

Sunday Announcements for March 31, 2024

Special Prayers for these Wesley Family, Friends, and Others...

Stephen Boyns, Georgia (Stacey & Stewart's daughter), Rosamond Hammond, Libby T. (friend of Phyllis Yngve), Helen Sakovich (neighbor of Susan Williams), Neil Ashton (past member), Paula and Calvin Kelly (sister and brother-in-law of Linda Dylewicz), Linda Keister, Al, Linda, and Kathy Freeburn (friends of Linda and Lou D'Acri), Sandra Scheys, Pinamang Boateng, John Davis (Ronna's husband), Dot Ellis, Jim Hoffman, Dorothy Norcross, Grace Woode, Baby "T" (friend of Carol Samanen), Earl Flagg, Tom Friend, Beverly Grimshaw, Peter Woodcock, Joseph Boateng, Anne Burrows, Ray Cournoyer (friend of Bill Robbins), Barbara Fletcher, Don Johnson (Phil's brother), Charles & Samira Kiefer, Sandra O'Driscoll, David Samanen, Alysia Simoneau, Janet Terzian, Donald Tremblay; Barbara, Frank & the Vietze Family; Laura Zoldak, Susan (friend of David Potts), Malika Gujarati (family of the Hoffmans), Margie (Linda Keister's sister), Page (Allison Hansen's sister).
Those who struggle with depression, anxiety, and alcoholism.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR: ALL CHURCH MEETING

Sunday, April 14, 2024 – 11:30 am – 1:30 pm

Sunday School... There is no Sunday School today. If you'd like to volunteer, please see Rhianna Burke.

Easter Flowers: *If you purchased Easter flowers* and are taking them home after church today, please come to the altar and check in with Linda D'Acri before taking your plant(s). Thank you for once again making the sanctuary look beautiful for Easter and donating a flower(s) to a shut-in.

April Herald: *There are always extra copies of the Herald in the Narthex by the Welcome Office.*

The April Herald will be part of the April 7th bulletin; however, it will be posted by April 3rd. Please be sure I have all articles by Monday, April 1st.
Thank you, Debi

Carty Cupboard...

We are in need of reusable bags, cereal, cold or hot, hearty canned soups, and meals in a can, like stew, or Chef Boyardee products, canned fruit, and dry pasta. Any of the items listed would be appreciated. Thank You to everyone who continues to support the Carty Cupboard Food Pantry.

Nancy Spencer

Tower & Rose Window Lightings & Altar Flowers

The March Tower lighting is given in loving memory of Dr. C. James Brenneman by his daughter Betsey.

The March Rose Window lighting is given in loving memory of Rose Ventura, their mother, and Thomas Ventura, their brother, in celebration of their birthdays by Gary, James and Debbie.

Grocery Gift Cards -- Now Accepting Email Orders

Gift card sales to prevent homelessness will now be available after church once a month. If you would like to order cards, please email Allison at AChis4788@aol.com, and depending on availability, she will bring your order the following Sunday, or after the next pick-up date from Central Mass. Housing Alliance.

Cards from local grocery stores, coffee shops, CVS, Panera and Target will be on sale after church on:

April 14

June 16

May 5 (just in time for Mother's Day and graduations)

August 4

June 2

Thanks to all the people who continue to support this ministry!

Allison Hansen

Mission Matters

IHN's 2024 Fundraiser is Friday 5/10 at 7:00 pm

In the Hour of Need Family Shelter (IHN) is holding a concert & auction fundraiser on Friday, May 10th. It will be at the BrickBox Theater, 20 Franklin St. in downtown Worcester. Performers are Cara Brindisi, Rob Joyce and the Hip Swayers. Radio personality Hank Stolz will be the Emcee. Tickets are \$75 or you could live stream by buying a Virtual Ticket for \$45. See the Mission Committee bulletin board or Betsy Pennino for more information.

IHN gives shelter to recently homeless families. Recent studies show that the average age of a person experiencing homelessness is 8. IHN has sheltered over 500 families but a federal grant which provided ¼ of their budget will no longer help them because the grant is funding emergency shelters only, not family shelters.

Betsy Pennino

GOD MOMENT

If you could share a story of seeing God's work in your life, please tell me or email it to me. The story can be anonymous or signed, and all are invited to participate. Betsy (betspenn35@hotmail.com)

From Linda D'Acri...

Debi Reynold's had called all suppliers who had brought us Easter flowers in the past. With these, and the poinsettias at Christmas, Linda and friends build the moving cross in front of the altar. No supplier could provide the flowers, so Pastor Moo suggested asking Linda. On the day before, she had "happened" to notice the truck of a wholesale flowers company. She had never seen this truck before on her way to work but managed to remember the supplier's name. Debi called and they were able to supply the daffodils, day lilies and hyacinths we needed at a low service fee. Wesley's Easter cross was saved!

A Note from Betsy Pennino...

I recently wrote about how I believe Wesley is blessed with the rainbow colors created by our windows on the front wall of the balcony. This happens in winter when the sun's rays are at the correct angle during our hour of worship. Then it disappears on the Sunday when daylight savings begins. You can still see it an hour later on sunny days, if you stay around for a meeting or conversation and then go into the quiet sanctuary.