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Fairhaven Pride Event

Sponsored by the town's Belonging Committee, this event will take place Sunday, June 9th in front of Town Hall from 11-3. Our church will have a table at the event, staffed by church members, so that the LGBTQ+ community will know that we are a place where <u>all</u> people are welcomed, accepted and affirmed as beloved children of God. Try to stop by and give support to our LGBTQ+ neighbors and friends.

Congratulations, Graduates!

Many congratulations and well wishes to:

<u>Campbell Costa</u>, daughter of Andrea and Kyle Costa, graduating from Fairhaven <u>Andrew David Scott</u>, son of Jennifer and David Scott, and grandson of Jim and Carole

High School

Andrew David Scott, son of Jennifer and David Scott, and grandson of Jim and Carole Mahaney, graduating from Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High in Automotive Technology.

Homecoming Fair, Saturday, June 29th

Once again we will be hosting a Hot Dog booth at the Homecoming Fair. Please consider volunteering to help for an hour or two, or for the whole day! It takes up and take down the booth as well as to cook and serve. You can find a coffee hour on Sundays or in the William Street entrance at other times.

Summer Worship Time

As we do each year, our worship time in the summer will be moved to 9:30 AM. The new worship time will begin on June 30 and continue through Labor Day Weekend.

Lazy, Hazy, Crazy Days of Summer

Hopefully this will be a beautiful summer season and each of us will have the chance to rest and play and just enjoy life. If time or travels take you away from summer worship, please do remember that we still have bills to pay during the summer so we very much appreciate it if you can keep up with your offerings to the church. Thanks!

Kudos to Volunteers

We are very fortunate to have so many wonderful volunteers in our congregation and we are noting some of them here today.

<u>Heavenly Treasures</u>. A few weeks ago we celebrated the extraordinary volunteers who keep our thrift shop, Heavenly Treasures such a vital ministry. Their hard work, dedication and creativity have created an amazing space where folks love to come, not only for the bargains but for a sense of community and welcome.

The volunteers are folks both from our congregation and from the larger community. When you see any of them around, stop and give them a High-Five.

Grace Barnes Ann Cochran Carol Gage
Phyllis Goodwin Sandy Henriques Polly Hood
Bev Johansen Mel Lihota Melissa Mager
Kellie Medeiros Donna Perry Melody Perry
Claudia Pompella Peggy Rogers Nancy Wood

<u>Sunday School.</u> We are also very thankful to Beth Wilding who all year has shared her time, love and faith with our children. Beth has single-handedly coordinated our Sunday School program throughout the year. The children have learned about God's love and about how to follow Jesus. Let Beth know how much we appreciate her when you see her in church or around town. Beth also handles our greeting card ministry. Thank you Beth!

<u>Collection Counters</u>. Last September a volunteer group was set up to count the Sunday collection as well as donation checks, Heavenly Treasures income, coffee hour donations, and so on. We are very grateful to the following people who do this important job:

Jim Cochran	Sharon Dorian	Cindy Leblanc
Jim Mahaney	Donna Perry	Kraig Perry
	LeeAnn Wood	

More Kudos ...

<u>Lay Readers</u>. Thanks to all of our recent Lay Readers: Joanne Bobola, Pete Braley, Jan Carpenter, Apollo Chamberlain, Russ Chamberlain, Sharon Dorian, Celeste Gauthier, Phyllis Goodwin, Bev Johansen, and Cindy Leblanc. <u>Lawn Care & "handypeople</u>" — Jeff Mederios, Norm Burr, Jim Mahaney, and Roger Labbe.

<u>Coffee Hour</u> — Carole Mahaney and Jeff Mederios

Beautiful Tablescapes — Sue Burr