



# The Friendly Messenger

Amicable Congregational Church  
United Church of Christ

William A. Sterrett ~ Pastor

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## **Amicable Sunday School**

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## **We offer Sunday School for**

*Preschoolers – 12th grade*

## **We offer Child Care for**

*Babies – Toddlers*

**ANNUAL MEETING**

**January 26**

**FEBRUARY FRIENDLY**

**MESSANGER Material Deadline**

**January 21**

**RHODE ISLAND CONFERENCE**

**United Church of Christ**

<http://www.ricucc.org>

## Extended Coffee Hour and Annual Meeting

January 26<sup>th</sup>

**ALL  
ARE  
WELCOME**

Following worship on **Sunday, January 26**, all are welcome to an extended coffee hour which will be held prior to the Annual Meeting.

At the business meeting following the coffee, members will vote in **Church Officers for 2020** and discuss **Church Council and Committee updates** and needs. We hope everyone will make an effort to be in attendance.

## Stewardship Campaign

*Hello friends:* Just a friendly reminder to those who have not yet made their pledges to the 2020 Church Budget: PLEASE: let us know what you plan to pledge soon! We are almost to our goals. We need your help to get there. If you have misplaced a pledge sheet and wish another, please contact me at 401-624-7367 and I'll mail you one or simply contact the church Treasurer, Roger Gauthier and let him know your intentions. You do not need to pledge to be eligible for free offering envelopes from the church. If you would like to have a set, just ask Roger. He may even be able to give you a set with your lucky number on it.

Thank you, *Charles Simonson, Stewardship Team*

## Pledge Forms and Offering Envelopes for 2020

Pledge forms for 2020 are still available in the Chapel for those that need them. Offering Envelopes for 2020 are available as well. If you have any questions about Pledging or would like Offering Envelopes please speak with the Treasurer, Roger Gauthier, or call the church office.

## **Rev. Sterrett Away/Guest Preacher**

Rev. Sterrett will be on vacation from Monday, December 30, though Monday, January 6. Rev. Dr. Charles Simonson will be leading worship on Sunday, January 5. In case of a pastoral emergency, please contact the church office (401-624-4611) or Pat Campion (401-297-7323).

## Join a Ministry- Share Your Gifts



### LOVE TO SING?

That is all that is required to join the Amicable Choir! You need not be an accomplished singer, nor do you need to have any choir experience. We meet once a week for one hour on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM. We sing typically twice a month in the service. Come, give it a try!

### Quilters - Knitters



Wednesdays, 9:00 – 11:00  
September thru June. This is a great opportunity to enjoy two hours of relaxed companionship with other women who have similar interests. No experience is required. You may attend these sessions and learn. Those who do other hand crafts are also welcome.

### Prayer Shawls ~

#### "A Warm Hug"



The shawls are knit or crocheted for those in our church or community who are going through challenging times, for our confirmands, and for babies who are baptized.

Shawls can be worked on at home or on Wednesday mornings during the knitting and quilting time. Yarn, patterns and needles are available at the church. We also use fleece prayer shawls for young children, if you do not knit or crochet.

For more information, please call Barbara Holmes 401-624-2221.

## Pastoral Letter

*For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.*

Last year, in this space, I shared with you two testimonials, which were presented in worship in October 2018. I am repeating this again, as I have heard from several people of their interest in reading Sue Cory's testimonial.

So, as we look forward to the new year, trusting in God to "give [us] a future with hope", instead of me writing about the coming year and the hope I perceive on the horizon, here is a testimonial that reflects a bit on Amicable's past, which always steadies and guides us into "a future with hope":

**Sue Cory** wrote:

I love Amicable Church. With the exception of my family and childhood friends, nearly all the people I love most are my Amicable family. They have been with me and my family through many difficult times, and through happy times, as well. As I have gotten older, I find I am very emotional about Amicable Church, and therefore I am not standing before you to read this.

Unlike several members of our congregation who have found a home here at Amicable after growing up in other faith traditions, I have always been a Congregationalist. Although my maternal grandparents lived at the bottom of Highland Road and attended Amicable, I grew up in East Providence and attended Hope Congregational. If I was spending time with my grandparents, I came to church with them, sitting in the pew where Jim and Ray usually sit. My favorite memories of Amicable are hearing my grandfather sing the hymns he loved. My least favorite memories were of Mr. Davis's Pastoral Prayers which seemed to a child as though they would never end.

Grampa Wilcox was a Deacon and, as his window on the east wall attests, he was Sunday School Superintendent here for 15 years. Sunday School was very important to Grampa, and if we drove down from East Providence to their house for Sunday dinner, his first question to my sister and me was, "Did you girls go to Sunday School today?" My mother worshipped her father and made sure we could always tell him we had indeed gone to Sunday School that morning. We went, mostly without complaint, because we knew it was important to Grampa, whom we loved.

In its original location, Hope Congregational was less than two blocks away from my home. That made it easy for my mother to just send us to Sunday School, as she and my dad never went to church unless my sister and I were doing something special in Sunday School or church. My dad was raised as a Catholic and my mother was the only daughter-in-law to marry into his family who refused to convert. Whether their refusal to attend church was a sort of truce between them or whether it was the tragic loss of my older sister that caused a loss of faith, I never asked.

By the time I was in junior high school, I was teaching Sunday School at

## *Hospitality*



### *Greeters*

We seek to be as welcoming as Jesus was at the wedding feast at Cana and as our name suggests. Please consider serving as a Sunday greeter. The sign-up sheets can be found on the long table at the back of the sanctuary. Please let Kristen Zeiser know if you need or have misplaced your name badge. She'll be happy to make you a new one.

### *Coffee Hour...*

...offers the chance for members, friends, and visitors to get to know one another better, share concerns and catch up on the latest news. Volunteers are always needed to help host each week throughout the year. Coffee, juice and snacks are already available in the Upper Hall Kitchenette. Please sign up on the calendar or sign up sheet in the Upper Hall.

### *Word Ministry ~*



### *Lay Reader*

Volunteers are needed to serve as Lay Readers. A sign-up sheet is in the rear of the Sanctuary. speak with any Deacon or contact Jean Galipeau at [jeanpeau@cox.net](mailto:jeanpeau@cox.net) or 401-624-8540.

Hope Congregational, and I continued to do that through college, as I was a day student and lived at home. I've joked with Bill that because I was mostly in Sunday School, my religious education is stuck at the Bible stories of Jesus stage. I completely missed the "doctrine" part of Christian education.

By the time I married and moved to Tiverton in 1960, my grandfather had died. My husband had grown up at Amicable and although he boasted about his Sunday School attendance pins, which some of you may remember, he did not attend church, so I did not, except for the day in 1961 when my membership was transferred from Hope Church to Amicable Church.

It was only when my daughter started to attend Vacation Bible School and then Sunday School that I began to get involved at Amicable. Soon after, Slade Innis, our minister for many years, retired and Joe Runner became our new minister. As I recall, the structure of the church boards and officers were reorganized at that time. If I'm not mistaken, all the Deacons and Trustees had previously been men. Wardwell Leonard asked me to be part of the new Christian Education Committee and a few years later I was asked to be one of the first female Deacons. I have never been a "joiner", but I felt I could not refuse Mr. Leonard's request. As he pointed out, I would be following family tradition. Since then, I have accepted nearly every request for service. My comfort level would have led me to stay at home and let someone else do what needed to be done, but it has only been through service that I have come to know most of the wonderful people here at Amicable. It is the love I have received here that makes it comfortable for me to reach out to others.

Like most churches, Amicable has changed over the years. It feels very different to me from the church I remember from my grandparents' days. We have had several ministers since the Amicable of the 1950's ... some we have endured and others we have enjoyed, but I am ever grateful that we have had Bill Sterrett to continue to guide us through the important changes that have made Amicable the welcoming place it is today.

I would encourage anyone who wants to know more about our church family to become involved by participating. If, by some unlikely accident, no one has asked you yet, please volunteer in whatever capacity you feel comfortable. For that matter, stretch a little and try something. You will be the beneficiary.

I will continue to support Amicable Church in every way I can, as much as I can, for as long as I am able.

Sue Cory

I thank Sue, not only for sharing her story, but for the many, many ways she has been and continues to be a blessing to Amicable Church and all whom she encounters. It is my hope that her words have encouraged you to reflect on what role Amicable Church has played in your life and that her words cause you to make a special effort to take part in the up-coming ministries of Amicable Church. For God, indeed, has plans for us, plans for our welfare, plans for a future with hope. Those plans most often become realized in our lives in and through our shared giving of self to the church community.

*New Bedford Salvation Army  
Soup Kitchen*



Please contact Pat Campion -  
[pjcamp53@aol.com](mailto:pjcamp53@aol.com) for details or to  
volunteer.

**Food Pantry**



**East Bay Community Action**  
1048 Stafford Rd, Tiverton, RI  
(401) 625-5123

**Church Membership**



*If you are interested in becoming a  
member of Amicable Church,  
please contact Rev. Bill Sterrett –  
401- 787-8828 or the Church  
Office 401- 624-4611.*

Happy New Year and Blessings!

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to be "Bill Sterrett".

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**Worship Themes**

**January 5** Rev. Dr. Charles Simonson will be leading worship while Rev. Sterrett is away. The scripture focus will be: Jeremiah 3:7-14 and John 1:10-18. Sermon Title is "The long reach of God's Love"

**January 12** Epiphany, January 6, is when the church celebrates the arrival of the magi and the recognition of who the baby Jesus really is. This first Sunday after Epiphany is traditionally the Baptism of Christ Sunday, where the adult Jesus is anointed by water and the Holy Spirit. In the book of Acts is recorded a sermon by the Apostle Peter (Acts 10:34-43), in which Peter tells us why Jesus is important: Jesus revealing, God revealed. In worship we will examine what this "revealing" has to do with us.

**January 19** This Sunday falls on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday weekend. Guided by the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 49:1-7) we will focus on the legacy of Dr. King's ministry and what it means to be "chosen by God" and "a light to all nations."

**January 26** On this Sunday, when we will be welcoming new members into our fellowship, we can join in celebrating as Isaiah (Isaiah 9:1-4) did, when God "multiplied the nation ... [and] increased its joy." (vs. 4a) Also, appropriately, the Gospel reading (Matthew 4:12-23) is about Jesus calling disciples and going about his ministry with them. In addition to welcoming new members we will also kick off our annual Food Drive. We are asking those coming to worship to bring non-perishable food items to share with those in our community who are hungry.

**Amicable News at a Glance**

**Christian Education:**

- Wishing all a Happy New Year start for 2020!
- **CHILDREN'S CHOIR.** Starting **Sunday, January 19**, Vaughn will be meeting briefly (for about 15 minutes) with the children in the sanctuary after they've had a chance to have a quick snack at Coffee Hour. They will meet for 4 Sundays and then sing at the **February 16** church service. Vaughn, who is a voice teacher, works to provide a fun way for the kids not only to learn a song, but also to learn to match pitch and to use their voices to sing in different ways! All children are encouraged to join in, and parents are welcome to sit in the pews and watch the rehearsal!

**Trustees:** Will meet on January 14, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

## Prayer List



*Please call the  
Pastor ~401-787-8828  
or Church Office ~*

*401-624-4611  
to add, remove or  
change someone's status  
or if you would like to be  
added to the weekly/on-  
going  
prayer list.*



We're the three kings ...with gifts we bring.  
How can you help with some of these things?  
We would like to ask for your time and talent with "gifts for Amicable".  
On Sunday 29 December we will have the first Amicable "Epiphany Tree"  
in the upper hall. Just like a  
giving tree, we will have "tags" of tasks that we request your time and  
talent. Please consider a "gift" to  
Amicable.  
Thanks from the Stewardship Committee.

### **Inquirers' Class**

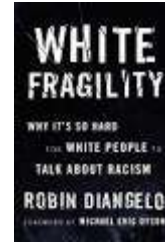
All those, who would like to know more about Amicable Church and/or are interested in becoming a member, are invited to a light lunch following worship on **Sunday, January 12**. This will be a chance to learn more about the history of the Christian church and Amicable Church, in particular. Many of the officers of the church will be present to share the various ministries of Amicable Church and how you can grow your gifts in Christian service.

Also invited are those who have been a part of Amicable for a very long time, as this is a good chance to get to know some of the new faces at Amicable.

If you are interested in attending, please let the church office or Rev. Sterrett know, so that we know how much food we need to prepare. For families wishing to attend, child care will be provided.

### **New Members**

We will be receiving new members into our fellowship on Sunday, January 26. If you are interested in joining Amicable Church, please contact Kristen Zeiser ([kristen.zeiser@gmail.com](mailto:kristen.zeiser@gmail.com)) or Rev. Sterrett.



## “Spirituality and Politics”

Amicable Church is hosting a book group at the Tiverton Public Library on the third Wednesday of each month at 2:00 PM. It is called, “Spirituality and Politics”, with the goal being to engender conversations about faith and politics. The January gathering is on Wednesday, January 15. Those interested in attending are asked to read White Fragility: Why It’s So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism by Robin DiAngelo. Hard copies of the book are available at the Tiverton Public Library.

### Financial Donation Box

In the church’s north entrance there is a clear, plexiglass box, which collects financial donations in support of certain outreach projects designated by the Standing Committee. For the coming year, here is the list of outreach projects we are planning to raise moneys for:

December/January	T.E.A.M.
February/March	Homeless Awareness Project: Homeless Health Kits
April/May	Open and Affirming: Pride Fest costs
June/July	Climate Justice (organization yet to be determined)
August/September	Violence Against Women Awareness (organization yet to be determined)
October/November	Thanksgiving Basket Project

### Homeless Awareness Mission Project

With the conclusion of our Thanksgiving Basket Project in November, Amicable turns its focus to growing our awareness of homelessness and helping to ease the pain of those homeless in our community. Our Homeless Awareness Mission Project officially began on Mitten Tree Sunday (last December 8<sup>th</sup>) and will continue with a variety of activities through March.

Here are some of the things that are happening, and will happen, in the coming months.

#### First Step Inn

The First Step Inn is a program providing safe shelter and daily nutritional meals to at least 20 homeless persons in the City of Fall River daily. Case Management services provided at the Inn connect guests to housing, employment, entitlements, behavioral health, and an array of other services. These services, provided in a safe, comfortable environment, help homeless persons become housed in stable, permanent housing. Guests

### A.C.T.S.

Amicable Church Thrift Shop  
Thursdays & Saturdays  
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

## AMICABLE IS ON AMAZON SMILE!

When you shop online this holiday season please support our church by shopping at Amazon Smile.

**You shop. Amazon gives.**

- Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to Amicable.
- AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service.
- Support our church home by starting your shopping at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com). Select Amicable Congregational Church from the search bar.
- Or you can go directly to us at <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/05-0377166>

become engaged in all supportive services needed and as a result, successfully transition into the community and experience housing stability and an improved quality of life.

The mittens, gloves, scarves, and hats we brought to church on Mitten Tree Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, went to First Step Inn, who will share these gifts of warmth with their guests.

### Food Drive

Our annual food drive will be from January 26 – Monday, February 10. We will kick off the drive in our Sunday morning worship service, to which all are invited to bring non-perishable food items to share with those in our community who are food insecure. Our community-wide food drive will end on Monday, February 10. All donated food items will be shared with the food pantries at East Bay Community Action Project (EBCAP) on Stafford Rd. and Old Stone/First Baptist Church.

### Homeless Awareness Overnight

The youth group's night in the cold to raise their awareness of the physical effects of homelessness has grown over the years into a weekend of awareness for the church and community. This year's overnight (our 20<sup>th</sup>) begins at 7:00 PM on Saturday, February 1. The youth will be raising funds for First Step Inn through sponsorships. We are working to have someone from First Step Inn Saturday evening speak with the youth around the burn barrel, as they try to keep warm.

### Homeless Health Kits

During the month of March we will be collecting a variety of items needed for a Homeless Health Kit. A Homeless Health Kit consists of items a person needs, but cannot afford or cannot be bought with the help of food stamps. Below you will find a list of the items we are hoping to collect and put into a bag that is easy to carry around. These items can be found at low cost at Ocean State Job Lot, Dollar stores, or Christmas Tree Shops.

Sunday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, we want to put together **60 Health Kits**, which means we need at least **60 of each item** listed below:

Hand warmers	Foot warmers
Toothpaste	Toothbrush
Toothbrush holder	Feminine products
Deodorant	Small pack baby wet wipes
Hand sanitizer	Disposable razors
\$5 McDonald's cards	Protein bars
White socks	Note Pad
Calendar	Pen/Pencil
Quart Ziploc bags	Gallon Ziploc bags

This list of needed items will also be on our website and our Facebook page, along with the updated number of items we have received, to help those, who would like to give, know what items are still needed.



### **Perpetual May Breakfast**

Sunday morning, February 9, we invite you to once again travel to Matthewson Street Methodist Church to share breakfast at their weekly neighborhood open house. For those interested in attending we will meet at 7:30 in Amicable's south parking lot and carpool to Providence. Breakfast and a brief worship service in their fellowship hall begins at 8:00 am and we will leave for Amicable at 9:00 am, in order to be on time for our own worship service. For each dollar we donate toward our breakfast that morning we pay not only for our meal, but that of one of the other guests.

For more information or just to let us know you will be going, contact Pat Campion at (401) 297-7323.



**HOLIDAY BAZAAR** *Thank you to all who helped to make this holiday tradition the wonderful event that it is!*



## **Ways to Contribute: Pledging vs. Using Envelopes vs. Loose Collections**

Amicable's members and friends can contribute financially in many ways; and in general, as well as to specific purposes (e.g. Operations, Benevolence, Christian Ed, an Endowment Fund, in Memoriam, an Honorarium, an established project such as Haiti Project or Accessibility Project, etc.).

### **Pledging:**

- Allows members/friends to indicate your planned contributions for the year in support of covering Operation and/or Benevolence expenses.
- Indicates frequency & amount of pledge (e.g. \$x weekly to Operations and/or \$x monthly to Benevolence).
- Provides income data to Treasurer, Trustees, & Deacons to better help them manage finances for the year.
- Is not a formal commitment but an indication of intent, so there is no official balance owed if the planned total (e.g. \$10 wkly = \$520 for the year, or \$200 mthly = \$2400 for the year) is not achieved by year-end.
- If a Pledger finds out during the year that they will not be able to meet their intended pledge, they may change their pledge (just inform the Treasurer – this helps with church financial management).
- Pledgers use numbered envelopes or checks so that the Treasurer can keep track of their contributions in order to provide status vs. your pledge.
- The Treasurer will provide the status of a Pledger's contributions vs. their pledge periodically during the year. The current plan is to provide this status quarterly, i.e. at the end of March, June and September. (E.g. "Your contributions through March (25% of the year) represent about 24% of your year's pledge.") The plan is to provide this status via email whenever possible. If a Pledger doesn't want this periodic status, wants it more frequently, or wants a special status or detailed accounting at some point during the year, just let the Treasurer know.

### **Contributing & Using Numbered Envelopes:**

- Members/friends can certainly contribute without having to pledge.
- The use of numbered envelopes or checks by Contributors, even if you do not pledge, allows the Treasurer to keep track of your contributions in order to provide you with year-end records & tax-deductible info.
- If you would like to have a box of numbered envelopes, just ask the Treasurer or Church Office.

### **Loose Collections:**

- This refers to cash that members/friends place in the Sunday offering plates without using numbered envelopes or checks.

### **Year-End Contribution Forms:**

- The Treasurer will provide each known contributor (i.e. Pledgers and Contributors who use numbered envelopes or checks) with the specific status of the designations and total amounts of your contributions at year-end for tax deductibility purposes.
- All Pledgers, as well as those Contributors with at least \$250 in total contributions for the year, will be provided a form, although a form can certainly be requested by any known contributor.
- The goal is to provide these contribution forms by January 21st. IRS regulations state that a contributor should have all appropriate proof of contributions prior to declaring those on Federal Tax Forms.

**Questions:** Contact the Treasurer

## Annual Giving Opportunities for our Mission Work

**January** – on the first Sunday of each month the donations put in the plate at Coffee Hour go to support Holy Joe's Cafe.

**February** – sponsor a youth participating in Homeless Awareness Weekend overnight on first Saturday of February. Also, Super Bowl Grinders are a youth group fundraiser.

**March** – One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) offering envelopes: This is an all-church United Church of Christ annual offering supporting international mission projects and disaster relief; also there is a calendar and coin box to raise awareness of the abundance we have with the money raised given to OGHS.

**April** – Easter Offering envelopes: Giving from this offering is used to support Amicable's Benevolence Budget.

**May** – Each year the youth go on a summer mission trip. Often the congregation is asked to donate to support this important youth activity.

**June** – Summer Festival: This is an opportunity to donate items and goods, as well as giving of time and talent, in support of our annual fundraiser (it is also a chance to spend money on items like Silent Auction items, books, plants, food, etc.)

**September** –the beginning of a new Sunday School year brings a new mission project the Sunday School as a whole will be working on, with the help and support of the members and friends of Amicable Church

**October** – Neighbors in Need: This is an all-church United Church of Christ annual offering supporting national (USA) mission projects, with a third of the moneys raised supporting our denomination's extensive ministries with Native Americans.

Pledge Drive: this is when the members and friends of Amicable Church are asked to consider what they will be giving in the coming year in support of our Operation and Benevolence Budgets

**November** – Thanksgiving Baskets: beginning in the fall, but culminating on the Sunday before Thanksgiving, members and friends will be asked to share food items as well as financial support in order to provide food baskets to residents in the greater Tiverton community. (In 2019 we provided over 140 Thanksgiving Baskets and served over 750 people.)

**December** – Christmas Offering envelopes: Giving from this offering is used to support Amicable's Benevolence Budget.

Holiday Bazaar: Our second major fundraiser, where you are asked to bake cookies, pies, and cakes, make wreathes, knit and donate items for our holiday gift sale.

During the holiday season some give to support Tiverton Emergency Assistance Mission (T.E.A.M.)

**To Do**

Rekey all church doors and setup/finalize method for internal/on-site-only access to keys as needed.  
Misc. interior signage updates.

**Campaign Pledges/Received & Donation Receipts**

Pledges Made/Plausible: \$471K/\$450K      Receipts: \$443,752+0=\$443,752  
Donation & Memorial Contributions Receipts:      \$75,606+300=\$75,906

**Construction Expenses**

Construction & Support Expenses Paid: \$659,884

Post-Construction Décor and Specialty Items Paid: \$30,688

Completed: Kitchenette refrigerator & commercial dishwasher; north entry mats, benches, planters; special bathroom mirrors; lawn watering equipment; lobby phones; office window blinds; Minister’s office furniture. UH Walkway benches. Lobby table. Kitchen refrigerator. Hot Aid Ductwork vacuumed/cleaned. Picture framing & hanging. UH Walkway Bulletin Board. Church Office Bulletin Board. Coat Peg Racks. UH Storage Closet chair racks. Upper Hall painting project completed. Shelving installed in UH Landing Supply Closet & Secretary in/out rack installed outside of Church Office. Shelving installed in 2nd UH Landing Closet. Upper Hall Bulletin Board has arrived and has been set up.

Estimated Expenses Remaining: \$1,400

**Accessibility Funds**

Funds on-hand: \$2,246

Funds held in General Endowment Fund: \$83,528

Accessibility Pledges Outstanding & Expected(?): \$20,190

**Construction Loan**

Monthly Loan Payments began 08/15/18. Minimum monthly payment is \$2,105

Our current monthly payment is \$2,200. Payments made: 16

To Date: Interest Paid = \$26,145; Principal Paid = \$9,669

Paid off in Oct. 2044 Current Loan Balance: \$366,592

**Thank You for Your Continued Support**

# January 2020

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
<p>May the New Year bring the Blessings of <i>Peace</i> to all the world.</p> 			<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> <b>10am - 2 pm</b> <b>Amicable Church</b> <b>Thrift Shop</b>  6:30-9:00pm GTCC (UH)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> <b>10am - 2 pm</b> <b>Amicable Church</b> <b>Thrift Shop</b>
<b>5</b> <b>10 am Worship</b>	<b>6</b> 7:30 - 8:30 pm Al-Anon - CR	<b>7</b> 8:30 am Faith Conversations - CR  1:00-3:00 PM Union Library Tea Meeting (UH)	<b>8</b> 9 - 11 am Quilters/Knitters UH  6:30pm Choir (S)	<b>9</b> <b>10am - 2 pm</b> <b>Amicable Church</b> <b>Thrift Shop</b>  6:30-9:00pm GTCC (UH)	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>10am - 2 pm</b> <b>Amicable Church</b> <b>Thrift Shop</b>
<b>12</b> <b>10 am Worship</b>  <i>11:30 Inquirers Class</i>	<b>13</b> 7:30 - 8:30 pm Al-Anon - CR	<b>14</b> 8:30 am Faith Conversations - CR  2:00 pm Trustees (CR)	<b>15</b> 9 - 11 am Quilters/Knitters UH 2:00 Library Book Club 6:30pm Choir (S) 7:30 pm - Standing Committee (CR)	<b>16</b> <b>10am - 2 pm</b> <b>Amicable Church</b> <b>Thrift Shop</b>  6:30-9:00pm GTCC (UH) 5:00-6:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal (S)	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> <b>10am - 2 pm</b> <b>Amicable Church</b> <b>Thrift Shop</b>  2:00-4:00 PM Wedding (S)
<b>19</b> <b>10 am Worship</b>	<b>20</b> 7:30 - 8:30 pm Al-Anon - CR	<b>21</b> 8:30 am Faith Conversations - CR	<b>22</b> 9 - 11 am Quilters/Knitters - UH  6:30 pm Choir -(S)	<b>23</b> <b>10am - 2 pm</b> <b>Amicable Church</b> <b>Thrift Shop</b>  6:30-9:00pm GTCC (UH)	<b>24</b>  <b>Publish February Friendly Messenger</b>	<b>25</b> <b>10am - 2 pm</b> <b>Amicable Church</b> <b>Thrift Shop</b>
<b>26</b> <b>10 am Worship</b>  <b>Following Worship: Annual Meeting</b>	<b>27</b> 7:30 - 8:30 pm Al-Anon - CR	<b>28</b> 8:30 am Faith Conversations - CR	<b>29</b> 9 - 11 am Quilters/Knitters - UH  6:30 pm Choir -(S)	<b>30</b> <b>10am - 2 pm</b> <b>Amicable Church</b> <b>Thrift Shop</b>  6:30-9:00pm GTCC (UH)	<p><b><i>Friendly Reminder</i></b></p> <p>Next <b><i>Friendly Messenger</i></b></p> <p><b>Deadline for February submissions: January 21 Thank You!</b></p>	



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## BIRTHDAYS

01/04	Keith Lewis
01/05	Cyrus Medeiros
01/08	Ken Becker
01/09	Gavin Winn
01/13	Gina Francis
01/15	Julienne Dufour
01/17	Sarah Martin
01/20	Judy Dufour
01/22	Martha MacNaught
01/24	Meaghan Priest
01/25	Ellen Tavares, Elizabeth Glover
01/28	Thelma Durfee



## ANNIVERSARIES

01/02	Martha & Louis Nielsen
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