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Search for the Joy in life. Hunt for it as for hidden treasure.
Love and Laugh. Delight yourselves in the Lord.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>World Communion Sunday</p> <p>Sunday 10/2: World Communion Sunday seeks to celebrate Christian unity and cooperation. First celebrated at Shadyside Presbyterian Church in Pennsylvania in 1933. It is celebrated annually on the first Sunday in October.</p>						
<p>Worship 10:30am²</p> <p>Happy Birthday Tammy C..</p>	3	4	<p>Happy Birthday⁵ Evelyn K.</p>	6	<p>Happy Birthday⁷ Atticus DeJ.</p>	<p>Sat. Sun. Mon.⁸</p> <p>TAG SALE Willis Family Relay for Life</p>
<p>Worship 10:30am⁹</p> <p>Happy Birthday Laura McD. & Emma G</p>	<p>COLUMBUS¹⁰ Day HOLIDAY</p>	<p>Happy Birthday¹¹ Larry L. & Annie S.</p>	<p>Happy Birthday¹² Helen W.</p>	13	14	15
<p>Worship 10:30am¹⁶</p>	17	<p>Happy Birthday¹⁸ Lydia M.</p>	19	20	<p>Happy Birthday²¹ Pam DuP. & Kara C.</p>	<p>9a - 4p²²</p> <p>TAG SALE PUBLIC HALL</p>
<p>Worship 10:30am²³</p> <p>9a - 4p TAG SALE PUBLIC HALL</p>	24	25	26	27	<p>Happy Birthday²⁸ Premier DeJ.</p>	29
<p>Worship 10:30am³⁰</p>	31	<p>Are you comfortable finding your way around computer word and PDF documents? Your editor Tina would like to share her monthly calendar duties. Please contact her. Email the church for more details</p>				

<u>Flowers for Worship.</u>	<u>Food Pantry Collections</u>
Oct: Tina	Oct: Pasta & Sauce
Nov: Sandy	Nov: Canned meats
Dec: To be advised	Dec: Peanut butter, jelly, jam

Food Pantry Pickup days: Tues. 10/04 and 10/18 from 3 pm to 5 pm
at Ashfield Congregational Church on Rt. 116 in Ashfield. If you want to donate food, bring to our church or call 413-625-0020 and arrange either a pick up at your home or meet time at the Ashfield church. Should you wish to send a financial donation directly, mail to: Hilltown Churches Food Pantry, c/o First Congregational Church, Main Street, Rt. 116, P.O. Box 161 Ashfield, MA. 01330 OR send to our church attn Missions, put Food Pantry on the memo line.

Finance, Invested Funds and Properties Committee
NEXT MEETING Sunday Oct 2nd in person
at church after church service

If folks have any questions or concerns related to the church budget/expenses, don't hesitate to contact the Finance Committee. Please let chairperson Ken Wood know by calling him at 508-529-3973, or be in touch with any member of the committee:

Ken Wood, Janet Gerry, Luahn Page, Paul Willis or Doug Mollison.

Thank You for Your Continued Support

Offerings and weekly donations payable to the Mary Lyon Church can be sent to the church: Mary Lyon Church, P.O. Box 87, Buckland, MA 01338. This money goes to church expenses like utilities, insurance, pastor salary, etc.

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Worship offered in the church building and
via Zoom online

Worship is offered in the church building on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. as well as being broadcast on Zoom. The mask mandate for the Town of Buckland has been lifted; therefore, it is now up to each of you to make our own decision about whether or not to continue wearing a mask. It is important that we respect everyone's choice in this matter, while continuing to strive to keep everyone safe. The Worship and Spiritual Life Committee and the Finance, Invested Funds and Properties Committee will continue to insure all state and local guidelines are followed. If you have questions about attending in-person worship, call Worship & Spiritual Life Committee chairperson "Bunny" Doneilo 413-772-6684 or Properties Committee chairperson Ken W. 508-529-3973 for more details. Your feedback is welcome! You can email us at info@marylyonchurch.org

October 1785 to October 2022 – Church Anniversary

Each October we recognize the 18 founding fathers and mothers who organized our church signing their pledge 237 years ago. Over the last two plus centuries think of how many services have been held here. Joyful and sorrowful, so many generations! Let us give thanks to all who have come before us...to all who sit beside us...and to all who will come after us... Blessings and love, and **Happy Anniversary Mary Lyon Church!**

Silver Bell Bazaar Is Just One Month Away

SAVE THE DATE NOV. 19th 9 am to 3pm

The Silver Bell bazaar is fast approaching. It will be held on Saturday, Nov. 19 from 9 am until 3 pm. There will be the "Festival of the Wreaths", crafts, raffles, watercolor prints, plant table, and much more. We would also like to have a bake sale, so please keep that in mind as that did very well last year especially with the bazaar being right before Thanksgiving. If you have any crafts or would like to help out at the bazaar, please let Cyndie 413-339-4231 know. We're considering a silent auction again this year, so if you have an item for that, please let Cyndie know. We will have the use of the Buckland Public Hall for many items which has been worked out very well in the past.



Festival of the Wreaths

The "Festival of the Wreaths," a new idea for the Silver Bell Bazaar has six definite wreaths so far. We would like to have many more. So if you or a friend or family member has an idea to decorate a wreath with theme items of your choice we will accept as many as possible. The ideas are numerous. Raffle tickets for the wreaths will be six for \$5.00, twelve for \$10, twenty-four for \$20 and so on. Please let Cyndie 413-339-4231 or Sue 413-768-2592 what kind of a wreath you will be decorating and donating.

At left is a beautiful wreath full of Avon products...let yours be pictured next month!

Buckland Historical Society - Wilder Homestead Colonial Day

Sunday, October 9, 2022 from 2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

129 Ashfield Rd., Route 112, Buckland, MA 01338

This event is a wonderful "living exhibit" of Buckland life as it was lived long ago. Step into the past at the 1775 Wilder Homestead and sample activities from the colonial era: Open hearth cooking, oxen, folk painting, weaving, spinning, basket making, quilting, Morris Dancers, cider pressing, 1700's music. Bring family and friends to share the food, fun, music and learning this event so richly provides! Open hearth style beef stew, switchel, and sweets for purchase.

Admission is FREE!

Alzheimer's among us...

A note from your editor: For many months we have been praying on Sunday mornings at worship (and through all the hours of every day) for those in our church community who are, and have been touched by Alzheimer's and other dementias. Daughters, sons, sisters, brothers, and extended family members have been touched by its devastation. We grieve for years...The image of many flowers pictured here is taken from an Alzheimer's Association Walk. The meaning of the colors of the flowers is associated with the disease (thanks Tammy): Blue for those living with the disease; Yellow for caregivers of those with the disease; Orange for those who support those with and those caring for people with the disease; Purple for those who have died with the disease. This poem is framed next to where your editor's mom sits and sleep most of the day away, lost to her family most of time:



'My heart is breaking'

shared on a facebook post at Nash Homecare in England by Maxine Bailey, available online.

*My heart is breaking, being slowly chipped away
as I lose a little more of you every single day
I cannot understand how this world can be so cruel
you to me are everything, my lifeline, blood, and fuel:*

*I do my best to help you, to soothe you and to care
sometimes I find the journey tough but, still I'm always there
I can see that you are suffering and want to ease your pain
I'm here, I'm right beside you dear, and here I will remain*

*The guilt, it overwhelms me, when my patience peters out
it's not your fault, I know that, please forgive me when I shout
my mind is filled with sorrow, panic, loss, and endless fear
I hope that you don't notice that I sometimes shed a tear*

*I dread when the day comes that you no longer know my name
or who I am to you, life will never be the same
it won't be through lack of trying, as I keep your mind alive
I've got you and you've got me, together we survive*

*If I could change places with you, just know I truly would
or find a cure for this cruel disease, oh how I wish I could
this illness, it may take you and tear our lives apart
but please my love, always know, you'll be forever in my heart*

The hard truths: Those of us touched by Alzheimer's and other dementias watch our loved ones die – over and over and over again – often for years. Little bits and pieces of who they are and how we used to communicate and count on them disappears over time. Sometimes quickly, many times painfully slowly. Please continue to pray for all...

TAG SALE – COLUMBUS DAY WEEKEND – SUPPORT RELAY FOR LIFE



Tag Sale to benefit the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life at the Willis' Clesson Valley Farm, Route 112, 253 Ashfield Road in Buckland. Held over the Columbus Day Weekend, October 8, 9 and 10. Expected open hours to be 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Monday and Noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

"At Relay For Life events, no one faces cancer alone. We come together every year at more than 2,500 Relay events around the country to support and celebrate survivors and caregivers. Each

Relay has special events and activities (many throughout the year) just for survivors and their caregivers, so they can connect with others and know there is a strong support system available to them... Relay For Life is a life-changing event that helps communities across the globe celebrate the lives of people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against the disease." [from Relay for Life webpages]

The Willis Family team has been part of Franklin County's event almost since its very first year (founded by church friend and former Buckland resident Jennifer Wall). Our church community has been generous to many of the teams over the years. Stop by!

Buckland Public Hall
Upper St., Buckland (behind the church)
Annual Tag Sale & Harvest Market
Saturday October 22 & Sunday October 23
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Buckland Public Hall is holding their annual tag sale on October 22nd and 23rd from 9 am-4 pm daily. There are many antiques and barn items this year! All proceeds go towards the hall's maintenance.



There will be a special "**Harvest Market**" on **Saturday from 1 pm - 4 pm** with farm produce for sale from local farms, such as apples, pumpkins and corn. There will also be baked goods, doughnuts and cider (limited supplies, so come early!). Apple Crisp and quilt raffle tickets will be for sale to benefit the church.

Donations for the tag sale are being accepted at the Public Hall and volunteers are very much appreciated to help during the event, at set up or take down. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please email the Public Hall Committee at bucklandpublichall@gmail.com or talk to Annie at 413-320-1615.



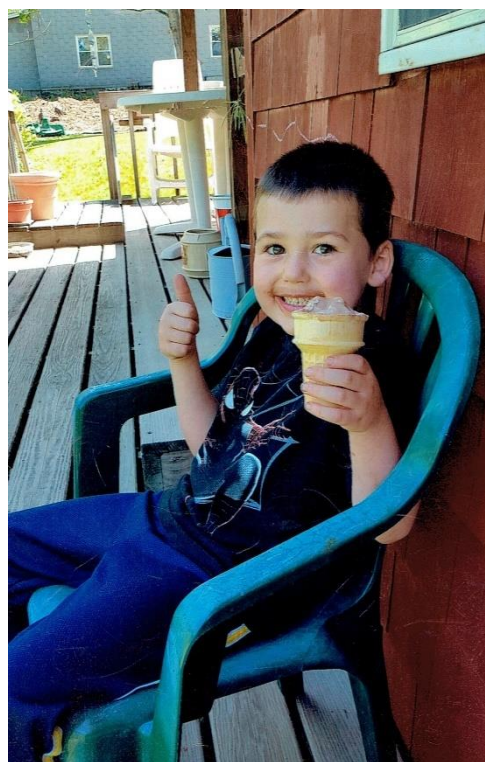
Another Proud Grandparent



Grandparents' day was last month and we devoted a page to grandparents and the children that recently started "the earth school." Here is another delightful young student, Colter Scalise with his grandfather Jody Scalise.

Do you have a new "student" coming into the "earth school" in your family soon? The Monday Nighters group is currently stitching up another heirloom baby quilt for the little one. If you would like to purchase it, give Luahn a call at 413-320-3893 for more details.

We are also remembering the students who left this "earth school" way too soon.
Summer Steele and Will Clark are sorely missed by their grandparents –
Terry & Bunny and Tom & Pat.



Mary Lyon Church Raffle Silverbell Bazaar

November 19, 2022, 9:00AM - 3:00PM

Raffle drawn at close of Bazaar



1st Prize: Dresden Plate Queen Size Quilt by Monday Nighters

2nd Prize: Print "The Old Mill" by Cyndie Stetson

3rd Prize: Decorative Bird House by Larry Lesure

3 tickets for \$5.00 *** 1 ticket for \$2.00**

Tickets can be purchased from
Luahn Page, Judy Willis or Sue Atherton.