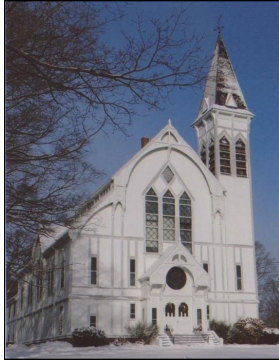


From the Hill



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Our theme for Lent this year is, “Seeking: An invitation to Look Again”

Through these 40 days, I’m inviting you all to deeper curiosity of who Jesus is and what he did in his lifetime. If we are called to follow Jesus’s examples and his teachings, then we need to learn more about his life.

I use the term “seeking” because it communicates a desire to find something; an awareness of a need for something that we don’t yet have, to fill a void perhaps. And each of us does this differently. Many of us don’t even know we are seeking, or that we have a void in that needs to be filled. Others share openly of our drive to find what we feel is missing. And many of us are somewhere in between. Wherever you find yourself as a friend or member of FCC, I invite you to a deeper awareness of what you might be seeking in church and in the life and lessons of Jesus.

In the book we are reading together during Lent, *Freeing Jesus* ([click here for more about this book](#)), the author, Diana Bass, opens us the world of different ways of understanding Jesus: Friend, Teacher, Savior, Lord, Way, and Presence. What names do you have for Jesus?

We recently took a closer look at how we may stay faithful in living into our new Vision Statement, as we believe we were called by God, as God’s beloved to: **foster** our relationships, **connect** to the wider community and **commit** to responding in faith to the needs of the wider community. ([Here is the complete Vision Statement](#))

We will wonder together about Nicodemus the Pharisee and Jewish scholar who comes seeking clarification from Jesus in the dark of night. (John 3:1-17) Then, we’ll read about Jesus meeting the Samaritan woman at the well in the mid-day sun. (John 4:5-42) Jesus comes thirsty to the well, seeking water or so it seems. But who is seeking in this story? And what are they looking for?

On March 19th, Rich Brock will be preaching on the blind man healed of his sight teaching others to see him again in a whole new way. (John 9:1-41) And finally, we’ll study the story of Lazarus who Jesus brings back to life – unbound of this life’s limitations. (John 11:1-45)

So, what are you seeking? What are you looking for this Lenten season? And who has Jesus been to you in your lifetime?

Let’s explore together, seeking to see Jesus again for the first time.

In Faith,

Rev. Holly

Book Club



March 29

Beautiful Little Fools by: Jillian Cantor

Zoom 863 8107 4235

<https://fccgeorgetownma.org/ministries/> Select Book Club, What We are Reading

Church Cleanup

Saturday, April 1st
9 AM to noon

Please come and enjoy coffee and donuts. Then, *roll up your sleeves and help make the church look it's best for Easter!*



Light The Church Fund



Contributions for lighting the church can be made in memory of loved ones or in honor of someone special. If you would like to make a contribution or need more information, please contact Bob Knapp at 978-352-7489.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

The Women's Guild wish to thank you for your continued support of the **COFFEE HOUR PENNY BOWL**. With your generous contributions, we are sending the **Jeanne Geiger Crisis Center** a \$50 check for their on-going mission that supports women and children who are struggling with unhealthy or abusive family situations. This organization, based in Newburyport, has earned recognition from the White House for their pro-active and innovative initiatives in dealing with these challenging problems.

The Guild Steering Committee: Jean Perley, Joan Chatterton, Judy Robillard and Nancy Aberman



Nancy Aberman
George Comiskey
Chuck Davis
Gladie Kneeland

Barbara Morehouse
Cadynce Pesce
Tim Southwick



SAVE THE DATE!!!

ON SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2023, OUR WOMEN'S GUILD WILL CELEBRATE THEIR

100th ANNIVERSARY

WITH A COMMUNITY TEA SOCIAL

BEGINNING AT 2:00 P.M.

JOIN US AS WE ENJOY TEA, GOODIES, AND CONVERSATION. A SPECIAL 100-YEAR -LOOK-BACK ON THE 1923 WOMAN WILL BE PRESENTED BY CHRIS COMISKEY, OUR CHURCH HISTORIAN, AND FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE GEORGETOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Please invite your friends! If you'd like to have some fun with outfitting yourself in the Twenties' Look, improvise with what you already have in your closet, or visit a local Thrift Shop. Most women dressed conservatively in that era with straight, longer dresses and lower-than-the waist sashes or ribbons. If that's not in your comfort zone, you could add a touch of "twenties" with a hat, headband, flower, or feather in your hair!



For setup purposes, please R.S.V.P. by Sunday, March 20, 2023. (Joan Chatterton (978) 352-8033 or email: jdchat1027@gmail.com.) We hope you'll invite a friend or two, or neighbor to this celebratory event! There is no charge or collection.

Thank you!



March 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 7PM Boy Scouts 7-8 PM Evening Bible Study ZOOM	2	3 5-6:30 PM Girl Scouts	4
5 Second Sunday in Lent 9:30 Bells 10:30 AM Worship 11:45-1 PM Book Study 3 PM Line dancing	6 10 AM CA Music class	7 10 AM Bible Study Bells 6:30 Band 7:30	8 7PM Boy Scouts 7 PM Missions	9 7 PM Diaconate	10 3-6:00 PM Girl Scouts	11 Men's Group 8:00 A.M. Café Sarina
12 Daylight Savings Time Third Sunday in Lent 9:30 Band 10:30 AM Worship 11:45-1 PM Book Study 3 PM Line dancing	13 10 AM CA Music class 	14 10 AM Bible Study Bells 6:30 Band 7:30 6 PM Finance	15 7PM Boy Scouts 6:30 PM Council	16 6:00 PM Christian Development	17 St. Patrick's Day 5-6:30 PM Girl Scouts	18
19 Fourth Sunday in Lent 9:30 Bells 10:30 AM Worship 11:45-1 PM Book Study 3 PM Line dancing	20 10 AM CA Music class	21 10 AM Bible Study Bells 6:30 Band 7:30	22 7PM Boy Scouts	23	24	25
26 Fifth Sunday in Lent 10:30 AM Worship 11:45-1 PM Book Study Women's Guild 2-4 PM	27 10 AM CA Music class	28 10 AM Bible Study Bells 6:30 Band 7:30	29 7 PM Book Club 7PM Boy Scouts	30	31 5-6:30 PM Girl Scouts	

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“To nurture those in our own faith community
and to act on our faith by reaching out to others.”
We are an Open and Affirming church of the United Church of Christ.