

# The Steeple

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*~From Our Minister,  
Reverend Eric Quinney-  
Burnard*

September has evolved into a bittersweet month. With the early stages of fall and the change of seasons, it is also imprints within our memory of September 11th. The change of seasons reminds us of how life, in its healing cycles, brings about a sense of healing and change. Seasons are the gifts that draw us to remember the past season yet the anticipation of the next. September 11th. is a point of deep reflection of the past, locked in our memory and each cycle of the season recalled from memory to our heart. Like the seasons we remember the past while stepping lightly to the next day, our hope in the spirit of healing and wholeness. Each passing day doesn't remove ourselves from that moment, but rather allows us to use our memory as a source of hope that as our lives continue, we do so with the spirit of those who have died as well as those who are with us today. In that joining of memory and present we draw our strength in the spirit of love and hope. God walks with us through these seasons of life and always will.

## Installation

**Please plan on joining us on  
October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 at 2:30 p.m.  
to celebrate the official  
installation of Eric's as our  
Pastor.**

The deacons are organizing the reception following Eric's installation service on October 2nd. If you can help out with the reception by making something or staying to help with clean up afterwards, please speak with any member of the deacons: Karen Homer, Jane Milani, Marilyn Ellery, Stan Waite, Jean Smith, Harry Tiberio, Dwight Watson, Karen McSweeney, Beth R-Z, Sue Delfanti.

## *Adult Book Study*

“The Shack” will be discussed during the adult book study on Wednesday, September 28th, October 5th, 12th, and 19th. If you are interested in attending please speak to Eric.

## *CROP Hunger Walk Raffle Items*

We are seeking donations of raffle items for the day of the CROP Hunger Walk (10/1). If you patronize a local business on a regular basis, please ask if they'll donate a gift certificate for the raffle. Examples: oil change, manicure, pizza parlor, local restaurants, flower shop, etc. Many hands do make light work and if we can get some help with raffle items it would be much appreciated.

Please see Beth Rayner-Zyskowski if you have any questions or have something to donate to the raffle. Thanks!

## *FELLOWSHIP AND FUN*

On Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, following worship, we are planning a group visit to the Patriots Hall, which is the New England Patriots museum. We'll see a 20 minute film on the history of the team, which will have you cheering and clapping (and groaning in some spots) and check out the exhibits and then have a late lunch at CBS Scene, a casual dining restaurant just across the plaza in Patriot Place.

See the October Steeple for ticket and sign up information or if you have questions before then, speak with Beth R-Z.

*Electronic  
Recycling  
day  
On  
Saturday  
September 17, 2011  
From  
8 a.m. to Noon*

*Yard, Bake and  
Hand Craft Table Sale  
on  
Saturday, October 8, 2011  
8 a.m. to Noon  
Drop off 10/5, 6, 7 from 6–8 p.m.*

Please save all your previously used, well loved but in good condition, no longer needed items, for our yard sale.

**Exceptions are: no periodicals, magazines, electronics and encyclopedias.**

Remember, please save only **good condition, saleable items**, as everything that isn't sold will have to be disposed of and will take away from our profits. More information to come.

Thanks- Jane Milani 508-473-4359



## Ending hunger one step at a time.

CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide interfaith events sponsored by Church World Service.

With the busy Fall schedule upon us, we would like to remind everyone that the 2011 Greater Milford CROP Walk for Hunger is scheduled for Saturday, October 1st. at 10:00 am (registration begins at 9:00 am). Once again, the Walk will begin and end at our church with a number of community groups joining us as we raise money and bring awareness to the hunger which exists in the world and in our own community.

CROP stands for Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty and the CROP Walk is done with the help and resources of Church World Service (CWS). 75% of the proceeds go to CWS efforts to help provide global and national relief from hunger, poverty and natural disasters. 25% will remain in our community.

If you are interested in joining or making a

contribution to the Church team please visit us at [www.cropwalk.org](http://www.cropwalk.org), select Massachusetts/ Milford CROP Walk on Oct. 1/First Congregational Church. Or you may turn in your contribution to anyone on Missions.

We also are looking for volunteers to help host the event on October 1st. We will be cooking up Burgers , hot dogs and assorted snacks as well as having live music.. Please contact Cindy Kearley should you like to help with hosting this community event.

Are you interested in starting a team (do you belong to a gym, library group, or exercise class??), please contact Steve Kearley or Kay Quinney-Burnard (508/330-3033) or [qburnard@yahoo.com](mailto:qburnard@yahoo.com).

## September Birthdays



1 David Clinkman

4 Trevor Hotchkin

4 Amanda Peters

5 Karen Mazzarelli

7 Ginny Davis

10 Thomas McSweeney

11 Debbie Spencer

12 Lynne Papuga

14 Patricia Colcord

14 Karen Homer

14 Russell Dennett

16 Katelin Rouleau

17 Kyle Tompkins

17 John Edmondson

19 John McDermott, Jr.

20 Ed Dillon

21 Vicki Nelsen

22 Mark Crawford

23 Matthew Luchini

25 Courtney Tuttle

27 Mitchell Crossman

29 Ethan Brewis

29 Matthew Spencer

29 Cindy Wolfe

30 Jessica Gould

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## *Purple Bag Donations*

The Daily Bread Food Pantry is in need of prepared foods (such as Rice, Noodle side dishes or Hamburger Helper) and Juice Boxes ---Thank you, The Missions Committee

*Purple Bags will be collected on the first Sunday of every month. September will be an exception—we will be collecting them on September 11th. Please plan ahead, buy early.*

If you unable to attend church on that Sunday, please leave your donations in the baskets near the front doors of the church.

Thank you for your participation. **Cindy Kearley**

## *English as a Second Language (ESL)*

If you signed up to teach English as a second language (ESL) there will be a training session on Wednesday, September 14th. and the 21st.

Please plan on attending both sessions.

## *Hospitality Workshop*

Peter Wells (Association Conference Minister) will be Preaching on October 9th. Immediately following worship he will hold a Hospitality workshop. Please see Eric for more details.

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