a Finance Ministry and a Building and Grounds Care Ministry.

The Finance Ministry is self-explanatory and will be chaired by the Treasurer of the Governing Board. This group of members will focus on the management of church funds, tracking investments, overseeing cash flow, etc. They will send financial recommendations to the Governing Board, as agreed upon in their collective decision making.

The Building and Grounds Care Ministry will focus solely on the management of the church buildings and grounds, recommending repairs, improvements, and maintenance, as they agree collectively. Recommendations will be sent to the Governing Board. This group will work closely with the Treasurer in order to prepare the annual maintenance budget to maintain the FCC property in good condition and in compliance with safety codes and regulations.

This proposal from the Governing Board will be made known to the congregation via April and May Steeplenotes. The congregation will vote yea or nay to adopt this change at the Annual Spring Meeting on May 19, 2024.

Any language changes to the bylaws that are necessary in order to accommodate this structural change, will also be presented to the congregation in the May Steeplenotes and will be part of the proposal presented for the membership vote and approval.

### *Call for New Ministry Volunteers*

**Fellowship ~** Happy Spring Everyone! With Spring comes the spring meeting where the members of our congregation approve all new ministry members. So now is the time to consider sharing your talents with our community. **To that end, I encourage you to join the Fellowship Committee.**

We consider ourselves the committee of **“Welcoming, Community and Fun.”** We are the folks behind the Travelogues, Valentine's card making and sending, the welcome back potluck, the fire pit gatherings, the Christmas caroling at Oceanview, the year-end ice cream social, the bead making class, the craft nights, and many other fun activities.

We may meet the least of all the committees as we do not meet all summer and we meet most but not every month for the rest of the year. If we have nothing that needs planning, then we do not meet. Our meetings are by zoom so you do not need to travel to the church.

We welcome enthusiastic folks who are willing to throw out ideas and have some fun making these ideas come to life. **PLEASE consider joining our band of merry makers.** We are currently a small group of four and could use some fresh faces and brain power. **If you have any questions, call Liz Ventre 207-653-4117.**

**Justice & Outreach ~** The Justice and Outreach Ministry links us with the world outside our church:

- ⇒ Through an annual budget which supports good works around the world and in our own local communities, from the Philippines to the Pine Ridge Reservation to the Preble St Youth Center;
- ⇒ Through the Good Samaritan Fund which encourages church members to apply for funds for an individual or an organization to meet a specific need;
- ⇒ Through congregation-wide donation drives such as the Christmas Angels and Capt. Underpants! - underwear and socks for elementary school children;
- ⇒ Through Mission Moments when individuals from organizations inform us about their work and how our members can become involved.

J&O welcomes new members who will bring their own passions and life experiences to our group. Meetings are monthly and usually online. **Please consider donating just one year to this ministry of heart and contact Doty Blanchette at 781-2996 or 239-2551, or email at [dorothyb@maine.rr.com](mailto:dorothyb@maine.rr.com).**

**UPDATES, REPORT OUTS, AND UPCOMING EVENTS**



***FCC Towne Lyne Ringers  
Playing at Maine Spring  
Ring!***

Just like knitters, woodworkers and chess players, there is a national organization for handbells called Handbell Musicians of America. HMA is dedicated to advancing the musical art of handbell/hand chime ringing

through education, community and communication. Under the auspices of HMA, every two years Maine hosts a full day of handbell ringing for choirs from all over the state and beyond, called Maine Spring Ring.

Maine Spring Ring will be held at the Auburn Middle School Gym on Saturday, April 27, and FCC’s handbell choir will be joining in the musical fun. We have 120 ringers registered, representing 13 choirs from Maine and the rest of New England. In handbell terms, these events are called “massed ringing” where large numbers of ringers, all of whom have been rehearsing the music for months, come together and play under the direction of two specially selected directors. This year, our directors are Michael Joy, a nationally known director/composer/arranger from Philadelphia, and Joy Toll-Chandler, the current handbell director at Cumberland Congregational Church, who also has extensive experience in directing, composing and arranging.

Maine Spring Ring is organized by a terrific six-member planning committee, and two FCC ringers, Dana Humphreys and Kim Visbaras, are on that committee. We started planning this event in August 2023, and are now getting into the gritty details – designing the layout of 336 feet of bell tables for 13 choirs, arranging time for all those choirs to haul in and set up tables and pads and coverings and bells and music stands, getting the directors’ music instructions to all the ringers... and the food! Ringers tell us they want healthy foods, but in a nine-hour day, the need for donuts and cookies is undeniable!

After a full day of rehearsing, we will present a public concert to play over an hour of handbell music. Some will be rung by all 120 ringers, some will be in skill-level sec-

tions, and some will be solo choirs. Towne Lyne Ringers will play a solo piece, “On This Day Earth Shall Ring,” a fast-paced arrangement with a dramatic ending (Trevor loves fast-paced music with dramatic endings). Other solos include the 18-ringer choir from Lincoln Middle School in Portland and a performance by Randomly Bronze, a collection of high-level ringers from around New England performing a wow-wee high-difficulty arrangement. (A few Maine ringers are playing in this group.) You are all invited to attend this concert starting at 4:00 pm. A free will offering will be collected. And a word about this collection... On October 27, 2023, the Auburn Middle School opened as a safe shelter following the tragic shooting in Lewiston on October 26. Our event falls on the six-month anniversary, and the planning committee is dedicating the concert to the 18 souls lost, their families, friends and the Lewiston/Auburn community. In addition, half of the proceeds from the concert will be donated to the Lewiston Fund which supports ongoing needs for those affected.

**2024  
Maine  
Spring Ring**

**HANDBELL CONCERT**  
Saturday, April 27 at 4:00 pm

*featuring more than 100 ringers  
from Maine and New England*

**Auburn Middle School, 38 Falcon Drive**  
Open to the public - free will offering to support  
Handbell Musicians of America and The City of Lewiston Fund

Sponsored by  **Handbell Musicians  
OF AMERICA** | Area 1

**UPDATES, REPORT OUTS, AND UPCOMING EVENTS (cont.)**

***Building Hope and Resilience  
In a Climate-Changed World***  
**Topic of March 17 Green Team Program**



The Rev. Dr. Allen Ewing-Merrill

Speaking at a Green Team forum at FCC on Sunday, March 17, The Rev. Dr. Allen Ewing-Merrill, Executive Director of the BTS Center in Portland, advocated that faith communities lean into our values and find unexpected opportunities for growth, meaning and purpose in our climate-changed era.

“The most important thing we can do,” he suggested, “is talk about the realities of environmental change.” While two-thirds of American adults report feeling a sense of chronic fear of environmental doom according to recent American Psychiatric Association research, many also report feeling that others do not and are isolated “eco-worriers,” he said.

Ewing-Merrill emphasized that our well-being requires sharing our emotions and acknowledging with others the anxiety, grief and sense of moral injury we may experience for participating in systems that contribute to increasing global temperatures, catastrophic fires, floods and sea rise. Such honesty leads one to ask what’s possible and to dedicate oneself to serving the human spirit and engaging in practices that ease the climate crisis, he added.

It is especially important that we honor the emotions of young people, many of whom feel anger and a sense of betrayal for the inadequate response of adults in facing the climate crisis. “We can’t be defensive; we must listen,” he said.

As we care for ourselves and one another, Ewing-Merrill recommended that we also lean into wonder and gratitude and the things that bring joy. We must keep up the spiritual practices, relationships and wellness habits that build resilience, community and health, as well as be creative, visit beloved places and spend time in nature.

Among many resources shared with program participants, Britt Wray’s *Generation Dread: Finding Purpose in an Age of Climate Crisis* and Wilson Dickinson’s book, *Singing the Psalms with My Son: Praying and Parenting for a Healed Planet* were suggested. A full list of Ewing-Merrill’s recommended reading on the topic can be found in the Narthex.

For more information about the BTS Center and its programs, visit the non-profit’s website at <https://thebtscenter.org/>

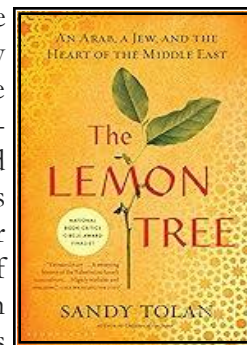
***On Earth Day Sunday April 21*** the Green Team invites you to come to **Falmouth Town Landing at 1:00 p.m.** to experience high tide and learn about the health of Casco Bay. Led by Susan Gilpin and sponsored by the Falmouth Land Trust.



***FCC Book Club Updates***

After a lively discussion in March of all the controversial issues raised in The Personal Librarian, the Foreside Book Club is moving on to April where we have chosen The Lemon Tree by Sandy Tolan for our next book review.

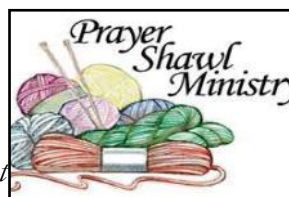
“In The Lemon Tree, Tolan tells the stories of Dalia Eshkenazi Landau, an Israeli, and Bahsir Khairi, a Palestinian. Both individuals lived in the same house in Ramla, with the Khairi family fleeing their home during the 1948 Arab-Israeli War, and the Eshkenazi family moving into their vacated house. The book follows the family’s histories in the context of the wider conflict, leading up to the meeting of Bashir and Dalia. It then follows both of them as their friendship develops despite being on opposite sides of the conflict, and provides historical context and analysis of world events.”



Don't get bogged down by the history. It provides great perspective for the underlying story and the current conflict today. It is well worth reading.

This next meeting will be held at the church in the upstairs classroom at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 17th. As always we welcome anyone to attend for an hour of friendly and educational conversation. FMI: [mimi-hinkel@gmail.com](mailto:mimi-hinkel@gmail.com). So enjoy spring, have a happy Easter, and keep reading. **Mimi**

***A Note on Prayer Shawls from Dotty ~***



I have given and received Prayer Shawls and know this gift can offer great comfort. This past week I delivered a lovely soft green shawl to a young mother

facing terrible health challenges. “I am going to wear this gift when I read my Bible and pray because it will help me to keep my mind busy from my daily struggles. I love it! Thank you.”

## UPDATES, REPORT OUTS, AND UPCOMING EVENTS (cont.)

### Service Project Gratitude

A group of FCC members delivered our community's generous donations and a card of gratitude for caring for the animals (made by the Sunday School children) to the Animal Refuge League (ARLGP) on Sunday, March 10th. During worship prior to leaving, Pastor Geoff led the congregation in blessing the donations that were collected over the month during the morning's service and following the service, FCC's own Dr. Susan Hayhurst, a vet at ARLGP, shared her passion for her work.

At the Animal Refuge League, the group was treated to a behind-the-scenes tour including one-on-one time with Frosty the guinea pig, a tour of the clinic where Dr. Hayhurst cares for animals, and a visit to the room that houses all the supplies needed to run the shelter. It was clear that our donations would be put to good use, as the shelter takes in animals and also supports those who need help caring for their animals in their homes. At the end of our trip, we met Bella and Teddy, a pair of sweet dogs new to ARLGP who were very brave in saying hello to us all.

Special thanks to Dr. Hayhurst for arranging the tour for our group and for the generosity of our whole community in caring for all of God's creatures.

Wendy Tracy, Chair  
Sunday School Ministry

Photographs courtesy of Wendy Tracy and Jill Fox.





## UPDATES, REPORT OUTS, AND UPCOMING EVENTS (cont.)

### *Gloria Garner's Baked Custard*

2 cups milk

1/4 c sugar (maybe a tbs.  
more)

Pinch of salt

1/4 tsp. vanilla

2 eggs, slightly beaten


1/4 tsp. nutmeg

Butter for sides of baking dish  
or custard cups

- ◆ Scald milk; add sugar and salt. Pour slowly over beaten eggs.
- ◆ Add vanilla. Pour into baking dish or custard cups that have been buttered on the sides.
- ◆ Sprinkle top with nutmeg.
- ◆ Place dish or cups in a cake pan or larger of hot water and bake at 325 ° for about 3/4 hour or until custard is set.
- ◆ Test by inserting table knife in center; if it comes out clean, it is ready.
- ◆ *Note (per Shirley): "This is a good recipe to make or give if you or someone else is not feel well."*

*Cherished member Shirley Pyles* is all settled in her new home at the Enclave. She loves both visitors and mail, which can be sent to her at: The Enclave of Scarborough, 18 Black Point Road, Scarborough, 04074-9816. Recent visitors from FCC find her of good spirit and warmly welcomed by her new neighbors, as witnessed in the recent newsletter below.

Some of you may remember Shirley's recipe (to the left) that she submitted for the **Food for the Soul: Foreside Community Church** cookbook which was published in 2011 in celebration of FCC's 200th Anniversary. Very timely to print it again.




THE ENCLAVE  
— OF SCARBOROUGH —

March 2024

### Meet Your Neighbor, Shirley!

Shirley grew up in Baltimore, Maryland. Her father worked for the IRS and her mother worked for Lawrence Construction building houses. She also has a younger brother whom she was very close to growing up. She never married or had children, but she has lots of nieces and nephews. She also has a cat named Skye, who is being lovingly cared for now by a neighbor. After completing a 2-year degree at Strayer Business College in Baltimore, Shirley became a legal secretary for many years.

Eventually, Shirley moved to Maine to be closer to her brother. She helped to run annual food drives at Falmouth Community Church and promptly upon moving to the Enclave, requested a food drive locally. Shirley enjoys shopping for clothes and reading non-fiction. She also enjoys watching golf; her favorite golfer is Arnold Palmer. She enjoyed many vacations with her friend Dorothea, traveling to Spain, Portugal, and more. Her favorite part of living at the Enclave is meeting so many new friends and doing so many things she enjoys with her new friends. Welcome to our Enclave family, Shirley!



## UPDATES, REPORT OUTS, AND UPCOMING EVENTS (cont.)

### April Birthday Greetings

**Aries** ~ The first sign of the zodiac, Aries loves to be number one. Naturally, this dynamic fire sign is no stranger to competition. Bold and ambitious, Aries dives headfirst into even the most challenging situations—and they'll make sure they always come out on top.

**Mike Messina ~ 5**

**Bob Murray ~ 11**

**Claudia Kinnear ~ 11**

**Taurus** ~ An earth sign represented by the bull. Like their celestial spirit animal, Taureans enjoy relaxing in serene, bucolic environments surrounded by soft sounds, soothing aromas, and succulent flavors. Pleasure is a necessity for epicurean Taureans and they feel most content when pampered.

**Gail Shand ~ 20**

**Mary Schendel ~ 28**

**Abigail Lacombe ~ 30**

### Let's do (a continental) Breakfast Ladies!

Women of the church, members and friends are invited to breakfast on  
**Wednesday, April 17, 2024 @ 8:30 a.m.**

in the FCC coffee area,  
we'll provide the food,  
you bring your appetite.

~ good food, good conversation ~  
it's a great way to start your day!

Please RSVP to  
[deborah.gray48@gmail.com](mailto:deborah.gray48@gmail.com)  
or 952-4041 by April 15  
so we can plan accordingly.

See you there!

### The Men's Breakfast...

will be gathering on

**Saturday, April 13, 2024 @ 8:30 a.m.**

at the church

An enjoyable repast and  
lively discussions are always on the menu!

FMI John Bischof

[jegbischof@gmail.com](mailto:jegbischof@gmail.com) or 781-2391

Your church family would love to help you celebrate your special day! If you haven't seen your birthday listed in the monthly newsletter, that means the office does not have it. Please consider sharing your day and month by emailing [info@foresidechurch.com](mailto:info@foresidechurch.com).

Who knows, maybe you might even be "gifted!?"

You can also call 781-5880. Please consider.

The May edition of *Steeplenotes*  
material submittal deadline is  
Friday, April 19,  
2024

Submitted articles should be final  
and print ready, pictures complete  
with captions in jpeg format can  
be included. Thank you.



COMMUNITY NEWS

The  
Challenges &  
Gifts Unique  
to Dementia  
Caregivers



*for Families and Friends  
Caring for Loved Ones  
with Dementia*


**Guest  
speaker -  
Dr. Susan  
Wehry**

Dr. Wehry is a board-certified geriatric psychiatrist with almost 40 years of experience, the Director of AgingME, and Associate Professor of Geriatrics at the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Tuesday, April 9, 1:30 pm  
St. Bartholomew's Church  
396 Gilman Rd. Yarmouth, ME  
Free and Open to All

# April 2024

Be sure to check the calendar at The Foreside Community Church's website  
www.foresidechurch.org for any updates or changes.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <i>Church Holiday</i> <i>Office Closed</i>	2	3	4 6 p.m. AA	5	6
7 <b>9:30 hybrid service</b> (see pg. 3 for details & link)	8	9 9 a.m. Mindfulness Class (see pg. 3 for details) 12 p.m. Knitters 6:15 p.m. Choir 6:45 p.m. AA 7:15 p.m. Bells	10	11 6 p.m. AA 7:00 p.m. Stewardship Mnthly Mtg.	12	13 8:30 a.m. <b>Men's Monthly Breakfast</b> (see pg. 10 for details)
14 <b>9:30 hybrid service</b> (see pg. 3 for details & link) & <i>Mission Moment</i>	15 7:00 p.m. Governing Board Mnthly Mtg.	16 9 a.m. Mindfulness Class 12 p.m. Knitters 6:15 p.m. Choir 6:45 p.m. AA 7:15 p.m. Bells	17	18 9 a.m. Bells of Casco Bay 6 p.m. AA	19	20
21 <b>9:30 hybrid service</b> (see pg. 3 for details & link) <b>1:00 p.m. Green Team at Town Landing</b> (see pg. 7 for details)	22 	23 9 a.m. Mindfulness Class 12 p.m. Knitters 6:15 p.m. Choir 6:45 p.m. AA 7:15 p.m. Bells	24	25 9 a.m. Bells of Casco Bay 2:30 J&O Mnthly Mtg. (parlor) 6 p.m. AA	26	27 4:00 p.m. FCC Towne <b>Lyne Ringers Concert</b> (see pg. 6 for details)
28 <b>9:30 hybrid service</b> (see pg. 3 for details & link)	29	30 9 a.m. Mindfulness Class 12 p.m. Knitters 6:15 p.m. Choir 6:45 p.m. AA 7:15 p.m. Bells				

## Daily Lectionary Readings for April 2024

**Mon., Apr. 1**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
 Genesis 1:1-19  
 1 Corinthians 15:35-49

**Tues., Apr. 9**

Psalm 135  
 Daniel 6:1-28  
 1 John 2:12-17

**Wed., Apr. 17**

Psalm 150  
 Proverbs 9:1-6  
 Mark 16:9-18

**Thurs., Apr. 25**

Psalm 22:25-31  
 Amos 8:1-7  
 Acts 8:1b-8

**Tues., Apr. 2**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
 Genesis 1:20—2:4a  
 1 Corinthians 15:50-58

**Wed., Apr. 10**

Psalm 135  
 Isaiah 26:1-15  
 Mark 12:18-27

**Thurs., Apr. 18**

Psalm 23  
 Genesis 30:25-43  
 Acts 3:17-26

**Fri., Apr. 26**

Psalm 22:25-31  
 Amos 8:11-13  
 Acts 8:9-25

**Wed., Apr. 3**

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24  
 Song of Solomon 3:1-11  
 Mark 16:1-8

**Thurs., Apr. 11**

Psalm 4  
 Daniel 9:1-19  
 1 John 2:18-25

**Fri., Apr. 19**

Psalm 23  
 Genesis 46:28—47:6  
 Acts 4:1-4

**Sat., Apr. 27**

Psalm 22:25-31  
 Amos 9:7-15  
 Mark 4:30-32

**Thurs., Apr. 4**

Psalm 133  
 Daniel 1:1-21  
 Acts 2:42-47

**Fri., Apr. 12**

Psalm 4  
 Daniel 10:2-19  
 1 John 2:26-28

**Sat., Apr. 20**

Psalm 23  
 Genesis 48:8-19  
 Mark 6:30-34

**Sun., Apr. 28**

Acts 8:26-40  
 Psalm 22:25-31  
 1 John 4:7-21  
 John 15:1-8

**Fri., Apr. 5**

Psalm 133  
 Daniel 2:1-23  
 Acts 4:23-31

**Sat., Apr. 13**

Psalm 4  
 Acts 3:1-10  
 Luke 22:24-30

**Sun., Apr. 21**

Acts 4:5-12  
 Psalm 23  
 1 John 3:16-24  
 John 10:11-18

**Mon., Apr. 29**

Psalm 80  
 Isaiah 5:1-7  
 Galatians 5:16-26

**Sat., Apr. 6**

Psalm 133  
 Daniel 2:24-49  
 John 12:44-50

**Sun., Apr. 14**

Acts 3:12-19  
 Psalm 4 1  
 John 3:1-7  
 Luke 24:36b-48

**Mon., Apr. 22**

Psalm 95  
 1 Samuel 16:1-13  
 1 Peter 5:1-5

**Tues., Apr. 30**

Psalm 80  
 Isaiah 32:9-20  
 James 3:17-18

**Sun., Apr. 7**

Acts 4:32-35  
 Psalm 133  
 1 John 1:1—2:2  
 John 20:19-31

**Mon., Apr. 15**

Psalm 150  
 Jeremiah 30:1-11a  
 1 John 3:10-16

**Tues., Apr. 23**

Psalm 95  
 1 Chronicles 11:1-9  
 Revelation 7:13-17

**Mon., Apr. 8**

Psalm 135  
 Daniel 3:1-30  
 1 John 2:3-11

**Tues., Apr. 16**

Psalm 150  
 Hosea 5:15—6:6 2  
 John 1-6

**Wed., Apr. 24**

Psalm 95  
 Micah 7:8-20  
 Mark 14:26-31



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