



THE FIRST CHURCH IN BELFAST, UCC

*An Open
and Affirming Congregation*

Week of June 10 – June 17, 2018

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A warm and loving welcome is extended to all who worship among us this morning. If you are a **visitor**, please sign the guest book in the narthex, fill out a pew card if you'd like and put it in the offering box. Then join us for coffee and light refreshments in the parlor after the service. We are happy to have you with us!

A Prayer List is available as you enter the Sanctuary. Please feel free to place on that list any joy or concern you may have. These will be read (as they are written) before the prayer time.

If you are hospitalized or you know of a member of our congregation who is hospitalized, please let Pastor Joel or Pastor Kate know.

Head Usher: *Gary Grant*
Deacons of the Month: *Linda & Richard Smith*

Church Council – meets next Sunday, June 17 at 11:30 am in the library.

Salad Supper - All church members and friends are invited to attend Eight O'Clock Club's annual salad supper on Thursday, June 14th at 5:00 pm. Attendees are encouraged to bring a salad dish and enjoy fellowship together. Eight O'Clock Club will provide drinks and rolls.

Memorials for Charlotte Damon – Charlotte Damon who has worshiped here with her husband Phil during the summers for many years, passed away on Saturday, June 2nd, in California. Since Charlotte loved what our Sunday School did with the children, Phil has asked us to invite folks to make donations in her name to the “First Church in Belfast Youth Group Fund.” If you would like to send Phil and the family a card, you can mail them to: 2202 Alta Vista Drive, Vista, CA 92084. A Celebration of Life for Charlotte will be held at their church in Vista, on Saturday, June 16th. Also, the House Church group is purchasing a Brick for them from Friendship Walk, in honor of Phil and Charlotte. If you would like to donate to that, please talk to Cathie Jorgensen.

EVERYONE CAN HELP: Please continue to gather pinecones for the wreath project wherever you go this summer. We need more than 5,000 pinecones to decorate approximately 600 wreaths. In addition, please save peach pits for decorating the wreaths. Please wash and dry the peach pits and store them in open bags or containers so that they do not mold. Pinecones and peach pits can be left in the craft/work room upstairs or in the downstairs kitchen. Thank you very much!

Readings for next Sunday – 1 Sam 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20 or Ezek 17:22-24; Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15; 2 Cor 5:6-10, (11-13), 14-17 or 2 Cor 5:6-17; Mk:26-34.

The Sunrise Association has invited us to pray each week for a sister church. This week we hold up in our prayers Cranberry Isles Church, UCC.

"What's that kid doing?" - Our children need our support, acceptance and encouragement as they grow in their ability to fully participate in worship according to their own unique abilities and experiences. Some may have a shorter attention span, may need activities to help them quietly attend to the service, may need to

physically move their bodies, some may only attend for part of our opening. As a welcoming congregation, we honor the path each child takes, at their own pace, to becoming a full participant in worship.

If you would like a visit or more information about the church, please call the church office at 338-2282.

Children are always welcome at First Church during the church service. There is **nursery care**, with an attendant, available for infants to preschoolers (through the door to the right of the pulpit area) during the service. There are rocking chairs available in the narthex for those with very little ones and a diaper changing station in the ADA rest room in the Parish House. Also, children and youth in grades K-12 are welcome to attend Sunday School class after the Young People's message.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Today	June	10	10:00 am	Worship RE
			12:00 noon	Frame Raising & Picnic, music, games
			3:30-6 pm	Maskers Rehearsal sanctuary
Monday	June	11	6:30 pm	NA
Tuesday	June	12	10:00 am	Food Cupboard Board
			4:30 pm	Diaconate
			6-8 pm	Maskers Rehearsal
Wednesday	June	13	6-8 pm	Maskers Rehearsal
Thursday	June	14	3:00 pm	Music Team
			5:00 pm	Salad Supper
Sunday	June	17	10:00 am	Worship
			11:30 am	Council
			3:30-6 pm	Maskers

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Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 8:30 am – 12:30 pm.

Office Administrator: Nancy Brown

Religious Education Director: Beth Haynes Nursery Attendant: Brenda Warman

Organist/Choir Director: John Cameron

Custodial Staff: Allen Eldridge Sexton: Rowena Lisa

Treasurer: Chair Trustees, Todd Hall Financial Secretary: Nancy Rice

Moderator: Jane Grant Co-Clerks: Linda Smith & Nancy Brown

Webmaster: Jim Kuffert Videographer: Kathleen Kearns

Pastors: Rev. Joel Krueger and Rev. Dr. Kate Winters

Ministers: All the people

BCTV Broadcast on Time-Warner Cable Channel 2

Belfast: Sun 9:30 am & 6:00 pm, Mon 10:00 am, Thurs 2:00 pm; Fri 6:00 am, Sat 5:30 pm

Searsport: Saturdays at 6:00pm, Sundays 9:00am & 6:00pm and Mondays 9:00am.

Church services can also be viewed through our website.

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The First Church Welcoming Statement

We, the people of the First Church in Belfast, United Church of Christ, declare ourselves to be a gathered body of Christians, ever open to the voice of the Still Speaking God. In the spirit of those who worshipped here before us for over 200 years, we strive to witness God's love and Jesus' example in the wider community. To that end, we engage and support all people, whoever they may be and wherever they are on their spiritual journey, in worship, fellowship and service. We intentionally and joyfully welcome people of every race, ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, marital status, physical and mental ability, socio-economic situation and faith background into the full life, ministry, sacraments and leadership of this church. We celebrate and support family in all its diverse forms and recognize and bless all loving and committed relationships. Together, we will strive, in the words of the prophet Micah, "to do justice, love kindness and walk humbly