



Epistle

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Summer 2016

I'm thinking about doors. In the Book of Revelation the Risen Christ says this about opening the door to God: "Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to you and eat with you, and you with me." (3:20) How well do we open the door to welcome Christ into our midst? I'm thinking about doors because two of our church entrances have changed in recent weeks—the doors are more welcoming. Our Church St. door—on the north side of the church--which is the entrance for our weekly deliveries from the Western MA Food Bank had deteriorated badly. With financial support from the Pittsfield Rotary Club, First Church in Park Square, and a donation from the family of Ken Sexton—whose funeral I conducted recently—we were able to replace that door with a sturdy, tight, steel door. A small cement ramp to further ease entry and an overhang to deflect waterfalls from the roof far above are also planned. Some five tons of food arrive at this door every week, helping to meet the needs of the 500 families who participate in our weekly Pantry. To make these deliveries easier to receive for our volunteer team is one way to truly welcome the living Christ into our midst. (Any donations, no matter how small, to help complete this project would be welcomed.) Thanks to Dale Prindle for guiding this work along and to Alan and Duncan Honig for doing the work.

The front of our church was recently painted as part of our "Stretching for God's Future" Capital Fund Drive. It is a majestic space. But after being your pastor for 27 years I am aware of how often people in the community do not really 'see' that large, blank, white space. I've felt for a long while that it's like a large, blank canvas waiting for something 'more' to appear. When our new Networking committee suggested a couple of UCC banners for the front it seemed the ideal solution. Last week they were installed. The 8' banners are bright, colorful and bear the messages that "God is Spoken Here" and that to be the church we seek to: "Protect the Environment, Care for the Poor, Forgive Often, Reject Racism, Embrace Diversity, Love God, and Enjoy Life". One banner is bright red and black while the other is a rainbow of colors. Those driving and walking by are now seeing the church—perhaps for the first time. Such efforts communicate that there is an active community of faith within and that all are welcome.

Not only are the physical doors of the church becoming more welcoming our on-line doorways—via our website and Facebook--are also getting upgrades. This past Sunday Darlene Berryman and Erin Murphy led a group of us in a session on how to make better use of these communication tools. There was so much energy in the room as we learned how to better share the message of faith and compassion that is the identity of South. Videos, photos, brief descriptions of events, invitations, and reflections are all part of these expressions of opening the door to others.

I can almost imagine Jesus, standing at our doors and knocking. Would he be a pantry guest at the west door, part of our volunteer team unloading food at the north door, a passerby reading our banners at the east door, one coming to the office or Sunday worship entering by the south door, or one surfing the internet looking for a compassionate, serving, justice-oriented congregation? In Revelation Jesus promises to come knocking at our door. Don't you think he arrives daily through each of the doors we are willing to open? May the doors of our church and the doorways of our hearts open to such love as that.

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The next *Epistle* deadline is Aug 28th at 11 a.m.

Our Church Family

Wedding:

Jennifer Haven & Timothy Johnson June 25
(Jennifer is the daughter of Cindy Haven and Tim is the brother of Hilary Bashara)

Graduation:

Emily Donovan June 4
(the daughter of Rebecca Donovan and granddaughter of Pat and Bob Hill) graduated from Lee Middle and High School. Emily was named valedictorian of her class.

Deceased:

Shirley Guidetti June 13
Joy Johnson Killfoil June 26

Red Carpet Gallery-Art Display

If you have any artwork that you would like displayed in the red carpet area please contact me or the office.

We all enjoy these displays and would love more!
Pat Hill

Lost & Found

A dangling purple/blue earring was found on the church floor among the pews. If you think you may be the owner of this piece of jewelry, contact the church office (442-7357).

Children's Summer Program



During worship time this summer, we will be offering an all-age summer program for the months of June, July and August. Also we will continue to provide child care for the little ones each week. Instead of going into the Sanctuary throughout the summer, children should go directly to the Sunday School. Hope to see you there!

Ann Roche

2016 Berkshire Diabetes Walk

Saturday June 4 was a beautiful summer day for the Berkshire Diabetes Walk. Thanks to the support of Berkshire Medical Center, its Diabetic Education Department, and the National Honor Society of Lenox High School, the event was very successful.

Roger's Team raised \$ 2500. The total for the entire walk is not yet available. All of the money raised for the Diabetes Patient's Needs Fund will cover the cost of urgent diabetes expenses and diabetic education for patients in financial need.

Thanks for all of your contributions and encouragement. Many from the church walked with Roger's Team. We give special thanks to Sara Adams for her exceptional effort in raising contributions from the Lyons Clubs and its members.

Audra Kinner, Captain of Roger's Team

LORD & TAILOR NEWS

Summer is in full swing, and we find we are getting some summer visitors in the shop. This is at least partially because of our great ad in the Shopper's Guide in South County. They do a wonderful job for us.

We are beginning this week a buy one, get one free sale on all clothing. Our half-price jewelry sale continues and is very popular. Come check out the great summer buys.

This month we will be giving \$250. to the church.

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY TO EVERYONE!

Nancy deforest & Audra Kinner

Lectionary for July 2016

Sunday, July 3 – Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 66:10-14

Psalms 66:1-9

Galatians 6 (1-6), 7-16

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Sunday, July 10 – Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Guest Preacher: Rev. Robert Skidmore

Deuteronomy 30:9-14

Psalms 25:1-10

Colossians 1:1-14

Luke 10:25-37

Sunday, July 17 – Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Guest Preacher: Rev. Laura O'Shaughnessy

Genesis 18:1-10a

Psalms 15

Colossians 1:15-28

Luke 10:38-42

Sunday, July 24 – Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Guest Preacher: Rev. Lisanne Finston

Genesis 18:20-32

Psalms 138

Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19)

Luke 11:1-13

Sunday, July 31 – Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Guest Preacher: Rev. Richard Floyd

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Psalms 49:1-12

Colossians 3:1-11

Luke 12:13-21

Lectionary for August 2016

Sunday, August 7 – Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Guest Preacher: Rev. Art Kaufman

Genesis 15:1-6

Psalms 33:12-22

Hebrews 1-3, 8-16

Luke 12:32-40

Sunday, August 14 – Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Psalms 80:1-2, 8-19

Jeremiah 23:23-29

Psalms 82

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Luke 12:49-56

Sunday, August 21 – Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Psalms 71:1-6

Hebrews 12:18-29

Sunday, August 28 – State Worship Service with Second Congregational Church

Jeremiah 2:4-13

Psalms 81:1, 10-16

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Luke 14:1, 7-14

Barrett Hall Closed for Six Days While Floors are Refinished August 25-30th

The Board of Trustees has arranged for the floors in Barrett Hall to be refinished beginning at noon on Thursday, August 25th. The Hall will need to be closed for five days – from noon on Thursday the 25th through Tuesday, August 30th and will re-open on Wednesday morning, August 31st. *Please note that during this time, those needing to access the elevator will not be able to do so through Barrett Hall.* Please plan accordingly. We are sorry for any inconvenience and thank you for your cooperation.



Director of Music Updates

Many thanks to everyone who participated in the wonderful celebration of Bob Blafield's retirement from many years of musical ministry at South Church. Bob's gifts have blessed us in many ways. The June 5 service and reception gave us a chance to say "thank you" to a special friend.

The search for a new Director of Music is underway. On June 28, the Church Council approved the following search committee roster: Ralph Cianflone, Cindy Dickinson, Scott Haskell, Lyndsay Isham-Morton, Lutitia Tibbetts, and Donna Turner, with Joel Huntington and Kerry Sullivan serving *ex officio*. In early July, a job announcement will be posted on the South Church website and circulated to the wider UCC and music communities. Interested applicants should be directed to the website or the church office for more information.



May Mattoon

May Mattoon met on Monday, June 6th at 6 pm for a Covered Dish Dinner as well as a birthday celebration complete with a delicious cake for all members. Hostesses were: Ruth Austin, Ruth Campbell and Alice Gallup. The tables were decorated with large cut glass bowls filled with lovely rhododendrons from Ruth Campbell's yard. Twenty members were in attendance. Karen Allender announced that this year we have collected \$43.00 for the "Fellowship of the Least Coin."

Sue Kauffman, our Parish Nurse, was guest speaker. A very enthusiastic discussion followed her introduction of, "Finding Your Joy". We were asked to jot down our feelings on "what matters to us", "what does sense of purpose mean to us", "what brings us joy", "can we start doing more of those things/seeing more of those people", "how and what is our action plan?" Many members expressed their feelings on these subjects. We were encouraged by Sue to do what we love. Balancing work and life, managing stress all play a role in our everyday lives. We were encouraged to keep a "Gratitude Journal", to write three things we are grateful for once a day (i.e. people, places, things, emotions, situations). When we feel low, down or sad and lack some gratitude, we were encouraged to read the list of things we are grateful for and add to the gratitude journal daily.

I believe that we all left the meeting feeling much better about ourselves knowing that our belief in God is most important.

Joyce Brown

Networking Committee

Some members of your Networking Team are available to meet individually with anyone interested in learning more about how to use social media to help South Church grow. BYOD (bring your own device) to church to meet with one of us before or after services. Also home visits are being offered to sit down together. Contact Darlene at 413-770-2144 or darberryman41@gmail.com anytime.

Darlene Berryman

Board of Trustees

Summer is here! Many church activities go on hiatus, but much activity here continues every day. Just as in our own household, the bills continue to come in. Keeping up with your annual pledge through the summer months help us stay current with our obligations and unexpected maintenance projects that always seem to pop up at South Church. Below is a capsule of our current budget through May.

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Total
Income:	\$93,513	\$88,249	\$244,778
Expense:	<u>\$90,392</u>	<u>\$92,988</u>	<u>\$244,778</u>
Operating Income :	\$3,127	(\$4,739) (Deficit)	0

Respectfully submitted,
John Robertson, Chair of Trustees

Food Pantry

The Food Pantry continues to serve approximately 500 families each week, about 1500 individuals. Lately representatives from different community organizations, support agencies and local companies have come to the pantry on Wednesdays to inform our guests of some of the other support that is available for them within the community.



Books, clothing, and household articles have been donated which have been very helpful to many especially those referred by the Elizabeth Freeman Center and to those who have recently been released from prison who often have nothing. Everyone who visits the Pantry deserves to be treated with respect and kindness and all of the volunteers at the Pantry try our best to make this happen.

If you have extra produce from your garden this summer, books, clothing, household articles (pans, dishes, etc.) that someone may be able to use, please bring them in. There is usually someone working at the Food Pantry each week day morning.

During the summer months, we will be collecting toilet paper for our guests.

Mary Wheat

A Message from Jim Day our Peirson Intern

What does art have to do with anything, or at least, with anything that matters? It is seldom a profitable venture for the artist, and certainly does not feed hungry children or help the poor in ways that churches usually think about doing such things. So why bother? Wouldn't it be better to focus on helping them pay the bills or buy a warm coat? These are the kinds of questions I struggle with as an artist working in religious settings. As I have been getting to know this community and bringing what I have to offer to the table these kinds of questions have been particularly poignant, especially since the focus of this internship has been largely defined around bringing the arts to the population who utilize the food pantry and St. Joseph's kitchen. The standard answer I have heard is that we need to think about feeding more than just the body, and the arts feed the soul. I certainly understand this and have seen it in action. It is especially important for those who have limited access to leisure activities or nonessential resources.

I think there are other aspects to the presence of the arts in a religious setting, as well. For example, sermons are not always preached with words. During my very first week here, in response to the Orlando Shooting, I was able to offer the city of Pittsfield and the local LGBTQ community the image of rainbow tears. For me they spoke of God's solidarity with us in our suffering. These chalk drawings were not, however, limited to my intended meaning, but allowed each individual to interpret them in the way most meaningful to themselves. Art works in ways that words alone cannot. It gives people the authority to speak with their own voice and from their own perspective, both in creating art and in interpreting it. Art empowers people in this way.

God created our world with great diversity. We do not always understand God's plans. As well as scholars, preachers, and writers, who open our minds, God created artists to open hearts. This is not a linear process, and as an artist I am never sure where a work of art will lead. For me this uncertainty is an opportunity for the Holy Spirit to enter. As we journey through this summer, may the Holy Spirit be with us, and may we all be open to the surprising work of the Spirit in our midst.

Jim Day



Summer at St. Joseph's Kitchen at South Church

For many years, July 4th has been celebrated at St. Joseph's Kitchen with a cook-out prepared by summer cook Bill Donahue. Hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, and more will be his menu June 29th. As our cooks vacation, Lynn Reynolds and Ralph Dean will be filling in. Thanks to both.

Maitre d's are the glue that holds St. Joseph's Kitchen together as a friendly, welcoming place where guests can come in out of the heat (or cold) and socialize before the evening meal. Our meals serve people who may not find community elsewhere. The Maitre d's also monitor the food service, the rest rooms, and the clean-up process. Art Kaufman has been our go-to guy, often taking the duty 3 weeks out of a month. Dick Noble of First Church is our 1st and 5th week Maitre d'. I will be filling in as needed.

We would like to have at least one more maitre d'. If you are interested in learning more, come by some Wednesday evening from 3:30 to 6, and talk with Art, Dick or me.

A first for St. Joseph's Kitchen is a band performance for our guests. Dick Noble and his band will be playing on the Barrett Hall stage the first week of August.

Also new this summer is a creative space during the coffee hour before the meal. Pierson Intern Jim Day will be doing art projects with interested guests each Wednesday.

Servers are always needed. Just come by at 4:45 pm, don a pair of serving gloves, and learn how easy it is to serve 80 to 100 people fresh, good food.

Financial assistance with our Food Ministry is always appreciated. In addition to the cost of food purchases from the Western Mass Food Bank, we have an urgent capital need. The Church Street doorway is being upgraded to be able to handle the thousands of pounds that are delivered each month for the Food Pantry and weekly meal. Generous donations from First Church, Pittsfield Rotary and private donations have jumpstarted the project, but funds are still needed to accomplish the concrete ramp for the food trucks and a small roof to protect the entrance during inclement weather. Donations may be left at the church office with checks made out to South Church. Designate either "Food Pantry" or "Doorway project" in the notation. You can also donate on our website, thanks to a new button that our web-guru, Erin Murphy, has created.

A special thank you to everyone who supports our Food Ministry with time, talent or treasure!

Mary Rentz

SAVE THE DATE!!!
Sunday, November 13

HOME COMING 2016

Join us for special worship and fellowship
to commemorate the anniversary
of the first regular worship service at
South Congregational Church,
held on Sunday, November 13, 1850.

This event is an opportunity to reach out to past (and future!) members and friends of South Church—but we need your help! If you have names and contact information (mailing addresses, e-mail addresses, phone numbers, Facebook contact, etc.) of former members, or students who attended Sunday School or were confirmed here, or of people who otherwise have had a connection to our congregation, please send/give this information to the church office at 413-442-7357 or sochurch@nycap.rr.com by August 31.

You are also encouraged to invite FUTURE friends and members to this special event (but don't wait until then if you've got someone who would love to be more connected!)

Mark your calendars--details to follow!

Immigrant Resettlement – Local Efforts

A few months ago, back in February, I began my AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) position at Catholic Charities in Springfield. Since then I have learned and continue to learn more than I ever could have imagined about the current, very present refugee crisis.

There are over 60 million displaced people in the world; people without homes whose lives and families have been torn apart. And this number continues to climb at an alarming rate. Of those who are able to flee the borders of their country, make it to a camp and obtain the "refugee" status (by proving somehow that you had no choice but to leave your country or face death), only 1% are resettled in a new homeland.

Catholic Charities USA is a national organization that is dedicated to working to reduce poverty in America. As a whole, they have assisted over 70 million refugees and they are the second most active resettlement agency. Our office in Springfield is dedicated to identifying and addressing the unique needs of refugee families as they enter this brand new country; and to fill the gaps between what services are available to them and what is lacking.

It has become very clear to us in the Office of Refugee Services that the women are somehow left out of the equation in many respects; their needs are often times overlooked in the hectic time of resettlement. Many times they have small children so they think they need to stay home to take care of them, their husbands have a difficult time adapting to the new culture and do not want them to leave the house to socialize, travel or work. The women become very isolated and lonely, a mixture of circumstances that sometimes leads to other problems such as alcohol abuse and depression.

As part of the developing New Americans Program at our office, we put together a comprehensive women's group of Burundi refugees that I have just taken on the role as coordinator of. We meet once a week to address 3 core aspects the women have identified as important to them: English Language Learning, Cultural Navigation and Psycho-Social Healing. It also serves as a safe place where their voices are heard. Catholic Charities receives grant funding for administrative costs of this program, but is lacking in programming funds. If South Church was able to do a special offering, such funds would go towards program material and items such as:

- English curricula
- Workbooks
- Flash cards
- Art supplies
- Picture dictionaries
- A white board to facilitate lessons with
- Cultural learning trips to local museums, businesses, state parks, etc.

The program doesn't need a very large budget to be successful; any amount would be amazing to receive. I will keep South Church informed about how we are using the funds and send updates about the group, with pictures and everything! And I can't thank the congregation enough for all their support- not just now but throughout my entire life; I am so blessed to be a part of South Church.

Alex Roche

Additional note from Rev. Joel:

I spoke at length with Alex about this project. And together we thought it would be good to seek out support from Springfield area congregations to partner with Catholic Charities. Alex and others will be pursuing these efforts. But in the meantime, to get things moving, Alex is seeking support from her home church. I'll be talking further with the Mission Board to think of some simple ways to gather funds for Alex and her work with the Burundi women's group.



**David Grover &
Linda Worster**

BREAD & ROSES COFFEE HOUSE

Friday July 15, 2016

Friday August 19, 2016

7 p.m.

Our favorite local troubadours will be joining us for the summer, bringing us a blend of original music and covers. Every coffee house is a different experience and their repertoires are far ranging.

Please join us for a magical evening.

**Admission by
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benefit**

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Because of our commitment to practical faith, we serve a free hot meal each Wednesday at 5pm, provide food for up to 400 families in need from the pantry and host AA and NA meetings

We are also home to Pembury Bridge, Pittsfield Squares and Music Together

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