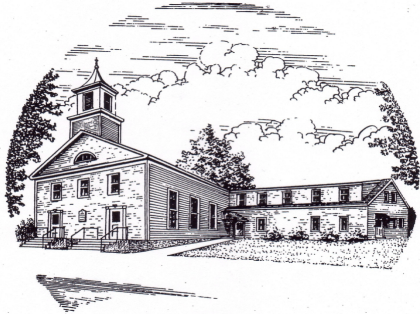


*"So that the Gospel may be preached
amongst us here"*



FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Newsletter

November 2026



*"We celebrate and share God's love by connecting people with God and each other
through acceptance, worship, mission, community, and the gospel of Jesus Christ."*

Sunday Worship: 10:00 am

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(The latest newsletter is also available on the church website)

Dear Friends,

As I write this, the summer warmth has faded and the fall chill is definitely here! We are looking ahead to thanksgiving and Advent, and it is a busy season indeed for us here at Feeding Hills Congregational. I hope that you will join us for the many activities coming up! The Church Cupboard is preparing to give out Turkey Dinner Bags and bless our neighbors. It is truly in our giving that we recognize how much we have to be thankful for!

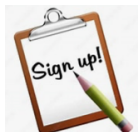


As the seasons continue to change, we know that a season of change is upon us. The visioning team has been working dilligently on identifying how we can move into the future, and members will vote early in the new year on a path forward. Most of you already know that I have made the most difficult decision to depart my position at the end of the year as well. This decision was not made easilly and it is truly bittersweet. I hope that you have seen how the Holy Spirit has moved through our church in my time here. While I will depart, God will remain with you and guide you in continuing the work of being the church. I truly thank God daily for our time together and the evidence of God's love for and through us all!

Thanksgiving worship, Greening the Church and the beginning of Advent are things we all look forward to. I pray that our time together will be joyful and fruitful as God continues to do a good work in us. I am thankful for our upcoming focus on gratitude, hope, peace, joy and love as we move into the celebration of Christ's birth! Blessings,

Pastor Janet

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Roster of Worship Roles

Upcoming Sunday Volunteers

Please consider adding your name to a role. Not only can it be rewarding to be an active participant, but it helps to keep FHCC strong. You can share with another person if you like. THANK YOU!

Sunday, November 1, 2026

Task	Name
1 Worship Assistant	Sandi S-P
2 Communion Service	Kathy R. & Paul B.
3 Refreshments	Sue S. & Dev B.
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Sunday, November 8, 2026

Task	Name
1 Worship Assistant	Matt G.
2 Refreshments	Sue S. & Deb B.

Sunday, November 15, 2026

Task	Name
1 Worship Assistant	Dave B.
2 Refreshments	Sue S. & Deb B.
3	

Sunday, November 22, 2026

Task	Name
1 Worship Assistant	Jeff H.
2 Refreshments	Sue S. & Deb B.

Sunday, November 29, 2026

Task	Name
1 Worship Assistant	Diane F.
2 Refreshments	Sue S. & Deb B.

If you find that you are unable to facilitate the task you volunteered for, it is your responsibility to find a replacement. Please do that as soon as possible and notify Pastor Janet and Music Director Sean.

Sue S., Kathy R., and Deb B. graciously set up and clean up refreshments on a regular basis. Please consider donating to the purchase of refreshments.

THANK YOU!

Church Special Meeting Sunday Nov. 29th

Please mark your calendars. This special meeting has been called by the Visioning team.



Special Meeting
November 29th
(following worship)

“...and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts” Romans 5:5



Special Thanksgiving Worship Service/Supper

Wednesday Nov. 23rd, 6pm. A time to express your gratitude to the Lord for all He has gifted you. All are welcome to attend.



Thanksgiving Worship

SIMPLE MEAL FOLLOWED
BY WORSHIP

November 25, 2026 @ 6 PM

Feeding Hills Congregational Church
21 North Westfield St. Feeding Hills, MA

Sign up in Fellowship Hall or let Pastor Janet know!



Save the Dates: Upcoming Christmas Events

Greening the Church:	Sat. Nov. 28
Church Christmas Party:	Sat. Dec. 19
Blue Christmas Service:	Mon. Dec. 21
Christmas Eve Service:	Thur. Dec. 24





What's Going on at the Church Cupboard

The Church Cupboard continues to serve a vital need in our greater community. There is always a need for volunteers to help on open days, to help with inventory at other times, and general help with food collections.

A “take and bake” Thanksgiving meal kit will be distributed to registered clients on Monday evening Nov. 23. Gift cards to a local grocery store intended for a meat item have been generously provided by an anonymous donor.

Other necessary items (listed below) for the meal kits are needed. Any donations can be brought on Sunday morning, during Cupboard open hours, or by appointment. Monetary gifts are also welcome. All Thanksgiving items are needed by Nov. 18th in order to allow for advance assembly. Thank you in advance for your support!



***We are SO
THANKFUL for
your help!***

***Donations
needed BY
November 18th!***

***We anticipate
making 30 bags
for our clients!***

THANKSGIVING ITEMS NEEDED

- canned vegetables
- stuffing mix
- gravy
- cranberry
- instant potatoes
- canned pumpkin
- graham cracker pie
crusts
- cornbread/biscuit
mix

***80 Households
Served
More than 5,000
food/hygiene items
gifted!***



Church Cleaning

Each week, the church needs sprucing up after use by various groups. Please consider adding your name for an hour so on a Friday or Saturday. Specific needs are listed near the sign-up lists. Contact any member of council if you need access to the building.



Thank you for outside cleanup!

Many thanks to Rose & Doug White for tidying up outside the front of the church. It looks wonderful!



Parish Cupboard Collection/Mission

Our relation with the Agawam/West Springfield Parish Cupboard continues on with collections on the 2nd Sunday of the month.

All non-perishable, unexpired food items as well as cash/check donations are always welcome. Items especially in need can be found on their latest wish list at

<https://theparishcupboard.org>.



Keep In Our Prayers

- Lori's niece and family
- All those recovering from medical issues
- All those struggling with mental health

Please feel free to send any personal prayer requests for future newsletters.

Bible Trivia

- [1.] Jesus healed 10 lepers. How many came back to say thank you?
- A. One
 - B. Three
 - C. Seven
- [2.] The leper(s) who returned were foreign, from where?
- A. Judea
 - B. Egypt
 - C. Samaria
- [3.] Along what borders was Jesus traveling when he healed the 10 lepers?
- A. Samaria and Galilee
 - B. Samaria and Egypt
 - C. Samaria and Judea

Answers:

All answers from Luke 17: 11-19:
[1.]: A, One
[2.]: C, Samaria
[3.]: A, Samaria and Galilee

Find every word (13 total) in the following Bible verse.

“GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD; HIS LOVE ENDURES FOREVER.” (PSALM 107:1, NIV)

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