



The Pulpit Rock

*The Nahant Village Church ~ 27 Cliff Street, Nahant, MA 01908
where everyone is welcome*

2019

Hello

JULY

7th Fourth Sunday after

Pentecost

10:30 am *Worship/Communion*

12th Community Breakfast 8:00 am

14th Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am *Worship Service*

1:00 pm *Serve at MBT*

21th Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am *Worship Service*

11:30 am *Reception for*

Trudy Joyce

28th Seventh Sunday after

Pentecost

10:30 am *Worship Service*

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2nd Community Breakfast 8:00 a.m.

## 4th Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am *Worship/Communion*

## 11th Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am *Worship Service*

## 18th Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:30 am *Worship Service*

## 25th Eleventh Sunday after

### Pentecost

10:30 am *Worship Service*

*Due to a redesign, we will not publish a Pulpit Rock for August. Please check the NVC Webpage or the NVC Facebook page for information and announcements.*

## Greetings!



In worship this month, we will be diving into the Gospel of Luke, and the teachings of Jesus in several important stories.

We will read and

learn together from the stories of the Good Samaritan and Martha and Mary, among others. I invite you to join us for worship at 10:30 am on Sundays. And, if you miss a service, you can always listen to the sermon via our podcast. I also encourage you to attend our outdoor worship services at 9:30 am on July 7 and 21.

Last week I returned from the United Church of Christ's General Synod in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This gathering of the wider church, which happens every other year, is an opportunity for clergy, lay leaders, and delegates to wrestle with the issues of the day in the context of church. It is a time of learning and workshops, fellowship and collegiality, and holy conversations. One item of importance to us as a congregation in the Massachusetts Conference of the United Church of Christ is the passing of the "Together As One" resolution. This resolution, voted on by the entire denomination, allows for the merger of the Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island conferences of the UCC. This merger allows for greater resource sharing and collaboration among churches in the three conferences. To learn more about this merger, you can reference some of the literature on the bulletin board outside my office. If you would like to become

more involved in our wider denomination, please let me know.

I have been enjoying getting to know more of you each week. It has been a great honor to hear your stories and listening for what dreams you have for your church and community. This is truly a special congregation, where the Holy Spirit is alive and stirring. If you have not already, I invite you to join us for a small group gathering which is an opportunity for us to get to know one another better. These gatherings are essentially listening sessions, in which your voice can be heard as this next chapter of ministry together unfolds.

I pray blessings for each of you and your friends and families as you enjoy this beautiful season here in Nahant.

Peace and Joy,

Rev. Megan



**The Compassionate Care Group** will meet with Rev. Megan on Sunday, July 7 following worship. If you are interested in finding out more about what this group does or think that you might be interested in joining us, please feel free to come to the meeting!

If you have any questions or have someone who could use our care please contact Rev. Megan Snell or me at 781-864-5367.

Chris Alexander  
Coordinator

## Reception for Trudy Joyce Sunday, July 21 at 11:30 a.m.

Please join us in Swansburg Hall to thank Trudy for her dedication to the Village Church, the UCC, and the Nahant Community over the years. If you would like to contribute food or help with the reception, please use the sign-up sheet.

## 2019 Elizabeth Peterson Palmer Scholarship

Congratulations to **Ms. Molly Marie Frauenholz** of Nahant. Molly was awarded the 2019 Elizabeth Peterson Palmer Scholarship during the Sunday Worship Service on June 16, 2019.



## Blessing of the Pets



The Blessing of the Pets was a big success with 28 dogs attending and participating with their owners in the out door ceremony.

Rev Megan was able to talk with Edna Guckert and bless her dog JJ. It was a great morning and we are looking forward to more outdoor worship times this summer around

our beautiful town.

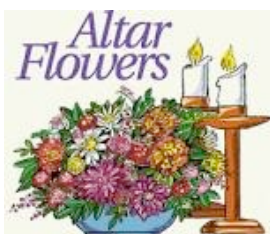
## A Very Special Thank You

The Nahant Village Church would like to thank Sue Edwards for her dedicated service as Sunday School teacher for the past three years. This Sunday concludes her service. We are grateful for the ways that she has helped to shape the religious education of the children in Nahant. Thank you Sue!

## Would you like to Order Altar Flowers?

If you would like to adorn our altar with flowers, please contact the Church Office at 781-581-1202, or Lissa Stempek at 339-440-4067.

Lissa will place the order with Welch Florists. The fee for flowers is \$37.50; flowers that are not in stock may incur an additional charge. Checks should be made payable to Nahant Village Church and sent to Lissa at 17 Prospect Street, Nahant. Thank you!



## Nahant Community Breakfast Friday, July 12 at 8 a.m. Kangaroos and Koalas by Herb and Teri Motley

The July breakfast will be held on the second Friday of the month (not the first because of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebrations). This month will feature a presentation by Herb and Teri Motley entitled *Kangaroos and Koalas*. The presentation is based on their recent trip to Australia and other countries in that part of the world.

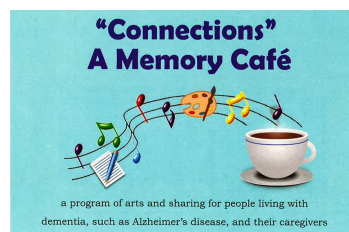
The breakfast is free and all are welcome. Spread the word and bring a family member or friend.

The breakfast takes place at the Nahant Village Church. Transportation of elders to and from the breakfast may be arranged by calling the Tiffany Room a few days in advance of the breakfast.



## Connections, A Memory Café

The next Memory Café will be held on **Thursday, July 11, from 10 a.m. to noon** at the Nahant Public Library. If you know of anyone concerned about memory loss, please spread the word about our efforts to make Nahant a more dementia friendly community. Other sponsors are the Nahant Public Library and the Nahant Council on Aging.



## Small Group Gatherings

Rev. Megan is meeting with small groups of people from NVC to get to know one another and to listen to your hopes and dreams for the church in this next chapter of ministry together. To be invited to an upcoming gathering, please email [Rev.megansnell@gmail.com](mailto:Rev.megansnell@gmail.com).

**\*\*There will be no Pulpit Rock in August\*\***  
Check the **NVC Web page** or the **NVC Facebook page** for news and notices during August.



## Called to Serve?



Are you interested in becoming more involved with the ministries of the Nahant Village Church? Do you feel the Spirit stirring you to feed the hungry (in the world and in coffee hour)? to organize the church for justice in the world? to pray aloud? to share your stories? to teach? Or, maybe you just want to learn more about what this church is all about. To talk about how you might want to become more involved at Nahant Village Church, email Rev. Megan at [rev.megansnell@gmail.com](mailto:rev.megansnell@gmail.com).

## Save The Date

### For The NVC Fall Flea Market

**Sept 21, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**



The Nahant Village Church will be holding its Fall Flea Market on Saturday, September 21. It will feature a bake sale and a boutique of designer clothing.

Also, to get everyone in the mood for the

upcoming holidays, we will have a special table featuring Advent and Christmas items. So come do your holiday shopping early. Ten percent of the proceeds will be given to a local charity.

As always, we are looking for lightly worn clothes and accessories, small household appliances and goods that are in working order, china and glassware, vases, wall hangings, gift items, you name it. We cannot accept any used bedding (pillow, sheets, pillow cases), TV's, keyboards and other electronics. Used bedding is in great demand at local animal shelters; and electronics can be recycled at the Nahant Public Library.

Best drop off times are Tuesday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. You may call Marrit Hastings at 781-581-5691 or e-mail her at [calhast@hotmail.com](mailto:calhast@hotmail.com) with any questions or need a different drop off time.



## Connect with NVC

### Monday Facebook Live Prayer

Rev. Megan speaks live on the Nahant Village Church Facebook page on **Monday mornings at 11:30 a.m.** with church announcements, poetry, and prayer. Start your week off on a positive note and tune in each Monday to watch live or watch at any point during the week. This is a great way to share what's happening at Nahant Village Church with neighbors and community members.

We invite you to “like” the NVC when you visit us on Facebook.



### NVC Podcast

Sunday sermons can now be found in podcast format on all major podcast platforms. We encourage you to tune in anytime, subscribe, and share with friends or those unable to attend worship on Sunday. Search "Nahant Village Church". *You may link to Rev. Megan's podcasts from the lower half of the NVC Home page or by clicking on the “Worship” tab from the Home page.*

### Sign Up for Weekly E-mail from NVC

Would you like to receive weekly E-mail notices about the activities and services at NVC? If so, you may send an e-mail with your contact information and permission to [Secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org](mailto:Secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org), or sign up on the NVC Website by scrolling down to the bottom of the Home page.

### Have you completed a Photo Release Form?

We are working to get the word out about the Nahant Village Church's ministries and invite people to be a part of them. In doing so, we'll be sharing photos of people and events here at the church. Please fill out a photo release form in order to indicate whether or not you would like to have your photos included in church communications, website, etc.



# OUTDOOR SUMMER WORSHIP

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With the Nahant Village Church

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**July 7** @ Wharf

**July 21** @ Bailey's Hill

**Aug 11** @ Veteran's  
Park

**Aug 25** @ Wharf

**9:30 a.m.**



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\*Nahant Village Church is an Open & Affirming church.

\*Everyone is welcome to attend any of our outside worship services or our indoor services which begin at 10:30 a.m. on Sundays.

Children, family, friends, neighbors, flip flops, shorts and pets are all welcome!



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