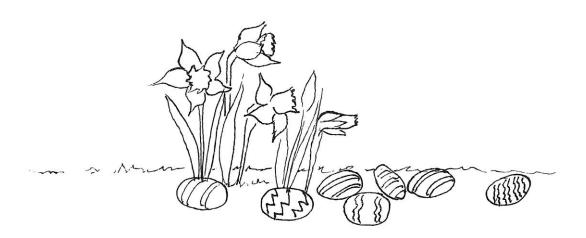
Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C. 60 The Common Phillipston, MA 01331



Phillipston Community Newsletter

April 2019



The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C. Our Community Church Worship is at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School is also at 10:00 a.m. after the children have heard a Bible story

Dear Friends,

Easter is very late this year, April 21. I was thinking about some Easter questions. We don't know how the stone was rolled away from the tomb. An earthquake? A storm? Powerful angels pulling it away? We don't know how Jesus came back to life; was it like Harry Potter when Hagrid was carrying his lifeless body and he came back to life? Did his heart restart first, or his lungs, or did a finger move? Did this take hours, or minutes?

What we do know according to John's Gospel account is that, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So, she ran and found Simon Peter and the other disciple and said, "they have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." The poor woman must have been so distraught expecting to find a body to anoint, and not finding Jesus. But later, she sees a man she thinks is the gardener, and asks him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."

There are so many details we do not have in this story, but I am convinced (and many Christians are with me) that Jesus was brought back to life, and we are given this same promise. Hallelujah, He is risen! Come join us for Easter worship at 10:00 a.m. or at Sunrise on 275 Ward Hill at 5:45 am on April 21.

Your sister in Christ, Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn

P.S. I hope to see you at Red Apple Farm for Easter's for: Great Gathering on Saturday, April 20.

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The Phillipston Congregational Church On the Common, Phillipston, Ma EVERY ONE IS WELCOME! COME VISIT!

Please come and join our Church Family!

Services & Sunday School are held on Sundays at **10:00 am.** Parents are encouraged to take part in Sunday School, if they wish. A Coffee Hour with

refreshments follows the service and is open to all. There will be a Pot Luck Luncheon following the March 10th service. Bring your favorite dish but, if you forget your dish, you are still welcome to participate, there is always enough food! For more information you may call 978-516-8061. **YOUTH GROUP** is held every Saturday night from 6 to 8. Children ages 9 and up are invited to attend. You do not have to be a church member to join us. A fun time is had by all. For more information please contact

Karen Gallant- karengallant72@gmail.com or 978-894-6322.

April Activities:

April 2nd Senior Lunch in the vestry of the church (noon)

April 7th Morning Worship & Sunday School 10 am

with Communion (open to all)

APRIL 14TH Palm Sunday Morning Worship & Sunday School 10am

Pot Luck Luncheon following the service

April 16th Senior Lunch at noon at the Phillipston Fire Station

April 17th Ladies Benevolent Society Meeting

in the church vestry at 11am, lunch provided

April 20th EASTER GREAT GATHERING – 8 to 1 – at Red Apple

Farm in Phillipston. Great time for all!

April 21st Easter Sunrise Service 5:45 am

275 Ward Hill, Phillipston, MA

April 21st Easter Sunday Morning Worship & Sunday School

10am

If you would like to donate Flowers or money for

Flowers, please contact Marilyn Holway 978-503-2269

April 28th Earth Day Sunday Morning Worship

& Sunday School 10am

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SENIOR LUNCH IS SERVED THE FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAY

THE APRIL 2ND LUNCHEON WILL BE IN THE VESTRY OF THE PHILLIPSTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, ON THE COMMON, PHILLIPSTON, MA. A DONATION OF \$2.50 IS SUGGESTED THE APRIL 16TH LUNCHEON WILL BE HELD AT THE PHILLIPSTON FIRE STATION COMPLIMENTS OF THE PHILLIPSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT. CALL THE CHURCH 978-249-8583 FOR RESERVATIONS. MEET OTHERS, TALK AND SHARE IN FUN TIMES! TRANSPORTATION IS AVAILABLE, IF NEEDED. CALL 978-516-8061 FOR MORE INFORMATION.

COME JOIN US!



SAVE THE DATE – JUNE 8, 2019 ON PHILLIPSTON COMMON "DENISE DAYTON" BRINGING THE "AMERICAN SONG BOOK" MILL STREET IS AN EASY LISTENING JAZZ QUARTET!

\$66.51

That's what AmazonSmile contributed to the Historical Society last month. **Thanks so much** to all of you who enter the Historical Society of Phillipston when you order something from Amazon and enter your order under AmazonSmile. Remember, it doesn't cost you a cent more and Amazon contributes .05% of your order amount to the Society

Phillipston's Community Garden is in its final phase of growth. There is a lot of work yet to be done before seedlings and seeds can be planted. Planning for an early spring, the electric fence will start to go in once the frost is out of the ground. The well was drilled last year, and a solar powered pump will be installed this year, allowing for needed water on site. The AgCom has planned for both organic and non organic garden sites. This garden is an opportunity for people to garden and raise their own vegetables, using their own skills. We have adopted ideas and rules from already operating community

their own skills. We have adopted ideas and rules from already operating community gardens. We are still crafting a final version. The general idea is that people gardening in close proximity to others can help and assist their neighbors with ideas and gardening experiences, and learn from or teach others even if only by dialogue.

This area will allow plenty of sunlight and drainage for gardening. If you need a sunnier, larger or smaller area, please contact an Agricultural Commission member to arrange for a view of the area.

We can't praise enough the donated work done by Brookside Equipment, using an excavator to not only stump the lot, but to remove the boulders and smaller rocks, and reset them as terraced walls to change the grade on the hill to usable space. This is just incredible work, it shows what skilled operators are capable of in those big machines. We haven't set rental fees for the garden plots yet, but we are committed to accepting Phillipston residents, landowners and renters first before opening it to neighboring communities'. We have information pamphlets at Town Hall and at the Red Apple Farm. Questions? Jack Seamon, 978-895-1452. Please allow up to 2 days for response, our farm is waking up, too. Thanks.

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LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

The March meeting of the Ladies Benevolent Society was held on Wednesday, March 20TH at the home of Nancy Nason with hostesses being Joanne Haley, Claire Adomaitis and Marilyn Holway. A delicious luncheon was served with 12 ladies present. We have a few Church Cookbooks left, please contact Marilyn at 978-503-2269 for your copy. They can be purchased at a **reduced price** of \$15. Our 2019 Quilt raffle the quilt is named "A Light in the Window", 52" x 44", made and donated by Jean Ruben will be displayed at the Easter Great Gathering on Saturday, April 20th at the Red Apple Farm in Phillipston, MA. Tickets will be available at the EEG. Tickets are \$1 each or 6/\$5. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 17th in the vestry of the church with hostesses being Nancy MacEwen and Mel Haughton. The Ladies Benevolent Society is open to all ladies, please feel free to come and join us, call Claire at 978-516-8061 for more information or a ride to the meeting. Lifetime dues are 50 cents, very reasonable for a fun time.

On Thursday, April 18, 2019 at 7 pm at the Millers River Environmental Center, Henry Homeyer, lifetime Master Gardener in New Hampshire and author of four gardening books, will discuss the nuts and bolts of dehydrating, storing and freezing food from your garden so you will always have some of your own food to eat. He also offers a new weeding tool - the cobrahead weeder. (Please note that this presentation was originally scheduled for November 2018 but was canceled due to a snowstorm).

An affiliate of the Millers River Environmental Center in Athol, the North Quabbin Garden Club formed in 2006 to encourage interest in all phases of home gardening. With efforts to promote better horticultural practices and foster civic beauty, emphasis is placed on use of native plants, organic gardening, and the conservation of natural resources. Monthly meetings are usually held on the third Thursday evening of each month featuring informative speakers or workshop sessions. Members are currently working on a wildlife habitat garden at the Millers River Environmental Center. Guests and new members are always welcome, so join us this month and learn something new about gardening. Meetings are free to members and guests are asked for a donation.

Phillips Free Public Library

Library Hours

Board of Trustees Meeting:

Tuesday 9am-2pm

Thursday, Apríl 4 at 6pm

Wednesday 5-7pm Saturday 9am-1pm

National Library Week Open House

Please join us for a fun-filled Open House on **Saturday, April 27** from 10-1pm. There will be a variety of activities, a book-lovers raffle, tasty refreshments and wonderful conversation with your neighbors.

New Books and Movies

<u>New books</u> include: 'Cemetery Road' by Greg Iles, 'Wolf Pack' by C.J. Box, 'Silent Night' by Danielle Steel, 'Deep Harbor' by Fern Michaels and 'The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up- the Japanese Art of de-cluttering and organizing ' by Marie Kondo

New movies include: Green Book, Indivisible, Free Solo, and Instant Family

How to....

What better time to learn a new skill?? Check out some of our 'How to' books... new hobbies & talents await you!

'Weekend Quilt Projects', 'Straw Bale Gardening', 'How to be Your Dog's Best Friend', '500 Quick and Easy Decorating Projects & Ideas', 'Tracking & the Art of Seeing', 'The Fine Art of Small Talk'

Please make a note of our new hours... We are open on Wednesday evenings 5-7pm

Just a reminder that 4th quarter tax bills are due May 1st 2019.

Payments can be made online or by check or money order.

No Cash accepted.

IMPORTANT VOTING DAY

The Annual Town Election for the Town of Phillipston will be held on Monday, May 20, 2019 from noon to 8pm at the Town Hall, 50 On The Common, Phillipston, MA.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee Ballots will be available starting on May 1st.

Last day to register to vote is May 1st.

Warrant will be posted on or before May 13, 2019

TOWN CLERK – Karin L. Foley

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

To be held May 8, 2019 at 7:00pm gathering at the Phillipston Memorial School Gym, 20 On The Common, Phillipston, MA 01331

Warrant will be post on or before May 1, 2019 and can be viewed at the Town Hall, Library and King Phillip Restaurant lobby.

Last day to register to vote is April 18, 2019

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

John Telepciak – Chairman Terrance Dymek, Clerk

Kim Pratt - Vice Chair



Phillipston Church (downstairs)

9 - Saturdy Morning Breakfast

~ Serving ~

The way you want it ...

French Toast, Eggs (any style), Toast or English Muffin, Homefries, Sausage. Orange, Apple and Cranberry juice,

> Coffee (regular and decaf), assorted Teas, Hot cocoa NOTE: Sorry - We don't serve pancakes or bacon.

~~ Monthly Specials ~~

March 16 ~ Homemade Corn Beef Hash 2 EGGS, TOAST & HOMEFRIES

April 21 ~ No Breakfast

May 18 ~ Skillet Banquet

2 EGGS-SCRAMBLED, ON TOP OF HOMEFRIES WITH GREEN PEPPERS/ONIONS, HAM TOPPED WITH CHEESE SAUCE

> June 15 ~ Kitchen Sink Omelet 2 Eggs, ham & Salami on tomato & cheese

July 20 ~ Summer Time Omelet BROCOLLÍ, TOMATOES, ONIONS, PEPPERS, SUMMER & ZUCCHINI SQUASH

August 17 ~ Ruebin Omelet
CORNBEEF WITH TOAST & HOMEFRIES

September 24 ~ Cream Chip Beef ON TOAST WITH HOMEFRIES

October 19 ~ New Englander 2 EGGS, HAMSTEAK, BROWN BAKED BEANS & CORN MUFFIN

November 16 ~ Spanish Omelet SALSA, ONION, PEPPER, MUSHROOM, CHEESE WITH HOMEFRIES & TOAST







9th ANNUAL BRUNCH WITH THE EASTER BUNNY!

Ham, Eggs, Pancakes, Sausage, Home Fries, Fruit & Beverages

\$10 adults - \$5 kids ages 3-10 & seniors 65+ <u>Advance Tickets save \$1 each:</u> (978) 249-7517

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SAT, APRIL 20, 2019

8 AM – 1 PM

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF PHILLIPSTON

EVENT

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CHILDRENS' EGG HUNTS

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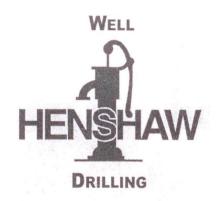
Pictures/Selfies with the Easter Bunny Easter Raffle Baskets Chocolate Covered Peeps
Fresh Cider Donuts & Hot Coffee Cotton Candy Bunny Ears Fudge Face Painting
Easter Flowers Quilt Raffle Local Honey Products Lion's Club Table
Baby Animals and Alpacas

Who Will Be For Me?

A Dramatic Historical Society Program on a Slave Woman's Life Presented by Gwendolyn Quesaire-Presutti April 24th at 7 P.M. Phillipston Congregational Church Vestry

Gwendolyn is an accomplished actress and historical researcher of Women of Color, and she has combined these two skills to bring to life what it was like to be a slave for prominent people in history. In this program she will portray Oney Judge Staimes, the house servant for George and Martha Washington. She served them at their home at Mount Vernon and moved with them to the Capital after he was elected President. It's the story of the lowest in society working for the highest, insight into the life of the first President's household from a slave's point of view when slavery was allowed in all the states. (Massachusetts abolished slavery in 1781.)

All are welcome. It will be an unforgettable presentation, a good one for young people to experience as well. The Library is co-sponsoring this program with the Historical Society, and we are grateful to the Cultural Council for funding it. Light refreshments will be served following the program.



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Please contact Jennie at 978-790-9279 or send your \$15 check payable to Jennie Chace at: 740 Patriots Road Templeton, MA. 01468, to list your address on the map. Encourage neighbors to join too, more homes = more customers on your street!

Maps to the different homes participating in the yard sale will be handed out for \$1 each on the Common in Phillipston – located in the center of town beginning at 7AM!

Like and Share our page on Facebook!

Sponsored by the Friends of the Girl Scouts.

Car Wash!

Girl Scout Troop 30908 is hosting a car wash during the **Town Wide Yard Sale!**For a donation, you can get your car sparkling clean by a friendly Girl Scout!
Swing by for a quick wash when you pick up your yard sale map and a whoopie pie! You'll find us in the church/annex/library parking lot on beautiful Phillipston Town Common!

Thin Mint Sprint 5K Run/Walk May 11, 2019

Sign up for the 7th annual Thin Mint Sprint 5K Run/Walk! Ask your local Girl Scout for a registration form or sign up at active.com! Sign up by **April 27**th for the early bird rate of \$20. Register after that date and the cost goes up to \$25.

Come for the Thin Mints, come for the fun of it, come for the challenge of it, or just come to support some wonderful Girl Scouts! Race begins at 10am, registration and check in begins at 8:30 am on The Common. See you there!

Phillipston Transfer Station

Wednesday 4:00pm – 6:00pm

Saturday 7:45am – 1:45pm

Recyclables

Recyclables need to be sorted. **Please Help us to Help you.** There will be separate containers for each category. If it is not in one of these categories then throw it away.

- 1. Cardboard and mixed paper, includes magazines and books.
- 2. Clean **1-7** plastic containers empty, rinsed and flattened if possible. No Tupperware.
- 3. Aluminum, steel, and tin cans empty, rinsed and flattened if possible
- 4. Bottles & jars empty, rinsed and lids removed. No household glass i.e. drinking glasses or dishes. No Pyrex, no ceramics, or porcelain.
- 5. Returnable 5 cent cans or bottles please donate to the Scouts at their trailer.

The better you clean/sort your recyclables, the easier it is for the Transfer Station workers to assist you. If they have to sort your recyclables they are taking time away from helping other residents in unloading their cars, etc.

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