

Week of May 21, 2023



From Woody: . . .Many thanks to Lynn and Sam and all our Sunday Schoolers for a fun but also meaningful service. Our Sunday School is coming back and we also are welcoming new people into our church, a great thing.

I came across an interesting quote in a book which I will put in our new Library and wanted to share the quote with everyone. Not too far up Rt. 89 is the home of Calvin Coolidge. He became President upon the death of Warren Harding and was sworn in by his father, a Justice of the Peace, while vacationing in his hometown of Plymouth, Vermont. During his time in office he saw the renewal of the Ku Klux Klan, sparked in part by the movie, BIRTH OF A NATION, first out in 1915 when Woodrow Wilson was President. The movie showed the Klan as the heroes, rescuing white women from the attacks of black men. Coolidge, known as Silent Cal, was a man of few words. But in Jon Meachem's book, THE SOUL OF AMERICA. THE BATTLE FOR OUR BETTER ANGELS, he quotes a speech President Coolidge gave at the American Legion convention in 1925. It shows that when Silent Cal did speak, he could be very worth listening to:

If we are to have...the union of spirit which is the foundation of real national genius and national progress, we must all realize that there are true Americans who did not happen to be born in our section of the country, who do not attend our place of religious worship, who are not of our racial stock, or who are not proficient in our language. If we are to create, on this continent, a free Republic, and an enlightened civilization that will be capable of reflecting the true greatness and glory of mankind, it will be necessary to regard these differences as accidental and unessential. We shall have to look beyond the outward manifestations of race and creed. Divine Providence has not bestowed upon any race a monopoly of patriotism and character.

A quote well worth sharing in today's world. Thank you, President Coolidge.



Memorial Day: The Memorial Day Celebration at the school is Tuesday, May 30 at 9am.



JOIN US IN SAVING LIVES Through a special program offered by the State of New Hampshire, we have the opportunity to purchase an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) at a significantly reduced rate. Having this life saving device in our building will improve the chance of survival for anyone experiencing cardiac arrest. While the purchase of an AED was not included in our budget for this year the Session and Trustees of Expenditures fully support its acquisition.

We are asking you, our members and friends, to assist us in purchasing this life saving device. The total cost is \$2,150 which includes the Philips Model FRx AED, an extra set of adult pads, an extra battery, training pads, a Child/Pediatric programming key, and training for 10 people by a certified instructor. If you would like to contribute toward the purchase of an AED for the church you can do so in the following ways:

A check made out to CCNB with AED donation written on the memo line

Through our website communitychurchnewboston.org. Click on the donation button, select one time gift, and write AED donation under Comments

If you have any questions please contact Bruce Tostevin or Lynda French. Thank You!



Jay Marden Funeral: Jay Marden's funeral will be at the church on June 17 at 1pm.



Church Library: The Church Library up and running in the church parlor. We are just getting started but if anyone wants to borrow a book it will be on the honor system. Borrow whatever book you want to read and return it when you're done. Also, if you have a book that you'd like to donate to the church library just leave it on the shelf. We want only books by Christian authors.



Peace Quote We are tied together in the single garment of destiny, caught in an inescapable network of mutuality. And whatever affects one directly affects all indirectly....*Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.*