

Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C.
60 The Common
Phillipston, MA 01331



Phillipston
Community
Newsletter

April 2023



The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C.

Our Community Church

Sunday Service at 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School begins at 10:00 a.m.

Dear Friends,

Here is an anonymous story which tells the joy which Easter expresses. There was a woman who had been diagnosed with terminal cancer, and had been given three months to live. Her doctor told her to start making preparations to die, so she contacted her pastor and had him come to her house to discuss certain aspects of her final wishes. She told him which songs she wanted sung at the service, and what Scriptures she would like read. The woman also told her pastor that she wanted to be buried with her favorite Bible. Everything was in order, and the pastor was preparing to leave when the woman suddenly remembered something very important to her. "There's one more thing," she said excitedly. "What that?" asked the pastor. "This is very important," the woman continued. "I want to be buried with a fork in my right hand." The pastor stood looking at the woman, not knowing quite what to say. "That shocks you, doesn't it?" the woman asked. "Well to be honest, I'm puzzled by the request," said the pastor. The woman explained, "In all my years of attending church events with food, my favorite part was when whoever was clearing away the dishes of the main course would lean over and say, 'you can keep your fork.' It was my favorite part because I knew that something better was coming. When they told me to keep my fork, I knew that something great was about to be given to me. It wasn't Jello or pudding. It was cake or pie, something with substance. So I just want people to see me there in that casket with a fork in my hand, and I want them to wonder. "What's with the fork?" Then I want you to tell them, 'something better is coming, so keep your fork, too. '

Your sister in Christ, Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn

Easter's Great Gathering Saturday, April 8 at Red Apple Farm

Easter Sunrise service at 275 Ward Hill Road, April 9 at 6:10 a.m.

Easter Worship service at 10:00 a.m. on the Phillipston Common

THE NEWSLETTER IS ON www.phillipston.com
May 2023 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS April 23rd
For more info go to : www.phillipston.com/priceinfo.pdf

Join us for
our 11TH
E.G.G.

EASTER'S GREAT GATHERING

GREAT FAMILY FUN! ALL ARE WELCOME!

Sat, April 8th

Events: 8-1:00 PM Breakfast: 8-11:30 AM

Congregational Church of Phillipston Event @



FREE DOOR PRIZE RAFFLE TICKET

For each non-perishable food item donated (check expiration)

BREAKFAST @ the BREW BARN with the BUNNY!

Served: 8 - 11:30 AM

We're teaming up with the Brew Barn
to bring you a delicious breakfast menu!

A fun-filled
family tradition
since 2011!

FREE CHILDRENS' EGG HUNTS

Sponsored by Phillipston Lions Club
& Congregational Church of Phillipston



- 9:00, 10:00 & 11:00 AM
- Separate Toddler & Preschooler Hunt
- Teen Egg Hunt w/ prizes 11:30 AM

ADULT EGG RAFFLE at High Noon!

AirPods Fire TV Stick 4K Max
Echo Dot Lots of Gift Cards & More

\$5 per Egg or \$20/5 (one raffle ticket in each egg)

Need Not Be Present to Win

Advanced sales guarantee entry - Call: (978) 939-5608

Easter's
Great Gathering



Red Apple Farm

To benefit the Congregational Church of Phillipston

EASTER FAVORITES & GIFTS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Pictures with the Easter Bunny ~ Raffle Baskets ~ 50/50 Raffle ~ Baby Animals
Bunny Ears ~ Egg Hunt Baskets ~ Fudge ~ Fresh Cider Donuts & Hot Coffee
Craft Vendors & more!

Phillips Free Public Library

Library Hours

Tuesday 9-2pm

Wednesday 5-7pm

Saturday 9-1 pm

Board of Trustees Meeting:

Tues. April 4, 2023 at 6pm

* **“like” our Facebook page**

Phillips Free Public Library

Faberge Egg Program

We will hold an interesting program about Faberge eggs on Saturday, June 24. Participants will learn the history of these works of art, and have the opportunity to create their very own replica! Please

New Materials

New books include: ‘Hello Beautiful’ by Ann Napolitano, ‘It’s Ok to be angry about Capitalism’ by Bernie Sanders, ‘Lessons in Chemistry’ by Bonnie Garmus, ‘I Will Find You’ by Harlan Coben, ‘Pick a Perfect Egg’ by Patricia Toht and ‘An Easter Journey’ by Julia Zheng.

Museum Pass

The library is offering a pass to the Discovery Museum in Acton. When borrowed, this pass will admit 3 people at half the cost of general admission. Children under 1 year old are admitted free of charge. Call the library (978) 249-1734 to reserve the pass

New Raffle

Each time you visit the library in the month of April, you can enter our raffle to win a gift card to Smith’s Country Cheese! (browse around while you’re here... you may find a new favorite book or movie!)

Display of Collections

Do you have an interesting collection you would like to loan to our ever-changing display case? If so, call or stop by!

It’s that time of year again!

Yard sale time! Join the Community fun at
Phillipstons Town Wide Yard Sale!

Saturday, May 6, 2023

\$20 IS ALL IT TAKES - IT’S SO EASY!

Contribute to a good cause, clean out your clutter, & make some extra CASH!

We will do all the advertising for you!

Please contact Jennie at 978-790-9279 or send your \$20 check payable to Jennie Chace at:
740 Patriots Road Templeton, MA. 01468, to list your address on the map.

Encourage neighbors to join too, more homes = more customers on your street!

Maps to the different homes participating in the yard sale will be handed out for \$1 each on the Common in Phillipston – located in the center of town beginning at 7AM!

Like and Share our page on Facebook!

Sponsored by the Friends of the Girl Scouts.



58th Running of the Athol to Orange **RIVER RAT RACE**

Sat. April 8th 1:00PM

OPEN TO ALL

**(NO CANOES OVER 18 FEET IN LENGTH)
ENTRY FEE \$42.00 PER CANOE**

Sign Up March 1st

On Line <https://www.RiverRatRace.com>

Or In Person At Else Where 1485 Main St. Athol , Ma

Monday - Friday 9am - 6pm Saturday 10am - 2pm

Entries Close Thursday April 6th At 8pm

**Post Position Drawing At 7:00pm
Friday April 7th @ Athol Town Hall
Athol, MA**

**Presentation Of Trophies And Other Awards
The Orange River Front Park At 5PM Sat April 8th
For More Info About Race Check Out Our Web Site
At www.RiverRatRace.com**

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING May 3, 2023

7:00pm Phillipston Memorial School Gym

LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE WILL BE April 24th

To participate at the Town Meeting you must be registered to vote

YARD SALE

APRIL 29, 2023 8 AM TO 4 PM

443 DUDLEY ROAD TEMPLETON

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SOME OFF STREET PARKING

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The Historical Society of Phillipston Presents

Project Mishoon

Tuesday, April 18th at 7:00 PM

Location: Phillipston Fire Department

In 2000, a recreational diver found a sunken dugout canoe, or mishoon, in Worcester's Lake Quinsigamond. Knowing that their Nipmuc ancestors used the dugout to navigate the lake, the Hassanamisco Nipmuc tribe secured a reconnaissance permit with the Massachusetts Board of Underwater Archeological Resources in 2001. Subsequently, two additional mishoon were found, one dating to the 1640s. These unusual mishoon are unlike any others previously identified in New England. Cheryl Stedtler, Nipmuc tribal member and director of Project Mishoon, will present information on the mishoonash, including their history, scientific documentation and underwater imaging.

Following the presentation we will visit the Society's museum to view Phillipston's canoe that was found in Queen Lake in 1967.

This program is supported in part by a grant from the Phillipston Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

Drive Thru or Dine In 2023

Sponsored by Lions and Friends of Lions in Phillipston

Lunch April 15 11am to 2pm - \$10.00

Soup, Sandwich, Salad (SSS)



Soup	Cream Broccoli, Tomato Bisque & Veg's Soup
Sandwich	Egg, Tuna, Ham or Ham & Pickle & Chicken
Salad	Tossed Salad – greens, tomato & cucumber
Dessert, Soda, Water, Fruit Drink, Hot Drink	

April 11, 2023 - Lions Meeting at 7:00pm Phillipston Library

April 24 – 28, 2023 Senior Meals Delivered - Chicken Stew & Desert

Phillipston Youth Supporters
Phillipston Parents and Guardians,

The Phillipston Youth Supporters (PYS) is an organization that supports ALL children of Phillipston. PYS would like to help you send your child on a field trip, to a camp, or to help with the cost of an extracurricular activity. Please send an email to: phillipstonyouth@gmail.com to obtain an application.

Please remind your senior to visit the guidance office to obtain information on the senior scholarships we give out each year or email us at phillipstonyouth@gmail.com.

Our next quarterly meeting will be held on June 8, 2023. All are welcome. Hope to see you there..

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April is on it's way!
Springtime cleanup and mowing.
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