

# 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*



**2026**

## Scripture Readings

**March 1, 2026**

Second Sunday in Lent

Matthew 17:1-9

Rev. Colin Leitch

**March 8, 2026**

Third Sunday in Lent

John 4:5-42

**March 15, 2026**

Fourth Sunday in Lent

John 9:1-41

**March 22, 2026**

Fifth Sunday in Lent

John 11:1-45

**March 29, 2026**

Sixth Sunday in Lent

Matthew 26: 14-27:66

## EVENTS

**Coffee with the Pastor**

**Wed., March 4 & 11**

**9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**

**Monthly Potluck**

**Wed. March. 4, 6p.m. - 7 p.m.**

**Community Breakfast**

**Friday, March 6, 8 a.m.**

**Trustees**

**Wed. March 10, 6:30 p.m.**

**Church Council**

**Monday March 16, 6:15 p.m.**

**Caregivers**

**Tuesday, March 17, 11 a.m.**

## FROM THE TRUSTEES

Thank you to all who braved the cold to attend the Budget Meeting on February 8 following the service in the chapel. We were rewarded with hot soup provided by Gary Deines and Chris Stevens on Soup Sunday before and after the meeting. Thanks also to those who joined and participated on Zoom.

There are challenges for our church with a deficit budget. This is nothing new. We will meet the challenges by faith, by increasing participation and by growing the church.

We have made a commitment to go forward with a full time minister and we are blessed with the guidance of Reverend Emily Kellar. There is a very positive energy in the church these days.

Speaking of positive energy, the Trustees meeting on February 11 had lots of it. It's not something you might associate with a Trustees meeting, but it was real and almost fun! The meeting was also brief and productive.

We are looking into options for making the inside of the church handicap accessible. This is also nothing new, except the approach and the desire to follow through with it. We have scheduled Brett Green of Green Pipe Organ Company to assess

the organ in the chapel for restoration. There is a strong sentiment to restore that organ which was in the chapel of the original Village Church on Nahant Road. We might have some fund raising for that project.

With gratitude,  
Rex Antrim



## DATES TO REMEMBER

- \* Easter Egg Hunt — 3 p.m. — March 28
- \* Palm Sunday, March 29, in the sanctuary 10 a.m.
- \* Maundy Thursday, April 2, 7 p.m.
- \* Easter Sunrise Service, April 5, 6:10 a.m. front lawn of 405 Nahant Road.
- \* Easter Service, April 5, 10 a.m.

## COFFEE WITH THE PASTOR

**Wednesdays, March 4 & 18th  
9:30-10:30 a.m.**



Come have coffee with Pastor Emily. Get to know her and give her a chance to know you. Things will be brewing twice a month now (first & third Wednesdays)



## ATTENTION

### ALL BOARDS & COMMITTEES

**It's that time!**

**Please submit your reports for the Annual Report to Chris Stevens now, today, you're late!**

If you would like to see a copy of last year's report, please reach out to Chris and she will be happy to provide one.

Thank you!

## DID YOU KNOW?

Centerboard has an outdoor food pantry and fridge!



Did you know that Centerboard in Lynn, 16 City Hall Square, has a community refrigerator located outside at the far end of the building. It was designed to offer free, fresh foods at no cost to those in the community in need. And right next to it is a food pantry cupboard for non perishables. Also, free of charge for anyone in the community in need.

So the next time you buy the wrong cereal or discover you really didn't need the eggs, cheese or bread you bought — share it!

Someone will thank you for it somewhere ❤️

With gratitude  
Your Missions Committee

HOP ON OVER TO NVC FOR OUR

# Easter Egg hunt

Saturday, March 28  
3 p.m.

FOR SOME EGG-CITING FUN  
INCLUDING CRAFTS & PIZZA &  
PHOTOS WITH THE  
EASTER BUNNY!

**Nahant Village Church**  
27 Cliff St. Nahant

Please RSVP at [secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org](mailto:secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org) or  
at 781-581-4202

(For planning purposes only.)



Anyone who has driven down South Common St. in Lynn will surely have seen this colorful mural. This is Centerboard's parking lot. The fridge and pantry are all the way in the right hand corner. Just open the fridge/pantry & drop something off.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND MISSIONS

### COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

The Haven Project; A Catalyst for Change!



Join us on Friday March 6 for our monthly breakfast which will feature a presentation on the Haven Project. This nonprofit organization is dedicated specifically to provide age appropriate services to a

growing 17-24-year-old homeless population. In Lynn, one in ten young adults are homeless. The Haven Project provides skills and support that these youth need to be safe and self-supporting.

Breakfast is served at 8 a.m., with the presentation starting around 8:15. All are welcome. Please invite family and friends. The breakfast is always hardy and the camaraderie a blessing.

### BOOK DRIVE FOR HAVEN PROJECT

Clean out your bookshelves for a cause!



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The NVC Mission Committee is running a book drive to benefit young adults who live and hangout at the Haven Project in Lynn. They are looking for new or gently used books to fill the shelves in their new housing program.

Donations could include: Fun reads, career/adult life, self-help, how-to, mental health, classic literature, autobiographies, fiction, adventure, fantasy or really anything geared toward the 18-24 year old range.

Books can be dropped off at the Nahant Village Church Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. - noon or 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. or Friday, 9 a.m. - noon and we're open every Sunday roughly 9:30 a.m. - noon.

We will collect through March 13.

Thanks for participating!



### MONTHLY

First Wed. of the Month, 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Come to our monthly Potluck with Pastor Emily,  
Wednesday, March. 4,  
6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Come with something homemade, something store bought, or come with empty hands ~ however you come ~we will pull out a chair for you and welcome you among us!



Chris Stevens — 3  
Carol Crawford — 4  
Marrit Hastings — 17  
Lynne Spencer — 26  
Susan Gilbert — 28  
Nancy Antrim — 29

## 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.

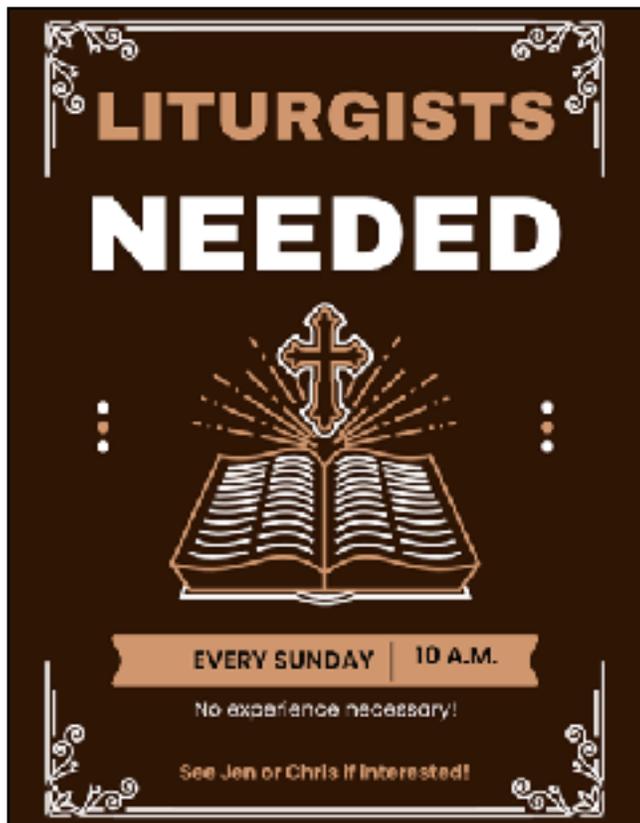
We also record each service. You can visit our website [www.nahantvillagechurch.org](http://www.nahantvillagechurch.org) for all of the YouTube links. To navigate to the archive of services, click on **WORSHIP** under the blue banner, then click on On Line Worship Services. You can also find services 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.

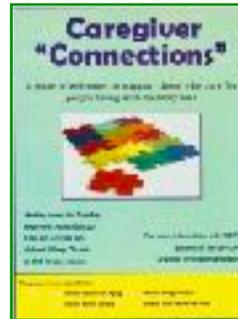


## CAREGIVER "CONNECTIONS"

Tuesday, March 17, 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 Kelly King of the Nahant COA at [kking@nahant.org](mailto:kking@nahant.org) for more information.

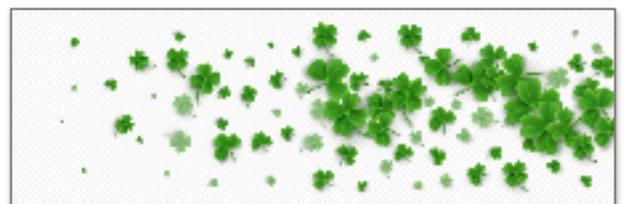


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## WOULD YOU LIKE A VISIT FROM REV. EMILY

If you would like a visit for any reason just give a shout, or a call or an email at 781-581-1202 or [nvcminister@gmail.com](mailto:nvcminister@gmail.com)

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.

781-581-1202

Phone messages are checked regularly.

In case of an emergency contact Rev. Emily Kellar at  
781-264-8339 or Jen McCarthy at 781-316-7309

**Rev. Emily J. Kellar - [nvcminister@gmail.com](mailto:nvcminister@gmail.com)**

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**Church Council**

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*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.

NVC Library

**Church Council**

Third Monday of each month, 6:15 p.m.

NVC Library

**Membership**

If you'd like to become a member of the church  
contact or Rev. Emily J. Kellar at 781-581-1202 or

Chris Stevens at

[secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org](mailto:secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org)

We would *Love* for you join us!