

News from the Hill

The Congregational
Church of Easton

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*Their life shall
be like a
watered garden,
and they
shall languish
no more.*

Jeremiah 31:12, ESV



Meditations from the Pastor will return in November!

Boards and Committee Reports

Deacons

Hope all of you were on hand at the Church Family Picnic on Saturday, September 22, to meet Madeleine Rose and to congratulate Rev. Amanda and Bill. We will welcome Rev. Amanda back in our pulpit on October 7th. How time flies!

The Rev. Frank Basler deftly led our worship on Sundays September 23 and 30 for which we sincerely say thank you.

Our Church Family Picnic (9/22) was, I feel, the best yet - thanks to solid pre-planning by Rev. Amanda; and in her absence, Jeanne, Phil with his several surprise gourmet menu accompaniments, Leon, Claudia and many other hands, feet and backs prepared and pulled it together into a most agreeable **pleasing event**. **Mr. Ed Stillwagon's addition, to the menu, of his raw clam bar was almost as popular as Madeleine Rose.** Thank you, Ed. Other Friends of the church who donated greatly appreciated items were: a large bunch of sunflowers for decorating from Sal Gilbertie; a large bag of corn on the cob from Fred Candee; and a more than adequate supply of ice cubes from Dick Greiser. We most sincerely thank each of them.

The next Deacons meeting will be October 7, 2018 at 11:30 AM. We will meet again on the November 4th. All Deacon meeting minutes are readily available at the church office for your perusal.

Board of Facilities

As fall begins so will clean up of the grounds, along with some tree branches getting trimmed. Also, air conditioners have been taken out of the offices for the winter.



Thanks

to everyone who helped with the preparations, set up and food,
everyone who cleaned up and to everyone who came and enjoyed
an afternoon of fun with friends and great food.

Boards and Committee Reports

Christian Education

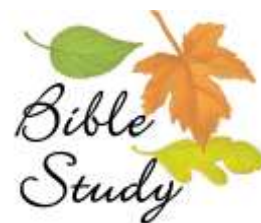
Children's Worship and Education

This fall Children's Worship and Education has been studying about Joshua taking the Israelites to the Promised Land. (This past week the walls of Jericho came tumbling down amidst loud trumpeting!) Connie Wing continues as our teacher with Sara Scoran as sub.

Bible Study

We finished our Spring Bible study on June 6th. We enjoyed our study of 1 Samuel and look forward to continuing on with the story of King David and the story of King Solomon in the fall with the study of 2 Samuel.

Our Fall Bible Study will begin on
October 10, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.



Board of Christian Outreach

Next St. Luke/St. Paul's Food Kitchen – Menu for October 16th

Chicken – any style – or your specialty, Starches, Vegetables, Salad, Fruit, Desserts

We served 70 meals on September 18th. Thanks to our cooks/bakers/shoppers Daisy Colonnese, Barbara van Achterberg, Sara Baczewski, Claudia Nielsen, Connie Wing, Barb Trup, Suzanne Herlihy, Sue Farmer, Susan March, Pat Glaser

And our Preparers, Transporters and Servers – Sara Scoran, Suzanne Herlihy, Jim Bromer, Barbara van Achterberg, Sue Farmer, Lucas Farmer, Sami Dassatti.

St. Luke/St. Paul's Food Pantry

Non-perishable food is collected on the First Sunday of the month, when we share Communion and remember those in need of experiencing God's abundance. They are delivered the day of the food kitchen and can be dropped off at the Old Academy building during the month.

Merton House – We continue to collect sample or travel sized toiletries for Merton House. Please drop them off anytime and place in the basket at the entrance to the church hall.

Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Board and Committee Reports

Stewardship

Stewardship

We are now more than half way throughout the year. We would like to take this opportunity to thank those of you who have generously pledged their support through monetary donations so far this year. Your continued participation in Stewardship and the life of the church is very important. The preliminary Budget for 2019 is being prepared.

Pledge challenge goal 2018: \$65,000

Pledges: \$52, 040.00

Pledge Count: 27



3rd Annual Cookie Walk! Preparations are beginning!

Saturday, December 2nd.

We're looking for bakers who can make some delicious cookies for us to offer. If you like to bake or know someone who does, please consider sharing your talent this holiday season. Keep your eye on your email because we will start asking people to begin baking this month. A sign up sheet will be in the church hall soon.

We would like to collect our first batch of cookies by October 30th



Thanksgiving Baskets for Covenant to Care



Jorge Ball, our adopted Social Worker has sent a list of families in need of dinners for Thanksgiving. If you (and a friend) wish to purchase non-perishables and/or supply a gift card for a family, please see the sign up in the church hall or call the office for more information.

Thanksgiving Baskets

(If you have any leftover Halloween candy that would be a great addition!)

Upcoming Events

Special Veterans Day Worship Service November 11th

Harvest Dinner TBA

Thanksgiving Baskets Due November 19th

Keep an eye out for details in the coming week's bulletins and next month's Newsletter.

Easton Senior Center

Estate Planning—Attorney Christine Tenore/round table discussion on October 10 at 10:00 a.m.

Flu Clinic—Thursday October 18 and Wednesday October 24 between 7-11 a.m. Call to register for appointment.

Basic First Aid Training — Thursday, October 25 at 10:00 a.m.



Monroe Music Fest

Sunday October 7, 2018

1 - 7 pm

Monroe Congregational Church

34 Church St., Monroe

Enjoy an eclectic mix of music from gifted country, jazz, folk, classical, a cappella and steel drum musicians! Plus visual arts...

\$15/individual; \$30/family Food is available for purchase

<https://www.facebook.com/MonroeMusicFest/>

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Serving Schedule



October Confirming and Welcoming Deacon — Jonathan Stock			
	Ushers & Offering	Collectors	Coffee Hour
October 7	The Marches	N. Taranto & C. Partridge	B. van Achterberg
October 14	P. McCarty & N. Taranto	D. Colonnese & M. Perkins	D. Colonnese
October 21	D. Colonnese & T. Linley	The Twomblys	C. Nielsen
October 28	S. Lovejoy & N. Taranto	The Glasers	Marches



November Confirming and Welcoming Deacon — Nathalie Taranto			
November 4	The Marches	The Twomblys	B. van Achterberg
November 11	P. McCarty & N. Taranto	N. Taranto and C. Partridge	
November 18	D. Colonnese, T. Linley	D. Colonnese & M. Perkins	S. Lovejoy
November 25	S. Lovejoy, N. Taranto	The Glasers	

If you would like to participate in worship by doing the offering, or hosting coffee hour, please call a member of the Board of Deacons or call or email the church office. If you are unable to serve as assigned, please contact the church office.

Altar Flower and Coffee Hour Hosting for 2018
Please see our Flower Calendar if you would like to celebrate a special date of a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion. You may order or provide the flowers yourself or have the office order them.

Hosting a Coffee Hour is a wonderful way also to celebrate a special occasion.

- Why: Celebrating a special day with your church family, to welcome people to a moment of fellowship.
- How: Call the church office or send an email if you would like to be on our rotation to host Coffee Hour or would like to just do a special date.

1

Though daughters weren't allowed to inherit property, some young women whose father had died appealed to the community's leaders to change the law in their favor – and it was done! Who were these women?

- A. Mary and Martha
- B. The daughters of Zelophehad
- C. Nympha, Sapphira, Claudia, Tabitha and Lydia
- D. Joanna, Susanna and Salome



2



In John 4, Jesus talks with a woman about living water. Where does that conversation take place?

- A. Sychar
- B. Samaria
- C. Galilee
- D. Jacob's well



Christian Symbols

Trumpet -- In the Old Testament, trumpets, often made from ram's horns, called people to worship or war (and often promised victory). Joshua and the Israelites used trumpets to fell the walls of Jericho. Under Gideon, the small Israelite army blew trumpets and smashed jars to confuse the Midianites into surrender. The New Testament says trumpets will sound at the Last Judgment and the resurrection of the dead. In Revelation 11, a seventh trumpet proclaims God's final and complete triumph.

Answers
1. B (See Numbers 27:1-11.)
2. A, B and D (See John 4:4-7ff.)

October 2018

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	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 10 Worship w/communion 10:15 Children's Time 11 Coffee Hour Cove	8  Columbus Day Office Closed	9	10 3:30 Bible Study	11	12	13
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Autumn Fires

*In the other gardens and all up the vale
From the autumn bonfires, see the smoke trail!*

*Pleasant summer over and all the summer flowers,
The red fire blazes, the grey smoke towers.*

*Sing a song of season! Something bright in all
Flowers in the summer, fires in the fall.*

—Robert Louis Stevenson



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