



The Congregational Church of Topsfield InSpire Weekly News & Updates

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Sunday Morning

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Emerson Center Office Updates!

Our Office Manager, Kim Love, will be **out of the office from Monday, May 12th – Friday, May 16th**. Kim will return on Monday, May 19th. There will be limited coverage those days between 10AM – 1PM, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday that week. Should there be any urgent matters, please contact Rev. Martin.



We Did It!!!

On March 23rd, we had a group of brave swimmers dive into the chilly

There will be **no** newsletter on Thursday, May 15th and **no** Zoom reminder email on Saturday, May 17th. The Intergenerational Family Service will be on Sunday, May 18th.

Thank you!



Sunday School Schedule Sunday, May 11th

There will be no Sunday School on Sunday, May 11th, Mother's Day.

Join a Human Chain of Hope
*Building Community With Uprooted People
to Serve the Common Good*



**Refugee
Immigration Ministry**

16th Annual International Concert
May 8, 2025
7 P.M.
Trinity Episcopal Church
124 River Road, Topsfield, MA 01983

Participating Choirs
Sikh, Westborough Gurdwara
Soloist Laura Proctor
Islamic Call to Prayer
Bell Choir, Topsfield
IDEC House of the Lord, Lynn, MA

Admission: \$25 buy on-line or at the door
Refugee Immigration Ministry, 6 Pleasant St., Suite 227, Malden, MA
Phone: 781-322-1011 Web-site: www.r-i-m.net



SCOUT YARD SALE – May 10th 8:30AM to 2:00PM

Topsfield Scout Troop 81 will have its annual Yard Sale and Plant & Shrub Sale on Saturday, May 10th on the

ocean waters at Crane Beach in Ipswich!

Many thanks to our volunteers who raised money for this mission as well as the many donors who made this fundraiser such a success! We were able to raise **\$1,500** for Future Forward for Haiti. This money will go towards the funding of meals for the children in the St. Louis d'Ayiti community school. One of the main organizers of Future Forward for Haiti, Huntley Skinner, recently received the check and was so grateful for this blessing.

I'm so proud of our fundraising volunteers for helping to make this possible. Thank you also to the great crowd that showed up to support us and cheer us on, we so appreciate it!

Thank you!

Kim Love, Director of Children and Youth Ministries



Coffee Fellowship

May 11: Cathy and John Szymanski

May 18: Intergenerational Family Service, families will be hosting

May 25: No CF, Memorial Day Weekend

Coffee Fellowship Sign Ups Take on a New Look!

As promised, the Board of Community and Communications will be rolling out a new and improved method to allow for easy sign ups for coffee hour. As we continue to try and build community, we appreciate everyone's help in chipping in to make coffee hour a meaningful time of connection for us all.

To access the sign up sheet, please use the following link: [Here](#)

As you can read in the description on the web page, you can sign up to host coffee/tea, snacks or both. Everyone

Topsfield Common from 8:30AM to 2:00PM.

**CCOT
INTERGENERATIONAL
FAMILY WORSHIP
SERVICE**

**SUNDAY
MAY 18TH AT 9:30AM**

**IN THE
EMERSON CENTER
FELLOWSHIP HALL
AND ON ZOOM**

**9:00am
Coffee Hour**

**9:30am
Worship Begins**

Led by Rev. Marti Soper. Music will
be led by Music Coordinator,
Chris Shailor.

Hope to have you join us
for this special day!!

is encouraged to sign up with a friend to make the load a bit easier. Please be specific in the comments of what you will bring for food. If you sign up, it's important to stay for clean up. Members of the Board of Community and Communications will be happy to offer individualized and/or group tutorials on the coffee maker, set up and clean up, including operating the dishwasher!

Please also note that there will be no coffee hour offered on select Sundays falling on holiday weekends.

Please consider signing up for a slot or two so that coffee hour and fellowship can continue!

Many thanks,
Members of the Board of Community and Communications



The Board of Community and Communications and the Board of Missions will partner together over the next several of weeks to support our mission partner Lazarus House in Lawrence, MA by collecting much needed personal care products. **Beginning April 21st through June 14th** we will be collecting the following items in any size you are able to donate. This might be a good time to clean out the hotel samples you have collected!

- Body Wash
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Deodorant

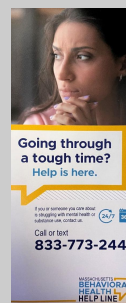
Items can be left in a bin outside the door of the main office.

One important part of any mission project is to develop a deeper understanding of the programing provided as well as nurturing personal relationships. Thus, any interested member of the church is invited to visit Lazarus House on Monday, June 16th at 10:30am for a brief tour of the facilities and to drop off items collected. If you are interested in joining us, please reach out to Dolly McIlvaine at mciltopsfield@comcast.net or Cathy Imboden at cbimboden@gmail.com. Carpooling will be available.

We hope everyone will participate in this worthwhile mission project to help this most vulnerable population.

In Service,

Cathy Imboden and Dolly McIlvaine



The Massachusetts Behavioral Health Help Line

Learn more [here](#)

Parish Care Ministry

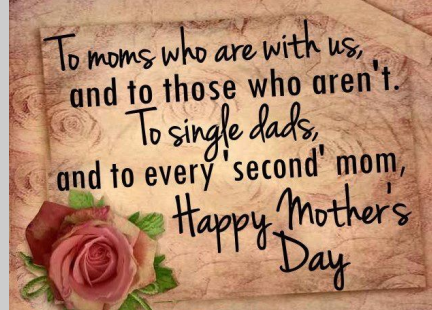
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