

INVITATION TO PARDON

Rev. Pam

Hungry bellies and grumbling souls are not the final word. Manna and quail and water fill the bellies and calm the souls. The gifts of God reign o'er the people of God. Come, O God, for we are ready.

In the name of the one who teaches us to forgive one another, and ourselves, and who we turn to in times of hardship, and who taught us to pray, saying...

***THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**



***RESPONSE**

Tune: Red No. 241

**Spirit divine, attend our prayers and make this world thy home;
Descend with all thy gracious powers, o come, great Spirit, come!**

MOMENT FOR MUSIC

LITANY OF DEDICATION FOR THE MUSIC MINISTRY (Please see insert.)

ANTHEM

Sing to the Lord
Joyful Noise Choir and Alleluia Morning

Ken Medema



GATHERING SONG *Come On, Children, to the Gospel Feast*

Mark Morgan

Pam: Come on, children to the gospel feast.

All: Gather 'round, gather 'round.

Pam: Jesus welcomes all, the little and least.

All: Gather 'round, gather 'round.

This is where we sing and pray, read God's word on this glad day.

Come on, children, to the gospel feast, gather 'round, gather

'round.



CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Pam



***HYMN**

When in Our Music God Is Glorified
Handbell Choir, Organ, and Congregation

Black No. 561

(At the end of the hymn, Pre-K through 7th graders are invited to the Education Wing for Chapel Time and Classroom Activities. Youth grades 8 through 12 are invited to gather in the Reception Room.)

Maple Street News



Today is Music Dedication Sunday

We wish to thank flutist, **Nora Chan**, for sharing her gifts for music with us today. Nora is a senior at Danvers High School and the granddaughter of Marj Simpson.

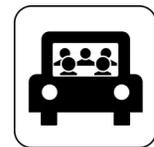
Text for the Moment for Music and phrases in the prayer in the Litany of Dedication for the Music Ministry are from the sermon, "These Things I Remember..." delivered by the Reverend J. Mary Luti at the United Parish Church in Brookline for the opening festival worship of the Boston Conference of the UCCMA, July 9, 2017.

- 9:45 am Joys and Concerns
- 10:00 am Morning Worship. Childcare is offered for children 3 and under at "Kid's Korner" in the hall behind the Sanctuary.
- 11:30 am Fellowship time in the Social Hall—Join the Maple Street Church Family for a *Cup of Justice (free-trade coffee)* and fine fellowship.
- 12:00 pm Earth Stewards Meeting



Earth Stewards will meet **TODAY at noon** at All Saints Episcopal Church and will tour the church's solar panel project.
All are welcome!

If you need a ride to Sunday Worship and other church activities, know that the Deacons can make arrangements for you. Please call the church office (978-774-4510), call Deacons Ride Coordinator Gisela Turner (978-624-7901) or email her (imaboatertoo@aol.com).



The Women's Group will meet this coming Wednesday, October 25, at 10:00 a.m. in the Reception Room. Grace Phinney and Eileen Thomas will be your hostesses for the meeting and Rev. Kevin will be our guest speaker. This group is open to all women of the church. *Hope to see you there.*



*Don't forget: **Vision Congregation Meeting**—"History"—one week from today, **October 29, following Worship.***

A light lunch will be served preceding the meeting in the social hall. All are invited.

Men's Breakfast this Saturday—9 am at the Breakaway Restaurant. *Please call the Office* to reserve your place and help the chef to plan!



Don't miss the annual **Animal Pet Parade this coming Saturday, October 28**, beginning 1 pm at MSC with costuming, food court, photo booth, and animal treats. Please see the inserted flyer.

Volunteers are needed to give rides to and from Sunday Worship services and other church activities for those in need of a ride. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board in the social hall.



Our beloved **Robert Honeysucker** recently passed away. This was very unexpected. For a tribute from our church family to Robert's church family,



we are taking up a special free-will collection to honor him by providing funds for special anthem music that could be performed in Robert's honor at his church. If you wish to make a donation, you may leave it in the basket provided in the social hall during fellowship time or you may leave it in the office. Please pray for Robert's wife and church...

Coming Soon: Community of Song Concert, Saturday, November 4
MSC Holiday Fair, Saturday, November 11 (Veterans' Day)

This Week

Monday

6:20 pm Cub Scouts in the Social Hall



Tuesday

9:15 am A New Day Yoga in the Reception Room

4:30 pm Girl Scouts in the Social Hall

6:30 pm Boy Scouts in the Social Hall

Wednesday

10:00 am **The Women's Group** in the Reception Room

3:30 pm Brownie Scouts in the Social Hall

4:30 pm *Alleluia Morning* in the Music Room

7:00 pm **Trustees' Meeting** in the Reception Room



Thursday

11:00 am **Staff Meeting** in the Reception Room

7:30 pm Chancel Choir in the Music Room

Saturday

Men's Breakfast, 9 am at the Breakaway Restaurant

Animal Parade beginning at 1 pm at MSC



Sunday

Worship at 10:00 am followed by the Vision Congregation Meeting



Reminder: Toiletries Needed for Lifebridge!

We will be making a monthly delivery of toiletries to Lifebridge in Salem. Please help those in need by bringing toiletries to church and placing them in the collection basket near the Lost and Found board.



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Our Worship Services are recorded each week aired on Danvers Comcast Channel 99 and Verizon Channel 36, Sunday 10:00 am and 7:00 pm (one week delay)

OFFICE HOURS—

Monday 10 am-2 pm; Tuesday through Thursday 9 am-2 pm; Friday 9 am-12 pm

Pastor Kevin Smith is available for home visitation, member weddings, funerals, memorial services, baptisms, and pastoral counseling. Pastor Pam is also available. Feel free to contact Pastor Kevin or Pastor Pam if you need a listening ear, if you want to discuss the work of the congregation, or if you would like to join Maple Street Church!

Office schedules can vary for ministers as they attend meetings, attend to church business, write and prepare for Sunday worship away from the office, visit members of the congregation, and more, so it's always wise to call or e-mail to make an appointment if at all possible. Pastor Kevin's day off is Friday. Pastor Pam's day off is Monday. Pastor Kevin's worship preparation times are Tuesday morning and Thursday afternoon when he will be out of the office. You can contact both at the Church Office phone listed above, the e-mails listed above, or you can contact Pastor Kevin at 978-968-5020.

PASTORAL PRAYER

*You are invited to complete the “Connection Card” if you are new,
need to update information or if you have a special request*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

***Offertory**

The Dwelling Place of God
Chancel Choir; Nora Chan, flute

John Purifoy

***Doxology**

Lyrics: Thomas Ken, Tune: Red No. 64

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ Whose pow’r uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 22:15-22

(The Message)

That’s when the Pharisees plotted a way to trap him into saying something damaging. They sent their disciples, with a few of Herod’s followers mixed in, to ask, “Teacher, we know you have integrity, teach the way of God accurately, are indifferent to popular opinion, and don’t pander to your students. So tell us honestly: Is it right to pay taxes to Caesar or not?”

Jesus knew they were up to no good. He said, “Why are you playing these games with me? Why are you trying to trap me? Do you have a coin? Let me see it.” They handed him a silver piece.

“This engraving—who does it look like? And whose name is on it?”

They said, “Caesar.”

“Then give Caesar what is his, and give God what is his.”

The Pharisees were speechless. They went off shaking their heads.

SERMON

“Flip of the Coin”

Rev. Kevin

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

Take My Life, God, Let It Be

Black No. 448

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Hallelujah! Amen in Judas Maccabaeus G.F. Handel
Our Worship together concludes with the Benediction Response.
*The Postlude is transitional music which inspires us as we go
forth as disciples to serve God and one another.*
Worship has ended. Our Service Begins



Welcome to Maple Street Congregational Church, United Church of Christ. If you are here for the first time, please fill out a connection card and place it in the offering plate. Our ushers and greeters are happy to answer any questions. Nursery care, with a trained staff, is offered throughout the worship service. **Sunday School** for children and youth takes place following the beginning of the second Hymn.

The church of disciples who welcome you!
Visit our web page at www.maplestreetchurch.org

Sunday's Servants:

Greeter: Sarah Prescott

Deacon of the Month: Casey Brennan

Ushers: Donna Mandriota, Peggy Coyne, Donna Eovacious, and Bob McBride

Special Assistant to the Deacon: Bob Wilkinson

*The flowers in the Chancel are in loving memory Eleanor Shannon
Given by the Shannon Family*

**Donating flowers for the altar or narthex is a wonderful way to honor a loved one.
If you wish to donate flowers, please contact Peggy Kuzma at 978-998-5007 or
smkuzma1@gmail.com**

Our lighted steeple is an important symbol of our presence in the community. Your contributions in memory of loved ones and friends or to commemorate a special event help keep the steeple lighted. If you would like to have the steeple lighted for one or more weeks, please fill out the form below and send it with \$15 per week to the church office.

I would like the steeple lighted in memory of: _____

I would like the steeple lighted in honor of: _____

Requested date (if available) to light: _____

(signed) _____ Telephone Number: _____