

# 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

### Feb. 1, 2026

Matthew 5: 1-12

### Feb. 8, 2026

Matthew 5:13-20

### Feb. 15, 2026

Joel 2: 1-2, 12-17

### Feb. 22, 2026

Rev. Colin Leitch  
Matthew 4:1-11

## EVENTS

### **Coffee with the Pastor**

**Wed., Feb. 4, 11, 18, 7 25,  
9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**

### **Monthly Potluck**

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

### **Community Breakfast**

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

### **Church Council**

**Monday Feb. 9, 6:15 p.m.**

### **Trustees**

**Wed. Feb. 11, 6:30 p.m.**

### **Caregivers**

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

## Dear Beloved Community,

We have now been here a month! David and I are adjusting to life in Nahant with our two yellow labs, Deacon and Finn. I enjoyed lunch at the Council on Aging and the NVC Community Breakfast! Coffee with the Pastor has been so enjoyable and people have given such positive feedback about the larger table. The potluck was a fun gathering as well. One of my designated term goals is Hospitality and making our space warmer and more inviting will help us become a more welcoming church!

I like to begin all meetings of the church with prayer and send everyone off at the end of the meeting with a blessing! I have enjoyed attending the meetings of Council, Trustees and Music Committee thus far. Several of you have asked about the covenant of communication that I mentioned in my candidating sermon. We will get to that during the Lenten season, I promise! The basics of the covenant are found in the gospels. We speak only for ourselves and if we have something to say to someone, we go to them directly.

Almost two years ago, David and I planned a trip to Hawaii with some dear friends of ours. We will be gone February 17-March 1<sup>st</sup>. Rev. Collin Leitch will be filling the pulpit

in my absence. We will celebrate Ash Wednesday early on Sunday February 15<sup>th</sup> during our regular 10 a.m. service.

And remember if you have not gotten a chance to get to know me better, please reach out to me by email and set up a time we can take a walk or have a cup of hot tea in my office! I obviously cannot reach out to 93 members ~ so it is helpful if you send me an email if you want to connect!

May we seek to go be Love together out in the world! Blessings always!

Peace,

Rev. Emily +  
nvcminister@gmail.com

## LENTEN DEVOTIONALS

We have ordered Lenten Devotionals and they are outside Chris's office!

There is a basket next to the Devotionals for a \$5

contribution to help offset the church's expense.

If you are unable to pay the \$5 please pay whatever you can.

We hope you enjoy the resource from the United Church of Christ!



## BUDGET MEETING

Sunday Feb. 8



Our annual budget meeting will be held immediately following worship, in the chapel, on Sunday Feb. 8, 2026.

Copies of the budget are available at the church. If you would like a copy emailed to you (or mailed) please reach out to Chris Stevens in the Church office, 781-581-1202 or [secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org](mailto:secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org), and we will get a copy to you.

This is an important part in the life of the church — **your church** — members please plan to attend. Hear the budget presentation, have your questions answered and vote.

The meeting will be followed by a Soup Sunday.

So come for the meeting and stay for lunch!

*Also — with possible snow in the forecast the snow date for this meeting will be Sunday Feb. 15 immediately following the service.*

## BUILDING CONCERNs



If you see something around the building that needs attention or repair, please let us know in the church office, 781-582-1202 or [secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org](mailto:secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org), and we will contact the appropriate church leadership



## ATTENTION ALL BOARDS & COMMITTEES

**It's that time!**

Please submit your reports for the Annual Report to Chris Stevens by the beginning of March.

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!



**Wednesdays in February  
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 from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

## COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND MISSIONS

### COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Friday Feb. 6, 8 a.m.



Come meet Zibit, the Nahant Police Department K-9 and find out how he is helping the police officers in their daily work. Also learn about drones that the Department is now employing for various purposes. Hear the story of how a drone was recently used to pinpoint the exact

location of a vessel in distress so that aid could be delivered more promptly.

Breakfast is served at 8 with the presentation starting at about 8:15. Plan to come for an informative presentation, a hearty breakfast and wonderful cameraderie. Please invite family and friends.



Lisa Haley and Amy Dow and at least a dozen bells between them! Amazing!

NVC & the first snow of the year



### MONTHLY



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

Come to our first monthly Potluck with Pastor Emily, Wednesday, Feb. 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!



Bill Crawford — 10

Melinda Hatfield — 18

Andy Karl — 18

Paul Richardson — 19

Patti Aswad — 28



## ZOOM WORSHIP SERVICES

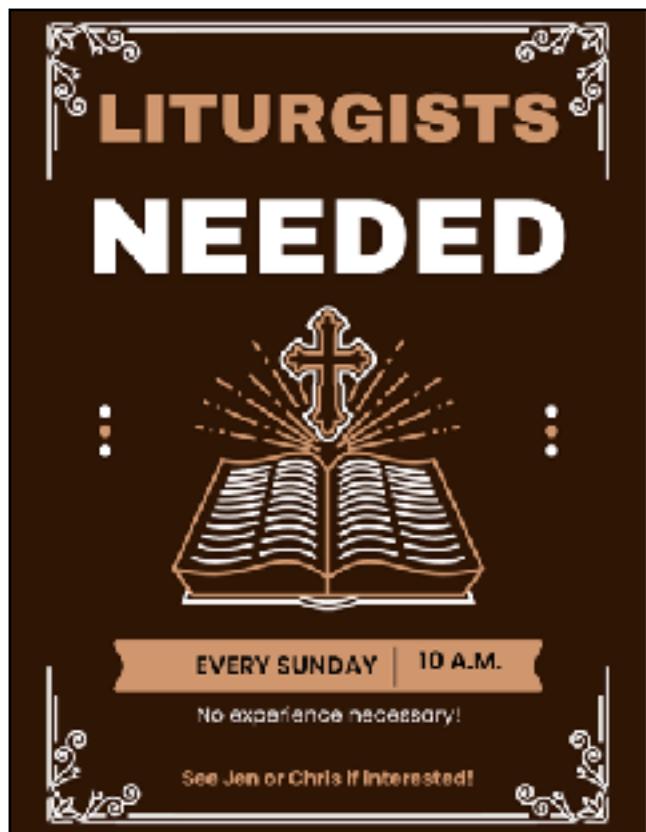
We **Zoom** all of our worship services live each Sunday, so if you can't attend in person, you are welcome to join us on Zoom. Meeting ID 869 1204 8062 Password: 123456.

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.

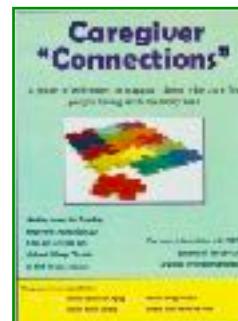


## CAREGIVER "CONNECTIONS"

**Tuesday, Feb. 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 Mary Miner of the Nahant COA at [mminer@nahant.org](mailto:mminer@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 [nvcm minister@gmail.com](mailto:nvcm minister@gmail.com)

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





## NAHANT VILLAGE CHURCH

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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 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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**Compassionate Care** - 781-581-1202  
[secretary@nahantvillagechurch.org](mailto: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.

NVC Library

#### **Church Council**

Third Monday of each month, 6:30 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!