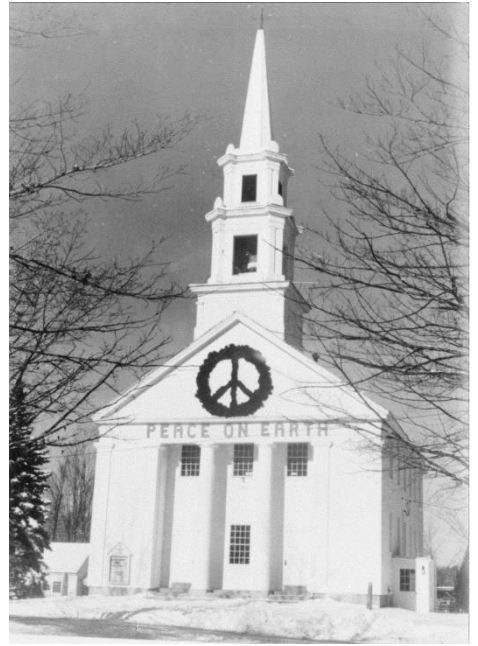
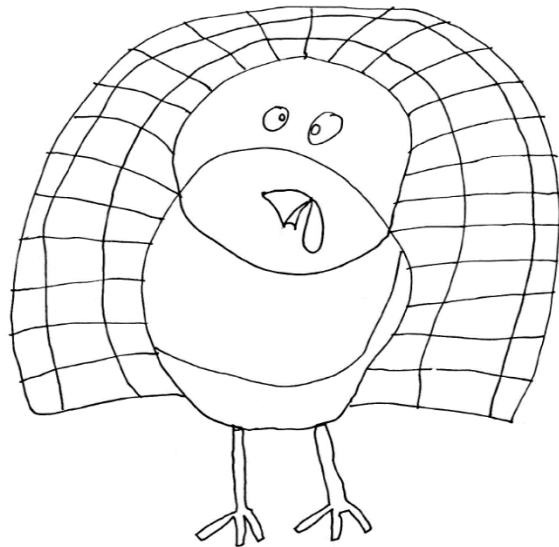


Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C.
60 The Common
Phillipston, MA 01331



Phillipston
Community
Newsletter

November 2022



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The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C.
Our Community Church

Dear Friends, Worship 10:00 a.m. with Children's story

I will admit I don't say grace as often as G. K. Chesterton!

G.K. Chesterton writes, From an Early Notebook in the mid 1890s,

"You say grace before meals.

All right.

But I say grace before the play and the opera,

And grace before the concert and pantomime,

And grace before I open a book,

And grace before sketching, painting,

Swimming, fencing, boxing, walking, playing, dancing;

And grace before I dip the pen in the ink."

Your sister in Christ, Stephanie C. Flynn

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Fall Pumpkin Fair at Red Apple Farm and to Nancy and Al Rose for graciously hosting us. Sunday, November 20 will be our Thanksgiving worship service with a collection of fresh fruit and vegetables for Thanksgiving baskets for needy families.

Drive Thru or Dine In 2022

Sponsored by Lions and Friends of Lions in Phillipston

Saturday November, 5

Dinner Special Menu

MEATLOAF DINNER~

Dinners include the following~

Protein, Potato, Vegetables, Tossed Salad.

Dessert & Choice of Beverage.

Phillipston Church on the Common

Times for Service Dinner 5 pm – 7 pm

Price \$12.00





Phillipston's Holiday Memory Tree

and

2022 Public Service Award

When: Sunday, December 4, 2022

Time and Place: 4:30 P.M., On the Common

Please come join us as the Historical Society of Phillipston once again sponsors the Memory Tree Ceremony, an event that has become a meaningful way to begin the holiday season. This year we can return to celebrating the names *inside* the Congregational Church after the tree is lit! Inside we will be pleased to have Senator Anne Gobi and Representative Susannah Whipps read the names of loved ones who have passed away, family members and friends who are serving in the armed forces, and the happy events in our lives that we would like to share.

The annual “**Citizen of the Year**” for public service to the town will also be announced and presented this evening.

Please use the form below to include your names and events in the ceremony. Each name/remembrance is a \$5.00 donation, and you may include as many as you like. Include a separate sheet of paper if you need more space. Please send in submissions by Dec. 1st. For any questions, contact Linda Langevin at 978-939-5656.

Mail completed form and donation to:

**Historical Society of Phillipston,
c/o 105 Riley Switch Road, Phillipston, MA 01331**

Enclosed is my \$ _____ donation for ____ light(s) on the Memory Tree. Please make check payable to “Historical Society of Phillipston”.

<u>Name Remembered</u>	<u>Memory or Celebration of</u>	<u>Your Relationship</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Your Name: _____ Phone No.: _____

Address: _____

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Senior Tax Exemption

- 70 yrs
- Own and occupy your home
- Lived in Massachusetts for 10 consecutive years and owned property for 5 years
- Income Limits, Single person \$25,201. Married persons \$32,802.
- Asset Limits, Single person - \$35,000. Married persons \$40,000. (excluding home and 1st vehicle)

Applications are available on the Assessors' page of Phillipston's website and at the Assessors' Office.



Save the Dates!

~Help us support local children through scholarship~

Wednesday, Nov. 9th 4-9 PM 99's Gardner Restaurant

299 Timpany Blvd., Gardner, MA 01440



Popcorn, Basket, Wristbands, Water Bottle stickers, T-Shirts & Sweatshirts Sales, and More

Saturday, Nov. 12th 9 AM - 3 PM Narragansett Craft Fair Narragansett Middle School

460 Baldwinville Rd., Baldwinville, MA 01436

Wristbands, Water Bottle stickers, T-Shirt & Sweatshirt Sales, Basket and More

Sat - Sun, Nov. 19th - 20th 10 - 4 PM Thanksgiving Harvest Festival

455 Highland Ave., Phillipston, MA 01331



Wristbands, Water Bottle stickers, T-Shirt & Sweatshirt Sales, Basket and More

Cash, PayPal, Venmo, and Square Card Reader (Chip/Touch Free) Accepted

If you are interested in volunteering at one of our fundraisers, please reach out @ (978) 895-5762

Jonathan Edward Aukstikalnis Character Recognition Fund, Inc. is a 501c3 public charity.

VOTE

November 8, 2022

Polls Open at 7:00 am – Close at 8:00 pm

PHILLIPSTON IS HOLDING A DUAL ELECTION

Two Elections – Two Ballots same day

Special Town Election and State Election

You Can Vote by mail, vote early in-person or at the polls Nov 8th

For more information see the Town Website at www.phillipston-ma.gov

e-mail townclerk@phillipston-ma.gov or

Call Town Clerk's Office at 978-249-1733.

Special Town Election – Candidates

Board of Selectmen – 3 yr. Term – Vote for One
Daniel F. Sanden, 440 Highland Ave

Board of Assessors – 3 yr. Term – Vote for One
Earl. R. Sweat, 600 Royalston Rd

Board of Assessors – 1 yr. Term – Vote for One
Luanne E. Royer, 3 Samuel Dr

**State Election Information on Candidates and
Questions are available at www.sec.state.ma.gov**

Please vote Dan Sanden for Selectman. Many years experience-9 years on Select Board, 8 years School Committee, 11 years Library Trustee, numerous Boards and committees.

Thanks for your consideration. Dan

The Phillipston Youth Supports (PYS)
Is proud to sponsor the

43rd Annual Narragansett Craft Fair
Saturday, November 12, 2022
9AM - 3PM

Narragansett Middle School
464 Baldwinville Rd Baldwinville, MA
Coffee Can Auction!
Cafe' Open All Day!
Craftspeople from all over New England!
Wide variety of Crafts and Gift Items!
Free Parking and Free Admission!

Next Craft Fair meeting will be held on November 3, 2022 at
6:30pm in Rm #2 at the Phillipston Memorial School
Everyone is welcome.

Next Quarterly meeting will be held on December 8, 2022 at
6:30pm in Rm #2 at the Phillipston Memorial School.
Everyone is welcome!

MENU FOR SENIOR LUNCH FOR NOVEMBER

November 1st

Cheese omelet, sausage patty, O'Brien potatoes, spinach, wheat bread, fruit cup

November 15th no lunch served

November 9th at the Fire Station you must make reservations by Nov. 1st.
by calling Paula at 978-652-5797

Lunch will be served at NOON

Changes for DECEMBER. No lunch served on December 6th.

Please call to find out when the next December lunch will be served.
978-652-5797 leave a message for Paula.

Phillips Free Public Library

Library Hours

Tuesday 9-2pm

Wednesday 5-7pm

Saturday 9-1 pm

Board of Trustees Meeting:

Tues. November. 8, 2022 at 6pm

* **“like” our Facebook page**

Phillips Free Public Library

Story Hour is BACK !!

We will be holding Story Hour on Tuesdays at 10 am. Pre-schoolers (and younger siblings) are welcome to join us for stories, circle time, craft project and a snack! Please call the library (978) 249-1734 for more information.

Book Club

Call the library (978) 249-1734 to find out what the group is reading next and reserve your copy. Meeting date will be announced on the sign board.

New Materials

New books include: The Things We Keep by Sally Hepworth, Lucy by the Sea by Elizabeth Strout, Endless Summer by Elin Hilderbrand, Dreamland by Nicholas Sparks, The Winners by Fredrik Backman and Our Missing Hearts by Celeste Ng. Children's books include: Big Nate: Release the Hounds, by Lincoln Peirce, The Leaf Thief by Alice Hemming, Odder by Katherine Applegate, The Crayons Trick or Treat by Drew Daywalt and The Pigeon will ride the Roller Coaster by Mo Willems.

New movies include: Elvis and Spider-Man: No Way Home

By typing in: smile.amazon.com in the address bar instead of just Amazon, you will arrive at Amazon's charitable foundation site. Please select "Historical Society of Phillipston Inc." as your charitable organization, then proceed to shop and place your order as usual. The Historical will receive 0.5% of the purchase price and it costs you nothing! Amazon Smile is the same Amazon you know.... Same products, same price, same service. We are so grateful to you!!



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Citizen of the Year



? *Who will YOU Nominate ?*

It's time to consider who you want to nominate to become the 2022 recipient of the "Alphonse Chartier, Sr. Public Service Award" also known as the Citizen of the Year. Your input is very important in determining who will receive this prestigious award.

This year all nominations will be collected at the Town Hall - whether you mail it in to '50 The Common' or drop it off to Town Clerk Karin Foley. Write the reasons why your nominee deserves this important award and place it in an envelope or fold your paper and tape it closed.

There is a deadline for receiving your nomination and it is **November 7th** (Monday) at **3:00 PM**. The Committee will meet that evening to consider all nominations so have yours in at the Town Hall by **November 7th**.

The Historical Society of Phillipston

Presents

The Rabbit Railroad and the Towns It Served

presented by Ken Levine

on Tuesday, November 15 at 7:00 P.M.

in the Phillipston Congregational Church Vestry

What did you do during Covid? Ken Levine tackled a huge project. He built a model of the four towns that were lost when the Quabbin Reservoir was created. And, most interesting is the recreation of the train that serviced those towns. Ken said, "The train was the life blood of the towns." It's called the Rabbit Railroad and sometimes the Bunny Hop because of the frequent stops it made.

The results of Ken's amazing 24-foot-long model of the towns is on display in the Swift River Valley Historical Society and it has a small model locomotive running through it to show how the train went from town-to-town and business-to-business from 1871 till the 1930's.

A great deal of research went into this project. Come watch the power-point presentation and learn about the lost towns and the train that served them. Everyone is welcome.