

Established as a local congregation in 1884, we are truly thankful for the more than 125 years God has given us to spend in service to Jesus Christ among the people of Easton and its surrounding communities.



We believe we are called together by God that all may **KNOW** Christ's love, **GROW** in Christ's purpose, and **GO** with joy to serve in Christ's name.

With ministries for all ages, and many faith opportunities for spiritual growth as well as for service, Covenant Congregational Church is a place of nurture, care, and love.

We welcome you and invite you to join us regularly!

Prayers of Petition

- *Leland Towne*, Tara Vasiliou's dad, as he undergoes surgery on February 2nd to remove a tumor from his lungs.
- *Peter Driscoll*, Rob's father, who has a clot in his lungs.
- *Murray Johns*, brother of Heather Willis, as he recovers from liver transplant surgery.
- *The family, and many friends, of Paul Rockwell* who died suddenly on January 11th at age 65.
- *The family of Karen Short's aunt and Muriel Olson's sister, Eva*. Eva passed away on Christmas day after a brief battle with pancreatic cancer.
- *The Bailey family* as they grieve the death of Jay's mother.
- *Heather Willis' mother* as she recovers from hip surgery.
- *Joanne Lundin*, Sandie Corradina's sister-in-law, passed away after a brave battle with cancer. Prayers to Sandie and her family.
- For *Rev. Whitney Hall* during this time of transition in her ministry.
- *Bob Clary's mother* is home recuperating.
- *Brian Edlund's brother Chuck*, who is undergoing treatment for a tumor in his eye.
- For *our congregation* as we navigate the transitions of these coming months.
- *The Edlund's 14-year old nephew, William*, who has been diagnosed with Stage I osteosarcoma and is receiving chemotherapy treatments.
- *Ernie and Pearl Robertson* for ongoing health challenges.

- *Linda Wainwright* as she struggles with severe and chronic back pain.
- *Carole DesLauriers*, Ed Willis' mother, for continued healing and peace.
- *Cindy Doherty*, who was diagnosed with throat cancer.
- *Angela Whitley* as she undergoes treatments.
- *Don MacLeod Jr.* is undergoing treatment for cancer.
- *Rob Driscoll* continues to receive treatment for kidney problems.
- *Joe Davis* and his ministry in Sweden.
- *Gail Hubbard*, friend of Lynda Valenzuela, receiving treatment for a brain tumor.

Prayers of Celebration

- For the many, many people who are so faithfully giving of their time, talent, treasure and testimony in order that the ministries of our congregation flourish and grow for Christ's Kingdom.
- For *Linda Cohen* who returned after undergoing training to become our newest Stephen Ministry leader, and the ongoing blessings of this important ministry to our congregation.
- For the many ways in which God has provided, challenged, and blessed us as individuals and as a congregation this past year.

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Rev. Johnny Agurkis, Pastor

Announcements

- **CCC ANNUAL MEETING:** All members and friends are requested to attend this important meeting which will follow morning worship today. Agenda will include distribution of Annual Reports of Pastors and Ministries, Budget proposal for 2012, presentation of ballot for open positions for 2012 and a financial update. Child care will be provided during the meeting.
- **Wednesday Evening Ladies' Bible Study** will be beginning a Lenten study using the guide *Parables and Passion: Jesus' Stories for the Days of Lent* by John Indermark. We will meet at Ann Shelley's home on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 from February 29th to April 4th. All women are welcome. If you are interested in joining, please call Sally Poirier at [508-238-0864](tel:508-238-0864).
- **Prayer Power and Stephen Ministry:** James tells us that the prayers of righteous people are powerful and effective (James 5:16). During the coming week, we invite you to pray about our congregation's Stephen Ministry. Specifically, please pray for those God is calling to serve as caregivers in this ministry. For more information about Stephen Ministry, contact [Linda Cohen, [508-243-8815](tel:508-243-8815)] or attend one of the two (1 hour) information times scheduled February 5th after church and Monday evening February 6, at 7:00 p.m.
- **OFFERING ENVELOPES** are now available in the narthex—please pick up the box with your name on it! If you do not find your name on a box please tell our Financial Secretary, Jim Carlson - jw.carlson@comcast.net
- **Pilgrim Pines The View** is available on the table in the Narthex. Please pick up a copy to see what's happening in the winter months as well as a preview of Summer 2012.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

- **Junior High Youth Group today at 4:30pm!** You heard right...Q-TIP WARS!!!!
- **Senior High Youth Group tonight at 6:00pm!** Come find out what happens when you lose at Apples to Apples...and what happens when you win!
- **CHIC 2012 Humble Beginnings (Appetizer & Salad) Cookbook** has arrived! The cost is \$10 per cookbook.
- **Junior High Retreat forms** are available on our church website at www.ecovchurch.org

You're Invited to Flavors of the World VII

Saturday, February 4, 2012
7pm—11pm \$75 per person
Thorny Lea Golf Club, Brockton, MA

Proceeds to benefit
HUGS II in Easton and Penelope's Place in Brockton.

Sponsored by: The CCC Men's Group

For information or tickets contact:
the Church office (508-238-6423) or
Denise Papagno
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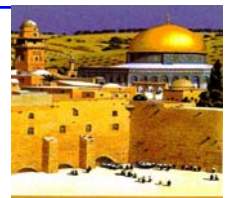
The Week Ahead

Monday	7:00 p.m.	Knitting
Wednesday	3:45 p.m.	Music Makers
	7:00 p.m.	Small Group Bible Study
Thursday	7:30 p.m.	Choir rehearsal
Friday	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Bible Study
	12:45 p.m.	Birthday Buddies
Saturday		Flavors of the World
Sunday	8:15 a.m.	Choir rehearsal
	8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		OpenSpace meeting
	10:30 a.m.	Worship
	After worship	Joyful Noise rehearsal
		Stephen Ministry intro
	4:30 p.m.	Jr. Youth Group
	6:00 p.m.	Sr. Youth Group

Holy Land Pilgrimage 2012

With Pastor Johnny & Pilgrim Pines

This is the final week to make the decision to join us! Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime adventure that will deeply impact your faith walk and your understanding of scripture.



Lectionary Scripture readings for next week:

5th Sunday after the Epiphany
Isaiah 40:21-31 Psalm 147:1-11, 20c
I Corinthians 9:16-23
Mark 1:29-39