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John Wesley United Methodist Church

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“The Wesleyan”

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

“I am leaving you with a gift – peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don’t be troubled or afraid.” John 14:27

This was one of Jesus’ promises we looked at this summer. And I think it is one we need to constantly remind ourselves of because there is so much in our world that wants to take away our peace – our inner peace of heart and mind. We hear of mass shootings, climate change, trade wars, nuclear talks, and more, and we can often feel frightened, uncertain and anxious. And then of course, there are relationship issues, health issues, and everyday challenges that stir up emotions, fears and worry. Yes, the reality is that we live in a world where there will always be concerns and tensions. That’s why, as I mentioned in the sermon, real peace of mind and heart is not achieved by the reduction of problems or issues in our lives. Real peace of mind and heart is achieved through the addition of power. The power of Jesus Christ.

And we receive this power when we take the time to be with Jesus, when we live the way he wants us to live, and when we trust that he is in control and at work in our lives, even when we can’t see or understand. Giving our anxieties and concerns over to God relieves us of having to carry them, and helps us find peace. But, other than just feeling calm, how can you know if you have true inner peace? Let me share some signs of inner peace. Go through them slowly, pausing at each one, and ask yourself if you truly feel that way.

- An unmistakable ability to enjoy each moment
- Loss of interest in judging other people
- Loss of interest in judging yourself
- Loss of interest in interpreting the actions of others
- Loss of interest in conflict
- Loss of ability to worry
- Frequent, overwhelming episodes of gratitude
- Feelings of connectedness with others and nature
- Increasing tendency to let things happen rather than make them happen
- Increased awareness of love extended by others
- The uncontrollable urge to extend love to others

These truly are gifts that the world cannot give. They are yours only by having a close relationship with Jesus Christ.

Peace be with you,
Pastor Rebecca



WORSHIP AT JWUMC

Worship Schedule

Sunday September 1st 7:30am final Beach service and 9:30am service.

Beginning September 8th regular times

8:30 Communion Service - Chapel

9:30am Adult Sunday School

10:30 Worship in the Sanctuary

10:30 WoW Sunday School for K-6th Grade

Love God...

Love others...

Serve the world.

WORSHIP

Our last Beach Worship for this year is Sunday, September 1st. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this such a wonderful event again this year, with over one hundred people attending most Sundays. Thank you especially to Bobye Anderson and Amy Clatanoff-Brown for playing the keyboard, to all who volunteered to be greeters, and to Betty Smith for keeping us on key during the hymns. We look forward to seeing you there again next summer!

Rally Day September 8th ! Our season begins again with Sunday School starting, our chancel choir back in full swing, our worship schedule returns to 8:30 and 10:30, we will hear our organ for the first time, and we will celebrate with a picnic and fellowship after the 10:30 service. We will also have a "Blessing of the Backpacks" at both the 8:30 and 10:30 services, so invite children, grandchildren, neighbors, to help them get their school year started off right!

"Amen" to Music We are blessed with many wonderful musicians and vocalists at John Wesley, and they truly enhance our worship experience. We, as listeners, need to remember they are offering a gift to God and our congregation – which is why our music is a ministry, not a performance. Our music helps set the mood and tone for worship. So while there are times in which clapping is appropriate – maybe even the first time we hear the organ, the best response is a verbal "Amen," or sometimes just silence, and enjoying the moment.

Alternative Worship Our Worship Ministry Team and Children & Youth Ministry Team are initiating an "Alternative Worship" opportunity on the fifth Sunday of each month, at 10:30, beginning with the fifth Sunday of September – the 29th. This will be a casual service, with more contemporary music. Pastor Rebecca will still preach, and it will follow a similar format to the 8:30 service, but without Communion. This is an opportunity for us to offer a diverse worship experience to reach a broader segment of our community.

Pastor Ed DelaCour will be welcomed to our John Wesley pulpit on the September 22nd!

Pastor Rebecca and John will be away from Monday, September 16th through Thursday, September 26th.

Food for the Soul will be held on Wednesday September 4th with guest speaker Rev. Sally Miller, Chaplain at the Falmouth Hospital. A delicious lunch will be available in Fellowship Hall after the service.

Prayer for the Soul: Our weekly times of prayer will continue on Wednesdays at noon in the chapel except for the first Wednesday of the month which is "Soup for the Soul". Prayers for our church and one another are extremely important. Please join us. You do not have to pray aloud, just come and be in the presence of God and one another as we share in this important ministry.

Livestreaming is now available! In order to reach people outside our walls, we are now able to livestream our worship services and events. On Sunday mornings at 10:30, (as of Sept. 8th) you can go to our website, www.johnwesleyumc.org and click on the "Click to watch live" button, and watch the service. For later viewing, you can visit our website and click on "Watch Past Services" button. This will help our homebound parishioners, people who can't attend church because of illness or travel, and people interested in "seeing" our church. What a great way to invite people to church! We are able to do this thanks to a generous donation that established our Visioning Fund which enables us to fund new initiatives such as this.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME FOR CHILDREN K-6th GRADE. Beginning Rally Day, September 8th, our children will come to worship at 10:30, and then leave after the Children's sermon to go to WoW/Sunday School. There will be no Children's Sunday School at 9:30. THERE WILL CONTINUE TO BE ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:30. This model has proven effective in many other churches, and it allows for parents to attend worship while their children are in Sunday School.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Book of Acts Study Resumes Tuesday, September 10th Where has the summer gone?? This sentiment is shared by students and teachers in our school systems and by those of us that have taken a break from N. T. Wright's study of the Book of Acts. As September draws near, it is a good idea for each of us to review the 11 chapters in both the study guide and in our Bibles before our first sessions. We will pick up with chapter 12 of the Book of Acts and chapter 12 in our study guide. There will again be a morning session at 10:30 and an evening one at 6:30. Please let me know whether or not you will be continuing with the study. Sometimes "Life happens when we are making other plans"! My email address is campingkat@comcast.net. See you in church! Betty Smith

New Adult Sunday Study to be Announced: Adult Sunday School meets at 9:30am in the library. They are completing their study of Job and will soon be choosing the next study. Watch for news in the weekly bulletin and on our website. Contact Brian or Jenn Linton jennifer.v.linton@gmail.com.

Men's Breakfast: For September, the men will meet on *Tuesday, September 10th* at 7:30am. All men are welcome to meet in the Fitzgerald room for breakfast and discussion on a relevant topic.

WORDS OF THANKFULNESS

Dear John Wesleyans,

I would like to thank all those people who have generously purchased my poetry booklets. I pay for the booklets to be printed but all the proceeds earned from selling them at church for 10 dollars each, goes to John Wesley. At this time, the money given to the church is \$5,500. With my sincere appreciation and gratitude,

Joy Stosz

Dear John Wesley United Methodist Church Family,

A very special thank you for the cards, concerns and prayers you have sent my way. I sincerely appreciate the strength I feel from the members sending me your thoughts and prayers forth the John Wesley Family. Thank you again.

God Bless all of you.

Sincerely, Ida Cary



The Bike Lab is coming to the end of its 6th season at the John Wesley United Methodist Church. The Bike Lab's mission is to help the community get access to bikes and the skills they need to maintain them. This year, bike lab is on track to fix and re-donate a record number of bikes to the community, nearly 200! Our clients include locals in need of a bike as a primary means of transportation, kids who need a healthy way to get to school, J-1 visiting workers who need a bike to get from home to work, and young visiting scientists in the Wood Hole community. We've also work with local schools to direct bikes to families that are particularly in need. In addition, we've helped countless others fix flat tires, tune breaks and replace worn parts on their bikes. We couldn't do any of this without the support of the Falmouth community, especially John Wesley United Methodist Church. We are truly grateful for the opportunity the Church gives us to help the Falmouth community filling a need that is clear and growing.

Thank you for another wonderful year of Bike Lab!



John Wesley United Methodist Church

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRIES

Announcements

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCOOP!

NEW: WoW Sunday School: *Growing A Faith Inside & Out*

Starting Rally Day, Sunday, September 8th, WoW Sunday School will take place during our 10:30 am service for Kindergarten through 6th graders. We will no longer offer Children's Sunday School in between our two service. 7th grade and above students are invited to worship alongside their parent(s)/guardian(s) in the worship service. Once a month on the 4th Sunday (and 5th Sunday when applicable) children will worship in the 10:30 am service to become acclimated to corporate worship.

Students will leave service after the Children's Moment, participate in a 45 minute lesson and then their parents will pick them up immediately after service in the Education Wing. Every three months we'll focus on lessons from the Old Testament, New Testament and Special Topics.

NEW: Youth Group Meetings/Times

We will be splitting our Youth Group between Jr. High and Sr. High for the following year in order to make sure our environment is appropriate and relevant for students' age and life experiences. 5-7th grade students will meet Wednesday nights from 5:30-6:30 pm, starting September 11th (where they'll make a meal together) and 8-12th grade students will meet on Sunday afternoons from 4:00-5:00 pm starting Sunday, September 8th. Both will have engaging discussion time, games and snacks.



Matthew Trott



We are so excited to announce that our September 2019 Children & Youth Spotlight honoree is 5 year old and new Kindergartener, **Matthew Trott!** Matthew has been coming to John Wesley for some time now and most commonly keeps our Nursery Attendant busy during the 10:30 am service! We're happy that Matthew was able to join us for Vacation Bible School this summer, his first of hopefully many! He was so sweet towards all his Crew Friends and all the volunteers. You may think Matthew enjoys everything sweet, but he's actually quite interested in fruits, vegetables and other "healthy" foods. We're so happy to have you apart of our family here at John Wesley! We look forward to growing closer with you and with God!

PAST EVENTS

Car Wash Fundraisers



RECAP: Car Wash Fundraisers

Our Youth Group hosted two Car Wash Fundraisers this summer where all the proceeds went to sending them on their Summer Mission Trip to Maine! The rain held off on Saturday, June 29th and the few but mighty ones who showed up on Wednesday, July 17th worked so hard! All in all, the group raised just under \$1,000 which wouldn't have been possible without the generous support of those who donated, got their car washed or put in some elbow grease helping us. Thank you!



RECAP: Family Bike Ride

On one of the warmest days of the summer, Saturday, July 20th a few of us got together to bike to/from Woods Hole on the Shining Sea Bike Path. We stopped at Jimmy's Ice Cream to enjoy a refreshing ice cream cone then biked back the Road Race Route (past Nobska Light House). We had a really great time together, burned some calories and had great conversation in the process. Be on the lookout...because we hope to do it again soon!

Youth Group Summer Mission Trip





RECAP: Youth Group Summer Mission Trip

From July 24-27th, seven Youth students traveled to Winthrop, Maine for their Annual Summer Mission Trip! There were many types of service projects they participated in, such as sorting through clothes donations at Tabitha's Closet, the UMC Thrift Store in Winthrop. Some also helped finish the handrail for a walkway (that we actually help dig out last summer). We help load and unload at least two cords of wood for a local family. We visited a local nursing home where we spent time with the residents playing BINGO (group favorite for sure)! And we also helped clear out land for what will one day be an adventure course at Camp Mechuwana. In addition to all the service projects, our group had loads of fun! They played Man Hunt almost every night, made a bonfire and roasted s'mores, swam in the lake on numerous occasions, slide down the NEW slip 'n slide and so much more! Although everyone was tired, every night we came together for evening devotions and prayer. It was a great time to be together with each other but also with God. It was so fun hearing everyone's high, low and God Sighting of the day. Although we're all still suffering from thousands of bug bites, our time in Maine was definitely worth it! We hope you'll take a peek at the photos to see all of the amazing things we did ([click here](#)). A special thank you to Richard Bolinder for chaperoning another trip with our students; you are an amazing role model and we're so blessed to have you serve alongside our Youth.



RECAP: Vacation Bible School

The week of August 18-23, 60 Kindergarten through 5th grade students joined us as for a week-long Vacation Bible School program where they learned that even in this wild life...God is good! Every day students rotated through 7 different stations where they learned through song, dance, imagination, sport, story, multimedia, craft and hand-on activity. We learned a Bible story, point, verse and correlating animal buddy that went with the days theme. Everyone had an amazing time together learning about God's ferocious love for us. A total of 34 adults and 12 youth helped volunteer during the week and a HUGE thanks to EVERYONE who helped in any way. We wouldn't have a growing and spirit-filled program if it weren't for all of you. Our greatest heart-felt thanks to all of you. We hope you'll take a look at the photos to see all that we did during VBS! [Click here to view!](#)

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

DATE CHANGE: THE ORGAN DEDICATION RECITAL IS BEING MOVED TO FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11. We recently learned that Heroes in Transition will be holding their fundraising Gala on October, 4th, and since this charity is dear to our hearts at John Wesley, we believe that holding both events on the same night would compromise attendance at both. Please change your calendars to October 11 at 7:00 for the recital.

John Wesley Celebrates New Organ with Dedication Recital

The greater Falmouth community is invited to join the members of John Wesley United Methodist Church (270 Gifford Street, Falmouth) in celebrating the installation of its new Allen organ with a Dedication Recital. A freewill offering will benefit the Organ Maintenance Fund. The evening's guest performer will be Robert Potterton III, a native New Englander and active composer/arranger, keyboardist, and educator for the last 20 years. Since 2015, he has served as Organist & Choirmaster at historic Christ Church (Episcopal) in Fitchburg.

Among the many features of the new instrument is its ability to play six different digitally sampled great pipe organs from all over the world, including American, English, French, and German. These will be demonstrated in the recital with a wide-ranging program of works by J.S. Bach, François Couperin, Herbert Howells, Sigfrid Karg-Elert, Chad Statin, and Charles-Marie Widor. A highlight of the evening will be the premiere of an original setting of Psalm 150 by Mr. Potterton, which was commissioned to showcase the organ as well as the church's Chancel and Handbell Choirs.

The organ was installed by G. Paul Music of Worcester, MA, New England's Allen Organ distributor, on June 26, 2019. Livestream or view recorded video at www.johnwesleyumc.org.

Road Race Hospitality Thank you to everyone who donated water, watermelon and bananas for our Road Race hospitality!! We parked 221 cars, and received \$1,486 in donations. The runners were so happy that our church would open our doors and offer them restrooms, and free water and fruit. There were many smiles, joy and expressions of gratitude. Thank you all again for supporting this wonderful ministry!

Pictorial Directory The new pictorial directory is currently being printed and both electronic and printed versions should be ready for distribution in time for Rally Day on September 8th. The level of participation was amazing with close to 170 families or individuals willing to share contact information and photos. By producing the directory in-house using our current membership software, updates and additions to the directory will be relatively easy to create and distribute. Any updates or changes to the directory can be submitted to Ruth at jwumcfalmouth@comcast.net. As the coordinator of the new pictorial directory effort, Matt O'Connor would like to take this opportunity to thank Cherylann Randall, Lisa Asendorf and, of course, Pastor Rebecca for their help in making the new directory as complete and accurate as possible. Special thanks go out to our church administrator, Ruth Moulton, who put in considerable effort updating contact information and adding photos.

Church Business Directory We would like to compile a directory of business and professional people who attend John Wesley. This would be a resource for both those who need a service and those who could provide. For example if my roof needed repair I would refer to the church business directory to hire someone that does roofing. It's a way to support each other in Christ-like values. To begin this process if you would like your business listing in the directory please give your information to the church office or Karyn Briggs at larrykaryn@hotmail.com. There are probably:

- ✓ pet walkers
- ✓ babysitters
- ✓ care giver relief
- ✓ contractors
- ✓ landscapers
- ✓ masons
- ✓ bakers
- ✓ electricians
- ✓ accountants



who you need and never knew were sitting in the pew next to you!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT JWUMC

FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

Health and Wellness Fair on Saturday September 28th from 10 AM to 2PM at JWUMC.



Tell your friends. Tell your neighbors. It's FREE plus there are door prizes! Learn about Reflexology, have your blood pressure taken, get nutritional tips, learn about how yoga can improve flexibility, get tips for better bone health and how to de-stress, find better ways to recycle, get emergency and safety information plus much more.

We will need your support for this first time event as an outreach to our community. What can you do? Pray for a successful Fair, for many people to come thru our doors for the fair but also to feel welcomed and comfortable at our church. We need people to set up, and to clean up and take down tables afterwards. We need greeters, information guides and people available to assist the vendors if needed. See Karyn Briggs or Sharon Mulcahy to volunteer. *Remember Saturday September 28, 10-2. Mark it on your calendar.*

Heal to Toe we are walking! Join us September 18th at JWUMC at 9:00 for a walk in scenic areas around Falmouth. This is a Fellowship activity open to all. It's a perfect time of year to enjoy where we live, get some physical exercise and build friendships with fellow walkers! Get your walking shoes ready!

ORGAN MINISTRY TEAM

ORGAN DEDICATION RECITAL Friday, October 11 at 7:00 p.m. (note new date!) The Organ Ministry Team is proud to announce that Robert Summers Potterton III, organist, composer and educator, will perform a recital to dedicate our new organ. Mr. Potterton is an Allen Organ Artist who is intimately familiar with our instrument and will explain its many features. We have commissioned Mr. Potterton to compose an anthem for organ, bell and chorus which our Bell and Chancel Choirs will perform at this recital.

OUTREACH/MISSION MINISTRY TEAM

Fall Clothing Sale on September 7th 9-2. with all proceeds going to "Belonging To Each Other " which is a coalition of 100+ volunteers consisting of 9 Falmouth congregations and other community members founded in late 2015 to address the problem of homelessness in our community. BTEO provides temporary housing, food, transportation and social services for homeless men and women in Falmouth during the cold winter months, while helping clients identify more stable housing and/or necessary services. It is a high touch, high intensity model.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Greetings from the Music Ministry! Do you find meaning in playing or singing along to today's more contemporary worship music? Play guitar, bass, drums or perhaps sing? We are calling you to explore the idea of joining our worship leaders in bringing a fresh and new sound into our worship experience - perhaps a few times over the course of our year. We all know that God touches us through music-and that sounds different for each individual. Perhaps you listen to music that fills your spirit, and you'd like to share this with others. If so-please email me and I will keep you posted on forming this new "voice" of praise.

Linda Brouder lindabrouder5@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS AT JWUMC


You're invited to a

DEDICATION RECITAL

A CELEBRATION OF OUR NEW ALLEN ORGAN

Featuring digital samples of famous instruments from around the world



PERFORMED BY ROBERT POTTERTON III

A wide-ranging musical program including an original composition for organ, choir, and handbells



JOIN US ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11 AT 7:00PM

A freewill offering will benefit the Organ Maintenance Fund



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SALE

One Day Clothing Sale

Clothing, Bedding & Linens, and more

**Saturday, September 7, 2019
9 am - 2 pm**


All proceeds benefit "Belonging to Each Other" to support Falmouth's homeless

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WoW

A NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL

GROWING A FAITH INSIDE & OUT

K-2
ADVENTURERS

3-6
EXPLORERS

WE BELIEVE THAT OUR FAITH IS TO GROW:

INSIDE
PERSONALLY
AT OUR HOME
WITHIN THE CHURCH

OUTSIDE
EXTERNALLY
WITH OUR COMMUNITY
IN THE WORLD

WE DO THIS BY DOING THE FOLLOWING:



CONNECT

Opening activities help capture the learners' attention.



LEARN

Dig into Biblical text and explain the lesson in ways students can understand.



EXPLORE

Additional teaching that helps provide perspective for understanding.



APPLY

Provides interaction in order to apply God's Word in personal ways.



RESPOND

Consider specific responses from their heart and take practical action.

SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 8

RALLY DAY!

1ST DAY OF WOW SUNDAY SCHOOL
1ST DAY OF YOUTH GROUP
1ST DAY HEARING CHANCEL CHOIR
1ST TIME TO HEAR THE NEW ORGAN
BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS
ALL-CHURCH PICNIC & BOUNCY



2019 CHRISTMAS FAIR

Friday, November 15th (2pm-7pm) & Saturday, November 16th (8:30-2pm)

NOTE: this year's fair is a week earlier than usual – with Thanksgiving being late (November 28th) we want folks to have the opportunity to get their Christmas shopping done before Thanksgiving and Christmas are upon us.

2019 Update. A huge “Thank you” to Karen Kinnard and Jean Dawson for filling vacancies. Karen Kinnard is our new chair of the Attic Treasures Room. Jean Dawson will be our new money collector, reconciler, and reporter to the finance committee. Let us rejoice!

2019 Christmas Fair Committee Chairs

Attic Treasures	Karen Kinnard	Hardware Store	Henry Brown
Baked Goods	Eileen Burt	Jams & More	Bud Tracy
Books	Rob Bloomberg	Jewelry	Lynne Brown
Boutique	Sharon Mulcahy	Kids/Christmas	Cherylann Randall
Crafts	Linda Duane	Money Collector	Jean Dawson
Door Greeters	Ted Burt	Pie Making	Karen Dean
Friday Dinner	Karyn & Larry Briggs	Saturday Lunch	Nancy & Frank Leger
Greens	Dick McKenzie	Silent Auction	Maryellen Geoghan Christine Quesnel

Chairperson: Aline Ward. aw7050@comcast.net. Or. 508-444-6038

How can you help now?

CRAFTERS...Please join them on Monday mornings 10:00am in the Fitzgerald Room as they make hand-made items for the Christmas Fair. They have projects that can be made at home or come to the church and work together. This group concentrates on sewing, quilting, knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, etc. This group is always looking for supplies such as yarn, fabric, especially holiday or sports patterns. Do you have creative ideas? A special talent? Contact Linda Duane 508-457-4407.

PRESERVERS....it's time to get jamming, canning, and jelling! Some of the popular items needed... pickles, relishes, salsas, chutneys, sauces, dried herbs, spice mixes, flavored vinegars and oils. How about surprising us with something new and creative? Questions or ideas? Please contact Bud Tracy at 508-540-6987.

THE JW “ELVES”This group concentrates on making various types of wreaths, ornaments and homemade crafts. We need creative painters. Do you have a special talent you'd be willing to share or help work with others to create beautiful items for the Fair. Work can be done at home or as a group. We have supplies to share and we are always looking for crafting supplies. If you have questions or would be willing to help this group, please contact Aline Ward at 508-444-6038 or aw7050@comcast.net.

PIE WORKSHOP.... Monday, October 28th at 8:30 at the church kitchen. This is a fun workshop. Do you enjoy being in the kitchen? Karen Dean, once again, will be hosting an apple pie making session. No experience required. Any questions, call Karen 508-548-2498.

DONATIONS...To fill these rooms we accept donations year round. We work on this magic year round! Always looking for yard sale merchandise of all kinds for Attic Treasures, Hardware, Boutique, Books, Kids, Christmas, & Jewelry & clothing. Turn your unwanted items into support for the Fair. We need supplies for the Crafters and the JW Elves. Item donations can be placed in the closet, known as the “spirit closet”, which is across from the coat closet, before the men's room off the Narthex. No need to tell anyone. Come in anytime the church is open. Cash donations are always appreciated so supplies can be purchased.



How can you help at the Fair?



Volunteers/workers are needed for set-up on Wednesday and Thursday (November 13th & 14th) as well as during the fair hours on Friday and Saturday. We need **cashiers and baggers**. **Kitchen help** and **people to work the tables** are needed for the luncheon and dinner hours. We need **floaters** to provide breaks for fair workers. We need **greeters** and **lots of happy smiling faces** to represent our church. I encourage you to come and enjoy this wonderful sense of community from working together for our Church.

Last year's fair had a significant increase in foot traffic and sales...our past hard work has earned us a reputation of being one of the best Fairs around, we even saw a presence from Martha's Vineyard. From what we heard from last year's shoppers we should anticipate another increase this year. This is exciting for John Wesley; it's a wonderful opportunity for evangelism. To achieve our goal for this year we need all hands on deck. The next 3 months will be buzzing with activity.

Will you be willing to reserve these dates on your calendar? Remember November 15-16th. I pray for your support, encourage you to come and enjoy this wonderful sense of community as we work together. Let me know how you would be willing to help. Blessings to all....

Chairperson...Aline Ward aw7050@comcast.net or 508-444-6038

Silent Auction 2019

We have started on our quest to make the Silent Auction an even more successful event in 2019!!! Aline and I are very excited that Christine Quesnel will be joining me as Co-Chair again this year! Christine and I have engaged friends and family to solicit businesses for the JW Silent Auction. As usual, Aline has been working behind the scenes searching for Silent Auction opportunities all year long. We have already picked up donations. We spent one day a week in August diligently concentrating on small businesses and services. As we go out to our favorite restaurants and boutique's we engage the managers and have had great success. It appears the earlier soliciting has been positive.

You were all so much help last year and we hope you will have the time again this year to make the Silent Auction a success. If you know someone who owns a business, has a special talent or who would be willing to donate a delicious dish or wine & cheese plate, your help would be greatly appreciated.

Some of last year's donations included:

- gift certificates to a restaurant
- wine and food baskets
- sports event tickets
- services like hair/nail salons
- ferry tickets from the Steamship Authority
- jewelry
- window washing
- spring cleanup
- dog grooming
- babysitting
- car detailing
- boating
- landscaping
- golfing

and much much more! Looking forward to a busy few months as we approach the 2019 Holiday Fair!! We thank you for your time and efforts.

With thanks always, Maryellen
maryellen@maryellengeoghaninc.com or 908-216-0471

OUTREACH/MISSIONS MINISTRY TEAM



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE OUTREACH MISSIONS MINISTRY

Change the World for the month of September will be going to an organization close to one of our own teens! The new Falmouth Scout Troop 137 (BSA) is part of a national wave of all-girls troops joining Boy Scouts of America. The girls-only troop functions like all-male troops in Falmouth. The girls will work toward the same ranks and badges, following the same handbook. I hope we can collect enough change to help them with all the items they need to be successful in all they want to achieve. Please dig deep in your pockets to help this amazing program get a great start. It's so important to help our teens in being involved in programs that help them grow and teach them important life skills, & make a difference in the world!



Serenity Farm Looking for a group of people interested in helping Serenity Farm on October 12th from 10 am to 12 noon. Serenity Farm is a locally owned and operated 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation and re-homing of farm animals. The farm is supported entirely by donations and staffed by volunteers who provide care and companionship to the farm's animal population. This is a great opportunity for our church to help our community in a different way. We will be helping by painting, fixing fences, mucking stalls, brushing horse etc. Please let Julie Immelt Whelden jimmelt11@aol.com or 508-221-4958 know if you would like to join this group. Get your Red shirt ready for this fun filled day. Even if you want to come just pet a horse that is a great way to help!!

Monthly Mother's Group the Last Friday of the Month! We hope this will be a time for mothers to relax, breathe, and learn how to be a loving mother through creative activities, faith-based discussions, guest speakers, etc. The last Friday of the month Friday, September 27th from 6:00-7:00 pm in the Parent Room. Child Care will be available across the hall in the Nursery. Moms of all ages and stages are welcome. Please contact Julie Immelt Whelden at jimmelt11@aol.com for questions or to sign up.

ESL Last year John Wesley started a new program to help people who need a grounding in both learning to speak English and in improving their English. This ESL (**English as a Second Language**) program will benefit their lives, their families, and this community. The people at JW who decided to get involved in the teaching last year expected to have enjoyment of helping others in a rewarding tangible way. But we had no idea of the level of satisfaction and downright fun that was derived from this type of teaching with these students. You can just ask any of last year's teachers including Bobye Anderson, Gudrun Bjarnarson, Mark Karsner, or Bob McIntire and other volunteers about it and you will get anecdotes of their experiences that were both powerful and rewarding.

We also learned, as all educators do, that there were things that could be done to better the program for both the teachers and the students. This year there will be a new format to the ESL program at John Wesley. We are developing a flexibility in scheduling that will make the commitment more user-friendly for all. Instead of a class format, we are working on small group teaching, team teaching, and flexibility in one-on-one tutoring. We chose a new book series and are very excited about a more flexible program to better meet the needs of all.

If you are interested in helping out in this program, there will be help, support, and training for you before you get involved. As we start the fall season, this would be a powerful way to live the goals and values of John Wesley.



MISSION/OUTREACH MINISTRY ACTIVITIES SUCCESS STORIES

Change the World During summer worship, dropping loose change into the plate resulted in donations to three local charities. Small change can make a difference! Thank you for putting your “change” to work for our local charities.

June-Housing Assistance Corp. of Cape Cod \$269.10

July- Falmouth Service Center Backpacks \$138.96

August - Independence House \$138.51



The Spaghetti dinner served 185 dinners which brought in over \$2400 for “Heroes In Transition”. Thank you to Nancy Leger who coordinated the event, to all the volunteers who donated their gifts and support to the dinner who helped make this night so special, and to the many local business donors who helped defray the cost of the evening.



Youth Summer Mission Trip: This summer we donated \$700 to help the youth travel safely in a van all together. This helped them to not get lost with multiple cars and helped unify the group experience. We are so glad we have a youth group that is excited to travel and help others! Here they are getting ready to gone on the trip in the rented van.



Flowers: The flower ministry has distributed bouquets to members in Royal, JML, and Atria in July and August. Wesley has become a little disciple loving like Christ to those members. They really light up when they see him and the flowers. If you know someone who could use a bouquet, please let us know! The photo shows how many vases we were able to create for delivery from one week of altar flowers.



Fresh Start Backpack Program: The back to school supplies for the Falmouth Service Center was an enormous collection! We dropped off roughly 20 brown bags filled with supplies along with roughly 10 backpacks and then made another delivery of 5 brown bags and roughly 5 more backpacks some filled with items as well. This was an amazing turn out! Thank you all for thinking of those kids who just want the same start as every other kid. You have truly helped their education! Wesley helped to deliver the backpacks we donated! It was quite a load!

I Support the Girls: In May we had a huge successful drive for bras for homeless and foster care women. Wesley and I drove the donations up to Northborough at the beginning of July and we received a letter thanking us for our generous donation of 142 bras and menstrual health products. They received a call requesting bras for homeless moms in Worcester. So that is where all of our donations will be going! The letter will be posted on the Outreach board. Thank you to all who made this a huge success! Collect those bras I have a feeling we will do this again in May!

John Wesley UMC's September, 2019 Calendar of Events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Labor Day	3	4	5	6	7
7:30am Beach Service 8:30 Adult Sunday School 9:30am Worship 6pm Narcotics Anon. 6pm Brazilian Church	7:30 am AA Office Closed	7:30 am AA 6:30pm Leadership Team 7:00pm Fal. Chorale	7:30 am AA 12Noon Food f/t Soul 5:30pm Handbells 7pm Chancel Choir 7pm Brazilian Bible 7pm AA	7:30 am AA 1pm Sewing 101 7pm Brazilian Church	7:30 am AA 2pm AA Women 5:30pm AA Study	9 am-2 pm Mission's Clothing Sale
8 Rally Day	9	10	11	12	13	14
8:30am Communion 9:30am Adult Study 10:30am Worship/WoW 11:30 Picnic 4pm Youth Group 6pm Narcotics Anon. 6pm Brazilian Church	7:30 am AA 10am Monday Crafters	7:30 am AA 7:30am Men's Breakfast 10:30am Acts Study 6:30 ESL Meeting 6:30pm Acts Study 7pm Fal. Chorale	7:30 am AA 12Noon Prayer Meeting 4:30 Children's Choir 5:30pm Handbells 7pm Chancel Choir 7pm Brazilian Bible 7pm AA	7:30 am AA 4:00pm Fal. Eats Together 5:15pm SPR Ministry 7pm Fal. Chamber 7pm Brazilian Church	7:30 am AA 2pm AA Women 3pm JML Nursing 5:30pm AA Study	
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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29	30	<p>God's blessings to our family members celebrating birthdays this month:</p> <p>2-Bobye Anderson 3-Al Croft 10-Cherylann Randall & Helen Bresnahan 12-Louise Bailey 14-Nancy Mars 25-Louise Socarides</p> <p>Please give your birthday information to the Fellowship Ministry by recording it on the calendar on the Fellowship bulletin board. Birthdays can be lifted up in prayer for all of God's blessings in the year ahead. Let us celebrate life among our church family. It's a great thing to have a birthday, a gift from God.</p>				
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Prepare for Heaven

*A worthwhile goal is to prepare
Our lives so that we may be
Together with God and Jesus
In heaven eternally.*

*Let's strive to be kind to others,
To worship the Lord with prayer,
Be active and have a purpose,
Let others know that we care.*

*In heaven, peace and joy abound.
There is no fear or worry.
Surrounded by Jesus's love,
We'll abide there in glory.*

*Church has a big impact on us.
Our faith will help us prepare
For when death comes, we know we'll be
With God in His loving care.*

*Joy Stosz
August 11, 2019*

Based on a sermon by Pastor Rebecca



Joy's Hibiscus

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