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JOURNEY TO EASTER

The month of March is a month of changes, transitions, and transformations, especially this year. March is the month when we move from winter to spring. Daylight saving time kicks in on March 10, and suddenly there is another hour of daylight at the end of the day. Combined with March being one of the months with the greatest increase of day light, more than 20 minutes a week, the end of March is far brighter than the beginning. The first flowers start blooming in March. We always look for the crocuses in our front yard. Birds start returning to Cape Cod, as well as some

people.

Spiritually speaking, most of the season of Lent and all of Holy Week fall in the month of March. For centuries, the 40 days leading up to the passion of Jesus and his betrayal, arrest, crucifixion, and resurrection, has been a time for

Christians to renew their practice of spiritual habits and disciplines, a time for healthy self-examination, and renewed commitment. Lent is a primary season of preparing individuals for baptism and membership in the church.

Both in the scriptures we will read and learn from, and in the many opportunities BBC will provide, March is a month in which we can move from isolation to community, from weakness to strength, from darkness to light, and from grief to hope. These are themes we'll be sharing about in a variety of ways in March, including in our Sunday morning worship

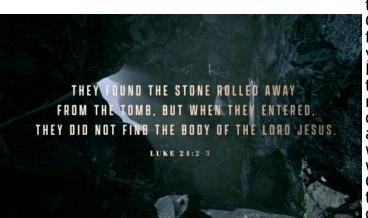
services, our Lenten retreat March 1-3 right at the church in Brewster, and the Thrive Cape Cod Conference, a Cape-wide Christian gathering on March 8 and 9 at Cape Cod Church in East Falmouth. Our movie night will feature a challenging film about race relations and civil rights called *Selma*, and our Holy Week services include a Living Last Supper on Maundy Thursday, March 28, and a Good Friday service at noon on March 29.

On Easter Sunday, March 31, we celebrate the greatest change, transition, and

transformation ever, God raising Jesus from the dead. This year, we will hear Luke's account of that first Easter morning, which describes the actions of the women who came with Jesus from Galilee. They came to the tomb at early dawn, as soon as it

was safe to do so without any of the male disciples. Perhaps they felt weak and even fearful in the face of what had happened to Jesus. They came to the tomb to prepare Jesus' dead body more fully for burial; they didn't come expecting the tomb to be empty. The journey of the women on that first Easter is from isolation to community, from weakness to strength, from darkness to light, and from grief to hope. This is a journey we all can make as well. I hope you will join us as we seek to follow and become more like Jesus this March.

Grace and Peace, Pastor Doug Scalise





Worship in March

8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

Ephesians— Celebrating the **Grace and Power of God** in a United Church

March 3

"Imagine a Church Where..." Ephesians 4:1-16

March 10

"What Christian Living Looks Like" Ephesians 4:17-5:20

March 17

"Christ, the Church and the Family" Ephesians 5:21-6:9

Holy Week

March 24 **Palm Sunday**

"Be Strong in the Lord" Mark 11:1-11; Ephesians 6:10-20

March 28 **Maundy Thursday**

"The Living Last Supper" Service at 7:00 p.m.

March 29 **Good Friday**

Service at Noon

March 31 **Easter Sunrise**

Service at 6:15 a.m. at Nauset Beach

March 31 **Easter Sunday**

"Remember" Luke 24:1-11

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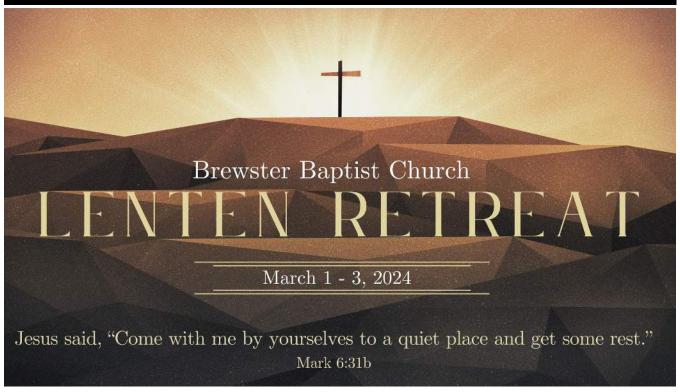
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Need a rest after a busy season in life? Tired or stretched thin and needing space for grace and recovery? Then join us for our BBC Lenten Retreat as we welcome Rev. Brad Berglund.

Brad is a Judson Press author, minister, spiritual director, and retreat leader who has worked for decades promoting spiritual growth and maturity through pilgrimage and discovery. He will be here leading a Lenten retreat with the theme of pilgrimage at the beginning of March.



Friday evening, March 1, Retreat Day 1, at BBC 5:30 p.m. Simple dinner, soup, salad, bread 6:00 p.m. Opening Session

Saturday, March 2, Retreat Day 2, at BBC 9:00 a.m. Morning session (with Taizé worship session) 12:00 p.m. Light lunch provided 12:30 p.m. Afternoon session

Sunday, March 3, Morning Worship and Forum, at BBCBrad participates in 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Sunday morning worship 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., Retreat Forum in Fellowship Hall

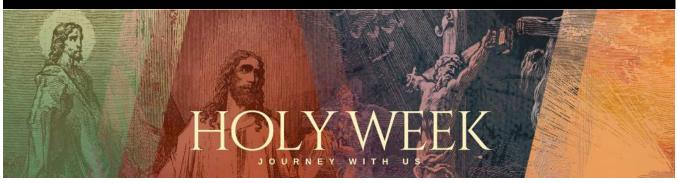
Sessions include: "Life as Pilgrimage" "The Practice of Prayer" "The Taizé Community" "Praying in the Taizé Style" and more!

All are invited for any part or every one of these wonderful activities, which will feature delicious food, warm fellowship, and Brad's wisdom and inspired leadership.

Walk-ins are welcome, and all are encouraged to attend!

Suggested donation of \$10 per person will help cover meal and expense costs.

Ages 16 and under are free.



Saturday, March 23



Join us for the Easter Family Fun Event on Saturday March 23 from 9:30-11:00 a.m.

We will have games, crafts, snacks, face painting and other fun!

This will take place in the Fellowship Hall.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with this event or have questions, please contact Gwyneth Preu.

Sunday, March 24

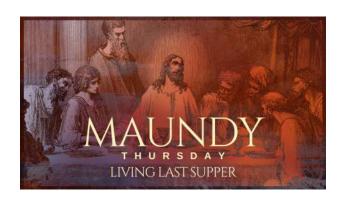
Worship Services at 8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

Children's Worship during 8:30 a.m. service and Sunday School during the 10:00 a.m. service.

Nursery will be available at both services.



Thursday, March 28



BBC Presents "The Living Last Supper: A Dramatic Musical Experience for Holy Week" by Ruth Elaine Schram on March 28, 7:00 p.m, in the BBC Sanctuary.

Join us for this in-person event as we bring to life Leonardo DaVinci's portrayal of Jesus' last pivotal night with his disciples.

A cast of BBC members and friends, including our choir and tech team, are eager to share an evening with the BBC family that culminates in communion. Run-time for the program is 40 minutes, followed by communion. Please plan to join us in this meaningful Holy Week celebration of Jesus' love for each of us.

Friday, March 29

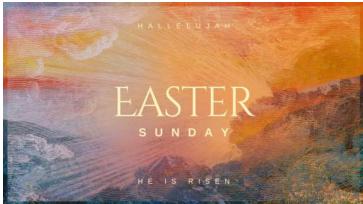


Good Friday Service at noon. Childcare will be provided.

Sunday, March 31

Easter Sunrise Service at 6:15 a.m. At Nauset Beach in Orleans.





Worship services at 8:30 and 10:00 a.m.

There will be Children's Worship at the 8:30 a.m. service, but no Sunday School at the 10:00 a.m. service.

Nursery will be provided at both services.

Warm Easter Breakfast will be served between services, beginning at 9:15 a.m.

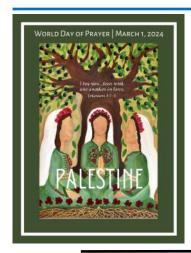




Help Beautify the Sanctuary for Easter!

If you are interested in **making** a donation for Easter plants to decorate the Sanctuary for this Easter, we will begin receiving donations in the lobby on **March 10** or online now. With your donation, your name will be listed in the bulletin as a donor, as well as the name of the person in whose memory or honor the plant is given.

UPCOMING EVENTS



World Day of Prayer 2024

This year's service was written by the women of Palestine. The service promotes justice and equality for women through prayer, partnerships, service, and celebrations. It will be held on Friday, March 1 at 1:00 p.m. at the Wellfleet Congregational Church, 200 Main Street, Wellfleet.

Theme: "I beg you...bear with one another in love" Eph. 4:1-3.

THRIVE Cape Cod is a partnership between Cape Cod's gospel-centered churches and Vision New England, formed to develop a spirit of unity and collaboration among participating churches. We gather each year for a weekend of worship, fellowship, learning, and growth.

At THRIVE you can gather new ideas while collaborating with and being inspired by passionate people, and join fellow Christians



Friday, March 8 and Saturday, March 9 Keynote Speaker: Kevin Palau of the Luis Palau Assoc.

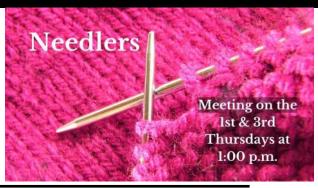
for worship, keynote speakers, and breakout sessions focused on helping the Cape's churches thrive and bless their communities!

Join us for our next THRIVE Cape Cod on Friday and Saturday, March 8-9, 2024 at Cape Cod Church in Falmouth, MA.

For more information: www.visionnewengland.org/thrivecc

The Needlers will meet in Community Hall on the first and third Thursdays of each month at 1:00 p.m.

We welcome all forms of needlework, and beginners to experts are welcome. We look forward to sharing our talents, good company and occasionally baked goods!



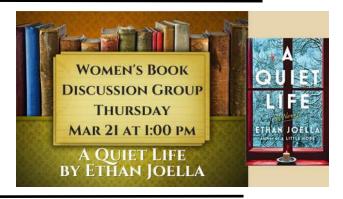


The Christian Men's Luncheon this month will be on March 21 at noon in BBC's Fellowship Hall. Our guest speaker will be Marvin Dolinger.

There will be sandwiches and salad. Please bring \$20 to cover the cost of the lunch.

The Women's Book Discussion Group will meet this month on March 21 at 1:00 p.m.

We will be discussing the book "A Quiet Life" by Ethan Joella.





The **third movie in our Bicentennial Movie Series** will be shown on **March 21 at 6:00 p.m.** We will be showing the movie "Selma", representing 1964-1984. Before the movie, Pastor Doug will share briefly about the film, why it was chosen and some things to watch for — and then for those who wish to stay after, he will lead a discussion about some of the themes raised in the movie.

The unforgettable true story chronicles the tumultuous three month period in 1965,

when Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. led a dangerous campaign to secure equal voting rights in the face of violent opposition. The epic march from Selma to Montgomery culminated in President Johnson signing the Voting Rights Act of 1965, one of the most significant victories for the civil rights movement. Director Ava DuVernay's "Selma" tells the story of how the revered leader and visionary Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his brothers and sisters in the movement prompted change that forever altered history. Rated PG-13 for disturbing thematic material including violence, a suggestive moment, and brief strong language.

PRAYER TEAM

Clean HeartsBy Martha Dunford

Isaiah is a prophetic book in the Bible where God is proclaimed as "The Holy One of Israel." God speaks through Isaiah and tells Israel that He must punish their rebellion, but after He punishes them, He will redeem them. You see, Israel had become devoid of righteousness and justice. God's holy name was at stake. He had to discipline them.

In Isaiah 1:17-18, God speaks to Israel and says, "Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow." This was the true fasting and prayer that God wanted. "Come now, let us settle the matter,' says the LORD. 'Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool." God wanted repentance so that He could be close to His people. It is those with a pure heart who see God.

Let us take time this Lent to examine our hearts, and see if there is anything that keeps us from a closer relationship with Jesus. He has already died and redeemed us. His promise to wash us whiter than snow still stands today. I am going to take time each day this Lent to pray the prayer of David in *Psalm 51:10*, "*Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.*" When I confess my sin, I come closer to God and renew the joy that I have only in Him. There is no one who loves and cares for me more than Jesus. God does not despise or reject anyone with a contrite heart. He already knows about my sin and weakness and waits patiently to renew a right spirit within me.

Following the service celebrating the life of Elizabeth Covell, several people have asked for a copy of the Shepherd Psalm (adaption of Psalm 23) read at her service.

Shepherd Psalm

From Book – "Mama's Way" by Thyra Ferre Bjorn

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD I SHALL NOT WANT

I shall not want anything but my Shepherd. He is strong, and wise and wonderful and He loves me although He knows my faults. And even the sin and selfishness that beset me. He loves me for what I am, and when I am tired and weary.

HE MAKETH ME TO LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES

In the lush soft grass, I rest and He stands guard over my thoughts so no disturbing ones enter in. I let go of my burdens and cares, I am still and know that He is God. When I am rested and refreshed, ready to start my earth's journey again.

HE LEADETH ME BESIDE THE STILL WATERS.

I sit there in the quiet of the evening and see the sun sink behind the mountains. In that golden hour my heart finds peace. My striving ceases and I surrender to His will and now

HE RESTORETH MY SOUL.

Yes, He takes my hand and holds it fast while we walk past the many forks in the road. How easily I could have chosen the wrong one had He not been with me. But,

HE LEADETH ME IN THE PATHS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS FOR HIS NAME'S SAKE

It is a narrow path...but oh, so beautiful! The birds sing in the early morning while the grass is wet with dew, the sun shines and the air is fresh and pure. If I let go of my Shepherd's hand and wander off and get lost in the deep forest of wilderness.

YEA, THOUGH I WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF THE SHADOW OF DEATH I WILL FEAR NO EVIL.

He will seek me until He finds me and when I grow weary and faint and falter because fear chokes me and my vision fails me as the shadows grow deeper and darker – then I remember.

- FOR THOU ART WITH ME, THY ROD AND THY STAFF THEY COMFORT ME. They protect me from all ills.
- THOU PREPAREST A TABLE BEFORE ME IN THE PRESENCE OF MINE ENEMIES
 Whose names are: Fear, Worry, Selfishness and insecurity. When they see me drink of gladness and joy and eat of perfect peace. They leave me, and then,

THOU ANOINTEST MY HEAD WITH OIL.

The gentleness of His hands almost makes my heart burst asunder with happiness Yes, oh yes.

MY CUP RUNNETH OVER

It is too full...I have room for no more There is no limit to the abundance of gifts which the good Shepherd bestoweth on me. So I shall never be lonely He gives me companions.

SURELY GOODNESS AND MERCY SHALL FOLLOW ME ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE
And as we walk along together one day...at dusk...I shall come to a bend in the road,
I shall stop, and far off in the distance I shall see a mansion. It is magnificent in its
glory it is a House not made by hands, eternal in the Heavens and only the single eye
of the soul can behold it. I shall bow down and worship and as I walk silently toward it
my heart leaps with gladness...A thousand stars spring into space, all the song-birds on
earth sing and little children laugh and their laughter echoes back through God's
heaven into the angelic chorus of the saints. I have forgotten my yesterdays and all
the many tomorrows because I shall enter...

AND I WILL DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD FOREVER ...AND EVER...AND EVER... AMEN!

Missions & Outreach

AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING 2024

GRACE upon GRACE

Because of God's great love we are not consumed, for God's compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

-LAMENTATIONS 3:22-23 (NIV)

Received throughout the month of March





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We are planning a mission trip to Camp Grotonwood, our American Baptist Camp in Groton, MA.

They have a couple of large projects that will need some skilled workers to assist with, and lots of smaller, even kid-friendly projects to get ready for summer. There will be projects for all ages and abilities. There will be meals and lodging provided.



Because this week is during April school vacation and it is only 2 hours away, we are going to have three options for people to participate:

- 1. Full Week—Monday, April 15 Friday, April 19
- 2. Partial Week—Tuesday, April 16 Thursday, April 18 (We encourage families with young children to come these days and we will have kid-friendly activities ready.)
- 3. Day Trips on Tuesday, April 16 and Thursday, April 18.

If you would like to learn more, please sign up on the church website or church app.

Update from Bill and Ann Clemmer

Greetings!

There is insecurity as the M23 rebels have again encircled the city of Goma. "More than 135,000 people were displaced in a single week in towns and villages in North and South Kivu, tens of thousands of whom fled their homes following the M23 attacks on Wednesday, February 7."

We continue to do what we can, but it seems like so little. Your prayers are appreciated.

I was reminded of ... and encouraged by the starfish story:

"One day a man was walking along the beach when he noticed a boy

picking something up and gently throwing it into the ocean.
Approaching the boy, he asked, 'What are you doing?'
The youth replied, 'Throwing starfish back into the ocean. The surf is up, and the tide is going out. If I don't throw them back, they'll die.'

'Son,' the man said, 'don't you realize there are miles and miles of beach and hundreds of starfish? You can't make a difference!'

After listening politely, the boy bent down, picked up another starfish, and threw it back into the surf. Then, smiling at the man, he said, 'I made a difference for that one."

But the purpose of the e-mail is to send a little update on the kids in the EBA program. What a joy it is to be a part of this work! 45 children were returned to homes in 2023. We now have quite a few new children for a total of 32. Two are in the night shelter... one a child of 5 and one (14) who wants to go home but lives far away. We are trying to contact his family without success at the moment.

We wanted to give the class a quiet activity that would help them learn to concentrate. I had been given a box of beads that I brought back from the US, and we all decided that it was a good time to make use of them.

> The kids loved it... and proudly wear their creations! The photo collage of the work in

progress. Tomorrow we will make hearts and valentines... and talk about how much God loves them. They truly are Beloved Children!

Love, Ann and Bill











Update from Patti Ricotta on Feb. 6 (more to come when she returns)



Dear Friends, On January 16, I came to East Africa and was joined by Dr. Larry J. Young of Emory University a few days later. We had conferences planned in Uganda, Kenya, and Tanzania. Each conference provides a powerful argument for ending Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) based on our biology and the Bible. Dr. Young teaches how the pleasure of sexual intimacy releases "the bonding hormone" oxytocin in both men and women. This hormone helps couples stay close and loving.

I demonstrate how every biblical passage on marriage (when rightly interpreted) is designed to help couples release oxytocin in each other, creating the intimacy of oneness, not creating the separation of hierarchy!

Good news, right?! Yet, this has been possibly the most challenging (and dangerous) trip in my 20 years of African

ministry! But hopefully, in the end, it will be one of the most powerful and rewarding. That is, if you keep praying for our safety and all other challenges!
Our first conference was something I have prayed for from 2011 until August 2023, when God answered my prayer!! The Sapiiny Clan Leaders of Sebei Region, Uganda are extremely influential men. Without their approval to end FGM, it will always be a struggle for girls who want to keep their bodies intact.

Miraculously, after working in Sebei region over the last 12 years, these 250 leaders invited Life Together International to help them create a new Rite-of-Passage from childhood to womanhood that does NOT include Female Genital Mutilation! Wow! Thank you, God!! Dr. Larry Young, expert on the hormone oxytocin and professor at Emory University in Atlanta, GA, agreed to come with me again. We had planned a conference to teach the clan leaders about the biological and biblical reasons for ending FGM.

But it almost didn't happen! We were ready to leave Kampala, Uganda for our 8-hour drive to Kapchorwa in Sebei Region on Jan. 23 at 6:30 a.m. But, as we were taking our luggage to the vehicle, no vehicle was there! We found that the Land Cruiser we hired had been vandalized during the night and was undriveable. Our amazing driver, Ivan Byaruhanga, quickly booked another Land Cruiser, but as he was coming to the hotel to get us in the new vehicle, the "check engine" light came on and never turned off. Ivan called the owner and said he cannot drive the car up and down mountains and all the way through Uganda and Kenya with a vehicle that has engine problems. The man refused to return our \$700 deposit. Ivan called the owner of the vandalized car, Robert, his friend, and asked for help. Robert jumped into action and had his mechanic repair our original car in just a few hours' time!

But even that was nothing compared to what happened next.

As we were waiting for the car to be repaired, Delmark Mangusho (LTI's Director of African Operations) got an incredibly upsetting call. The head of security in Kapchorwa where our conference was planned to start in 2 days, said a group of Clan Leaders changed their mind and decided they were not going to allow a new Rite-of-Passage for girls. FGM was too important to them. So, they scheduled their own meeting for the same days as our conference, just down the road from our venue.





Because they had threatened violence against us on social media, the leader of the Security Council said the threat of violence from the group against a new rite of passage was real. So, she CANCELED our conference, and the alternative meeting of the pro-FGM Clan Leaders. She said that if either group ignores her warning and tries to hold a meeting any way, all will be arrested!

At first, I was devastated! Dr Larry Young had come all the way from the US (for the third time) to join me for this history-making event and it was canceled! But Delmark and

our intrepid team in Sebei put their heads together and came up with a possible new plan. After 6.5 hours, we were on our way to Sebei anyway. And we were in a safe car. We didn't go to be defiant. We were going in faith that God may choose to do a miracle, and because we didn't know what else to do. In cases like these, it is my belief that you keep doing the last thing you know God told you to do, until he tells you to do something else. Going to Sebei is definitely the last thing I knew God told me to do. So, we went—not with an agenda, but open to the Lord's leading.

And God certainly did lead! With just TWO DAYS our team found a new venue in a neighboring town. Not only did the Security Council in the town of Binyiny agree to allow us to hold our meeting there in spite of the threat of violence, the head of security in Kapchorwa released us to move forward there. The Binyiny Security Council promised to provide us with security, and they allowed us to use their town hall as the meeting place!

Our LTI team found a new catering service ready to provide meals 3 meals a day for 250 people in just 2 day's time. Our LTI team hired a sound system, 250 chairs, a generator and everything else needed to run a conference.

They even called every one of the 250 people invited (including the ones who had rebeled) and informed them of the new meeting place—all within 48 hours!

The other group tried to hold their meeting, but it was stopped by the police and we heard some were arrested.

We heard that at least 100 men were not going to come. But on the 1st day of the meeting there were 195 Clan leaders!! The second day there were even more!



On the second day of our conference, I gave out neck ties donated by the men of my church, Brewster Baptist Church in Brewster, MA. The note that accompanied each tie read, "To our Sabiny brothers from your brothers at Brewster Baptist Church: Please receive this tie - American man to African man - as a symbol of the 'unseen tie' that binds our hearts in brotherly love. We are praying with you and for you. May God Almighty strengthen and encourage you as you discover and embrace God's vision for his daughters."

The clan leaders were so very appreciative and most of them put their new tie on right then and there! I also gave the 30 or so women a teacup, saying, "When I see a teacup, I immediately think of friendship. Don't women love to sit together over a cup of tea and share 'life together'?" I asked them to think of their new American friends at Life Together International when they use their cup and get together with friends over tea.

By the second day, even some of the men from the other group joined us. We were amazed that God made it all come together in 2 days. I know your prayers made all the difference! All in all, the conference was transformative!

Thank you, thank you, a million times, THANK YOU!

Update from ABCUSA

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA (ABNS 02/01/2024) —

The ABCUSA Office of the General Secretary welcomes Rev. Dr. Gina Jacobs-Strain as the next General Secretary of American Baptist Churches USA!

Dr. Jacobs-Stain was called as General Secretary of American Baptist Churches USA by the Board of General Ministries on November 4, 2023, and her service in this role begins today, on February 1, 2024. We look forward to many years of faithful service with Dr. Jacobs-Strain, working in partnership with all of American Baptist Churches USA.



Previously, Dr. Jacobs-Strain served as Executive Director of American Baptist Women's Ministries (ABWM) for six years. Under her guidance, ABWM introduced the AB GIRLS program, "Building Bridges and Gateways to Girl's Future/Hie-STEAM," an initiative connecting AB GIRLS Christian Curriculum with local STEAM providers, empowering girls to recognize God's creative potential within them. ABWM has also broadened its Beloved Community and Domestic Violence ministries and now offers seminars and webinars tailored for young adult women nationwide. Dr. Jacobs-Strain has held various pastoral roles including Transitional Pastor at First Baptist Church of New Market in Piscataway, N.J., Interim Pastor at St. Paul Baptist Church in Atlantic Highlands, N.J., Associate Regional Pastor for Women in Ministry for American Baptist Churches of New Jersey (ABC-NJ), and serves as an Associate Minister of Christian Education at St. Paul Baptist Church in Montclair, N.J.

CARING MINISTRIES

Low Cost Supports for "Age in Place" at home on Cape Cod Volunteer organizations on Cape Cod offering 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
http://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, perform light household tasks, provide technical /computer assistance and other services to help with the complexities of life.

Members pay an annual fee: (\$75.00 single and \$99.00 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

baytosoundneighbors.org

This organization provides transportation to and from medical appointments, grocery shopping, hairdresser, 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 2. 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.

Local Transportation Assistance Available on Cape Cod

Brewster Baptist Church Transportation:

Brewster Baptist Church offers transportation assistance to help parishioners that have been recently hospitalized to be able to get to follow up medical appointments or to the pharmacy. Assistance is available to get to regular medical appointments as volunteers are available. Call Chuck MacMillin (774) 994-0177.

Nauset Neighbors:

Provides rides to appointments to those living in the towns of Brewster, Chatham, Eastham, Harwich, Orleans, Wellfleet. Members pay a low annual fee of \$75.00 for singles and \$99.00 for a family/ household. The membership fee will be reduced or waived if it presents a hardship or an obstacle to joining. Contact: (508) 514-7067 http://www.nausetneighbors.org/

DART – **Dial-A-Ride Service:** Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority provides a daily (demand response) service that is a door-to-door, ride by appointment, transportation service. This service is available to all Cape Cod residents for any purpose. DART service is available:

Monday through Friday in all towns from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Sundays 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in most towns (800) 352-7155 http://www.capecodtransit.org/dart.htm

Brewster Council On Aging Transportation Services: Grocery Shopping:

Tuesdays & Thursdays at 11:30 a.m. \$2.00 per round-trip. Reservations are needed. Call COA (508) 896-2737

They make stops at The Christmas Tree Shop, Stop and Shop and TJ Maxx in Orleans and Shaw's Market, CVS and the other shops at Skaket Corners.

Hyannis Mall:

Trips are scheduled for the last Monday of every month from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Reservations are needed Call COA (508) 896-2737

There is a minimum of 2 shoppers to go to Hyannis. \$2.00 per round-trip.

Volunteer Medical Drivers:

Volunteer drivers are available for transportation to medical appointments in their personal cars.

Call COA as soon as you make an appointment or AT LEAST FOUR (4) BUSINESS **DAYS IN ADVANCE** Call COA (508) 896-2737.

Make sure your house number is visible from the road.

Wheelchair Accessible Medical Van

Volunteer drivers are available for transportation to medical appointments in our wheelchair accessible van.

Please call the COA as soon as you make an appointment or AT LEAST FOUR (4) BUSINESS DAYS IN ADVANCE Call COA 508-896-2737

Ride Sharing Services

These will charge a fee for service, and requires internet access BBC has volunteers available to help with setting up an account.

UBER https://www.uber.com **LYFT** https://www.lyft.com

Transportation to Boston

You can enjoy comfortable and safe transportation from Cape Cod directly to Boston hospitals on a wheelchair accessible van.

Monday through Friday, the pick up schedule is: 7:30 a.m. Orleans (Shaw's)

7:45 a.m. Harwich (Route 124 Commuter Lot)

8:00 a.m. Barnstable (Route 132 Commuter Lot) 8:15 a.m. Sagamore (Rotary Commuter Lot)

RESERVATIONS are a MUST!!! (Reserve no later than 11:00 a.m. the day before) Schedule your medical appointments between 10:00 am and 2:00 p.m.

Cost: \$30.00 Round Trip/\$15.00 One-way. Cash or Checks (Payable to CCRTA) are accepted. For reservations call 800-352-7155 (Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)

The van will leave Boston by 3:00 p.m. for the return trip. Visit the website for more information: www.capecodrta.org

Care Group for Family Members of LGBTQ Individuals will take place at the home of David & Deb Quinones. Meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. This group is open to all.

For more information contact: David at quinonesdb@gmail.com or Deb at dsmittyg2@gmail.com







The **BBC Softball Team** begins their season in April. Join us for a fun time of fellowship in the Cape Cod Evangelical Church Softball League! If you may be interested in joining the team for the upcoming season, please speak with Pastor Doug or Pastor David.



March 2024 at Brewster Baptist Church

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Sat	2 Lenten Retreat	9 Thrive	16	23 9:30a Easter Family Fun Event	30 Holy Week	
Fri	1 Lenten Retreat 9a Bulletin Team CR 7p First and Thirds SMA	8 Thrive 9a Bulletin Team CR	15 Beacon Deadline 9a Bulletin Team CR 7p First and Thirds SMA	22 9a Bulletin Team CR	29 Good Friday 9a Bulletin Team CR 12p Good Friday service	
Thu		7 9:30a Mom2Mom SMA 10a Caring Cupboard PL 1p Needlers CH 6:30p Women's AA CH 7p Missions Meeting CR	14 9:30a Mom2Mom SMA 10a Caring Cupboard PL 6:30p Last Supper Rehearsal S 6:30p Women's AA CH 6:30p LGBTQ Care Grp OS	9:30a Mom2Mom SMA 9:30a Mom2Mom SMA 10a Caring Cupboard PL 10a Nurses/LCOC Choir rm 12p Christian Men's Lunch 1p Women's Book Club CH 6p Movie Night "Selma" 6:30p Last Supper Reh S 6:30p Women's AA CH	28 Maundy Thursday 9:30a Mom2Mom SMA 10a Caring Cupboard PL 6:30p Women's AA CH 6:30p LGBTQ Care Grp OS 7p Maundy Thursday service S	
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Tue	C Chapel CH Community Hall CR Conference Room FH Fellowship Hall L Lounge OS Off-site PL Parking Lot S Sanctuary SMA Student Ministry Area	5 Elections 9a Sextons Meeting 9:30a Women's Bible St CH 11:00a Caring Ministry CH 4p Sveden SG CR 6:30p Potter SG L 6:30p Women's Bible St CH/CR	12 Vision NE 9:30a Women's Bible St CH 11:00a Caring Ministry CH 12p LOCAL OS 4p Sveden SG CR 6:30p Potter SG L 6:30p Women's Bible St CH/CR	19 9:30a Women's Bible St CH 11:00a Caring Ministry CH 4p Sveden SG CR 6:30p Potter SG L 6:30p Women's Bible St CH/CR	26 Holy Week 9:30a Women's Bible St CH 11:00a Caring Ministry CH 4p Sveden SG CR 6:30p Potter SG L 6:30p Women's Bible St CH/CR	
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Sun	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.	3 Lenten Retreat AFC Offering 8:30/10a Worship S 8:30a Children's Worship C 10a Sunday School 6p Student Ministry SMA	Vision NE AFC Offering 8:30/10a Worship S 8:30a Children's Worship C 9a BP Clinic FH 10a Sunday School 6p Student Ministry SMA	AFC Offering 8:30/10a Worship S 8:30a Children's Worship C 10a Baptisms 10a Sunday School 6p Student Ministry SMA	24 Palm Sunday Arc Offering 8:30/10a Worship S 8:30a Children's Worship C 10a Sunday School 6p Student Ministry SMA	31 Easter 6:15a Sunrise service at Nauset Beach 8:30/10a Worship S 9:15a Easter Breakfast FH

Anniversaries & Birthdays

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- Bruce and Susan Brady
- Tom and Donna Pearse Karl and Wendy Sue Kissa
- 12 Kevin & Judy Jamieson17 Michael & Deirdre Leyden
- 22 Jeff and Donna MacFawn
- 26 Thomas and Frances McLaughlin
- 27 Peter and Kathleen Fogg
- 29 Matt and Barbara Losordo

Thank you to the BBC church family for the lovely poinsettia at Christmas time. It is still thriving in our Entrance Hall where everyone can enjoy it.

Also, the beautiful bouquet of cut flowers for my (103rd) birthday were so thoughtful.

~ Janette Caley

Birthdays

- Nora Hevert Linda Murdock
- Evangeline Andino **Bruce Betts** Ellen Mirth Mark Lei
- **Edward Longton**
- Marilyn Raatz Stephen Doyle
- 6 Linda Sulliván
- Lydia Stratton
- 9 Susan Eifert Cindy Dolinger Linda Cronin
- 10 Gail Sluis
- 11 David Tenhor Karin Lopiore James Trainor Logan McWilliams
- 12 Brenda Miranda Heidi Fougere Laura Peck Frank DeStefano
- 13 Grace Fougere Tyler Deschamps
- 14 Bonnie Jacobs Susan Brady

- 15 Greg Scalise Ken Fowler
- 16 Mary Ormon Hallie Haven Anna Tomasik Niki Walley
- 18 Mark Strum Oliver Preu Joy Kissa
- 19 Nancy Magnuson Daniél Larsen
- 20 Nina Gregson
- 21 Savannah Muchunguzi Scott Tyldesley
- 22 Kate Glass Grace Wolfenden Greg O'Brien Aimee Jamieson
- Barbara Blanchard
- 26 Terry Fiore
- 28 Wayne Johnston Brooke Marshall George Vermilyea
- Marsha Nugent
- 31 Jane Harwood Killian Ballantine

Remembering Warren Price
Warren Price died peacefully at the age of 92 on
January 25, 2024 in Boothbay Harbor, Maine, surrounded by his family and cat. Warren and his wife Jacquie were longtime Cape Cod residents and dedicated Brewster Baptist Church members for over 48 years. Among other contributions, Jacquie was a



deacon and sang in the choir while Warren was active on the Pastoral Search Committee and the Building Committee, where he participated in renovations of both the sanctuary and parsonage, and helped rebuild the church steeple after it had fallen into disrepair. They moved to Boothbay Harbor, Maine in 2016 to be closer to family but always considered Cape Cod and Brewster Baptist Church home.





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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 1-3: Lenten Retreat

March 8-9: Thrive Cape Cod

March 10: Daylight Savings Time

March 21: Bicentennial Movie Night "Selma"

March 28: Maundy Thursday Living Last Supper

March 29: Good Friday

March 31: Easter Sunday