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SAYING "YES" TO GOD!

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"One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts." Psalm 145:4 (KJV)

One of the responsibilities you have as a follower of Christ is to pass on what you have learned, received, heard, and seen as a person of faith. Anyone who has come to trust and accept Christ as her or his Savior and Lord did so at least in part because others shared what they had learned, received, heard, and seen about walking with God. For

me, it was mostly my parents sharing with me and teaching me. Who has it been for you? How are you helping to pass the faith on to others and the next generation? What can you do and how could you contribute to help BBC continue to build faith into the lives of people?

One of the blessings we've seen through the years at BBC is the number of people who

have felt led by God to pursue different types of ministry. We have seen Kenny White go to Living Hope Wesleyan Church in Waterbury Center, Vermont, where he serves as a pastor on their team. David Condon earned a degree in worship and is serving at Clarkson Baptist Church in Clarkson, Kentucky. We've seen Rev. Patti Ricotta develop Life Together International and become ordained. Marilyn Raatz went through the process to serve with International Ministries and taught in South Africa. Amy Staples earned a seminary degree and explored ministry. Nate Ryan who interned at BBC two years, along with his fiancée Jennie

Segal, will become the pastor of West Springfield Baptist Church in PA this coming summer. In May, Nathan Scalise was called to be the Director of Contemporary Worship at First Church of Christ in Wethersfield, CT and this fall Greg Scalise will enter the Master of Divinity program at Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary. Sherley-Ann Belleus has interned with us and continues to be a blessing on our Worship Team. Last fall, David Quinones completed a Certificate program through Gordon

Conwell and Doreen Mayer graduated from TABCOM's School of Ministry. She continues to assist with the administration of that program. Bruce Edwards and Mani Andino are currently enrolled in the School of Ministry.

I find it inspiring to witness so many people from our church learning, exploring, experimenting, serving, giving, and saying, "Yes" to

God in various ways and praising God's works to another generation.

Our guest preacher on Father's Day will be my dad, The Rev. Dr. Vic Scalise. I hope you'll enjoy his being with us. I'm looking forward to seeing my dad for the first time in 21 months.

Happy Father's Day to all our dads.

Grace and Peace, Doug Scalise



Worship in June

Offering three in person services: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am

What is God Like? The Attributes of God from *Psalm 86* 9-week series

June 6
"God Delivers Us"
Psalm 86:1 2-14

June 13
"God is Merciful and Gracious"

Psalm 86:15

June 20
"The Rest of the Story"

Luke 18

Rev. Dr. Vic Scalise preaching

June 27
"God is Abounding in Steadfast
Love and Faithfulness"

Psalm 86:15

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Dear BBC Friends and Family,

What a joy and privilege it is to share the ministry journey with you. Thank you for your presence and participation in worship and the ministry of BBC. We have enjoyed seeing more faces (as much as possible while wearing these masks during COVID) during worship as we've return to three worship services. More people in worship means more opportunities to greet and help people feel welcome at BBC.

We have a **need for Worship Welcomers**. If you find joy in making people feel welcome, connected, and at home during worship services, please consider joining the Worship Welcomer rotation by contacting Nancy Whitehurst or one of our staff members. If you already serve in this valuable ministry, please consider extending the opportunity to a friend or family member who might also enjoy helping others feel welcome and at home at BBC.

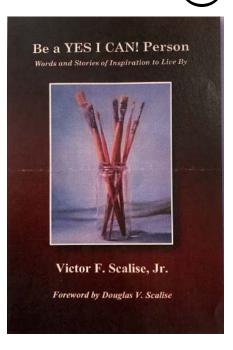
I am grateful for all the wonderful ministers and ministries that blossom and flourish here, and it can only happen as we team together and share support.

May God bless you all through the summer! Rev. Joe Greemore





Rev. Dr. Vic Scalise will be preaching "The Rest of the Story" on June 20. He will also have copies of his new book, *Be a YES I CAN! Person: Words and Stories of Inspiration to Live By.* The book features inspirational messages on various topics from different eras of his ministry. The book was edited by BBC's Michelle Scott.



ADVISORY COUNCIL

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There is a different atmosphere these days at BBC as more of the congregation returns to worship inside the sanctuary. BBC is now back to three services to facilitate social distancing and the increase in attendance. With an increase in services offered and greater attendance, the need for more volunteers to enable worship continues to grow.

When we first entered the pandemic, one service was recorded and uploaded to the website. Utilizing the new equipment, we were able to introduce live streaming for remote worship and an added blended service. When the sanctuary reopened again in 2021, we established a hybrid of live services and live streaming with two distinctive services. Attendance in the sanctuary continued to grow, and with the return of members from warmer climates, another service was added. Throughout the evolution of our re-emergence, the number of volunteers has remained the same. I am grateful for the faithfulness of these folks, but we **need to grow the teams involved in the delivery of the services**, especially those that seat and greet folks as they enter and those that deliver the services through sound, projection, camera and lighting in the sanctuary as well as live streaming of two of the three services. An increased number of volunteers will allow some time off for those volunteers who have kept things together during the pandemic and a lighter schedule for all. Please feel free to reach out to me or call the office if you can join the team on a consistent basis.

The house in Marston Mills has generated some interest and I am hoping to have some definite news for you soon. I am grateful for the hard work by the volunteers who prepared the home, Bud Nugent's real estate expertise, and efforts throughout this process.

The newest members of the Advisory Council—Pat Lindquist, Tracey Deegan and Ben Gregson—have hit the ground running. They join myself, Jerry Cerasale, Bud Nugent and Teecia Kent, and I am blessed to serve with such committed Christians. **I encourage all of you to share your comments, concerns and questions with any of the members**.

Efforts to assess, and where necessary, recommend any improvements to the governance of the church for the congregation to consider in the future are continuing with involvement from both the Advisory Council and the Ministry Council.

I ask for your prayers for those who are engaged in enabling the outreach of God's word and for those prayerfully considering joining one of the many teams that currently have openings. I can tell you from my personal experience, it isn't about the tasks or technology, it is about enabling a safe environment from which the pastors can bring God's message to us all. "STAY POSITIVE, WORK HARD, MAKE IT HAPPEN!"

God bless, Su Ballantine

There are growing questions on how BBC will handle lifting the impending restrictions that have already happened at the time of this Beacon publication. Please keep in mind, as decisions are made we will keep you informed. The following is a statement regarding the Massachusetts lifting all remaining COVID-19 restrictions and relaxing mask guidance for fully vaccinated people starting May 29.



Governor Charlie Baker said Massachusetts will lift all restrictions on businesses on May 29, as the state is poised to return to something akin to normal after more than fourteen months of coping with the COVID 19 pandemic and all the changes it brought to our Commonwealth and country. The Governor's statement said, "the Baker-Polito Administration announced that the Commonwealth is on track to meet the goal of vaccinating 4.1 million residents by the first week of June and all remaining COVID-19 restrictions will be lifted effective May 29." Baker said he will end the State of Emergency on June 15.

At Brewster Baptist Church, this means we will no longer be required to wear masks or have six feet of separation between individuals in the sanctuary for worship. While some of us will celebrate this news, others will be more cautious or reticent about these changes. Anyone who wishes to wear a mask is welcome to do so, and no one should feel, or made to feel, uncomfortable. Some people are still required to wear masks—those with immune system issues, those who are not fully vaccinated, and children K-12 participating in indoor activities. You don't know someone's health condition and the decision to wear a mask should be respected.

It will take a while for us to get BBC and all its ministries up and running again. Primarily it will require willing volunteers to serve as Worship Welcomers, with Fellowship Time, in the Nursery or Media Booth, and in other capacities.

If you're comfortable with returning to more of what we're used to, please consider speaking to a pastor or ministry leader about volunteering where you're willing and able so we may start broadening our ministry once again. We look forward to truly "seeing" one another again soon, however, online streaming of the worship services is still available for those who are uncomfortable with the new, revised protocols.

More information will be made available as decisions are made.

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Sunday Worship Transportation help needed.

Are you able to pick up a BBC Member in <u>your</u> neighborhood or on <u>your</u> way to church to bring them to Sunday worship?

bring them to Sunday worship?
We are forming a **Sunday Worship Transportation** team.
Please let us know if you are available to drive
OR are in need of a ride to Sunday Worship.
Contact Lisa Freeman at 508-896-3299 or Lfree125@comcast.net.



The Transportation Ministry needs volunteer drivers!!!



Our driving services are for follow up medical appointments on Cape Cod only.

(We can't "go over the bridges".)

COVID-19 protocol will be followed by all drivers.
Please contact Chuck MacMillin
774-994-0177
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With a heart full of gratitude, I thank my BBC family for all the prayers, rides, and kindnesses in the 2 years, 3 months following my tragic motor vehicle accident and the complex series of steps taken to restore my driving privileges.

I will never forget such caring love shown by each of my "earth angels" and the peace and grace from our Lord Jesus Christ.

It feels wonderful to be driving again!

God bless each of you, Marie Sherman

CARING MINISTRIES

Low Cost Supports for "Aging in Place" at home on Cape Cod

These volunteer organizations on Cape Cod offer support to help folks stay in their own homes for as long as they can.

Nauset Neighbors

Helping seniors remain independent in

Brewster • Chatham • Eastham • Harwich • Orleans • Wellfleet

(508) 514-7067

https://www.nausetneighbors.org/

This non-profit organization's goal is helping seniors stay in their own homes and stay active in their community for as long as possible. Supports include providing rides to appointments, expanding contacts with others through social visits, performing light household tasks, providing technical/computer assistance and other services to help with the complexities of life. Members pay an annual fee: \$75 single and \$99 family/household. The membership fee will be reduced or waived if it presents a hardship or an obstacle to joining.

Bay to Sound Neighbors

Supporting residents of Yarmouth and Dennis to remain in their homes and communities safely and comfortably as they age.

(508) 470-0585

https://www.baytosoundneighbors.org/

This organization provides transportation to and from medical appointments, and to grocery stores, hairdressers, library, Community events, etc. They offer technology assistance such as computer help, printer support, cell phone and tablet set up, tv remote, etc. The annual membership fee \$250 for an individual or \$375 for a household of two. Reduced membership fees may be possible in certain cases.

Neighborhood Falmouth:
Helping Members Live Independently • Safely • Comfortably at Home
508-564-7543
https://www.neighborhoodfalmouth.org/

This is a community-based membership organization whose mission is to provide information and services that will help members live independently, safely, and comfortably in their own homes for as long as possible. Volunteers provide rides to appointments and for grocery shopping, assist with computers and other electronic devices, help with light household maintenance, and offer additional services.

Children, Student & Parent Ministry News

In May, we said a grateful thank you to Pastor Barbara as she moved back to Billerica, MA. During this time of transition, while Advisory Council discusses the plans for the 4th Pastor position, Pastor David Pranga will be working with Core Ministry Leaders Jeni Byrne and Sharon Kautz, and Mom2Mom leader Gwyneth Preu as they lead the Children, Student and Parent Ministries. They have each shared below some of their plans for the summer in these areas. If you have questions or would like to serve in any of these ministries, you can contact:

Jeni Byrne, Children's Core Ministry Leader ~ Jenib423@gmail.com Sharon Kautz, Student Core Ministry Leader ~ Sharon@brewsterbaptistchurch.org Gwyneth Preu, Mom2Mom Leader ~ Gwyneth.jones.preu@gmail.com

<u>Children's Ministry</u>:

Happy "Almost" summer everyone!! We will continue Children's Worship at the 9:30 service through June using the format that is in place and will be exploring different options for July and August. We will try to add some outdoor time for mask breaks.

For now, the nurseries will remain unstaffed but are available for families to use with their children during Worship.

I hope that more families will begin coming back to join us. We are looking into offering some fun family events over the summer, so please be on the lookout in your emails and in the Beacon for updates.

Many Blessings, Jeni Byrne



Student Ministry:

Middle School has begun a new Bible Study, called "The True You: Finding Your Identity in Christ". This eight-week message series answers one of the most universal questions for teenagers: Who am I? As young people explore Scripture, they'll uncover truths that reveal who they really are. We will continue to meet through summer on the first and third Fridays from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. On June 18 we will have our step-up night to welcome fifth graders that will be entering sixth grade in the fall. It will be a fun night of get-to-know-you games and team building exercises to get the summer started off well.

High School is beginning a new Bible Study called "The Simple Truth." Each of the 36 lessons powerfully reveals what it means to deeply love and trust God, to lead a Jesus-centered life, and to lean on Scripture for guidance and wisdom. The discussions skillfully connect the dots between the ancient truths of Scripture and the issues teenager face living in the 21^{st} century. We will continue to meet on the first and third Sundays from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Our upcoming dates: Middle School

June 4
June 18 (Step up night for 5th graders)
July 2
July 16

High School
June 6
June 20
No July 4
July 18



Children, Student & Parent Ministry News



Mom 2 Mom:

BBC Playground dates: June 10 June 24 July 8 July 22 August 5 August 26 Brewster Baptist Church's moms group, Mom 2 Mom, will be meeting for playdates this summer on the church playground. We will meet on Thursday dates in June, July, and August from 9:30-11am.

Come to connect with other moms and kids of all ages! All moms are welcome, with or without their kids attending.

If there are any questions contact Gwyneth Preu at (61) 680-6675 or Gwyneth.jones.preu@gmail.com.

Community Life & Fellowship News

Join the Needlers!
Do you knit, crochet, cross-stitch, or sew?
Let's use these talents to serve
and to enjoy the fellowship of other crafters.

The Needlers are more than just women knitting and crocheting together every other Thursday. They have created baby blankets for dedications, prayer shawls for people recovering and dealing with chronic illnesses, and various items for the annual Holiday Fair.

We'd love more knitting needles and crochet hooks clicking away!
The Needlers meet in Community Hall at 1:00 p.m.
on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month.

If you are interested in joining or assisting, please contact Ginny Haller papumi@hotmail.com and (508) 225-8629, or Gini Donnelly ginidonnelly@comcast.net and (508) 776-7242.











Women's Book Discussion Group

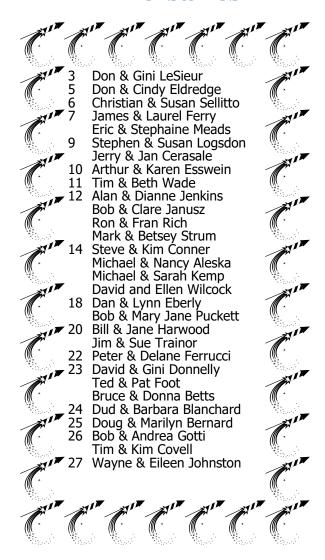
The Women's Book Discussion Group will be having a luncheon for their June 24 meeting. Members will be contacted beforehand.

June 2021 at Brewster Baptist Church

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