

FROM THE HILL



First Congregational Church of Georgetown



Wednesday Evening Services

During August, FCC's worship services will switch from Sunday mornings in the sanctuary to Wednesday evenings in Fellowship Hall. The services will begin at 7:00 pm, but come early for a light supper and socializing starting at 6:30 pm.

During these services, Rev. Marie will be leading her ever-popular "Conversation Cafes." These spiritual experiences are designed to feed the soul with fascinating stories, original videos, and a guided discussion on a life issue, ethical question, or current event. See the next page for a schedule of topics.

Our Wednesday evening gatherings are intended to be more casual and experiential than our traditional services and are wonderful ways to share FCC's amazing hospitality, so bring a friend or two. Plus, we'll be hosting the parishioners from the [First Congregational Church of Rowley](#), so please be sure to give them a warm welcome!

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday, September 2

Last Summer Evening Service

Join us for our last Wednesday evening worship service as we welcome **guest preacher Jennifer Revill, "The Mobile Mystic."**

Come for an inspiring evening of worship, reflection, prayer, and fellowship as we close out our summer Wednesday gatherings.

Sunday, September 13

Rally Day is Coming!

Mark your calendars for one of our favorite Sundays of the year as we kick off a new season of ministry together!

Can you guess this year's Rally Day theme? Stay tuned — we'll be sharing clues and exciting details in the coming weeks!



KNITTING **CIRCLE**

Whether you're an experienced knitter or simply interested in learning, everyone is welcome to join our cozy and friendly knitting circle. Come enjoy conversation, creativity, and community!

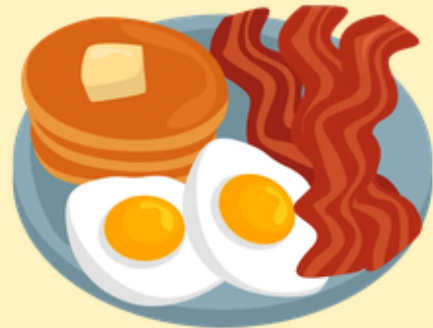
7:00 PM

August 13 & August 27

Women's Parlor

(adjoining FCC's Fellowship Hall)

MEN'S BREAKFAST



Saturday, August 8

8:00 am

Cafe Sarina

Georgetown



“Strawberry Social Thank You”

Even though the weather was not on our side this year,
we still enjoyed a fun filled evening and a terrific Band Concert
in our Fellowship Hall.

Thank you for the support from our wonderful church family.

Thank you to all who hulled, served, set up, cleaned up, donated raffle items, sold raffle tickets and strawberry social tickets, helped with publicity, and counted the proceeds from the Strawberry Social and played in the World's Most Dangerous Church Band.

Thank you to our Scout troops, they helped set up, serve, and take down.

Special thank you to Marini Farms for providing the delicious strawberries.

Also, there were rising costs for strawberries and all the ingredients (we all see this at the grocery store). This year we asked for help in the form of donations toward the Strawberry Social. We were overwhelmed with donations from our Church Family and thanks to you we were able to have the Social and keep the cost affordable.

Thank you to our Table Sponsors:

Crosby Marketplace
Georgetown Barbershop
Freedom Auto & Tire
Maze C&I

Raffle Winners:

Renegades Gift Card-Haley Baggs
Stonewall Kitchen Gift Basket-Priscilla Brock
Benson's Gift Card-Judy Lynn
50/50-Joe Flavin
Visa Gift Card-Hudson Murphy
Crystal Vase- Shane Balduf
Crosby Gift Card-Pam Sheehan
Piper & Foxx Gift Basket-Eleanor Young
Farm Gift Basket-Donna DeSisto
Baby Quilt-Deb Falconelli
Stuffed Animal Gift Basket-Donna DeSisto

Proceeds: \$1,931.00

Thank you,
Janice, Emily and Kristen

Gift Planning: Leaving Your Faith Legacy!

Throughout our lives, we make countless gifts to our families, our friends, our communities, and the causes we cherish. One of the most meaningful ways to express your values and hopes for the future is by remembering the First Congregational Church of Georgetown in your will or estate plan.

These legacy gifts help ensure that the ministry we share today will continue to serve future generations. They support worship, music, faith formation, outreach, pastoral care, and the ongoing witness of our congregation in the greater community. **Even the smallest donations make a difference!**

Here are some ways that you can put your love into action with a plan that reflects your faith:

Gifts to FCC's Memorial Fund

- Write a note to your loved ones and keep it with your end-of-life documents: "Instead of funeral flowers, my wish is that donations be made to the First Congregational Church of Georgetown, 7 Andover Street, Georgetown, MA 01833, taxpayer ID number 13-1957221."
- Ideally, tell your loved ones about this as well.



A Bequest through Your Will

- You may give cash, securities, or personal property.
- You can leave a specific amount, or a percentage of your estate, or a percentage of the remainder of your estate after accounting for heirs and other beneficiaries.

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Gift Planning: Leaving Your Faith Legacy Cont.

- Include the following sample language in your will: “I give (\$ ____, or ____ % of my estate, or ____% of the remainder of my estate) to the First Congregational Church of Georgetown, a Massachusetts charitable corporation, for its general purposes.”
- If you do not have a will, an attorney can create one for you or you can use the UCC’s partner FreeWill to create or update a simple will **in about 20 minutes, completely free and fully secure**. Using this link <https://bit.ly/4vvsV1l>, you'll have the option to include a legacy gift to the First Congregational Church of Georgetown.

Designate FCC as Beneficiary of a Retirement Fund (IRA, 401(k), 403(b))

- Retirement fund administrators like Vanguard, Fidelity, and TIAA typically require you to name beneficiaries for your retirement funds, and you can designate the First Congregational Church of Georgetown as one of your beneficiaries.
- Designating beneficiaries is easily done online through your fund administrator’s website, usually by logging into your personal profile, scrolling down to “Beneficiaries,” and entering “The First Congregational Church of Georgetown, Federal Employer ID: 13-1957221” as a non-individual beneficiary, with a percentage of that fund to be delivered to receive upon your death.



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Summer Office Hours

Tuesdays & Thursdays

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Closed August 11 and 13

Rev. Marie's August Office Hours

Wednesdays

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM



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