



The Pulpit Rock

The Nahant Village Church, 27 Cliff Street, PO Box 77, Nahant, MA 01908
*An open and affirming congregation of the United Church of Christ
where everyone is welcome*

2025

Scripture Readings

Oct. 5

17th Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Henry Schoenfield

Luke 17:5-6

Oct. 12

18th Sunday after Pentecost

Preacher Rusty Chadwick

Luke 17:11-19

Oct. 19

**19th Sunday after Pentecost/
Communion**

Rev. Shawn Fielder

Luke 18:1-8

Oct. 26

20th Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Colin Leitch

Luke 18:9-14

Trustees

Wednesday, Oct. 8 — 7 p.m.

Church Council

Monday, Oct. 20 — 6:30 p.m.

Caregivers Group

Tuesday, Oct. 21 — 11 a.m.

Free Community Dinner

Wednesday, Oct. 22

5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

FROM THE DESK (AND HEART) OF PASTORAL CARE



I consider it an honor to serve our community as your Pastoral Care Pastor during this interim time at Nahant Village Church. It has

been eighteen years that I have joined you, intermittently, in caring for those who need a listening ear, a word of encouragement, or a friendly visit and/or some spiritual direction. Thus, I have come to know and love many of you. Thank you for this privilege. I hold your confidence with the highest respect. Please stop me at church, in the street, or contact me at (781) 941-6663.

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE:

My experience in pastoral care over these past fifty-nine years in ministry tell me that November and December are particularly a time when our loved one's spirits visit us most (other than their birthdays, and special events between us.)

Therefore, on NOVEMBER 2, 2025, at 5 p.m. in the Sanctuary, there will be a worship hour to remember our loved one who have died. During this hour we will offer prayer, readings, special music, including our beloved Bell Choir, along with what I am calling: A Sacred Reading of Names.

Chris has placed a notebook in Swansburg Hall for you to print the name of your loved ones from now until the end of October. You may also call the office to record a name. "Grief does not have to diminish us; it can enlarge us as well."

HEALING THROUGH THE HOLIDAYS

I am also willing to offer a small grief group during November and December. The plan is to gather seven people in a group and offer you an opportunity to speak about your loved one who has died. I will also offer skills that will be catalysts to help you honor your grief process. I am a firm believer that grief for a loved one never ends, but it can be managed. Give yourself a Christmas gift and sign up for the group. The Grief Group is scheduled for November 11 and 18, and December 9th and 16th from 4 p.m. -5:30 p.m. at the Nahant Village Church. Please email me at revpatsylong@gmail.com if you are interested.

Love,
Rev. Patricia Long





THANK YOU from REV PATRICIA LONG

Members and Friends of the Nahant Village Church, Your Pastoral Care Pastor needed pastoral care. You provided her with it remarkably well. Thank you. I am deeply grateful for the outpouring of love and support, as well as the compassion and understanding you offered me this past month as I grieve the losses of a brother, sister, young nephew, his two children and his wife. Your generosity of cards, food, gifts, and most especially your prayers and your comfort level as I shared my sorrow, provides me with a safe place to land. I consider it an honor to belong to this loving community of faith. May we continue to “show up” for one another. “No truth can cure the sadness we feel from losing a loved one. No truth, no sincerity, no strength, no kindness can cure the sorrow. All we can do is see that sadness through to the end and learn something from it.” (Haruki Murakami)

FROM THE TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees did not meet in person over the summer, but communicated via email and text on issues as they came up.

We agreed to hire Patricia Long for pastoral care and approved a contract to compensate her for that until we have a settled minister.

We also approved a contract for our new church musician, William Kim.

We agreed to hire Pat Duncan, Inc. to repair the slate on the sanctuary and chapel roofs.

We met in person on September 10, and discussed in general various projects around the church, and in more detail the slate roof work.

Pat started the roof repairs in mid September, and the work has progressed well. He has worked on our church roofs over the years and has his own lift, which helps in the work.

He has agreed also to repair some of the trim around the steeple and paint the upper trim. It was important to get the roof repairs completed now to protect our insurance rating.

As always we are grateful for your continued support for the Nahant Village Church.

MEET WILLIAM KIM

NVC's new musician



William Kim discovered his passion for music at an early age. He started playing the piano when he was just six years old and gave his first live performance the following year. He went on to earn his Bachelor of Music in Piano Performance from the Cleveland Institute of Music, his Master of Music degree from Boston University, and a Performance Diploma from the Manhattan School of Music, where he studied under the guidance of Olga Kern.

Throughout his studies, William has had the privilege of performing in masterclasses with some of the world's most renowned pianists, including John Perry, Boris Slutsky, Gary Graffman, and Leon Fleisher. He has also won piano competitions, including first prize in the senior division of the Young Musicians Competition in Philadelphia and first prize in the Delaware piano competition for young artists, where he made his concerto debut with the Wilmington Community Orchestra. And he has given performances with the Philharmonic Orchestra of the University of Alicante in Perugia, Italy.

William served as a collaborative pianist at the Boston University Tanglewood Institute, where he had the honor of performing with world-renowned violinist Peter Zazofsky. In addition to his classical accomplishments, William participated in the world premiere of “*Let Me Die*” by composer Joseph Keckler and Opera Philadelphia, demonstrating his versatility as a collaborative artist.

Currently, William is pursuing a Doctor of Musical Arts degree in Piano Performance at Boston University, where he is studying under the guidance of Pavel Nersessian.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND MISSIONS

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Friday, Oct. at 8 a.m.



“The Fire Next Time ... Or Not?” will be the discussion for the October 3rd Nahant Community Breakfast. It will focus on what we can do to keep New England safe from brush and forest fires. It will be given by Teri and Herb Motley. Teri is a lifelong timber owner and longtime observer of the green environment.

The free breakfast is served at 8 a.m. and the talk usually gets underway by 8:15 a.m.

Please spread the word and invite/bring family members and friends for a hearty breakfast, an information presentation and wonderful camaraderie.

All are welcome!

MUSIC COMMITTEE NEWS

Save the date for NVC's third Holiday Concert on December 10 at 7 p.m.. The show will feature the Nahant Seaside Sirens, the Singing Sea Stars, the Village Ringers and more. This is a not-to-miss event. Admission is free; donations appreciated.

A New Song

“Surely the Presence of the Lord is in This Place” is a song that will be introduced on the first Sunday of October. Intended to center everyone for the worship service, it will take place immediately following the announcements and before the Opening Prayer. Ute Gfrerer accompanied by Will Kim will teach the song.

The Village Ringers will participate in the October 19th worship service with a rendition of Satie's Gymnopedie #1.



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

As part of our December fundraising efforts we are bringing back the always popular Raffle Calendar!

This is a fun way to support our cause! The calendar covers the month of **January 2026**, with a **prize awarded every day and the chance to be a multi day winner!** Prizes include: Gift cards, cash prizes, coupons to local events & lottery tickets.

BUT

We need your help to make this a success! If you're able to donate a gift card, cash, or lottery ticket, it would be **greatly appreciated**. Donations can be placed in the collection plates on Sundays or handed directly to Chris or Jen.

Calendars will go on sale right after Thanksgiving for \$20 each and make fantastic gifts for: Family & friends, your mail carrier, dog walker or even yourself!

Let's come together to make January a month full of excitement and generosity. Thank you for your support!



Rev. Teri Motley — 19
Olivia Aswad — 20
Lucy Grimm — 24
Nancy Whitman — 27
Jane Collins — 31



FREE
Community Italian
Dinner

Wednesday Oct. 22	Nahant Village Church 27 Cliff St.	5 p.m. - 7 p.m.
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Bring the family!

But please RSVP to Chris at
secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org
or
781-581-1202
(for planning purposes only)

SAVE THE DATES!

**GREENS
GATHERING**
Dec. 3, NOON- 4 p.m.

Come help us create wreathes and swag for the fair!
No experience required
Comraderie & pizza included!

**NVC's ANNUAL
CHRISTMAS FAIR**
Dec. 6, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Come seek, shop & celebrate with us!
(& Bring home lobster roll for dinner!)

FLEA MARKET SUCCESS

Thank you to everyone who worked hard and shopped hard, who hauled and priced and lugged things to SAVERS at the end of a long day. Everyone's combined efforts helped to raise a whopping \$1,801.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- * **FREE COMMUNITY DINNER;**
WED. OCT. 22, 7 P.M. - 5 P.M.
- * **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT; NOV. 30**
- * **GREENS DAY!; WED. DEC. 3, NOON TO 4 P.M.**
- * **THE CHRISTMAS FAIR; SAT. DEC. 6, 9 A.M. - 2 P.M.**
- * **NVC'S HOLIDAY CONCERT**
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 10
- * **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE;**
SAT. DEC. 20
- * **CHRISTMAS EVE, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24, 7 P.M. WITH REV. PATRICIA.**
- * **ALSO, KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR OUR ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN!**





As most of you might already know, Maureen Edison has moved to NH to be closer to her daughter. We sent flowers to wish her well and let her know we miss her!



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PB&J Day was a huge success thanks to the dozen of you who came and got sticky with us! We were able to make, pack & deliver 125 lunches (2 sandwiches per bag!) for My Brother's Table, in just a few hours!



PB&J Day ❤️



Scenes from the Flea Market



Again— a Huge thanks goes out to all who participated in any and all ways. — Even Ziggy —



ZOOM WORSHIP SERVICES

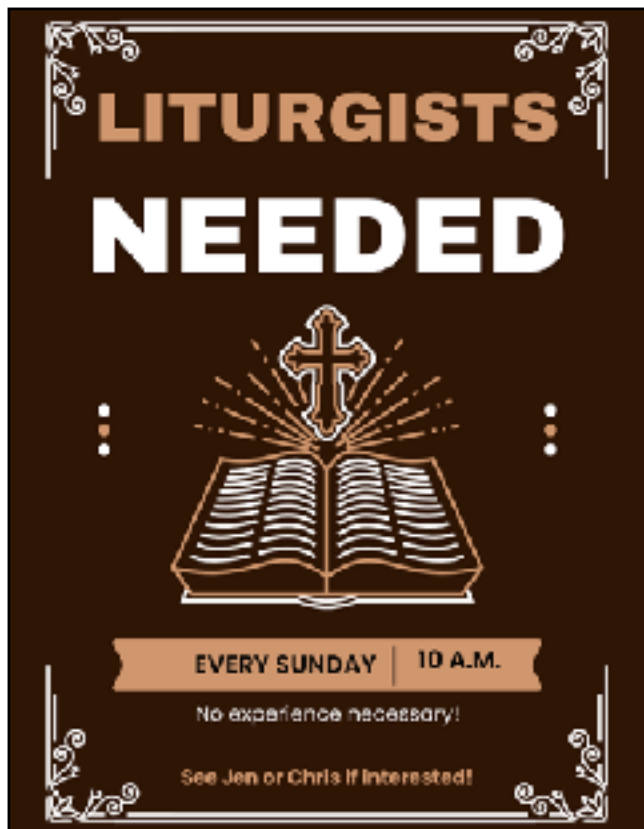
We **Zoom** all of our worship services live each Sunday, so if you can't attend in person, you are welcome to join us on Zoom. Meeting ID 869 1204 8062 Password: 123456.

We also record each service. You can visit our website www.nahantvillagechurch.org for all of the YouTube links. To navigate to the archive of services, click on **WORSHIP** under the blue banner, then click on **On Line Worship Services**. You can also find services posted on the church's Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/TheNahantVillageChurch>

WANT TO FEEL PART OF THE SERVICE BE A READER!!

If you'd like to participate in the worship service consider being a liturgist one Sunday. No experience necessary! You lead the responsive prayers, read the scripture lesson and announce the hymns. It's easy and rewarding! Contact Jen at 781-316-7309 or Chris at 781-581-1202 if you're interested. Or simply reach out to us at church.

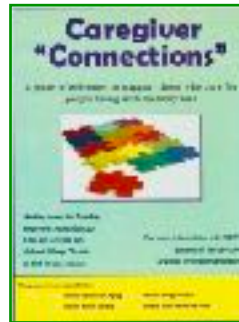


CAREGIVER "CONNECTIONS"

Tuesday, Oct. 16, 2025

11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Nahant Village Church Library



The Caregiver Connections Support Group was formed to provide individuals who care for those with memory problems a forum to share experiences and to support each other. This Support Group meets monthly on the **third Tuesday of each month from 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.** The Caregiver Support Group is sponsored by

Nahant COA, and Nahant Village Church. An experienced representative from Greater Lynn Senior Services will also participate. Please share this information with anyone who might benefit from participating. Contact Mary Miner of the Nahant COA at mmminer@nahant.org for more information.



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WOULD YOU LIKE A VISIT FROM NVC?

If you would like a visit for any reason just give a shout, or a call!

781-581-1202

We'd love to see you so don't hesitate to call!





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CONTACT INFORMATION

Office Hours

Monday-Thursday - 9 a.m. -noon/1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Friday 9 a.m. - noon.

Phone messages are checked regularly.

In case of an emergency contact Jen McCarthy at
781-316-7309

Church – 781-581-1202

Church Council

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secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org

You are invited to ...

Sunday Worship Service in the Chapel

Sundays @10 a.m.

or to Live Zoom Sunday Service

Live Zoom Service

Meeting ID: 869 1204 8062

Passcode: 123456

Dial by your location

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

A link is available on the NVC Home page.

Caregiver “Connections”

Third Tuesday of the month

11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

NVC - Library

Village Ringers

Mondays @ 5 p.m.

Swansburg Hall

Trustees

Second Wednesday of each month, 7 p.m.

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Church Council

Third Monday of each month, 6:30 p.m.

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Membership

If you'd like to become a member of the church
contact or Jen McCarthy at 781-316-7309 or

Chris Stevens at

secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org

We would *Love* for you join us!