

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are an Easter people, always standing firm in the belief in resurrection. So as we enter into Holy Week together while apart, we will tell and retell the stories of Jesus' triumphant entry, passion, death, and resurrection. *In the bulb there is a flower, in the seed, an apple tree... unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

The church building will be closed until the Billerica Public Schools are reopened.

**Tulip Delivery: Help Needed!**— Pick up a tulip between 10 and noon on Saturday to deliver to our shut-ins and those who need to be remembered. They will be available outside the side door. These will be no contact deliveries. This year, of all years, it will mean so much.

**Palm Sunday**—Palms will be offered in a drive-thru distribution on Saturday from 10 am—noon, and on Sunday from 8:30—9:30. We will also offer a Fellowship Cup, with unleavened bread and juice sealed in a cup. (You are also welcome to provide your own bread and juice.) During online worship we will celebrate Communion together.

**Easter— we will celebrate with joy and thanksgiving!** At 10 am on Easter morning we will Zoom worship together. We'll gather at 9:30 am and worship at 10 am. Remember, the response to "Christ is risen!" is "Christ is risen indeed!" We will celebrate Resurrection Sunday again when we are all gathered together as one body (and during Story Time I promised the kids an Easter Egg Hunt when we get back together.)

**Give!— your support of the church is needed.** The church is working overtime to provide online worship and programing, while reaching out to the congregation and community at a time when folks are feeling isolated and afraid. The good news we have of hope, love, grace, mercy, and forgiveness is needed now more than ever. Your financial support makes it possible. Please mail checks to FCCB, 18 Andover Road, Billerica, MA 01821, or go online to [fccbillerica.org](http://fccbillerica.org) – "connect" tab, "support our mission."

### Sunday Worship, gather at 9:30, worship at 10 am

Go to [zoom.us](https://zoom.us) and log into Meeting ID: 984 503 617

You can download the Zoom app on your smartphone or tablet.

To be connected by phone (audio only) call 253-215-8782, use Meeting ID: 984 503 617

### Maundy Thursday Service, April 9 gather at 6:30, worship at 7 pm

Topic: The Last Supper and Passion of Jesus

Go to [zoom.us](https://zoom.us) and log into Meeting ID: 250 584 885

You can download the Zoom app on your smartphone or tablet.

To be connected by phone (audio only) call 253-215-8782, use Meeting ID: 250 584 885

### **Children's Storytime, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 am**

Topic: Rev. Katherine will read a story to children of all ages.

Go to zoom.us and log into Meeting ID: 609 325 385, Password: 731394

You can download the Zoom app on your smartphone or tablet.

To be connected by phone (audio only) call 253-215-8782, use Meeting ID: 609 325 385

### **Bible Study- Tuesday-Friday at 11 am**

Topic: Gospel of John study

Go to zoom.us and log into Meeting ID: 413 716 719, Password: 525483

You can download the Zoom app on your smartphone or tablet.

To be connected by phone (audio only) call 253-215-8782, use Meeting ID: 413 716 719

### **Meditation Online, Tuesday 5-6 pm**

Go to zoom.us and log into Meeting ID: 625 195 888, Password: 420545

You can download the Zoom app on your smartphone or tablet.

To be connected by phone (audio only) call 253-215-8782, use Meeting ID: 625 195 888

### **Wednesday Evening Prayer at 7 pm**

Go to zoom.us and log into Meeting ID: 545 304 413, Password: 626003

You can download the Zoom app on your smartphone or tablet.

To be connected by phone (audio only) call 253-215-8782, use Meeting ID: 545 304 413

### **Recovery Bible Study at 6 pm**

Go to zoom.us and log into Meeting ID: 120 192 774, Password: 987488

You can download the Zoom app on your smartphone or tablet.

To be connected by phone (audio only) call 253-215-8782, use Meeting ID: 120 192 774

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Lenten Lunches and Worship have been CANCELLED** Due to COVID-19.

**Mission Trip dinner POSTPONED.**

**Billerica Community Pantry drive-thru distribution OPEN** Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2-5pm.

We need strong volunteers all day so if you can help, please let Taryn know. To RSVP to receive food call the church. 978-663-8433.

**Billerica Community Pantry Presentation POSTPONED** Members of the pantry board of directors and operations committee will be at coffee hour at a future date to be determined, to share information and answer questions regarding the pantry's search for a permanent home and the potential to build on the land off the edge of our parking lot.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION....

●**In Case of Emergencies** Whatever it is, it's usually better once it's talked through. Call Rev Katherine on the Pastoral Emergency Line at 978-647-7873 or her cell phone 508-245-5098. You can leave a confidential message and the call will be returned as soon as possible.

●**New LRTA bus times** LRTA is now providing fixed bus route seven days per week in Billerica On Sundays, an outbound #13 bus which serves North Billerica and Boston Road south of Garrisons leaves Lowell at 9:00 am which returns from the Billerica / Burlington line at 9:45. This is good information for when we are free to move around and gather again. For further information on the LRTA service in Billerica contact Andrew Jennings.

●**Sexton Position Opening** The Trustees will fill the Sexton position at the church once we are re-opened. It is a 10 hour per week position that will work in conjunction with volunteers. Saturday evening hours will be required, as well as working with the Office manager to arrange hours that fit the church's busy schedule. The job pays \$15 per hour. If you or anyone you know is interested please apply with Taryn Gillis, Office Manager.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH PRAYER LIST

We pray for Matthew Ahern, Eddie Thompson, Kevin Corkery, Jason Pantano and Thomas Knox as they serve our country. Let us pray for protection and safety of all those who serve in the Military and all First Responders. We pray for health care workers, transportation workers, and all who are working in harms way. We pray for those who have lost their jobs. We pray for all who are sick, grieving, and feeling isolated. We pray for those who have been lifted up by the congregation:

Charlie Antonelli	Lindsay Ferraro	Sydney Harding
Doris Beaudoin	Claire Flynn	Millie Hazen
Christopher Berard	Carol Fournier	Al Heard
Debbie Bionelli	Sandra Fox	Wendy Honig
Shelby Bourdeau	Eddie Freeley	Gabriel Hulen
Barbara Bourdon	Dave Furlani	Clara
Ruth Boutilier	Linda Russell Gallivan	Johnny & Jen
Julie Brown	Edward Gass	Jane LaBua
Victor Campana	Johnny Gillis	Bobby Lockett
Larry Carroll	Ed Gottmann	Elizabeth Mahoney
Paul Cavanagh	Mary Gottmann	Alex Montanez
Jeff Danzig	John Gianacopolis	Diane Morrison
Lisa D'Aoust	Maryann Giardina	Mary Mullins
Carol Dube	Katia Gullage	Karen and Lynne
Noreen Duxbury	Jim Hamilton	Kim
Cathy Barrett Errickson	Patricia Hamilton	Gloria Norman

Rosemary Oeckl  
 Nancy & Butch O'Leary  
 Arlene Orso  
 Phillip Orso  
 Randy Orso  
 Rocky Orso  
 The Pantano Family

Florine Rogers  
 Keara Schmidt  
 Ryan Scurka  
 George Shields  
 Artin Shoukas  
 Colette Shoukas  
 Sandra Silver

Cindy Tomlin  
 Judy Tripodi  
 Robbie Waldman  
 David Weston  
 Collette Westphal  
 Joshua Young

Prayers for all God's children all over the world

*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 pastor 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.

### FCCB CONTACT INFORMATION

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Pastoral Emergencies,  
 To reach the pastor on call:  
 978-647-7873

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 Wednesday night service:  
 7pm

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