

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

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Phillipston  
Community  
Newsletter

September 2018



The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C.

Our Community Church

Sunday Service at 10:00 a.m.      Sunday School begins at 10:00 a.m.

Dear Friends,

September has always been a time of new beginning for me. In all those years of elementary, middle, high school, then college and graduate school, I was sharpening my pencil and getting the three ring spiral notebooks ready. Now my children have both left Narragansett and I still feel nostalgic for the school bus, and that opportunity to learn. Andrew has chosen his classes and will begin soon, but there is still my opportunity to learn and yours as well. My family had international exchange students as I was growing up, and it was wonderful to learn of their different cultures, Suzanne from Germany, Girma from Ethiopia, Connie from Madagascar and Mariken from Norway. I will never forget taking Girma to walk on the ice when it had frozen on Rogers Lake, and his face as he exclaimed, "I am walking on water!"

As we read in Deuteronomy 10: 17-18" For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of Lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who is not partial and takes no bribe, who executes justice for the orphan and the widow, and who loves the strangers, providing them food and clothing. You shall also love the stranger, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt."

How can we respond to the orphan and the widow? How can we welcome the stranger? How do we provide justice for them? Can we follow Micah's words: "what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God?"

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Your sister in Christ,  
Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn

THE NEWSLETTER IS ON [www.phillipston.com](http://www.phillipston.com)  
**October 2018 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

[www.phillipston.com/priceinfo.pdf](http://www.phillipston.com/priceinfo.pdf)

*Phillipston Giant Pumpkin Weigh-In  
and Country Village Fair  
At Red Apple Farm!*

*Sponsored by the Phillipston Congregational Church*



**October 6 & 7, 2018 Sat: 11am - 4pm; Sun: 11am – 4pm**  
Church Service Sunday 10am on the Deck of Barn, All Welcome!

**PUMPKIN WEIGH-IN** – Sunday, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm - Come & register your  
**GIANT PUMPKIN** – Cash Prizes & Ribbons awarded adult & children's categories  
**REGULAR PUMPKINS** – contest for any size/shape pumpkin (large to small)  
Registration for all pumpkins is from 11 am to 1 pm

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**“WOOD RAFFLE”**

Drawing Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm

**“ANNUAL QUILT RAFFLE”**

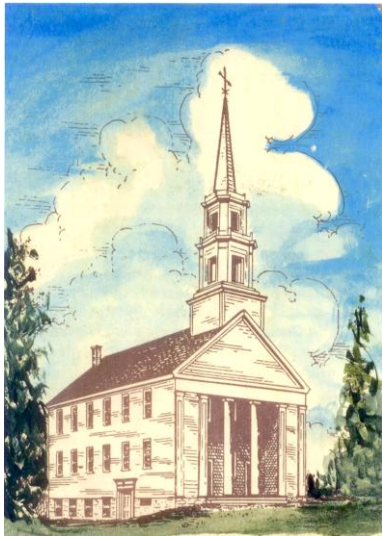
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Community Information Booths – Petting Zoo – Cotton Candy – Jewelry – Baked Goods  
Slightly Read Books – Weigh-In Sweatshirts – Cow Flop – Corn Hole Tournaments  
Face Painting – Decorate Your Own Cupcakes – Fall Clothing Sale and more.....

~ **CHUCKWAGON** ~

Chili, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Cheeseburgers, Soup & Drinks

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 978-516-8061



## The Phillipston Congregational Church On the Common, Phillipston, MA

The Members of the Phillipston Church would like to extend an invitation to all to visit Our Church.

### **Everyone is Welcome!**

Services & Sunday School are held on Sundays at **10:00 a.m**

Parents are encouraged to take part in Sunday School, if they wish. A Coffee Hour with refreshments follows the service & on the second Sunday of the month there is usually a Pot Luck Brunch, where everyone may bring one of their favorite dishes. 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](mailto:karengallant72@gmail.com) or 978-894-6322.

### **Please come and join our Church Family!**

A Youth Group is held every Saturday night from 6 to 8. Children ages 9 and up. A fun time is had by all. For more information please contact Karen Gallant- [karengallant72@gmail.com](mailto:karengallant72@gmail.com) or 978-894-6322.

### **September Activities:**

**September 2<sup>nd</sup>** : Sacrament of Communion

Worship will be outside on the lawn, if raining, it will be Inside In the Vestry downstairs for Handicapped Access Sunday.

**September 4<sup>th</sup>** : Senior Lunch – 12 noon, vestry of church

**September 9<sup>th</sup>** : Grandparent's Day - Celebration with a Pot Luck Luncheon following the service.

**September 18<sup>th</sup>** : Senior Lunch – 12 noon, vestry of church

**September 19<sup>th</sup>** : Ladies Benevolent Meeting – Home of Janice Howard at 11 am. (**note time change**)

**September 23<sup>rd</sup>** : Fall Begins - Autumn Theme Service

**Check our Phillipston Church Facebook Page!**

## ATTENTION PHILLIPSTON NEWSLETTER READERS

The Phillipston Community Newsletter is put together and mailed by volunteers and members of The Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C. This is mailed to every mail box in Phillipston. The newsletter is available to all nonprofit organizations in town to post news items or notices of upcoming events. Businesses in town may place ads at \$10 for a Half page and \$5 for quarter page. A full page for the newsletter is 7" x 8.5" with a .5" margin. Please support your Community Newsletter by submitting your ad or news items by the 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month to allow time us to get it out on the 1<sup>st</sup>. Items received after that will be put in the next month. Ads or news items may be sent to:

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

Items can also be sent by e-mail to [newsletter@phillipston.com](mailto:newsletter@phillipston.com), which is preferred. Payments for ads and any other donations should be sent to the church at the same address. The Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C will decide what can be put in the newsletter and also may limit the number of pages in an issue. All questions or comments can be sent to the address above or e-mailed to [newsletter@phillipston.com](mailto:newsletter@phillipston.com).

DEADLINE is the 23<sup>rd</sup> of each month.

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To my many friends,

I want to thank all my dear friends for a wonderful welcoming reception back to the Phillipston Community. It was such a pleasure to see everyone after many years. On my trip, I was blessed to see the Congregational Church Family, honored to be present at the Historical Society rededication, attended a wonderful luncheon at the Annual Ladies Benevolent Society and enjoyed dinner at one of my husbands and my favorite restaurant King Philip. I want to especially thank Gerry and Carol Garipy, Mel Haughton and Nancy MacEwen for hosting me during my trip. I returned to Phillipston after my husband's funeral in Connecticut where Rev Stephanie Flynn provided a lovely sermon. My husband and I enjoyed many years in Phillipston, we built a log cabin home on Secret Lake, and built lifetime friendships!

I am truly blessed to have such wonderful friends.

Sincerely,

Thelma McMahan

## LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY

There was no meeting held in August. The ladies are all enjoying their summer. Quilt Raffle tickets (\$1 each and/or 6/\$5) can be obtained from any member of the ladies and will be sold at the transfer station and the October Pumpkin Weigh-In, where the drawing will take place so be sure and get your tickets. The Phillipston Church Cookbook, compiled of recipes from the members of the Church is still for sale with only a few copies left so be sure and get your copy soon. They make great gifts for \$25 each. Plans are being made for the October Pumpkin Weigh-In and Country Fair at the Red Apple Farm to be held on Saturday, October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Fun will be had by all! The September Meeting will be held at **11 am (note change of time )** at the home of Janice Howard with Nancy Nason and Barbara Sanden hostessing. 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. We welcome all ladies. (You do not have to be a member of Phillipston Congregational Church to join)

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FRONT

Pumpkin Weigh-In Sweatshirts still available, only a few left! Weigh-In is coming up Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, Call for a sweatshirt, 978-516-8061. We have 11 Large and 2 Extra Large Left. Going fast!

**BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS**, Phillipston Congregational Church is looking for slightly used books for their Country Village Fair at the Red Apple Farm on October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. We would appreciate a donation. Call the church for a donation or contact one of its members. Also looking for good quality slightly used clothing.

# Phillips Free Public Library

**Library Hours** *Monday 5-7pm Tuesday 9am-2pm Saturday 9am-12pm*

**Board of Trustees Meeting:** *Thursday, Sept. 6 at 6pm*

## Passes Available

Call to reserve the Tower Hill Botanic Garden Pass, or the State Parks pass (978) 249-1734

## Story Hour

Story Hour will begin on Tuesday, September 11 at 10am. Join this fun group of pre-schoolers. The program involves a story or two, a few games and circle-time, a craft project and a snack. Call the library for more information.

## Turtles in the Library!!

Don't miss the amazing collection of turtles on display now at the library! The collection includes turtles from all over the world, a real turtle shell borrowed from Rick & Ruth French, and a knitted turtle pot-holder, made by Edna Haley's mother. Many thanks to Carole and Gerry Gariepy for sharing this wonderful collection with us.

## New Books and Movies

Before and Again by Barbara Delinsky, The Sinners by Ace Atkins, The Woman in the Woods by John Connolly, Robert B. Parker's Old Black Magic by Ace Atkins, The Enchanted by Rene Denfeld, The Sandcastle Girls by Chris Bohjalian, The Perfect Couple by Elin Hilderbrand, All We Ever Wanted by Emily Giffin, A Noise Downstairs by Linwood Barclay, Saving Faith by David Baldacci and The Other Woman by Daniel Silva  
New movies include 'The Book Club' and 'Life of the Party'





**CALLING ALL PIE BAKERS!!**  
**PIE BAKING CONTEST WILL BE HELD AT THE PUMPKIN**  
**WEIGH-IN & COUNTRY VILLAGE FAIR**  
**AT THE RED APPLE FARM, PHILLIPSTON, MA**  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7<sup>TH</sup>**  
**NO ENTRY FEE**

Pre-registration will be open until Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Be sure and pre-register. We will need your name, phone number & ingredients list & allergen information taped to the bottom of your pie plate. Please note we won't have a means of refrigeration, so cream pies cannot be accepted. Please understand that the pies will be used to fund an educational purpose for children and will become the property of the Phillipston Congregational Church. Drop off time will be 8 to 10 Sunday morning, October 7<sup>th</sup> at the table set up by the Red Apple Barbecue. Judging will be done by the Phillipston Agricultural Commission & ribbons will be awarded to the winners for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place . Pies will be auctioned off or sold by the piece after the prizes have been announced. For any questions, or to pre-register, please call and/or leave a message with Claire Adomaitis at 978-516-8061. You may also register online on the Phillipston Congregational Church Facebook page.

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## **Code Red is Coming to Phillipston!**

The Town of Phillipston has partnered with CodeRED to create a town-wide Emergency Notification System. The CodeRED System provides Phillipston officials with the ability to quickly deliver personalized messages via voice, email, phone text and TDD/TTY capabilities to targeted areas or the entire Town of Phillipston in minutes.

**Phone Numbers Necessary** Code Red systems are only as good as the telephone number database supporting them. If your phone number is not in the database, you will not be called. all residents and businesses should log onto CodeRed and complete the registration form that can be filled out.

When you register you can choose whether you want to receive only emergency notifications or general announcements too, and you can add multiple phone numbers or email addresses for CodeRed to contact.

CodeRed gives those who want to be included an easy and secure method for inputting information. The data collected will only be used for emergency notification purposes.

Questions should be directed to the Phillipston Selectboard Office, 978-249-6828 or email [selectman@phillipston-ma.gov](mailto:selectman@phillipston-ma.gov) .



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TOWN OF PHILLIPSTON

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

This is to inform you in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40, Section 32 of the general laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Town By-Laws Pertaining to Articles 36, 37 and 38 of the Annual Town Meeting warrant held on May 9, 2018 has been **APPROVED** by the Attorney General's Office on August 3, 2018.

Article No. 36-Establish revolving fund accounts  
Article No. 37- Non-payment of taxes withhold licenses  
Article No. 38- Highway obstructions in right away

Claims of invalidity by reason of any defect in the procedure of adoption or amendment may only be made within 90 days of this posting. Copies of the by-laws may be obtained at the Town Clerk's Office, Town Hall, 50 The Common, Phillipston, MA. For viewing also at the town website [www.phillipston-ma.gov](http://www.phillipston-ma.gov)

Copies of by-law changes and or additions for viewing are posted outside on the left front of Town Hall and in the lobby.

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**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Harvest Supper**  
**OCTOBER 20, 2018**  
**At the Phillipston Church**

**John Eklund's Man Cave**  
Historical Society Program at John's Garage  
180 Baldwinville Road  
September 19th at 7:00 P.M.

Many of us have seen John Eklund's tractors on display at fairs throughout this region, but not many of us have heard the interesting story behind the remarkable collection he has spent a lifetime assembling and restoring. John's tractors have been featured in magazines, even on the cover page. Visitors have come from Canada to see his collection. A rare Navy one was built during the WWII year of John's birth. His story is not only appealing for machine enthusiasts, it is a fascinating account of self-education, perseverance and competence told with a philosophy of life that will inspire everyone. His garage is both a place of work and a museum, and you won't want to miss the floor-to-ceiling pictures that completely cover the walls! Chairs will be brought in for the occasion, even refreshments. All are welcome for a special program.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF PHILLIPSTON,  
MASSACHUSETTS

The State Primary is September 4, 2108 and Specimen Ballots have been posted on the outside of Town Hall for your viewing. The Polls open at 7:00 am and Close at 8:00 pm.

November 6<sup>th</sup> is the State Election.

## **Support your Town**

Small towns are always looking for volunteers to get involved by participating on Town boards, commissions and committees. Phillipston is no exception. These groups are the foundation of the town; keeping us a vibrant part of the state. Filling vacancies on boards is a necessary qualification for grants. Recent grants have helped Phillipston improve roads, put a new roof on Town Hall, and create the new ball fields and playground. It's understandable why we want to have full membership and participation on these boards.

Some Boards and committees having openings are:

Cable TV Advisory Committee --- Conservation Commission

Open Space a subcommittee of Conservation Commission

Cultural Council - Energy Committee - Historical Commission

Parks & Recreation Committee - Community Preservation Committee

All listed are looking for at least 2 members and some as many as 5. If interested, please write a letter addressed to the Selectmen stating your interest in serving the Town. Becoming a member of a board, commission or committee is a fulfilling experience where you will meet new people and learn more about your town. Please consider volunteering and becoming more involved in serving Phillipston.

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## **SENIOR LUNCH MENU**

Sept. 4th Roast Pork with Tarragon Gravy, Sweet Potatoes, Broccoli, Wheat Bread, Fruited Applesauce

Sept. 18th Beef Stew, Multigrain Bread, Mixed fruit

Lunch is served at noon a donation of \$2.50 is suggested. Call Paula by the Friday before to make a reservation 978-652-5797

On September 20 at 7 pm at the Millers River Environmental Center Beth from Mac Mannis Florist will discuss the in's and out's of caring for our houseplants. We will also take home a potted plant of our choice. Many varieties will be available to us. Keep the summer enjoyment of growing and living blooms alive with houseplants. Equipment and plants will be provided by Mac Mannis. Cost to members is \$5.

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 the 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.

Pauline Alldred  
co-president

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Back To School

