

### First Congregational Church

18 Andover Road, Billerica, MA 01821 — www.fccbillerica.org

Church Office	office@fccbillerica.org	978-663-8433
Office Hours	Tuesday through Friday, 9:30-5:30	
Sunday Services		10 am and 5 pm
Pilgrim Fellowship Youth Group (PF)	Sundays 7-8:30 pm	

#### CHURCH STAFF

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#### CHURCH OFFICERS

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Music	Ellen Killam	978-670-6037
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	Bob Miner	978-667-2961
Youth Ministry	Dawn Salter	978-262-9927
	Katie Verrocchio	603-305-6290
Ushers	Bruce Hildreth	603-508-6712
Stewardship	OPEN	

To submit bulletin announcements: Send to communications@fccbillerica.org  
by Wednesday evening at 5 pm.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us after worship in Dale Hall for coffee hour.

<b><u>Greeters:</u></b>	Betty Blanchette and Susan Brown
<b><u>Reader:</u></b>	Tim Jenkins
<b><u>Flowers:</u></b>	The flowers on the altar are in loving memory of Gerald Simmons Sr. from Jerry & Linda Simmons.

#### Schedule of Events

<b><u>Sundays:</u></b>	Worship at 10 am Breakfast in the Parlor 9 am Coffee Hour in Dale Hall 11:30 am Junior Choir in the chapel 11:30 am Evening Worship at 5 pm Pilgrim Fellowship in room 10 at 7 pm
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#### Weekly:

Tue:	Bible Study 6:30 pm
Wed:	Playgroup 9:30 am, Recovery Bible Study 6:30 pm
Thurs:	Choir 7 pm

#### Monthly:

1st Tues:	CRC 7 pm
4th Tues:	Lay Shepherds 10:30 am
1st Wed:	Trustees 7 pm
3rd Wed:	Council 7 pm
3rd Thurs:	Aim Hi 12 noon
2nd Sun:	Outreach 11:30 am
4th Sun:	Deacons 11:30 am

#### Holy Week Schedule

**Palm Sunday:** March 25, Worship at 10am  
**Maundy Thursday:** March 29 at 7:30pm (Deacons prep. Mar. 27 at 7pm)  
**Easter Sunday, April 1:** Flowering of the Cross 8am  
Continental Breakfast 9am Easter Egg Hunt 9:30am (meet in Dale Hall)  
Easter Service of Sacrament and the Word 10 am

**Memorial Flowers** There are open dates for people to have flowers on the altar and lectern in March and beyond. Please let Barbie Reinecker or Taryn know if you'd like to pick a date.

# Don't forget!

- ◆ **Tulip Delivery** The tulips we are delivering will be arriving on Saturday the 24th. If you want to pick up to deliver on Saturday, please come to Taryn's office between 8 and 10am. Otherwise stop by after worship on Sunday the 25th. There are still names on the pussy willow tree for people who are getting a tulip and would enjoy a short visit.
- ◆ **Food Pantry Update** Thank you for your ongoing support. We have seen an increase in need with the Billerica pantry closed. Progress is being made in reopening it, more details soon. We could use more of the following items: cereal, white tuna, jelly, toiletries, paper towels, macaroni and cheese and pasta.
- ◆ **Children caught in Family Homelessness: How they are hurt and How we can help** Sunday March 18 (TODAY) from 3 to 5pm at First Parish in Concord, 20 Lexington Rd. Come learn how to make your voice heard to help homeless children and their families in our communities. See Bob Miner for more information.
- ◆ **Free Pysanky Eggs Workshop** First Parish Church in the center, 7:30-9pm each Monday evening during Lent. This traditional art brings people together for creative fun, spiritual healing, and community. Your teacher, Sarah Mills, will share her egg dyes, tools (kistkas), beeswax, candles, knowledge, and allergy friendly baking. Come to the green door on the left side of the church. Contact Sarah with any questions: cell: 978-790-8217 or SMills@pobox.com.
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**Lenten Luncheons**, Sponsored by The Billerica Interfaith Association.

Mar. 21: First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church

Each church provides a buffet lunch at 11:45 am and then leads worship at 12:30 pm. All are welcome to these community gatherings.

## First Congregational Church Prayer List

Prayers for Eddie Thompson and Kevin Corkery as they serve our country overseas. Let us pray for protection and safety of all those who serve in the Military and all First Responders.

Bob Allard	Cathy Barrett Errickson	Dina Meagher
Michelle Banks	Sarena	Diane Morrison
Don Beardsley	Lindsay Ferraro	Brooke Nagel
Doris Beaudoin	Jim Flynn	Gloria Norman
Lucy Beland	Dave Furlani	Rosemary Oeckl
Ruth Boutilier	John German	Sam Offei-addo
Laurie Breen	Mary ann Giardina	Esther Olson-Matthews
David Breen	June Gibelli	The Pantano Family
Julie Brown	Julie Halpin	Arlyn Renkes
Daisy Coburn	Jim Hamilton	Florine Rogers
Emily Coke	Patricia Hamilton	Virginia Rogers
Mark Cole	Millie Hazen	Daniel Sanchez
Keith Cummings	Pat Hefler	Keara Schmidt
C.J. Cummings	Peter Hicks	Maria Scorpio
Judy D'Antonio	Jane LaBua	Sandra Silver
John DiGiovanni	Gladys Leavitt	Cindy Tomlin
Ruth DiGiovanni	James Longuemare	Joshua Young
Laura Doerfler	Elizabeth Mahoney	
Angie Dubois	Jim Marsden	

*Come to me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. – Mt 11:28*

Please notify the church office or Rev. Katherine when you are hospitalized or in need of pastoral care. Due to HIPAA laws we are not notified by hospitals. You can add or remove a name to the prayer list by notifying the church office. Please have permission from the person you are listing.

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### FCCB by the Numbers

Mar. 4	Worship 150	Sunday School 41	
Mar. 11	Worship 147	Sunday School 31	
Finance:	General Fund	Outreach	Deacon's fund
December	\$27,997	\$6,692	\$740
January	\$14,384	\$1,243	\$1,110
February	\$14,849	\$1,560	\$1,073

We are enjoying a busy church year with new faces and new programs. Please consider supporting the work of the church as you are able. Our budget requires \$25,000 per month to do the things we are called to do. Bring your time, talent, and treasures.