



*First Congregational
Church of Georgetown*

From The Hill



*A BIG THANK YOU to all the fabulous
volunteers who made our Fall Fair such a*

rousing success! Your hard work and dedication are greatly appreciated!

Friday Luncheon Thank you!

When a wonderful team is behind you the job is so much easier.

Toni Cassidy, Kristen Arsenault, and Erica Flynn got the lobster ready on Thursday evening.

Friday morning, bright and early, Susan Stead, Chris Comiskey, and Sylvia Johnston got the sandwiches ready.

Our serving team included Ruth Stewart, Ruth Soper, and Toni Cassidy Michelle Bridges handled the publicity.

Thank you to this incredible team!

We hope you enjoyed lunch!

Janice Murphy



*...And, of course, **THANK YOU** to all who have served our country --*

Happy Veteran's Day!

(the office will be closed Friday, Nov. 10th in observance of the holiday)



The church will not be holding a Thanksgiving service. Groveland UCC will be holding a Thanksgiving service on Tuesday, November 21st.

Check their website for further info:

Groveland UCC website

Calling all singers! We may not have a singing choir here at FCC, but Groveland is organizing a choir to sing at this service.

Ask our own Bob Knapp for details.

(And, just a reminder that the church office will be closed Thurs. and Fri., November 23 & 24. Have a wonderful holiday!)

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

FOOD DRIVE

11 AM - 1 PM SATURDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2023

7 ANDOVER ST. GEORGETOWN, MA 01833

POP YOUR TRUNK!

SHOP A FEW EXTRA ITEMS AND BRING THEM TO FIRST CHURCH TO HELP OUT LAZARUS HOUSE IN LAWRENCE.

LAZARUS HOUSE SERVES 1200 FAMILIES THROUGH ST MARY'S FOOD PANTRY IN LAWRENCE. THEY RELY ON THE GENEROUS DONATIONS OF ALL OF US TO ENSURE THAT ALL ARE FED, WITH DIGNITY AND LOVE.

CANNED TUNA OR CHICKEN, CANNED
VEGETABLES, PASTA SAUCE, PASTA,
WHITE RICE, MAC AND CHEESE,
NO GLASS PLEASE



WWW.LAZARUSHOUSE.ORG

WOMEN'S GUILD FALL SCHEDULE:

DESSERT PARTY with the fabulous UKULULUS! Tuesday, November 7 at 1:00 o'clock At the close of our 100th Anniversary Year, we'll say hello again to the women of the Ukululus group of talented instrumentalists. Plan to invite a friend and tell us in advance for the purpose of planning dessert!

*HOLIDAY DESSERT SOCIAL Tuesday, December 5 at 1:00 O'Clock CELEBRATE! Church Fair Pies & Ice Cream will be served at 1:00 o'clock followed by Advent entertainment. **Christmas Story by Gladie Kneeland **Strumming & Songs by Richard Aberman **Carol Sing with Mary Ann Nelson*

WOMEN'S GUILD HOLIDAY PARTY



Please plan to bring "Socks for Ruth's House" (children's, men's, Women's) to this holiday event and help kick-off an all-church collection for this mission's Christmas giving!

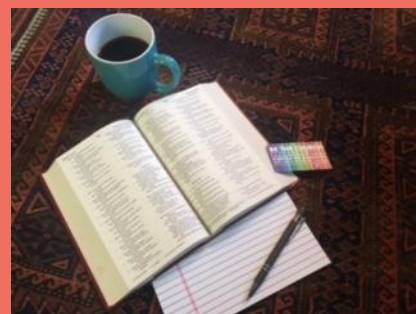


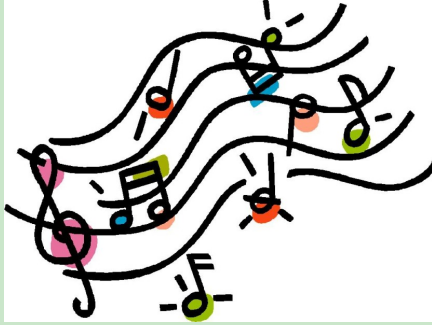
Come join us at 8 a.m. on the second Saturday of the month at Cafe Serena in Georgetown for fellowship and delicious food!
This month's meeting is Nov. 11th



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 Robert Knapp at 978-352-7489.

Bible Study is Tuesdays at 10:00 AM. Join Rev. Holly via Zoom & in person at the church -- check the church website for details.





The World's Most Dangerous Church Band has begun rehearsals, too! Ability to play an instrument preferred but there are other options. Please join us Tuesdays at 7:30 PM. Any questions please speak to Emily or Bob Knapp.



Bell choir and has begun rehearsals! All are welcome, though ability to read music is required. Join us Tuesdays at 6:30 PM.

From the Member at Large...

The Church Council is very interested in your ideas as to how we can grow spiritually as a church. How can we expand what we do well so that it reaches beyond our own walls? Please share your thoughts with me or any of the Council Members. Other thoughts and concerns may be shared at any time. Our Member-at-Large to the Council is Susan Stead.
email: susanstead5@gmail.com 978-697-1982

*Line Dancing is began October 22nd!
Join us from 3-5pm every Sunday afternoon
in the church hall.*



The Knitting Group is starting! Whether you're a beginner or know your way around the needles, this group is for you! Everyone's welcome, and Ruth will give lessons to those who are interested in learning. needles and yarn are provided.

*For more information call Ruth Soper at 978-273-3459
This month they'll be meeting November 2nd & 16th*



Do you have a prayer request? Each week when we gather for worship, we offer up prayers among the community. Do you have a prayer

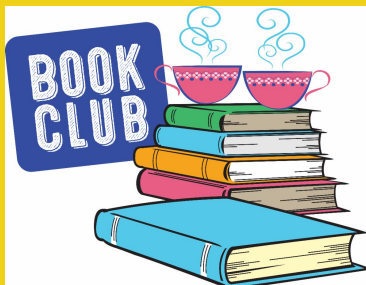
Send in your prayers to Rev. Holly by email Pastor; or phone at 781-632-8964. And, as you go about your days, in the struggles and in the joy, know God goes with you, holding you closely always.

[Click Here for Rev. Holly's Email](#)

request that you would like lifted up?
Or held more quietly by a small team
of pray-ers? We are stronger when
we are together in prayer.



The Stewardship Team has decided on a new schedule for the stewardship campaign for 2024. The pledge materials will be sent out in late December and the campaign will begin early in January. We feel this will enable the congregation to focus more on "giving" after the rush of the holidays. Please maintain your current pledges through January. Thank you!



Each month, book club meets to discuss books selected by book club members. Meetings are held via ZOOM at 7 PM. If you are interested in attending, please contact Nancy Aberman naberman1@gmail.com. All are welcome and you do not have to RSVP to attend. Below is a list of books that will be discussed in the coming months

in case you want to get the book ahead of time or you might just be looking for a good read.

Date	Title	Author	Zoom Information
2023			
December 6 (combined Nov/Dec)	<i>Lessons in Chemistry</i> ©2022	Bonnie Garmus	Zoom 857 9842 9936 https://fccgeorgetownma.org/ministries/ Select Book Club, What We are Reading
2024			
January 31	<i>The Maid</i> ©2022	Nita Prose	Zoom 857 9842 9936 https://fccgeorgetownma.org/ministries/ Select Book Club, What We are Reading
February 28	<i>Horse</i> ©2022	Geraldine Brooks	Zoom 857 9842 9936 https://fccgeorgetownma.org/ministries/ Select Book Club, What We are Reading

Social Justice Book Club!

Justice happens when we live love out loud, in public, with all our neighbors. Together we can learn how to best share and spread God's love and justice.

You are invited to a new book club at the Georgetown Library, open to the whole town, hosted and organized by your very own pastor, Rev. Holly.

Together we will read good, challenging works focused on justice for various areas of life: human history and our relationships, cultural differences (and similarities), and climate change to name a few. There are copies of each book at the library to borrow.

We will meet every other month on the 2nd Tuesday at 7pm. See below for the schedule.

*"Therefore,
my dear
brothers and
sisters,
stand firm.
Let nothing
move you.
Always give
yourselves
fully to the
work of
the Lord,
because
you know that
your
labor in the
Lord is
not in vain."*

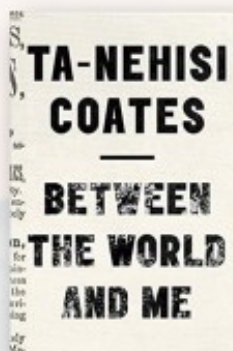
*1 Corinthians
15:58*

Join us for the new . . .

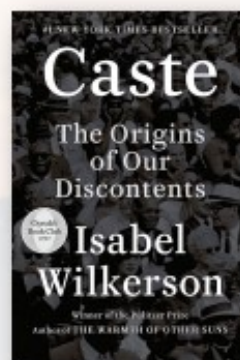
Social Justice Book Club

at Georgetown Public Library

2nd Tuesdays *every other month* at 7 pm



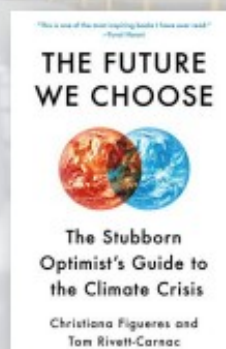
September 12th 2023



November 14th 2023



January 9th, 2024



March 12th, 2024





Questions? Reach out to Holly Brauner at pastor@fccgeorgetownma.org;



Thomas Chaffee, Sam Perley, Katherine Desisto, Philip Rosene,
Timothy Lee, and Gloria Webster



November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 7 PM Boy Scouts	2 7 PM Knitting Group	3	4
5 9:30 Bells 10:30 AM Worship 3-5 PM Line dancing	6	7 10 AM Bible Study 6:00 PM Finance 6:30 PM Bells 7:30 PM Band	8 7 PM Missions 7 PM Boy Scouts	9 7 PM Diaconate	10 Veterans Day Observed 	11 Veterans Day  8 AM Men's Breakfast Café Sarina
12 9:30 Band 10:30 AM Worship 3-5 PM Line dancing	13 	14 10 AM Bible Study 7 PM Social Justice Book Club — Gtwn Library	15 6:30 PM Council 7 PM Boy Scouts	16 6:30 PM Bells 7 PM Knitting Group 7:30 PM Band	17	18
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26 10:30 AM Worship 3-5 PM Line dancing	27	28 10 AM Bible Study 6:30 PM Bells 7:30 PM Band	29	30 6:00 PM Christian Development		Note: Red = Church Service Green = church group Purple = team meeting Blue = outside group

Church website link
here

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