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The Bell

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Remember Jesus of Nazareth, staggering on broken feet out of the tomb toward the Resurrection, bearing on his body the proud insignia of the defeat, which is victory, the magnificent defeat of the human soul at the hands of God.

- Frederick Buechner from *The Magnificent Defeat*

Dear Friends-

We are in the midst of Holy Week a time when we reflect on all that our Christian faith means to us. A week when time stands still in each day of the story. From the waving of the Palms of Palm Sunday, a triumphal entry of a King, to the last supper with the disciples, his friends, on Maundy Thursday, to the blackness and loss of Jesus on Black Friday and then the Resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday morning. This week is one where we are offered the opportunity to sit with Jesus' story and to remember why our God is so awesome.

Jesus was oppressed and He was afflicted, yet He did not complain. He was led like a lamb to slaughter. He was like a sheep that before its shearers is silent. Although He had done no violence and there was no deceit in his mouth, He was hung on a cross for our transgressions. He bore the sin of the many and brought salvation to the world in His death. And when the women went back to the grave after the Sabbath, they found no body for Jesus had risen. Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed!

With Easter we remember that with God all things are possible and as we go into the future, we go in faith that God will make a way where there seems to be no way and it will be amazing!

This Holy Week as we hear the story and remember again the power of our God, let us take time to think, to pray, to explore, to hear anew, and to find within the story of Jesus' death and resurrection the power in our own stories of renewal and revival!

As we go forward after Easter, let us keep the message of Easter beating in our hearts, that with our God all things are possible!

In Christ - Rev. Wendy Sue E. Kissa

Upcoming Vicinage Councils

Sunday April 19 - 2-6pm Joy Matos with Ordination First Congregational Church of Pembroke
Sunday May 31 - 2-6pm Rev. Michael Ferrini with Installation First Congregational Church of Squantum

If you are interested in going to either of these let Rev. Wendy Sue know.

Anniversary Committee Meeting

The Anniversary committee is hard at work planning for an amazing celebration in November. The committee will come together to meet on Wednesday April 8th from 9-11am in the parlor.



200th Anniversary Celebration

Our current building dates from 1826 and will see its 200th Anniversary in 2026. We have continuously worshipped in our building since it was built making it the oldest structure in Plymouth to do so. During 2026, we plan to celebrate by looking monthly at our history and the events surrounding that history in 20-year increments during the third Sunday of each month. We will be inviting some of you to assist in presenting 3-5 minute vignettes. If you would like to present a part of that history, please contact Laurie Savery and she will help connect you with resources to aid you.

We plan to align our Church Anniversary Celebration with fund raising activities that share this with the broader Manomet/Plymouth communities via our website, Facebook page and other digital and social media as well as with our banner at the Four Corners intersection. We welcome your ideas, suggestions and participation.

Please help us to:

Rejoice in Our Past

Renew in The Present

Restore for our Future

This Second... Church!!

It's coming!



Our Annual Plant and Bake Sale!

Saturday May 26, 2026

9am-2pm

We will need:

plants

baked goods

gently used garden items(tools, bird feeders, pretty plant pots)

sandwich fillings(chicken, ham, egg salad) and

volunteers for this.

All at our historic 1826 meetinghouse!

Sign up sheets coming after Easter.

Sandra Locke & Laurie Savery

From your Life Deacon,
Deborah LaBreck

You are to love your neighbor as yourself.
Matthew 22:39



The Food Pantry is open!
Mondays 10am-12pm

Gift of



If you want to honor or memorialize someone and aren't sure what to do, why not consider a Gift of Love. A Gift of Love is a donation made in someone's name, to the church. A letter is sent to the giver (these gifts are tax deductible) and an acknowledgement is sent to the honoree (or the family in the case of a memorial). If you are interested, please pick up a form in the narthex or contact the office.



We continue to have church in person and virtually on Sunday's at 10am. Come on in! Or check us out on Facebook via Second Church Virtual Services! If you have been watching, see you on Sunday! You can also watch the services on PACTV. Thursday at 8am and Sunday at 6pm. (Comcast channel 13 or Verizon channel 43)



Visit us at www.secondchurchofplymouth.org . Our goal with the website is to provide our visitors an easier way to learn about Second Church of Plymouth and what the church offers. The website contains our social media buttons. We are constantly updating our content with updated information on church events and announcements.



Birthdays

If you don't see your birthday or anniversary, please contact the office.

April 3 - Matthew Walsh

April 12 - Eric Ozelius

April 14 - Nancy Carini and Linda Emo

April 23 - Samantha Beaton

April 26 - Ruthanne Gellar 😊

May 6 - Marilyn Ozelius and Kristen Walsh

Happy
Anniversary

April 20 - Doug & Susan Montanari - 35 years 😊

Did you know - or ever think about?

Submitted by Ruthanne Gellar



The first post office was in a tavern in Boston.
It opened in 1639 and letters cost 1 cent.



The last episode of Mash was February 28 1983.
77% (Or nearly 106 million) viewers watched it.



February 28, 1954 was the year color television was first sold.

Church Signs

Here are some favorites from March:

No matter what you face in this life, do not let go of God's hand.

Be patient with yourself. Nothing in nature blooms all year.

A ship in harbor is safe, but that is not what ships are built for.

Pray on it. Pray over it. But most of all, pray through it.

Your present situation is not your final destination.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5 Easter 6:15am Sunrise Service 10am Church Service 7pm AA	6 10am Food Pantry 12pm Missions 6:30pm Boy Scouts	7 6pm Band Practice 7pm AA	8 9am 200th Anniversary Committee meeting 6pm TOPS 7pm AA	9 1pm Bible Study 7pm AA 7pm Trustees	10 7pm AA	11 9am AA
12 10am Church Service 11am Congregational Meeting 7pm AA	13 10am Food Pantry	14 6pm Band Practice 7pm AA	15 6pm TOPS 7pm AA	16 7pm AA	17 7pm AA	18 9am AA
19 10am Church Service 7pm AA	20 10am Food Pantry	21 6pm Band Practice 7pm AA	22 6pm TOPS 7pm AA	23 7pm AA	24 7pm AA	25 9am AA
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