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FIRST CHURCH

Weekly Update

March 10-17, 2018

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 11

10:00 AM Worship

led by Rev. Rebecca Pugh

Sermon:Up From The Bottom

Musicians: Joanne McMahon, Chris Blagg,

Lucas Callahan

and

The First Church in Ipswich Choir



*Never doubt that a group of thoughtful,
committed citizens can change the world.
Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.*

Margaret Mead

activehappiness.com

Please join us on Saturday, March 10, from 11:00am-2:00pm at The First Church located at
1 Meeting House Green in Ipswich MA to participate in a “drop in” letter
writing/community action event to advocate for action on gun control. We believe that
the primary way to keep our schools safe is by limiting access to guns, in particular to
reinstate the ban on selling all assault type weapons.

A variety of stations will be set up, including:

Letter Writing

Sample text will be available

- Republican Governor Charlie Baker thanking him for his views on sensible gun

control and asking him to use his position to broadcast that message on the national stage, and to increase the effectiveness and speed of MA data base

- Stoneman Douglas High School students to change gun laws in Florida
- USA Senate and Congress members to reconsider accepting NRA money
- Local NRA chapters asking them to advocate the NRA leaders to support an assault rifle ban
- Letters, postcards, pens, and pals will be available if you would like to craft your own message on sensible gun control issues

Art

- Tables will be set up for poster making to bring to the March 24- “March for our Lives” event across the country
- Blank postcards will be available for children to decorate with images of peaceful schools and communities
 - POST-IT PEACE WALL

INFORMATION

- Information and Resources will be available on how to stay involved

Please feel free to share this invitation with friends. We look forward to meeting you.

RSVPs are helpful at:

concretecrumble@gmail.com

katmc23@yahoo.com



Bible Study

Monday, March 12

Mark 14:1-15:39



**Several ways to work for
compassion, peace and justice this week**

Support elders in Ipswich and in the First Church family.

Several elders in need of a visit, a friend, a hot meal in a
blizzard, some shoveling, a prayer.

Volunteer for the Ipswich Refugee program to help several
refugees with housing searches and other projects.

Call the church office at 978-356-2211.



Cindy McIntire, Jen & Bob Strom, Michael O'Leary

Come help us warm up for St. Patrick's Day at

Along The Way Coffee House

12 Meeting House Green, Ipswich

Saturday, March 10 - 7:00 PM.

\$10 at the door or thru www.brownpapertickets.com.

Refreshments available. Sponsored by First Church in Ipswich

This Week's Calendar

Saturday, March 10

10:30 am ~ AA

7:00 pm ~ Celtic Night at Along The Way Coffee House

Sunday, March 11

10:00 am ~ Worship

Monday, March 12

10:00 am ~ Bible Study

Tuesday, March 13

6:00 pm ~ Youth Group

Wednesday, March 14

6:15 pm ~ AA

7:30 pm ~ Al-Anon

Thursday, March 15

7:00 pm ~ Choir practice

Friday, March 16

9:00 am ~ Women's AA (Parlor)

Saturday, March 17

10:30 am ~ AA

First Church in Ipswich, UCC

AN OPEN AND AFFIRMING CONGREGATION

Gathered in 1634

Clergy

Rev. Dr. Rebecca Pugh

Rev. Christine Hribar

Music

Joanne McMahon, Director

Lucas Callahan, Assistant Director

Project Manager

Jim Moon

Church Administrator

Carmen Fatu

Children's Music & Arts

Alex Edwards, James Turner

Youth Leaders

Beth Viehmann, Dennis Quinn

Sexton

Warren Jepson

Housekeeper

Farah Naz Fathi Asgarabad

Children's Nursery

Shamim Matovu

