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HELLO MAY

Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. - Luke 12:27 (NIV)

With so many "blooming" things happening this month, it's hard not to be excited about the month of May.

In April, we began a series entitled, "Encountering God in Creation: The Earth Is the Lord's." On May 7, we wrap up that four-week series with a message by Kyler Barr on Communion Sunday, then begin a new weekly series on "Wise Living." During the time Pastor Doug is on sabbatical, we have the great privilege of hearing from a number of gifted preachers from New England and across the nation. May is no exception.

Rev. Patti Ricotta will bring the message on May 14, Mother's Day, as a children's choir joins the BBC sanctuary choir. Pastors Joe and David will be preaching the next two weeks in May, which we anticipate may feature Baptisms (May 21) as well as a New Member Sunday (May 28). It's an exciting time of growth in the great outdoors, as well as in the church!

During this time of sabbatical, as a church body, we have the special opportunity to pray for Pastor Doug and Jill, as well as their growing family. Congratulations to Nathan and Zoe Scalise on the birth of Caleb Nathan Scalise last month, on April 13. We pray for plenty of opportunities together during this formative time, for rest, renewal, and growth as a family.

In terms of awareness and preparation in prayer, you can begin praying for the

American Baptist Churches USA Biennial Mission Summit, which is scheduled to be held in San Juan, Puerto Rico, June 23-25, for all who will attend. Pastor Doug, Pastor Joe and Shelby plan to be there that week. Pastor David has graciously offered to bring the message at BBC on the Sunday of the Biennial. The Mission Summit is an opportunity for American Baptists from the US, Puerto Rico, and around the world (global servants and staff) to gather for worship, conversation, encouragement, and unity in service. Although

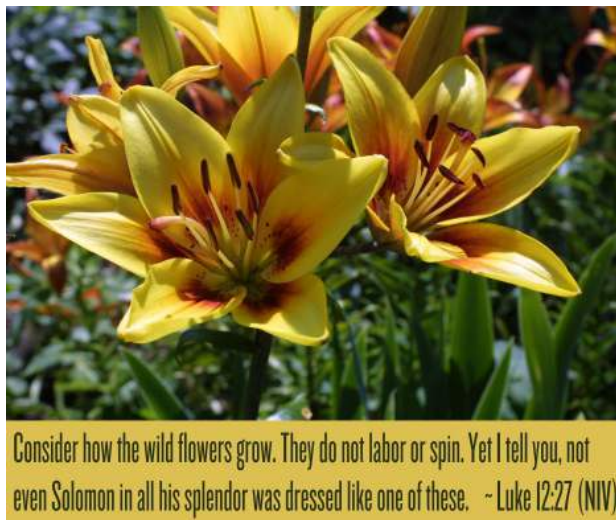
that event will be in Puerto Rico at the end of June, prayer can cover great distances of space and time (sounds like Sci-Fi), so we appreciate your prayers.

Thank you to everyone who shared their beloved hymns and songs of faith. It was an exciting reflection of the love for beautiful poetry, song, and music evident in our BBC family. We hope the month of May for you includes times of enjoying the gifts of nature, a walk with a

friend along the beach or one of the Cape's many scenic vistas. We pray for all the programs, activities, preparations, and "seed bed opportunities" happening in our church physically and spiritually, along with the day-to-day work and responsibilities we all carry. We eagerly anticipate all that God has in store for us, because "the future is as bright as the promises of God" (Adoniram Judson, American Congregationalist and later Baptist missionary from Malden, MA, who attended Brown University and Andover Newton Theological Seminary, and who served in Burma for nearly forty years).

Grace and peace,

Pastor Joe Greemore



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**The office will be
closed for
Memorial Day
on May 29**

Worship in May

8:30 am & 10:30 a.m.
Services in person and online

**Encountering God in Creation:
*The Earth is the Lord's***

May 7

Communion Sunday
"A Bigger, Better Picture"
Psalm 104:24-27
Kyler Barr

Wise Living

May 14

Mother's Day
"Wise Living from
Love's Point of View"
1 Corinthians 13
Rev. Patti Ricotta

May 21

Baptism Sunday
"Trust in the Lord"
Proverbs 3:5-6
Pastor Joe Greemore

May 28

Pentecost Sunday
New Member Sunday
"The Way to a Wise Life"
Proverbs 4:4-7, 3:5-6
Pastor David Pranga

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On the BBC Music Scene, a children's choir is gathering in May. We are excited for Brewster in Bloom, the Brewster Band, and many more exciting activities throughout the month of May. Children from Kindergarten through Grade 8 are invited to join the sanctuary choir on May 14 to sing during morning worship.

Who: Kids from Kindergarten to 8th Grade interested in singing

What: Children's Choir joining the BBC Sanctuary Choir

When: Mother's Day Sunday, May 14, 2023, 8:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. worship - please plan for your children to arrive at 9:00 a.m. to sing at the end of the 8:30 a.m. worship service, then again at 10:30 a.m. to sing during the 10:00 a.m. worship service.

Rehearsals are at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, May 3 and May 10. Attendance during at least one of these rehearsals is required.

Where: Brewster Baptist Church, 1848 Main St, Brewster, MA, 02631

Why: Here's a great opportunity for your child or children from Kindergarten through Grade 8 to join together in singing with other children as we worship the Lord, and in giving thanks on Mother's Day.

For more information or to sign up, please contact:

Gwyneth Preu: gpreu@brewsterbaptistchurch.org or

Pastor Joe: jgreemore@brewsterbaptistchurch.org

Have a wonderful May!



The Brewster Band Concert



The Brewster Band, with John E. New conducting, will be performing their **29th annual Brewster in Bloom Concert on Friday, May 5** at Brewster Baptist Church beginning at 7:00 p.m. Admission is free and free will donations are accepted to support the Band's future programs. The program will feature; James Swearingen's Light Eternal, Duke Ellington medley, Gustav Holst First Suite in Eb, music from Disney's Lion King, composer Stephen Sondheim favorites and much more.



CAPE CODDERS:

Save the Date!

THURSDAY



2023

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

...

**"THE PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS PERSON
IS POWERFUL & EFFECTIVE"**

SCAN ME



EVENT PAGE

James 5:16B



**VILLAGE GREEN BANDSTAND
MAIN STREET, HYANNIS**

🕒 5:30 PM



**NATIONAL
DAY OF
PRAYER**



Brewster in Bloom Weekend!

May Family Fun Night!

**Taco Bar & Parade Float Decorating
May 6 at 5:00 p.m.**



The whole church family is welcome to join in with the Family Ministry for a taco bar and Float Decorating Party!

We will provide the shells and meat/chicken and are asking for people to bring their favorite additional toppings. There is a needs list set up at <https://brewsterbaptistchurch.ccbchurch.com/goto/needs/public>

There will be banners, making flowers to put on the float, and other decorations. We will also provide the t-shirts available for pick up. We could use your help!

**Brewster In
Bloom Parade
May 7 at
1:00 p.m.**

**Anyone is welcome
to walk in the
parade.**

**BBC t-shirts are
available.**



Everyone is welcome to walk with BBC in the **Brewster in Bloom Parade on Sunday, May 7 at 1:00 pm**. Please plan to meet at 11:00 am at the pavilion behind BBC for shuttle transportation to the staging site. BBC t-shirts will be available. We recommend bringing a lunch or snack to have following worship and dress in layers. The walk is approximately 2 miles. If you are unable to walk with us, we'd love for you to cheer alongside the parade route, including in front of BBC. We will have chairs set up for anyone who would like to stay. Contact Gwyneth Preu at gpreu@brewsterbaptistchurch.org with any questions.

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THE MEDITATION GARDEN IS BEGINNING TO BLOOM



The Meditation Garden Team meets
 Wednesdays from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

If you love gardening and would like to be a part of our Meditation Garden team, they meet on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. or please fill out the online form with your contact information and they will reach out to you soon. Thank you! <https://brewsterbaptistchurch.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/317/responses/new>



Brewster Baptist friends,
 I live here year 'round, and although not a member of your church, I want to thank you for all you contribute to the town.

When I visit the Library, I often walk over to spend time in your Meditative Garden. I love it there, and it's getting more beautiful each year!

Anne Tufts
 Brewster Community Member

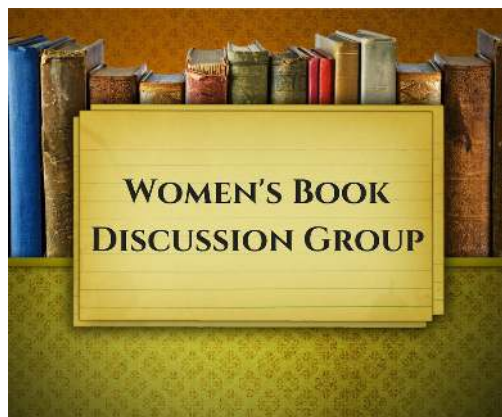


Thank you to Tom, Jason, Chuck and our Buildings and Grounds Team for their efforts in cleaning up and replanting the area as you drive in to church. They have planted daffodils and forsythia that will allow that area to look more and more beautiful every spring.



COMMUNITY LIFE & FELLOWSHIP

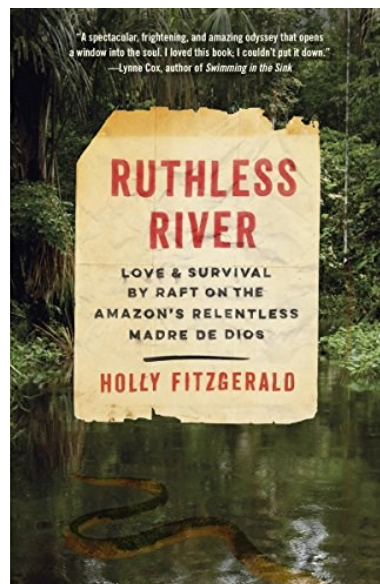
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**Thursday, May 25 at
1:00 pm**

**Ruthless River
By Holly Fitzgerald**

**Facilitated by
Ann Joffre**



Location:
 400 East Restaurant
 1421 Orleans Rd.
 E. Harwich, MA 02645

**Christian Men's Luncheon
 All Men Welcome!
 Thursday, May 25, 2023
 at 12:00 p.m.**

Prix Fixe Menu \$20.00 (Incl. tax & tip)

Choice of sandwiches served with french fries
 or small side salad.

RSVP by May 22 (head count needed)

Register Online:
www.brewsterbaptistchurch.org

Wednesday Morning Prayer

You are invited to praise God through hymns, scripture readings, meditation, and prayer on Wednesday mornings. We pray from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. In the sanctuary. We are praying for our church and for renewal on Cape Cod. Afterwards, we have a special fellowship time with coffee and pastries. All are welcome.



**Wednesday
 Prayer Time**

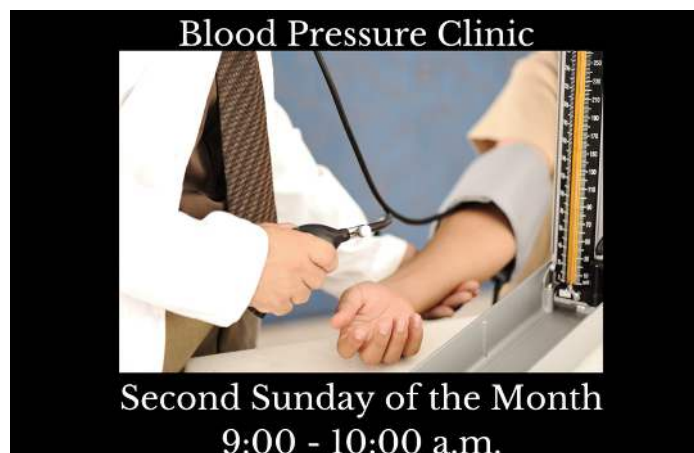
Sanctuary 10:00 am

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Blood Pressure Clinic on Sunday, May 14, 2023

The Caring Nurses will be holding an in-person blood pressure clinic on Sunday, May 14 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Feel free to bring your home blood pressure kit to compare with our calibrated Blood Pressure machines. Feel free to contact Lisa Freeman RN FCN at lfree125@comcast.net or 508-896-3299.



CPR BLS Class is coming back to BBC!

The Caring Nurses are in the process of setting up CPR classes to again be held at BBC! If you have taken the class here in the past and are interested let Lisa Freeman know. If you have not yet taken the class, you are also eligible. Contact lfree125@comcast.net for more info.

Brewster Council on Aging Health and Wellness Fair Friday, May 19, 2:00 pm – 4:30 p.m. Brewster Baptist Church

On Friday, May 19, from 2:00 – 4:30 p.m., here at Brewster Baptist Church, the Brewster Council on Aging's 2nd annual Wellness Fair will take place. There will be approximately 20 agencies providing information from healthy eating to home modification for health and safety, just to name a few. Whole Health Pharmacy will also be providing Pfizer Bivalent COVID vaccinations, bone density screenings and others as well. And if that doesn't draw you in, come say hi to the Hearts & Paws Comfort Dogs! For more information, please call the COA at 508-896-2737.



Brewster
Council on Aging
Health and
Wellness Fair
Friday, May 19
2:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Anyone is welcome
20 Agencies will be
represented.

Vendors include:

Cape Medical Reserve
Karas Construction Co.
Family Food Pantry
Brewster Recreation Department
Parish Nurse Ministries of Cape Cod
Cape Light Compact
NAMI of Cape Cod
Brewster Health Department
Hearts & Paws Companion Dogs
Health Screenings
AND MUCH MORE!

Health & Wellness Fair on Friday, May 19, 2023, 2:00 to 4:30 pm

Whole Health Pharmacy will again be offering FREE COVID vaccines. The brand will be Pfizer Bivalent. First come, first served. Please bring your COVID vaccine card and your insurance information. Email Lisa Freeman RN for more info

Lfree125@comcast.net

Register at <https://brewsterbaptistchurch.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/367/responses/new>



MISSIONS & OUTREACH

Support the BBC Team as they



housing is the foundation

Sunday, May 21, 1:00 pm hacwalkforhope.org

Brewster Baptist Church will be a supporting contributor for the Housing Assistance Corporation's Walk for Hope. In addition, we will have a team participating in the Orleans Walk starting at Mid-Cape Home Centers in Orleans. If you would like to be a part of the team or if you'd like to support one of our walkers, please go to www.hacwalkforhope.org.

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MANY THANKS FOR
YOUR GENEROSITY

Dear Pastor and Congregation,

The American Baptist Churches USA Office of the General Secretary values the faithful generosity of Brewster Baptist Church in Brewster, MA. We recognize how unsettled these challenging times have been for churches and members alike, and know there are many obligations and requests that need your attention. Despite all that has occurred, your commitment to United Mission is greatly appreciated!

On behalf of the American Baptist Churches USA Office of the General Secretary, it is our pleasure to congratulate you and your congregation on being ranked #12 in United Mission giving throughout in the entire denomination of approximately 5,000 churches for the calendar year ending December 31, 2022! Congratulations and thank you for your generous support of \$34,000.00 in 2022!

Through your church's generosity, many programs and ministry opportunities are made possible within your region and across the nation. Two-thirds of United Mission receipts are dedicated to your local region. United Mission also provides support to continue the work of the ABCUSA Office of the General Secretary, which includes: promoting American Baptist identity and values; supporting Caucuses, Task Forces and Commissions of American Baptist Churches; bringing together the American Baptist family for the Biennial Mission Summit, Orientation to American Baptist Life events, Mission Table, National Leadership Council meetings; and more. Your church's support of United Mission also provides your church and many others the ability to be part of the ABCUSA Group Umbrella 501(c)3 Tax Exemption coverage through the Office of the General Secretary.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to support United Mission! We are proud to be *United in Christ + Together in Mission* with you!

Blessings,

Rev. Dr. Robin Stoops
 Associate General Secretary for
 Mission Resource Development

Tina M. Kiernan
 United Mission Coordinator
 Mission Resource Development

We love how gifts from churches and friends in the United States continue to bless the people we serve! Goma is a city surrounded by tall mountains with underground streams that pour into a large lake in a region with abundant rainfall...yet access to water for the more than 1 million who live here is exceedingly difficult.

Since Mt. Nyiragongo erupted in 2021 and subsequent earthquakes destroyed most underground pipes, only two neighborhoods in Goma have running water. This means an arduous 30 to 40-minute walk to fetch and carry back heavy five-gallon containers strapped to one's back (most often by women and girls).

You may know of the various buildings and classrooms we have built over the past five years which have been a blessing to hundreds of children who come for Sunday School and for those who cannot afford public school during the week, daily classes in literacy, English, computers, dance, Biblical leadership, etc. We also now have a new building for ministry to homeless children.

Faced with a water crisis and many buildings, we installed large gutters and attached those to a 5000-liter tank to be used by all for washing, cleaning, cooking, etc.

Jesus offers those who come to our doors at Heal Africa, 'living water' providing everlasting hope and salvation. Also, to those whose burdens are heavy, there is abundant rainwater available from heaven above!

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. Isaiah 12:3



(Just sending on a little update - God is blessing people in so many ways. Stay tuned for an update on the EBA kids! Love, Ann & Bill Clemmer)

Dear Church,

Thank you so much for all your support. I truly appreciate your partnership in sharing the gospel in Japan. I still think back fondly on my time on the Cape with you. Some exciting news – I move to Japan in just a few weeks. Thanks for being part of the journey!

God bless you.

With Gratitude,
Sarah McCloy



Rev. Patti Ricotta would like to thank everyone at BBC for their support of her and her ministry with Life Together International. You can read more about her partnership with Dr. Larry Young from Emory University on pages 12-13. This is an article written for Emory University's Emory New Center on April 19, 2023.



The science of love is helping end a human rights violation

By Julie Grisham and Lisa Newbern, Emory University News Center



Conference attendees listen to neuroendocrinologist Larry Young at the 2023 Emory-sponsored conference at St. Paul's University in Limuru, Kenya

Hundreds of millions of females worldwide remain in danger of childhood marriage and female genital mutilation (FGM), a cultural procedure that causes extreme physical and psychological harm. Both are internationally recognized as human rights violations (by Save the Children and UNICEF), and FGM has always been counter-intuitive to the science of bonding and developing long-lasting relationships.

Understanding relationships has been a scientific priority for Emory University neuroendocrinologist Larry Young. When a 2019 email about FGM caught his attention, he knew he had to apply his scientific discoveries about pair bonding to help end the traumatizing practice. Young, a professor in Emory's School of Medicine and a division chief at the university's National Primate Research Center, is well-known

for his research on the brain chemistry that underlies social bonding, including romantic relationships.

When the scientist met the minister

The life-changing email came from Rev. Patti Ricotta, a minister who leads Life Together International (LTI), a faith-based organization known for uprooting harmful cultural practices to help individuals build meaningful lives and strengthen communities. Ricotta focuses her work in East Africa among people who still practice FGM.

Since 2011, she has combined Young's research with her theological message on the benefits of keeping women's bodies intact. This combination of science and theology is changing the way men and women in East Africa relate to each other and is bringing an end to FGM, one community at a time.

Ricotta wanted Young to know his research's power to change lives for thousands of girls and women. She began writing him about her work in Eastern Uganda and Kenya and invited him to join her to educate community leaders. That email soon led to an ongoing collaboration.

This unexpected alliance represents a surprising result of the broad-ranging aims of Emory's Center for Translational Social Neuroscience (CTSN), which Young leads: to take lab research focused on brain science and apply it to make a difference in people's lives. The center's goal is "healing the social brain" — understanding how brain functions promote social interaction and using that understanding to improve mental and physical well-being.

Voles set the example for creating relationship bonds

Young's research focuses primarily on small, monogamous rodents called prairie voles. In this species, males and females form long-lasting bonds, and — unlike most nonhuman mammals — both sexes take care of offspring. Young's studies have shown oxytocin is largely responsible for regulating neural processes in female and male prairie voles that form and sustain pair bonds between breeding partners.

Oxytocin, which plays an important part in maternal nurturing, is released during childbirth and breastfeeding. In women and men, oxytocin is released in the brain in response to pleasurable sexual intimacy, including orgasm.

Young also credits the importance of dopamine for establishing and maintaining neural connections. "Dopamine is the chemical signal of pleasure, and your brain combines the oxytocin and dopamine signals, which are important for creating a bond between partners."

The FGM practice in East Africa is intended to deter women from seeking relationships outside of marriage by preventing them from experiencing pleasure during sex. FGM also prevents bonding between partners.

When Ricotta recognized FGM was likely to diminish women's ability to form strong emotional bonds with their husbands, she began using Young's research to teach religious leaders and other men about the harms of FGM for couples, families and communities.

Facilitating change with facts

The collaboration between Ricotta and Young began with a series of educational videos shared during a men's conference in January 2020. Those videos continue to be used throughout the region.

Based on interest and willingness for change, Young and Ricotta traveled to Uganda and Kenya in January 2022 to meet with community leaders and give presentations to medical schools, health care professionals and Christian and Muslim clergy. A popular Ugandan national television program's interview with Young helped further the duo's educational outreach, and another program featuring Young is scheduled to air this spring in Uganda.



Emory researcher Larry Young presents at the Sebei conference in Kapchorwa, Uganda.

"I shared the results of my research studies in animals and how those findings relate to humans but was careful not to impose any values on them or tell anyone what to do," Young says. "My goal was to share my knowledge about neurochemistry and science, and then allow them to make decisions based on facts."

Many men approached Young after his talks to ask how they could form better relationships with their wives who had undergone FGM. Young encouraged eye contact, gentle touch and compliments, explaining these gestures can also result in the release of oxytocin.

Young also explained the role that neurotransmitters play in other relationships, including parent-child

bonding. Many cultures in East Africa believe beating their children will make them stronger as adults.

"But I explained nurturing children and forming bonds with them allows them to form strong bonds with their partners later in life," he says. "If children don't get the effects of oxytocin when they're young, it can have negative transgenerational effects."

Young and Ricotta returned to East Africa in January 2023 to reach teachers, community councilors and clergy and their spouses in four conferences in Uganda, Kenya and Tanzania. The conference attendees immediately expressed how energizing the presentations were, and feedback since has brought a new local meaning to "be fruitful and multiply," with the emphasis on sharing knowledge, all toward ending FGM.

"I always intended for my research to benefit humans and human health, but this is an area I would not have predicted could make such a big difference for thousands of people," says Young.

He also didn't predict the impact sharing his research would have on his own life. "Seeing firsthand how Emory's science of love and bonding research is eliminating harmful cultural practices and improving lives and communities has been life-changing for me. I can't wait to get back to Africa and help even more."

May 2023 at Brewster Baptist Church

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The Beacon

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Men's Bible St-7:30a CR Staff Meeting - 9:30a CH Girl Scouts-5p CH Men's Bible St-6:30p CH AA-7:30p FH	2 Women Bible St-9:30a CR Caring Ministry-11a CH Women Bible St-6:30p CR Spiritual Gifts 6:30p CH	3 Prayer Time-10a S Meditation Garden Team 1p -MG Worship Team-5:30p S Cub Scouts-6p CH Boy Scouts-7p CH Potter Small Grp-7p CR	4 Mom 2 Mom-9:30a R 101 Caring Cupboard-10a PL Bicentennial Meeting 2p CR Women's AA-6:30p CH Mission Team - 7p CR	5 Bulletin Team-9a First and Thirds -7p SMA Brewster Band-7p S	6 Taco Night and Float decorating-5p CH/PL
7 Worship 8:30/10:00a S Children's Worship-9a Ch Sunday Breakfast 9a CH Sunday School-10:00a Brewster in Bloom Parade 1p OS	8 Men's Bible St-7:30a CR Staff Meeting - 9:30a CH Girl Scouts-5p CH Men's Bible St-6:30p CH AA-7:30p FH	9 Women Bible St-9:30a CR Caring Ministry-11a CH LOCAL Lunch-noon Women Bible St-6:30p CR Spiritual Gifts 6:30p CH	10 Prayer Time-10a S Nauset Garden-noon CH Meditation Garden Team 1p -MG Worship Team-5:30p S Cub Scouts-6p CH Boy Scouts-7p CH Potter Small Grp-7p CR	11 Mom 2 Mom-9:30a R 101 Caring Cupboard-10a PL Needlers 1p L Women's AA-6:30p CH Leadership Meet - 7p CH	12 Bulletin Team-9a	13 Graves Vow Renewal Service-4p
14 Mothers Day Worship 8:30/10:00a S Children's Worship-9a Ch B.P. Clinic-9:00a FH Sunday School-10:00a	15 Beacon Deadline Men's Bible St-7:30a CR Staff Meeting - 9:30a CH Girl Scouts-5p CH Men's Bible St-6:30p CH AA-7:30p FH	16 Town Elections-7a-8p Women Bible St-9:30a CR Caring Ministry-11a CH Women Bible St-6:30p CR Spiritual Gifts 6:30p CH	17 Prayer Time-10a S Meditation Garden Team 1p -MG Worship Team-5:30p S Cub Scouts-6p CH Boy Scouts-7p CH Potter Small Grp-7p CR Brewster Cemetery 7p CH	18 Caring Cupboard-10a PL Women's AA-6:30p CH	19 Bulletin Team-9a COA Health and Well- ness Fair-2p FH First and Thirds 7p SMA	20
21 Worship 8:30/10:00a S Children's Worship-9a Ch Sunday School-10:00a HAC Walk for Hope 1p OS	22 Men's Bible St-7:30a CR Staff Meeting - 9:30a CH Girl Scouts-5p CH Men's Bible St-6:30p CH AA-7:30p FH	23 Women Bible St-9:30a CR Caring Ministry-11a CH Nauset Senior Sports Awards- 6p S Women Bible St-6:30p CR Spiritual Gifts 6:30p CH	24 Bayberry Quilters 9a-FH Meditation Garden Team 1p -MG Prayer Time-10a S Worship Team-5:30p S Cub Scouts-6p CH Boy Scouts-7p CH Potter Small Grp-7p CR	25 Caring Cupboard-10a PL Christian Men's Luncheon-noon OS Women's Book Disc.-1p CH The Needlers-1p L Women's AA-6:30p CH	26 Bulletin Team-9a	27 Johnson Memorial Service-1p S
28 Worship 8:30/10:00a S Children's Worship-9a Ch Sunday School-10:00a	29 Office Closed Men's Bible St-7:30a CR Men's Bible St-6:30p CH AA Leaders-6:30 Rm 101 AA-7:30p FH	30 Women Bible St-9:30a CR Staff Meeting - 9:30a CH Caring Ministry-11a CH Women Bible St-6:30p CR Spiritual Gifts 6:30p CH	31 Prayer Time-10a S Meditation Garden Team 1p -MG Worship Team-5:30p S Cub Scouts-6p CH Boy Scouts-7p CH Potter Small Grp-7p CR	S-Sanctuary Ch-Chapel CH-Community Hall FH-Fellowship Hall L-Lounge CR-Conference Room PL-Parking Lot SMA-Student Min Area MG-Meditation Garden OS-Off-site	Please note that due to space limitations this calendar does not list every event, activity, or meeting involving our church community. To schedule an event or to determine if a particular room or space is available, please check with the church office.	

ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS

Birthdays

- 3 Christy Pranga
Joseph Linnell
Stacy Fluet
- 5 Wayne Richardson
Judy Crystaloski
- 6 Nancy von der Heyde
- 7 Nancy Bray
Richard Smilie
- 8 Joseph Henry
Wini Rogers
Barry Hutchinson
- 9 Ted Foot
Frances Geberth
Sonja Saylor
- 10 Jeremiah Pranga
Victor Glidden
- 12 Nancy Whitehurst
- 14 Rachelle Thomas
Gianna Wisnesky

- 15 Michele O'Connor
- 17 Jack Costa
- 19 Ann Conover
Marly Takechi-Bull
Kathleen Fogg
- 20 Frances Rich
Margaret Woodworth
Warren Rogers
- 21 Bob Gotti
Erika Kraft-Crawford
- 22 Stephen Chapman
- 23 Earl Caudill
Mary Jo Hubbard
- 24 Lynda Linnell
Addy Greemore
- 25 Pat Johnson
- 26 Ron Rich
Michelle Scott
- 27 Kenneth Thomas
- 31 Joan Romans

Anniversaries

- 2 Andy and Sharon Palmer
- 5 Ailton and Elaine Griggs-Barroso
- 7 Don and Nancy Wallroth
- 13 Paul and Susan Graves
- 16 Don and Karen Johanson
- 22 Stephen and Diane Jones
Warren and Wini Rogers
- 26 Leonard and Brenda Miranda
- 30 Marvin and Cindy Dolinger

OPPORTUNITY FOR A FREE GENEALOGY SEARCH

Linda Viprino is offering a **free 10-hour online genealogy search to the first three BBC members who contact her!** One goal (and hopeful outcome) is to determine what current BBC members are related to BBC's founding members of 1824. Linda intends to reveal the list of those current members who are related to one or more of the founding members to the congregation during our Bicentennial Celebration in 2024. Contact Linda Viprino at 508-247-7482 or lindervip2@aol.com.

Pastor Doug and Jill Scalise are happy to announce the birth of their grandson, Caleb Nathan Scalise, born April 13, 2023, at 12:45 am. Congratulations to the new parents, Nathan and Zoe Scalise!



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UPCOMING EVENTS

May 4: National Day of Prayer
May 6: Family Taco Bar and Float Decorating
May 7: Brewster in Bloom Parade
May 14: Mother's Day
May 19: Health and Wellness Fair
May 21: Walk for Hope
May 29: Office Closed for Memorial Day