

# First Baptist Church in Needham

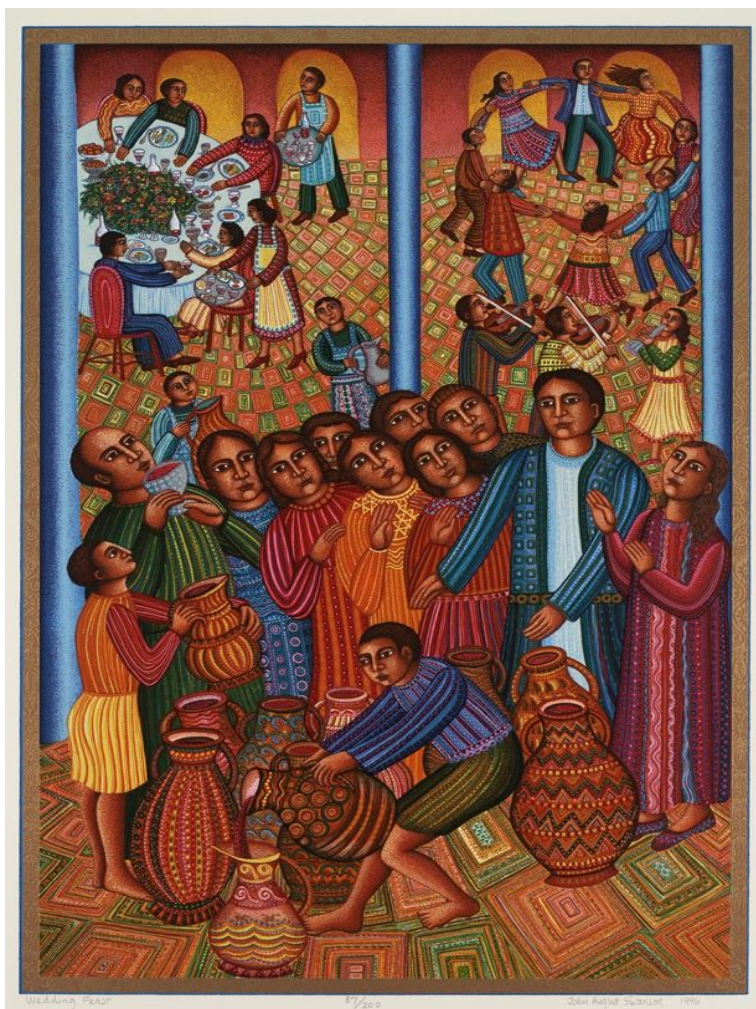
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## 19th Sunday after Pentecost

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**Worship and Prayer Resource**

**Sunday, October 11th**

**2020**

*(or whenever you are so led to pause, reflect, and pray)*

## Lighting the Candle of Life

*You may wish to light a candle or use the photo above as a focus for this time.*

**ALL: We light the Candle of Life - a candle that represents community, spirit, and the fullness of all of life - birth and death and all the transitions in between and beyond.**

## Scriptures for this Week

*Choose as many of these scriptures to accompany you throughout the week as you would like. You may choose to read one a day, or focus on one for the entire week. What stands out as you read them? What word or idea “shimmers” for you? Are there themes or ideas of connection between the scriptures, or that speak to particular circumstances you are experiencing? Where do you find good news in these passages?*

**Isaiah 43:19**

**John 2:1-12**

## Sermon

*You have **two sermon opportunities** this week.*

***The first opportunity** is to listen to Pastor Daryn’s sermon from the outdoor worship service on 10-04-2020,*

*<https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=youtu.be&v=cejdTc4Pock>*

*(Around time marker 5.26, the sermon begins, following the chiming of the hour. You may also enjoy watching the entire service - one that celebrates preparation and calling into new life as we get ready for our journey of Creative Callings).*

***The second opportunity** is to join FBC Newton for worship via Zoom at 10am on this Sunday morning, October 11th.*

*Pastor Daryn is preaching,*

*“Miracle Potential” on John 2:1-12 and Isaiah 43:19.*

***(See Announcements for the Zoom link for worship with FBC Newton, 10am, Oct 11th)***

## Song of Response    Jesus, Come, for We Invite You    SICILIAN MARINERS

Sing, read aloud, or listen to, "Jesus, Come, for We Invite You", as sung by Pastor Daryn, <https://youtu.be/7c0c1bgyAvY>.

Verse 1:

Jesus, come, for we invite you, guest and master, friend and Lord;  
now, as once at Cana's wedding, speak, and let us hear your word:  
lead us through our need or doubting, hope be born and joy restored.

Verse 2:

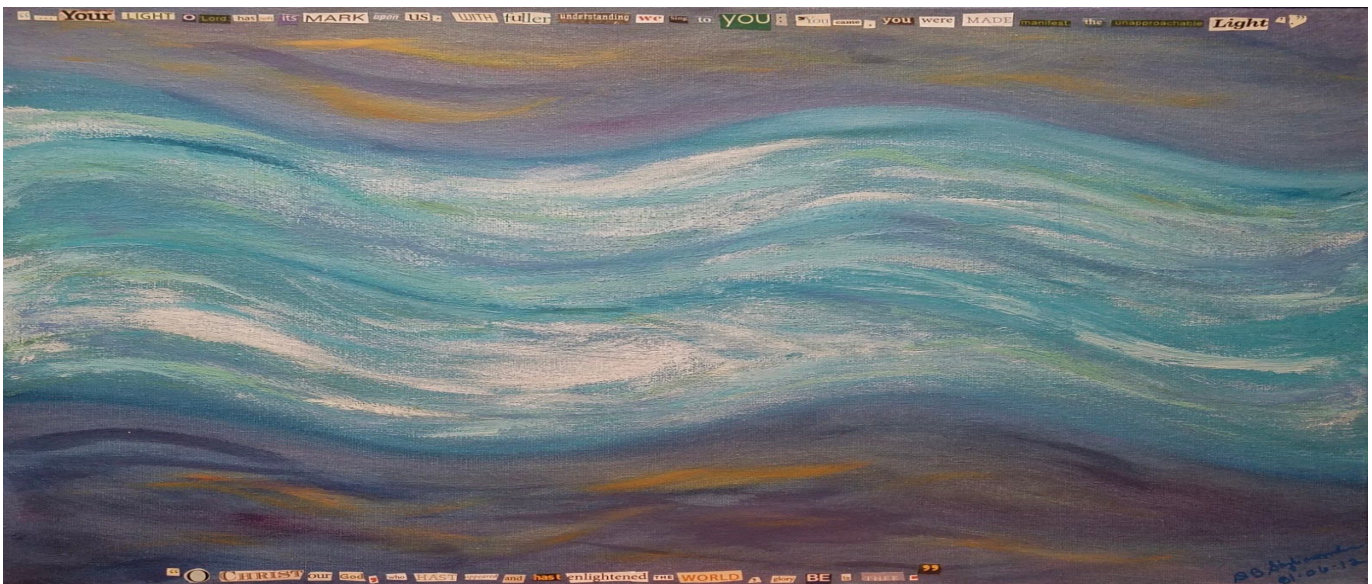
Jesus, come! transform our pleasures, guide us into paths unknown;  
bring your gifts, command your servants, let us trust in you alone:  
though your hand may work in secret, all shall see what you have done.

Verse 3:

Jesus, come in new creation, heave brought near by power divine;  
give your unexpected glory, changing water into wine:  
rouse the faith of your disciples - come, our first and greatest Sign!

Verse 4:

Jesus, come! surprise our dullness; make us willing to receive  
more than we can yet imagine, all the best you have to give:  
Let us find your hidden riches, taste your love, believe and live!



## Prayers of the People

*Enter into this time in song. If you don't know the tune, let the words be the doorway to your prayer.*

### Sung Prayer

### *Hear My Prayer, O Lord*

BENZENHAFER

arr. Holly C. Benzenhafer

Hear my prayer, O Lord. Hear my prayer, O Lord.

I am asking, hear my prayer, O Lord.

### Prayerful Meditation

“...prayer and meditation can be thought of as the creation of a mental space in which the energies of dreaming and the concerns of waking life are invited to meet each other and to have a mutual, open-ended conversation.”<sup>1</sup>

*Enter into prayer trusting that God who  
walks beside you in your waking  
also accompanies you through your dreaming - keeping vigil, ever present.*

## We Hold in Prayer...

*Many of this week's prayers are requests from members of our congregation in the past week. **If you have general or specific prayer requests - joys as well as concerns - to share please contact Holly or Daryn to pass them along.***

As a community of faith gathered in Spirit when we cannot be in person as we are accustomed, we offer our hearts and voices in prayer where we are, entrusting the Spirit's moving among us and responding far beyond our individual reach and influence...

Birthday blessings to **Jim Beall, Marilyn Blake and Trevor Parsons!** God, **grant them joy** as they celebrate a new year of life. We give thanks for their presence in the world.

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<sup>1</sup> Kelly Bulkeley, *Transforming Dreams: Learning Spiritual Lessons from the Dreams You Never Forget* (New York: John Wiley & Sons, 2000).

We continue to pray **for our congregation** as we begin an intentional process of discernment about **the future of First Baptist Church in Needham** - as we listen and **seek God's will and the movement of the Holy Spirit** through shared story and conversation with ministry partners, community partners and one another. We ask for **your blessing, Holy One, in this process**. Help us to **show up and participate fully, to be good and considerate listeners and careful with our words**. Help us to receive **clarity, and to move forward into a new iteration of ministry** knowing that **you have always called us into a newness of life and being**. Help us to move into that way of being together **without fear or trepidation, unhindered** by what we find comfortable or customary, what is expected or assumed. **Open our hearts to your wide and generous realm of possibility** and give us the **wisdom and strength to move forward into our next Creative Calling ... Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...**

We give thanks to **Town Meeting** for voting to allocate **Community Preservation Act (CPA) historic preservation funds to the restoration and preservation of First Baptist Church in Needham and First Parish in Needham, Unitarian Universalist**. We give thanks for the town and for their interest in preserving these two historic landmarks. We pray **that our building might be of value and service to our community for years to come ...Praise God, from whom all blessings flow...**

With Marty Fassett, we pray **for our President and his family** as they recover from COVID-19, and we pray **for the many members of his staff and administration, his military and defense leaders, secret service agents, and others on the campaign trail who have now been exposed to, or diagnosed with, COVID**. We have witnessed the virulence of this illness as it has claimed over 200,000 lives in the United States alone and over 1 million worldwide. We know how devastating it can be and we pray **for an end to its destruction**. We also know that it takes people being responsible with their own bodies and their own health to slow the spread of COVID-19, and therefore to save lives, and we pray **that people will see the truth in that, that they will, with an abundance of caution, humbly wear with care their masks**. Mask up! Save lives! ... **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...**

In that same vein, we pray **for wisdom and humility for our leadership, particularly our President** - that he would **acknowledge the carelessness of his actions and words, and the ill-informed choices he has made and encouraged that have led to the spread of COVID-19**. We pray **he will publicly repent** so that more people, particularly those who listen to him

and trust him, will take this virus seriously and take the precautions necessary to prevent its spread ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

For all **those who have lost loved ones** in the midst of this pandemic, we offer our prayers and heartfelt sympathies and compassion ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

We celebrate the recovery of **Deborah and James Earl Dickens** and **Deborah's mother, Pattie Estes**, who were all **recently diagnosed with COVID-19** that they contracted as a result of attending church services in Prentiss, MS. Deborah and James Earl tested negative in recent days and Pattie is awaiting testing, but seems to be feeling better ...*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow...*

God, we pray for our friends at **Old Cambridge Baptist Church** who are mourning the loss of their former pastor, **Rev. Irv Cummings**. Irv served OCBC for 21 years. We **celebrate his life** and that he is **now released from his struggle with cancer**. We pray for his family and all those who have **been touched by the love of God through his ministry, that the peace of Christ would find them in this time and accompany them through their sorrow. May his memory be an eternal blessing** to all who knew and loved him ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

With Andrew, we pray for **Wren and Carmen** who recently **moved to a new town** in Oklahoma. We pray for them **in this time of transition** and pray especially for Wren as she gets **acclimated to her new job** as a home health aid. God, for your continued **provision and care of Wren and Carmen**, we pray, and for their **courage and resilience** in this time of adjustment ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

We pray for **Liz's friend** who is moving to South Korea to begin a Master's program in robotics and engineering. We pray for **his safe travel** and for your blessing on **this exciting opportunity to expand his knowledge and make use of his gifts** ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

We give thanks, with **Katie, for good friends**. Particularly, we celebrate her **friendship with Adia** - that even across oceans and many miles they have **been able to stay in touch and support one another**. For the beauty of **friendship that overcomes distance and obstacles**, and for **friendship that is a comforting and encouraging gift**, we give thanks ...*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow...*

We offer prayers **for all those in the path of Hurricane Delta** - those in Cancun, Louisiana, Mississippi and the Gulf Coast. For their **safety and protection**, we pray, and especially we hold in our hearts **those who have not yet fully recovered** from the devastation of previous storms. Lord, in your mercy, grant them the **assurance of your presence** in this time of uncertainty and offer your **wisdom** that they might gain the advantage over this storm as they prepare for further destruction and disruption in their lives ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

God we pray **for all the first responders in our world** - those battling wildfires, those preparing for hurricanes and navigating folks through them, those responding to calls for the endangered, sick and dying - for **strength and for peace and protection** for them ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

With Clif, John and Dianne, we pray **for a friend** who is currently **in jail and awaiting trial**, as he has been for two years. God we pray that you will **remind him that he is not alone** and that **you are with him** in the midst of this difficult situation. We pray that **your truth is revealed** and that it **guides the result of the trial and all outcomes to follow** ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

We continue to hold Liz's friend, **Lisa Hobart**, in prayer, as **she awaits a kidney match and transplant**. Assure her heart of **your care and love for her** in this difficult time of waiting ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

We pray for **Nicole LaFace and her family** as they accompany **their cat of 13 years, Bunky**, through his last days. God, give them the peace that only you can provide. We send our prayers of love to them, and pray that you will remind them of **your care for all of creation in this life and in whatever is beyond it**. We give thanks **for the blessing of Bunky's presence** on this earth and in their lives ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

We celebrate with the **Stavros family** as they celebrate the marriage of their daughter **Julianna to Greg Hall!** Many **blessings on their wedding day**, and **joy and happiness** for many days more throughout their journey and adventure of life together ... *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow...*

With Pastor Daryn, we give thanks for **good neighbors who encourage the work of this church** and lend their skills and their support to our success and flourishing ... *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow...*

We give thanks **for a beautiful morning of worship on the lawn** this past Sunday. We offer our gratitude **for the reminder that you are a God who does new things**, from the beginning of time, throughout our lives, and along our journeys of faith. We are grateful **to be recipients and participants of, and in, the renewal** of our everyday living, and in the new thing you are doing in our church community and in our individual lives of faith. You **raise us up and call us forth into new life** and we praise you for **the wonder and mystery of your loving presence and creative Spirit ...**  
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...*

We continue to pray for **Andrew** who is still **recovering from acute pharyngitis**. For his **healing and comfort** in this time, the **soothing** of his throat and vocal chords, and that he **regains the fullness of his voice and energies ...** *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

With Bev we pray for **Trevor's healing and recovery**, and that his medications continue to do the good work of **healing his body and spirit**. We give thanks that he is improving ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

Good and gracious God, we pray **your healing and your comforting Spirit** be with **Ernie and Helen** as they **continue to recover and seek out the best treatment available for their cancer and their individual circumstances and diagnoses:**

We hold **Helen** in our prayers, and **give thanks** that she is able to maintain her **good humor** and navigate radiation and medical procedures **without a great deal of discomfort or pain ...** *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow ...*

We pray for **Ernie** and for **his medical team and the immunologists** who are seeking a **new routine of treatment** that allows for a **more sustainable and enjoyable quality of life**. We pray **that such a course of treatment would be determined** and that it would prove **effective in routing out this invasive bully in Ernie's body** without causing him pain. We don't like bullies, God, especially ones that bother the people we love. **Help Ernie to know he has good folks in his corner and lots of prayers fighting alongside him ...** *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

God, we ask your **mercy upon us** when the mistakes and misgivings of our minds, hearts and bodies lead to irrevocable consequences that cause others, and our world, more pain. **Have mercy on us** when we abuse our



power and privilege, when we misjudge, or when our biases and prejudices cloud our vision and corrupt our action. We pray for our divided communities, **unite us in your love and mark us with repentance and humility** so we can seek the change we need to heal. Again, help *all of us* seek and be ready for the **transformation** that needs to come for justice and peace to reign in the hearts and systems we create ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

We continue to offer prayers that **the stain of racism that exists on the fabric of our nation and the tendencies toward discrimination and dehumanization in our world would be eradicated**. Give us the **strength to overcome** these sins ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

With Dorothy and Marty we pray **for our world that leaves us weary**. There is so much brokenness and heartache, much of it beyond our control. God, we remember that we can hand over to you each night the worries of hearts, the fears and trepidation of our spirit, and the sorrow and exhaustion of our bodies. **Hold it for us**, God, when it is too much a burden to bear, and **renew us** in the night, for the new day ahead ... *Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer ...*

For the prayers of our hearts that you, Holy One, know even when words cannot hold them...*Hear my prayer, O Lord...*

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come,  
your will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins as we forgive  
those who sin against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For yours is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory forever.  
Amen.

## Offering

*During this time of offering, consider going right now to <https://www.fbcneedham.org> (Take Action) to complete your offering or continue to support the ongoing ministry of the church by writing your check to the church office and preparing it to mail to: **First Baptist Church in Needham, 858 Great Plain Avenue, Needham MA 02492.** Please indicate it is your offering or pledge on the check. Let this act be a spiritual practice woven in within your worship.*

## Doxology

### OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below.  
Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

## Benediction

*(Speak these words of benediction knowing that you are part of a loving community of faith. If you lit a candle at the beginning, you may wish to blow it out now.)*

One: Our blessing to one another is that we are here for one another, that we are with one another, that we celebrate and remember one another along the journey.

**ALL: We extinguish the Candle of Life, but the Light continues to shine within us. As we pass the peace we carry the Light of the Candle of Life from this hour into this world and beyond, offering peace, hope and light wherever the journey leads.**

## Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

One: Let us greet one another in peace as we prepare for the journey ahead.



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## Announcements

### **Our ministry at FBC Needham continues!**

With the gradual re-opening of the Needham Children's Center DayCare, our church office has re-opened for our Office Manager, Robin Bevilacqua. We are encouraging limited visits to the church building, and all who visit are required to mask, sign-in, and socially distance. If you need to speak with Robin, please call ahead if you can. Pastoral and other church staff are working from home. Office voicemail and email are being checked regularly. If you have a pastoral concern, contact Pastor Daryn or Pastor Holly by email, phone, or text.

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## Creative Callings

Collaboration, Innovation, and Prophetic Witness



**Boston University** School of Theology  
Center for Practical Theology

If you have questions about Creative Callings, or how you can best support First Baptist in our participation, please contact Pastor Daryn, [pastordaryn@fbcneedham.org](mailto:pastordaryn@fbcneedham.org).

**Reserve Thursdays at 6:30pm for our congregational conversations for discernment via Zoom!**

**You should have received a packet of information and guidance specific to Creative Callings.** Our first **Partner Video Testimony** is posted today, **October 11th**, on our website. Please watch the video and follow the guiding questions in your Creative Callings packet (also on our website, or contact the church office for a copy). Bring your thoughts and questions to our next **Congregational Conversation on October 15th at 6:30pm. The Zoom link and password for Creative Callings can be found in the newsletter and Creative**

**Callings packet you should have received. They are also on the member page on our website and our Creative Callings webpage. If you do not have it the login information for Zoom and or the password for our Creative Callings page, please contact Pastor Daryn, [pastordaryn@fbcneedham.org](mailto:pastordaryn@fbcneedham.org), and she will make sure you have access to the online gathering.**

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## **CPA Funding for Historical Preservation**

On October 4th, Town Meeting voted to allocate Community Preservation Act historic preservation funds toward the restoration and preservation of First Baptist Church's front porch and First Parish's bell tower! We are grateful for this decision and for the town's commitment to preserving its historic landmarks, including these two iconic church structures. Rev. Daryn and Rev. Catie Scudera from First Parish published a letter of gratitude to the Town of Needham:

Dear Needham Town Meeting members,

We are so grateful to Town Meeting for granting Community Preservation Act (CPA) historic preservation funds to preserve and restore exterior portions of the two oldest houses of worship in our town: First Baptist Church and First Parish in Needham, Unitarian Universalist. We take our stewardship of these historic Needham buildings very seriously. Regardless of our particular religious affiliations and the work we do for the benefit of the wider community, we want to ensure these iconic buildings — which include Needham's centennial Paul Revere Bell (First Parish) and its original town clock (First Baptist) — remain part of the Needham landscape. This is why we applied for CPA funds, and why we will conduct additional capital campaigns to secure funding for the restoration of our front porch (First Baptist) and bell tower (First Parish).

Both of us were present at Town Meeting for the deliberations; we are aware there were many concerns about using CPA funds for church projects, and that the vote was far from unanimous in favor of our applications. We recognize the complexities involved in the deliberations of each constituent and Town Meeting member and appreciate their thoughtful contributions to the discussion of our articles. We regret that our applications may have inadvertently been cause for division and confusion at Town Meeting, especially in the wake of

last week's "Needham Times" article that implied funding our projects might leave the town open to legal challenges. We are grateful to Town Counsel for assuaging those concerns. It has been an honor and joy to work with the Community Preservation Committee on our applications, and we thank those who spoke and voted in favor of our proposals and the preservation of these significant architectural landmarks in our town.

We also acknowledge, as was brought up by some Town Meeting members, that religious discrimination in our region means that CPA funding for historic preservation most frequently goes to Christian and Unitarian Universalist houses of worship; many religious groups were not able to establish houses of worship in early New England. If you are interested in learning more about redlining and other exclusionary practices in our nation's housing history (and present), please consider attending the At Your Neighbor's Table event, "What Kind of Communities Do We Want to Live In?" on October 18th on Zoom (email [info@coopmet.org](mailto:info@coopmet.org) for more information). Both of our congregations are co-sponsors of this important event.

We hope that the Town of Needham will continue to enjoy the beauty of our two historic buildings and that they will remain a valued asset to the Town of Needham for years to come. Please feel free to be in touch with either of us if you have questions, concerns, or curiosities about our buildings and their service to the town.

Thank you again to Town Meeting!

Blessings,

Rev. Catie Scudera, Minister of First Parish in Needham, Unitarian Universalist

Rev. Daryn Stylianopoulos, Pastor of First Baptist Church of Needham

**Thank you, Town Meeting!**



**At My Neighbor's Table Sunday, October 18 @ 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm** The At My Neighbor's Table Series in Needham has been holding conversations about race and equity since 2017. The topic for our next session on October 18, 2020 is examining housing policies through a lens of equity. LWV-Needham is a sponsor of this event. Join us for an interfaith conversation on how we can bring ourselves closer to a larger and more inclusive community. Please register by Wednesday, October 13, to join us in this timely and relevant conversation. Kindly share this invitation with other interested parties. Register at [amnthousing.eventbrite.com](https://amnthousing.eventbrite.com) by Wednesday, October 13.

**What Kind Of Communities Do We Want To Live In?  
Examining Housing Policies Through a Lens of Equity**

*Join us for an interfaith conversation on how we can bring ourselves closer to a larger and more inclusive community.*

**We will explore and discuss why there are high levels of racial, ethnic, and economic segregation in our communities and what we can do about it.**

**Presenter: Jennifer Raitt**

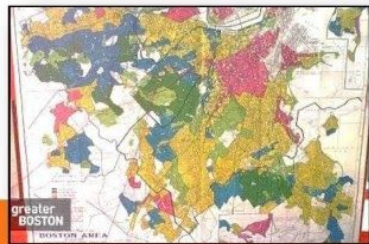


- Director of Planning and Community Development, Arlington, MA.
- Town of Brookline Housing Advisory Board
- Metropolitan Area Planning Council Executive Committee

**The Greater Boston Housing Report Card 2019 said:**

**"Massachusetts ... has a long history of overt segregation in housing policies"**

**RSVP at: [amnthousing.eventbrite.com](https://amnthousing.eventbrite.com)  
and please share on social media!**



**At My Neighbor's Table Series**

**Sunday, October 18, 2020  
5:00 - 6:30 PM**

***This event is Free but limited***

Kindly register by Wednesday, Oct 13<sup>th</sup> to find some quick videos to watch in advance.

Event Zoom link will be sent to registrants when sign up ends at 12 PM on Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>

**Sponsors:**

Cooperative Metropolitan Ministries, Baha'i Community in Needham, Carter Memorial UMC, Christ Episcopal Church, Congregational Church of Needham UCC, Equal Justice Needham, First Baptist Church in Needham, First Parish in Needham Unitarian Universalist, Grace Lutheran Church, League of Women Voters of Needham, League of Women Voters of Westwood/Walpole/Dedham, Progressive Needham, Needham Diversity Initiative, Needham Human Rights Committee, Temple Beth Shalom, Wellesley Friends Meeting

*These groups have come together to support this event.*

For questions, please contact: [info@coopmet.org](mailto:info@coopmet.org)

**Date:** Sunday, October 18      **Time:** 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

**Registration Website:**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/at-my-neighbors-table-what-kind-of-communities-do-we-want-to-live-in-tickets-122715757133>

## Worship with Us on the Lawn!

We are moving Worship to Sunday mornings at 10am

\* This **Sunday, October 11th**, we will not be on the lawn for worship. We will be joining with First Baptist Church in Newton via **Zoom for worship** \* Pastor Daryn is preaching \* We will then gather again for **Outdoor worship on the lawn on October 18th**. **Zoom information for worship October 11th:**

Zoom information is included in the emailed and mailed version of this worship resource. If you did not receive it, Contact Pastor Daryn for Zoom information pertaining to worship October 11th ([pastordaryn@fbcneedham.org](mailto:pastordaryn@fbcneedham.org)).



~ *Reservations Required for Worship on the lawn!* ~

Preregister to attend at the following link: [www.fbcneedham.org/worship-ministries](http://www.fbcneedham.org/worship-ministries)

We are delighted to creatively navigate this interesting moment in our lives of faith. Just a word of anticipation, this worship experience will not be traditional! Due to evidence that suggests group singing and collective responses to be unsafe, we will be experimenting with other forms of praise - drumming, streamers, clapping, etc. We trust that our praise, in whatever form it takes, will be glorifying and pleasing to God so long as we are also committed to the forms of praise God most cares about - care and justice for our neighbors (Isaiah 58, Amos 5:21-24). And in keeping with our care for you, we will continue to mail out and post online ([www.fbcneedham.org](http://www.fbcneedham.org)) our At-Home Worship Resources.

We are stressing the health and well-being of everyone, so please understand **social distancing and mask wearing are a requirement for all participants!** Mingling before and after worship is discouraged. If you have been sick or are not feeling well, stay home. If you are in a vulnerable population and have underlying health conditions, or do not feel safe joining, please do not feel pressured to attend; God is with you wherever you are. Please do what feels right and safe for you and for others. If we realize we cannot accomplish this worship experience in a safe manner that upholds the dignity and health of all gathered, we will cancel until another time presents itself.

We will NOT GATHER in the event of inclement weather (rain, snow or if the forecast calls for temperatures below 55 degrees fahrenheit). In the event of poor weather we will gather via Zoom. **Zoom links for worship can be found on the password protected member page of our website ([www.fbcneedham.org](http://www.fbcneedham.org)).** **The password for our community is in the fall newsletter and/or email you should have received.** Please do not share our community Zoom links on social media or with others you do not know or trust.

**Do not share our password for our church webpage with anyone beyond our church community** as there is contact information provided in our online directory that others may not appreciate being shared. Thank you for understanding. Blessings to you all!

As always, if you have questions or concerns about anything, or prayer requests you would like held by our community, contact Pastor Daryn, [pastordaryn@fbcneedham.org](mailto:pastordaryn@fbcneedham.org) or Pastor Holly, [pastorholly@fbcneedham.org](mailto:pastorholly@fbcneedham.org), or our church office: Robin Bevilacqua, [churchoffice@fbcneedham.org](mailto:churchoffice@fbcneedham.org).



# Missionworks October 17th! “Behold! The Time is Now!”



## THEME: BEHOLD! THE TIME IS NOW! 2 Corinthians 6:1-2

**Please join us...**

**There will be three separate sessions....join us for one or for as many as you wish.**

### **Session One | 10am to 11:30**

Presenters: Staff and Pastor Rev. Dr. Chery from Source of Light Church in Somerville will share with us about the special community outreach mission of their church during Covid 19.

### **Session Two | 1:30 pm to 3pm**

Presenters: Rev. Julie Flowers and her team from FBC Beverly will share about how their church has grown exponentially through their online offerings as well as hands on mission they are doing feeding folks in their community.

### **Session Three | 6:30 Pm- 8pm**

Our Keynote speaker, The Rev. Willie Bodrick, Pastor Elect at the historic 12th Baptist Church in Boston – preaching on our Scripture 2nd Corinthians 6:1-2.” Behold- now is the time!”

In addition to these terrific presenters we will have prayer time, worship time, and breakout discussion rooms where we will be able to share with each other about mission

Topic: Missionworks Virtual Conference

Time: Oct 17, 2020 09:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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For more information, please contact Rev. Christine Keddy, [keddy@tabcom.org](mailto:keddy@tabcom.org).

**Do You Need Washable Masks?** Be Kind Needham Masks for Seniors is a local organization making washable fabric masks available to local senior residents *for free*. Your health and safety in the weeks and months ahead is paramount, and having reusable, washable masks aids sanitation, is environmentally friendly, and is cost-effective. If you or a senior you know need masks, please contact Pastor Daryn or Pastor Holly.

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**Needham Community Council** continues to provide necessary resources and food to individuals in need of their services. If you or someone you know are in need of reaching out to them or if you want to learn how you can best volunteer to help at this time, go to their website at:

<http://needhamcommunitycouncil.org>.

*Please note: They ARE NOT accepting drop-off donations at this time due to safety protocols. Financial donations are greatly appreciated and needed.*

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**Newsletter** Check out our most recent issue of our Newsletter, *InSpire*. There you will find important information about worship, Creative Callings, stewardship and financial giving, as well as our upcoming capital campaign and building and organ restoration projects. There is a lot happening at FBC Needham this fall and I encourage you to actively participate in the life-giving ministry and discernment taking place in our community. To receive a copy, email

[churchoffice@fbcneedham.org](mailto:churchoffice@fbcneedham.org).

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