

FIRST CHURCH

Weekly Update

April 14-21, 2018

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 15

10:00 AM ~ Worship led by Tom Lenhart

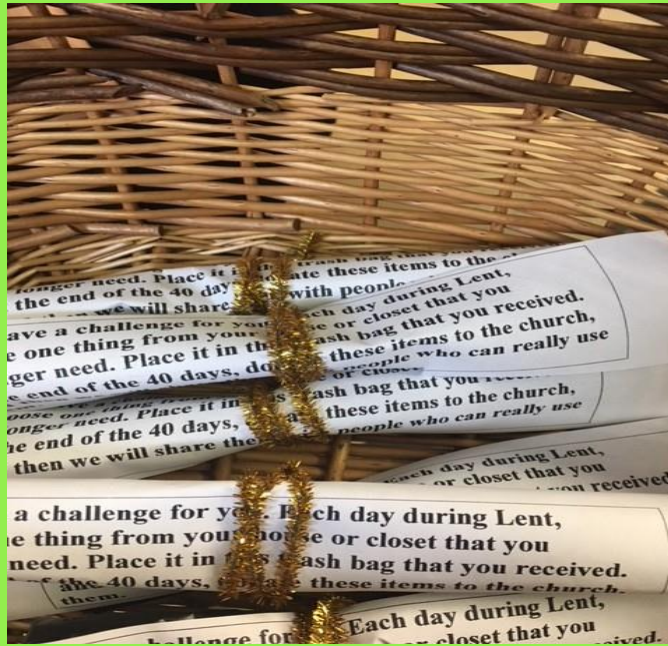
Musicians: Joanne McMahon

and

The First Church in Ipswich Choir



We welcome **Tom Lenhart** as our Preacher this Sunday. Tom is a UCC Minister and a Member of First Church. Before Tom retired, he was the Minister at the First UCC Church in Chappaqua, New York.



40 Days ~ 40 Items

We are so grateful for your donation. Please bring your things that you want to donate for this project to the church by May 1st!

In May, we will have a Yard Sale led by the Music Committee to raise money for Lucas Callahan, our Music Director Assistant.

Thank you all!

Directory photos

For **3 consecutive Sundays, May 6, 13 and 20**, Terri Unger will be making portraits for the new First Church directory. All members of the congregation are encouraged to be a part of the directory! There is no cost to you to participate. One portrait per family will be made, whether you are an individual, couple or parents with children.

For those portraits with more than one person in them, please consider wearing colors and tones that blend well with one another.

These mini sessions will be very quick so we can get everyone in! Scheduling will be handled by the church, and will begin right after service at 11am. We will try to keep the number of portraits sessions as even as possible on each day. On average, individual sessions will be about 5 minutes and families 10-15 minutes.

Upon completion of all portraits, Terri will provide the best images to the church for the directory. Church members will be given the digital file as well, via a link, where you can download the image. In addition, you will be provided with a link to order prints.

Terri will upload all of the best photos to an online site where prints and other photo products can be ordered. The site is easy to use and you can have the final prints sent right to your home. The cost of a standard 8x10 is \$10 and a 5x7 is \$6. There will be many options, however, and prices will vary for different print sizes and products.

**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, a prayer.

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

We are so grateful for your gifts and offerings!

Call the church office at 978-356-2211.

YOUTH GROUP



The Youth Group was greeted by Nora Clark of the Ipswich Humane Society on a visit to the Ipswich Animal Shelter. Youth delivered donations from First Church members. Thank you everyone for your donations.

Saturday, April 14

7:00 PM

**Along The Way Coffee House
Celtic, Sea Songs, Americana**



Emery Hutchins &

Taylor Whiteside

As "Two Old Friends"

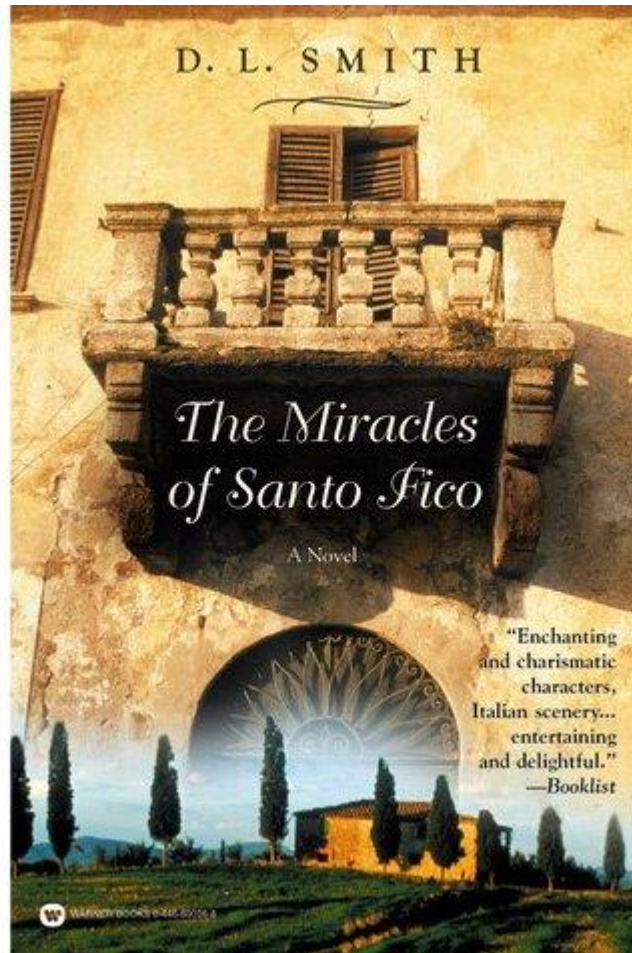
12 Meetinghouse Green, Ipswich, MA

\$10.00 at the door or

at brownpapertickets.com

Refreshments available

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Group Book meeting

Next Lilac Girls meeting will be on June 3, 2018 - The Miracles of Santo Fico

This Week's Calendar

Saturday, April 14

10:30 am ~ AA

7:00 pm ~ "Two Old Friends" at the Coffee House

Sunday, April 15

10:00 am ~ Worship led by Tom Lenhart

Monday, April 16 ~ Patriots Day

10:00 am ~ No Bible Study

Tuesday, April 17

12:00 pm ~ Women's Guild

6:00 pm ~ Youth Group

7:30 pm ~ Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, April 18

6:15 pm ~ AA

7:30 pm ~ Al-Anon

Thursday, April 19

7:00 pm ~ Choir practice

Friday, April 20

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

Saturday, April 21

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