

Announcements

- **WELCOME VISITORS and GUESTS**

We are so glad that you chose to worship with us today! Join us after worship for light refreshments at coffee hour. Explore the lobby area to get a feel for the mission and ministries of Central Congregational Church. Check us out at facebook.com/central.church.newburyport. If you would like to receive the monthly newsletter or further contact from the church, please give us your contact information when you fill out the Guest Register. Contact information will only be used for church activities.

- **Do You Speak or Read Another Language?**

We are looking for Readers for Pentecost Sunday to read passages in other languages during the worship service. Contact Chris or the Deacons to volunteer.

- **Annual Organizational Meeting**

NOTICE OF ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2022

The Annual Organizational Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 15, 2022 will be held in the sanctuary following worship services. The meeting will be broadcast on Facebook live with comments from viewers moderated by the deacons for anyone who is unable to attend in-person.

At this meeting annual reports from committees and ministries of the church will be presented for review. The proposed By-Law addition will be presented. The Nominating Committee will present a slate of candidates nominated to serve on church committees for a congregational vote. Voting will take place through online survey. The link to the survey will be sent to members of the Church.

The Annual Report containing committee reports and the proposed slate were sent as an attachment to the May 8, 2022 and May 15, 2022 weekly congregational email newsletter. For those people without email, the Annual Report, a ballot, and a cover letter was sent through USPS postal service.

If you have questions or need more information, please contact the church office at 978-465-0533 or info@centralnewburyport.org.

- **Last Saturday Breakfast of the Season**

The LAST Community Breakfast of the season will be served on Saturday, May 28, 8am-10am. We will begin serving again on Saturday, September 10 with inside seating! If you are interested in helping out next season, please contact the church office. See you then!

- **Strengthen the Church Offering 2022**

Strengthen The Church is a special offering on June 5, 2022, Pentecost Sunday, to support these Discipleship ministries of the Southern New England Conference of the United Church of Christ:

- New! Center for Transformational Leadership
- Outdoor Ministries (including Silver Lake Conference Center, Irons Homestead, and Edwards Retreat Center)
- Faith Formation Ministries

Special Offering envelopes are available – please see a deacon, or donate online at www.centralnewburyport.org.

- **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Central's Prayer Shawl Knitters will on Saturday May 21, in the church library. For more information contact Carol Daigle or Betsy Wencl



- **Christian Education**

Sunday School

May 15	Ollie Jones - guest Sunday school teacher
May 22	Disciples Together
May 29	No Sunday school
June 5	Pentecost celebration
June 12	Children's Sunday & Church BBQ

Kids as Peacemakers

Calling all Central Youth Group members! We will gather on Friday, May 13th from 5:00 – 6:30 PM to work on the KAP mural, hopefully finishing it that night.

Family Dinner & Worship

Family Dinner and Worship will be offered on May 13 at 6:30, which offers a simple meal followed by a worship service that includes liturgy, a children's story, scripture and a guided conversation about the scripture text, and communion. The theme for this session will be peace.

Audubon Nature Walk (revisited)

As a follow up to Friday's movie about climate change, we will promote a nature walk at Audubon in Topsfield for Sunday June 5 at 4:00. This is the place where you can sometimes get wild birds to eat out of your hand. It's pretty cool and seems a perfect activity for Pentecost--the Holy Spirit descending like a dove. This also addresses the desire to do another nature walk for the whole congregation that we discussed. So mark your calendar. We may need to carpool because of limits to

- **Afghan Family Resettlement**

The Yard Sale was a very successful fundraiser for Central's Afghan family. They are adapting to their schedules, and continue working with volunteer English tutors. The resettlement team is helping the family prepare to move into local housing. To help, please contact Sarah Seamans or Kelly Palma for information.

If you are interested in making a special donation to support the church's Afghan guests as they transition to their new home, you can donate using our on-line giving system. Follow these easy steps through the Central Church website:

- 1) Go to: <https://www.centralnewburyport.org>
- 2) In the blue banner at top of page click on: ON LINE WORSHIP
- 3) On the far right of the page click on the blue text link: Click here to contribute online.
- 4) Complete the Online Donation form that appears

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Name	Birthdate
Mark Daigle	05/08
Zachary Guillou	05/08
Jacob Pesce	05/09
Cian McCarthy	05/10
David Shaw	05/10
Jed Petty	05/12

Upcoming Events

COMMITTEE MEETINGS THIS WEEK

- MAY 10, TUE 7:00 pm Central Council Meeting ZOOM

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

- MAY 15 SUN 9:00 AM NO Choir Rehearsal Grimes Room
- MAY 15 SUN 10:30 AM Worship Service Sanctuary
- MAY 15 SUN 10:45 AM Sunday School CE Classroom
- MAY 15 SUN 11:30 AM ANNUAL MEETING Sanctuary/Facebook
- MAY 15 SUN 11:45 AM Hospitality Coffee Hour Social Hall
- MAY 18 WED 8:00 AM Central Gardening Team Garden
- MAY 21 SAT 8:00 AM Community Breakfast Take Out Kitchen
- MAY 21 SAT 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Knitters Library
- MAY 21 SAT 12:30 PM Saturday Night Meals East Parish

Methodist Church, Salisbury

ACTIVITIES TO LOOK FORWARD TO

- MAY 22 SUN 9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal Grimes Room
- MAY 22 SUN 10:30 AM Worship Service Sanctuary
- MAY 22 SUN 10:45 AM Sunday School CE Classroom
- MAY 22 SUN 11:45 AM Hospitality Coffee Hour Social Hall
- MAY 24 TUE 7:00 PM All Committee Night ZOOM
- MAY 25 WED 8:00 AM Central Gardening Team Garden
- MAY 26 THU 7:00 PM Called to Care Card Writing Grimes/ZOOM
- MAY 28 SAT 8:00 AM Community Breakfast Take-Out Kitchen
- MAY 29 SUN No Sunday school
- JUN 05 SUN 4:30 PM Audubon Nature Walk Topsfield
- JUN 12 SUN 10:30 AM Worship Service-Children's Sunday Sanctuary
- JUN 12 SUN 11:30 AM Church BBQ & Games Back Parking Lot