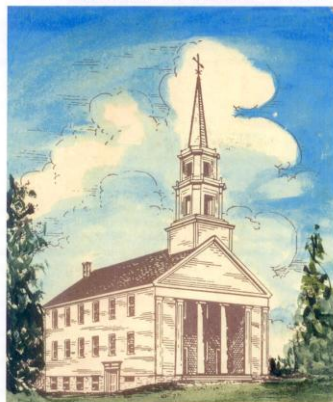


Congregational Church of Phillipston, U.C.C.  
60 The Common  
Phillipston, MA 01331

**The Congregational Church  
of  
Phillipston, Massachusetts**



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Phillipston  
Community  
Newsletter

# August 2020



The Phillipston Congregational Church, U.C.C.  
Our Community Church

Dear Friends,

The Phillipston Congregational Church is part of the United Church of Christ. This past week I received a prayer booklet from the (UCC) denomination as part of their ongoing support of churches and clergy. The booklet contains many different kinds of prayers including a Litany of Sending and Blessing. "Our worship has ended, but its gifts remain: Tuck its praise inside you. Take its goodness with you. Drink from its wells of lasting peace. Live by its light, its courage and grace, and don't be afraid. Regard all people as your people. In hard times and good take care of yourself, take care of your people and don't be afraid. And may the blessing of God, our life, the friendship of Christ, our healer, and the daring of the Spirit, our truth, be ours today, and everyday to come. " by Mary Luti (just a reminder the New Testament contain the words, "Do not be afraid" many times especially in the Christmas story!

Another prayer I liked is called the Litany of Purpose by Donna Schaper  
How to find purpose in times like these? Especially since we don't know the name for the times or what the old name for the old times really was or what the new name for the new times will really be. What story will we tell about ourselves during the pandemic?

I was fine.

I survived.

I coped.

Or: I called myself beloved, and the earth called my name back to me.

Your sister in Christ,

Rev. Stephanie C. Flynn

P.S. Outside worship will be August 9 and August 23.

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# **The Phillipston Congregational Church**

## **On the Common, Phillipston, MA**

### **IS TEMPORARILY CLOSED DUE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS**

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**ON SUNDAY August 9<sup>th</sup> AND SUNDAY August 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Pastor Stephanie will be leading the service, standing in front of the church with  
Attendees parking around the Phillipston Common, staying in their cars or sitting  
on the front lawn of the church.

A joyous time to celebrate our risen Lord Jesus! GOD BLESS US ALL!

**We are praying for the victims of this pandemic and praying that all of you be safe.**  
**Amen.**

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## **NOW OPEN !**

**COME AND SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL CRAFTERS & FARMERS**  
**WEDNESDAY's ~ 3:00 to 6:00 pm**  
**at Historical Society Property ~ 80 State Road**

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**Phillipston Residents - Your Town Needs You!**

The Selectmen are looking for a few residents who enjoy the pleasures of Queen Lake but who do not live on the lake to advise the Board on ways to improve the lake experience. More parking? Sandier beach? Fancier bathrooms? Please contact the Selectmen's office to volunteer to be a member of the Queen Lake Advisory Group, 978-249-6828 or [selectman@phillipston-ma.gov](mailto:selectman@phillipston-ma.gov).

# *Phillips Free Public Library*

**Library Hours- for Curbside Pick-up**

*Tuesday 9-2pm*

*2020...*

*Wednesday 5-7pm*

*outdoors*

**Board of Trustees Meeting**

*Tuesday, August 4,*

*meeting to be held*

## **Attention: All Phillipston Elementary Students (Parents) !**

WE are missing MANY library books that were borrowed during the class visits, and likely went home with students, before the school year came to an abrupt end. PLEASE, if you have a former Phillipston Elementary Student, look through your home for any stray library books (all are stamped inside with our library's name) We are a very small library with an equally small collection, and we cannot afford to lose so many books...

Books may be returned in the black 'mailbox' by the road, or during our staffed hours : Tuesday 9-2, Wednesday 5-7. Thank you!

### **Curbside Delivery**

While the library remains closed to the public, we are offering 'curbside delivery' during the hours listed above. Requests for materials may be placed by: calling the library at (978) 249-1734, and leaving a message, or speaking to a staff member, OR by emailing your request to: [phillipstonlibrary@comcast.net](mailto:phillipstonlibrary@comcast.net). Please leave a good number to call you to arrange pick-up of your materials outside the library. Returns may be placed in the box at the end of the ramp, or in the black 'mailbox' by the road.

### **Free Produce**

There will be a box of fresh produce from the Templeton Food Pantry at the end of the library's ramp every Tuesday 9-2. Please stop by to see what is available, and take what you can use.

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THE NEWSLETTER IS ON [www.phillipston.com](http://www.phillipston.com)

**September 2020 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS August 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**For more info go to : [www.phillipston.com/priceinfo.pdf](http://www.phillipston.com/priceinfo.pdf)**

## \* *Something Special Close to Home* \*

Stay safe. Stay close to home. That's the message we all hear. COVID-19 has put a damper on vacation opportunities this year. And, with that in mind the Historical Society of Phillipston would like to remind you of an interesting hike with exceptional building remains with granite foundations that are right in town.



Goulding village, located at the corner of Barre Road and Riley Switch Road, was a thriving industrial complex in the early 1800's. There was a cotton mill there, a woolen mill, a hat factory, a chair shop, and a creamery where first-grade butter was churned, and all of these businesses were powered by water from Queen Lake. You can check out page 16 in *The Spirit of Phillipston* book to see one of the buildings that was there.

When steam engines replaced water power and the railroad bypassed Phillipston, industry moved away. People also moved away... but the change kept our town from possibly becoming a city.

However, the incredible remains of the high rock and granite walls built by hand to hold the water needed to power the mills and the massive granite structures built to house the waterwheels are still there. You have to see the stone works to believe we have such a treasure.

The property was donated to the Historical Society by *Patience + Werner Bundschuh* in 2013 for all to enjoy and appreciate. Eagle Scout Andrew Flynn created a pathway through the complex in 2014 to make it accessible and to lead the way to the important remains. A woodland walk through this tucked-away historic site is an eye-opening experience for people of all ages; an interesting, safe place to enjoy that is close to home.

Carole Gariepy





**Phillipston Lions Club**  
at  
**Phillipston Church**  
**Saturday, August 15, 2020**

**Drive Thru >>> Breakfast to Travel**  
**7:30 am to 10:30 am**

**#1 - Spanish Omelet**

*Green peppers, onions, mushrooms. Topped with salsa & cheese.  
Served with home fries, sausage, your choice of toast or english muffin.*

**#2 - Skillet Banquet with Cheese**

*2 scrambled eggs over homefries with ham, onions & tomato topped with cheese.  
Served with choice of toast or english muffin.*

**#3 - Make Your Own Omelet**

*With Ham, cheese or vegetables (tomatoes, onions, green peppers).  
Served with homefries, sausage and choice of toast or english muffin.*

**#4 - Pan Sized Pancakes**

*Two pancakes served with home fries and sausage.*

**#5 - French Toast/Texas French Toast**

*Made with your choice of bread.  
Served with homefries and sausage.*

**#6 - Eggs - Your Way**

*Choice of scrambled, fried or poached eggs. Served with  
homefries and sausage. Your choice of toast or english muffin.*

*All breakfasts come with your choice of juice: Orange, Cranberry, Apple & Tomato.*

*Bread selection: White, Texas white, Wheat, Marbled Rye & English Muffins.*

***All breakfasts are \$8.00 each***

**ORDERING DIRECTIONS:**

Drive up to sidewalk next to church and a member of the Lions will take your order and payment.

Please wait around the common. Your order will take 15-20 minutes to prepare and will be delivered to you vehicle when completed. >Thank you for supporting the Phillipston Lions Club.

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**LADIES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY**

**All Meetings of the Ladies Benevolent Society**, during this COVID-19 pandemic, have been cancelled until further notice. Please take notice of all instructions to keep you safe so that we may be able to get together again soon and celebrate! God Bless You and Stay Safe!

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**TRANSFER STATION UPDATE**

Effective July 1, 2020 all Trash **MUST** be in Town Bags. Bags are available at the transfer station. \$20.00 for a roll of 10 bags. Please have your check made out before coming, Payable to Town of Phillipston.

Recycling is also open, Please recycle what you can. Thank you.

# 2020 Vote by Mail Application



William Francis Galvin  
Secretary of the Commonwealth

## Voter Information

1

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Voter Registration: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Ballot Information

2

### Ballot Requested For:

☐ September 1, 2020 Primary\*

☐ November 3, 2020 Election

☐ All 2020 Elections\*

### \* Independents – Choose Your Primary Ballot:

☐ Democratic

☐ Republican

☐ Green-Rainbow

☐ Libertarian

Mail Ballot to: \_\_\_\_\_

## Assistance (If applicable)

3

☐ Voter required assistance in completing application due to physical disability.

Assisting person's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Assisting person's address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed (under penalty of perjury): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Eligibility

Any registered voter may use this application to request a mail-in ballot for any election being held in 2020.

## Completing the Application

1. Voter Information – Provide your name, the address where you are registered to vote, and date of birth. Telephone number and e-mail address are optional.
2. Ballot Information – Choose which election(s) in which you want to vote by mail. **If you are voting by mail in the State Primary and you are Unenrolled (Independent), choose one party ballot.** Also provide the address where you want the ballots mailed.
3. Assistance – If you are assisting a voter in completing this application, complete this section.
4. Sign your name – If you require assistance in signing the application, you may authorize someone to sign your name in your presence. That person must complete the assisting person's information in Section 3.

## Submitting the Application

Send the completed application to the local election official at your city or town hall.

Find contact information for local election officials at [www.sec.state.ma.us/ele](http://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele) or by calling 1-800-462-VOTE (8683).

Applications can be mailed or hand-delivered. Applications may also be submitted electronically by fax or e-mail, as long as your signature is visible.

If you're applying for a State Primary ballot, this application must arrive at your local election office by **August 26**. For November 3 State Election ballots, the application must arrive by **October 28**.

From the Town Clerk's Office of Phillipston

[townclerk@phillipston-ma.gov](mailto:townclerk@phillipston-ma.gov)

978-249-1733

## September 1, 2020 State Primary

- 8/12/2020 - Last Day to Register to Vote/Make Changes to Voter Registration
- **8/31/2020 - Last Day to Apply for Absentee Ballot must be done by 12:00 pm**
- **EARLY VOTING (in person)** August 22<sup>nd</sup> to August 27<sup>th</sup> see dates and times listed:
- Saturday August 22<sup>nd</sup> 10am-12pm, Sunday August 23<sup>rd</sup> 10am-12pm
- Monday August 24<sup>th</sup> 8am-4pm, Tuesday August 25<sup>th</sup> 8am-4pm,
- Wednesday August 26<sup>th</sup> 8am-4pm, Thursday August 27<sup>th</sup> 8am-4pm.
- **8/26/2020 – Last Day to apply for Early Voting mail in ballot**
- **Polls open on September 1<sup>st</sup> 7:00am and close at 8:00pm**

**Voting location is the Upstairs Assembly Room at the Town Hall  
50 The Common, Phillipston, MA 01331**

## November 3, 2020 State/Presidential Election

- 10/14/2020 Last Day to Register to Vote/Make Changes to Voter Registration
- 11/2/2020 Last Day to Apply for Absentee Ballot must be done by 12:00 pm
- **10/19/2020 - 10/30/2020 Early Voting (in person) see below:**
- Saturday October 17<sup>th</sup> 10am-12pm, Sunday October 18<sup>th</sup> 10am-12pm
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> 8am-4pm, Tuesday October 20<sup>th</sup> 8am-4pm,
- Wednesday October 21<sup>st</sup> 8am-4pm, Thursday October 22<sup>th</sup> 8am-4pm
- Saturday October 24<sup>th</sup> 10am-12pm, Sunday October 25<sup>th</sup> 10am-12pm
- **October 28<sup>th</sup> last day to request ballot by mail**