

First Parish, Hingham

Old Ship Church

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April 2022 Newsletter

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Deadline for May newsletter: Tuesday, April 19, 2022

Worship: 10:25 a.m.

Multi-Platform:
Join us in-person in our Old
Ship Meeting House

masks required*
full vaccination strongly urged
and
also on the usual Zoom link

*Our Board of Trustees will be re-evaluating our mask policy at their April 7 meeting.

Zoom link opens at 10:15 a.m.

Click here to join Sunday Worship!

Sunday, April 3

Ken's sermon at the beginning of National Poetry Month will be "Poetry for Our Lives."

Ken and Elizabeth Torrey will host a conversation following the service as introduction to this year's Spring Poetry class: "Poetry Retrospective" – a



look back over the many years of spring poetry classes. This Sunday's conversation will be based on Poems of Peace and Poems of the Earth.

Sunday, April 10

On Palm Sunday, and as the Jewish celebration of Passover approaches, Ken's sermon will be "Freedom's Journeys."

During the service a representative from the Massachusetts Climate Action Network (MCAN) will say a few words about their work. MCAN will be the beneficiary of our April outreach offering.

Easter Sunday, April 17

"Even – or Especially – This Year" will be Ken's sermon. The Christian holy day of Easter, rooted in more ancient celebrations of spring renewal, comes around each year no matter what else is going on in the world or in our lives. What do Easter and spring mean to us this year?

Sunday, April 24

On this Sunday two days after Earth Day, Ken's sermon will be "Never Too Late." The warnings of climate catastrophe have been stark for decades, and never more than now as reality catches up with prognostication. Is it too late to take meaningful action to stem rising tides and temperatures? How should we be living and what should we be doing these days on our dear Earth home?

DONORS FOR SUNDAY FLOWERS

Interested in being a donor for our Sunday flowers? **April 24** and **May 22 are available!** You may provide your own arrangement, or the Sunday Flowers Committee will create a lovely arrangement for a \$50 charge. Contact Sharon Prehn 781-925-0101.



from the minister's desk Musing

The turning of another page of the calendar brings my retirement on July 31 noticeably closer. My primary focus remains, as it will right to the end of July, on the day to day and week to week ministry we share: caring for one another and reaching out in care to the wider world, these days with Ukraine very much in our hearts and minds.



But naturally enough I also find myself musing more often about these remaining months – for me and for you.

The Board of Trustees "Interim Minister Search Committee" has completed their application for an interim minister to the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA) and soon will begin the interview process. We will likely know sometime in May who will be Old Ship's interim minister, likely for the next two years. I will of course consult with whomever that person is, assisting in whatever ways I can in orienting them to ministry at Old Ship. Then, when the calendar turns from July to August, my UU colleague will be your minister. You and I can chat (though not about the church) if we meet on the street or at the Fruit Center, but my colleague will be your minister.

This is a big change – for me and for you.

But July 31 is still four months away. I look forward to many conversations with

you during these months in the midst of our shared ministry, whether in groups or individually. As you know by now, conversation is pretty much at the heart of my ministry.

So feel free to be in touch for any reason, by email, phone, or stopping by the office.

With all good wishes to each and every one of you as we care for one another during this worrisome time for our nation and the world.

With continued prayers for peace, Ken

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Old Ship Board of Trustees April Newsletter

Greetings,

Happy spring to everyone! As I am writing this, the search committee of the Board is nearing completion of the UUA application for Interim



Ministry. It has been a wonderful experience for the search committee to reflect and to share the description of the story of Old Ship. We have learned by reviewing the history, that this is one of many times Old Ship has transitioned and faced new horizons successfully.

With Lisa's assistance, the annual report is beginning to be written. All committees are asked to submit a report in early April so there is time to prepare ahead of the annual meeting in late May. It has been a busy year for the Board. And now we are preparing to transition to a new President and several new Board members for next year. We need to all continue to support the good work of the committees and programs at Old Ship. The "new horizons" stewardship /pledge campaign is still going on - it's not too late to make your pledge for next year.

This is my last monthly newsletter message, and I am both "sorry and grateful". I am sorry to be leaving since I will miss everyone and the community of Old Ship. I am very grateful for all the experiences and love I have felt as a member of the church and as the President of the Board. I am excited to hear about the upcoming transitions and happenings for Old Ship. Thank you all for sharing your lives with me.

All the best, Ginny Perelson (she, her, hers) President, Board of Trustees

Among Us

We send deep sympathy to Chris Maher (our tenor soloist for many years). Chris's brother died this past weekend. Our thoughts and prayers are with Chris and all of his family. If you wish to send a card the address for Chris is 21 Back River Road, North Weymouth, MA 02191.



As we reported last week, Cheryl White (formerly McKendry) suffered a stroke recently. After initial treatment in a hospital in Luxor, Egypt, she is now home with her husband Nasser, where she will continue her rehab with physical therapy. We send continued healing thoughts and prayers.

Pastoral Care Leadership Team

We are all on the pastoral care team, but our "Pastoral Care Leadership Team" meets each month to share any concerns about parishioners who are ill, in the hospital, or facing other significant challenges, and to coordinate responses. If you have a pastoral concern to share with our Team, please feel free to contact any member of the group:



Ralph Brown
Liz Flint
Elaine Gomez
Alicia Harkness
Fan Leonard
Catherine Mayes
Carol Valentine
Joan Wilson
Ken Read-Brown

Musical Notes

Dear Old Ship,

In the wake of the war in Ukraine, people started singing. As so many of you know, coming together in song can make you feel deeply. There is a community in a shared song: a common belief, a familiar melody, a shared purpose. And it never fails that even in the face of violence and destruction, music can speak to the soul in such a way that unites us in hope. I'm sharing with you a short two-minute video called *Songs in the Shelters*. It highlights how music continues to be made in war-torn Ukraine. After watching, I felt a greater appreciation for the role music can play in our lives. The Old Ship choir will soon learn and sing a composition called *Prayer for Ukraine* by 19th-century Ukrainian composer Mykola Vitaliyovych Lysenko. I'm looking forward to exploring this beautiful piece of music and I hope that you too will enjoy its beauty whether you are in the meeting house or on zoom.

Would you like to sing with the Old Ship Choir? If it's something you've considered, I'd love to hear from you. Check the church calendar for Thursday

evening choir rehearsals or send me a message for more information! I look forward to hearing from you!

Musically Yours, Christopher

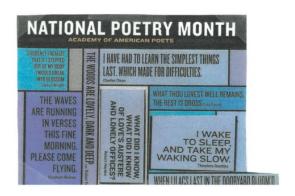
WISDOM OF THE POETS

Elizabeth Torrey

Do you wonder what poems these lines come from? Enjoy!

Responses are welcome





Children's Religious Education

Sunday, April 3

Nursery care for the very young is provided each week in the Parish House nursery.



Sunday morning programs:

Please watch weekly updates to learn if classes are in person (we hope) or via Zoom (if health/COVID numbers indicate)

All programs will begin with attendance for the first part of the worship service at 10:30 am in the Meeting House:

- Faithful Journeys (Kindergarten Grade 5)
- Neighboring Faiths / Building Bridges (Grades 6-7)
- Youth Group (Grades 8-12)
- Father Bill's Lunch Making 4th Sunday of each month (all ages)
- Celebrations (all ages)

Other programs

- Coming of Age (Grades 8-10) Sunday Evenings
- Interim Work with Deb Weiner, Our Transitional Religious Education Consultant

Please register for the 2021-2022 year at oldshipchurch.org

Religious Education Staff

We have started the process to search for and hire a Director of Religious Education for next year. We will be hiring a half time, 20 hour per week

Director. We have a mighty, focused DRE search & hire subcommittee. If you would like more information about this subcommittee or the process please contact Maureen Butler. We will be posting the position on the UUA and Old Ship websites ASAP and welcome your sharing this information and the opportunity in your professional and personal networks.

Upcoming religious education events:

April's terrific Sunday AM celebrations will include:

April 10- A Passover Seder

April 17 - An Easter Activity (egg hunt, flowers, plants, and the like)

Save the Date:

Sunday June 12, 2022 . 12-4 PM. Pride Day at Old Ship

For more information

Please see Breeze (oldshipchurch.breezechms.com), <u>oldshipchurch.org</u>, upcoming emails or email dre@oldshipchurch.org.

Thank you!

You're RE Committee and Volunteers teacher team





Religious Education Activities in March

We have been very active in the religious education program this month.

On March 6, 2022, the theme for Social Justice Sunday was "Radical Welcoming" and the service was created and led by our wonderful youth group members and various advisors.



Every fourth Sunday, lunches are made for Father Bills in Quincy. We made 50 bagged lunches this month.





We also took some time to learn about Eostre, enjoy a nature walk, meditate in

our own woods, and Keeley shared a reflective reading.







Annual Old Ship Plant Sale

Calling all Old Shippers with gardens - we are holding the annual Old Ship Plant Sale on Saturday May 7th, 2002. Last year we held the plant sale on the front lawn of the Parish House and we are considering doing the same this May if the weather cooperates. As the days warm up and your perennials start poking their heads out of the



ground, please consider digging up and potting some for the plant sale. Please carefully label your plants with as much information as possible about habit, height and bloom time. Please include a photo or a picture of the flower from the internet. We find that having photos helps shoppers envision how the plant will look in their yard, and this is one of the secrets to the huge success of our plant sales over the past years. If you have any questions or need pots, or need help digging and potting plants up, please contact Janice McPhillips at jbbmcphillips@gmail.com or 781-249-9141.

Interim Operations Team

What is it? The Interim Operations Team is responsible for coordinating the move and storage of items in the current Parish House, and to identify and secure space for offices and other needed space once the Parish House is sold. Coordinators are Kate Doyle, Carol Valentine and Ron Pollara.



Teams have been diligently sorting through religious education items and deciding what must be kept, what can be sold in our yard sale on May 7th, and what can be discarded. Teams are being formed to sort through our historical archives, kitchen, attic, basement and garage. Please contact the coordinators if you have any interest in helping with this monumental task. We are also looking for storage in YOUR basement, attic, barn or garage for safe storage of what we will not need during the next two to three years. The fewer costs for storage and rentals the better! Thanks!

Life Learning Offerings

click here to see our 2021-2022 Life Learning brochure

Spring Poetry: Old Ship Retrospective Wed., April 6 – May 4 and May 18, 3:30-5:15

led by Elizabeth Torrey and Ken Read-Brown
Our annual spring poetry class, will celebrate National
Poetry Month through the sharing of favorite poems
from Old Ship spring poetry classes since the first class
in 2004: From Walt Whitman and Emily Dickinson and
Robert Frost and Langston Hughes, to Joy Harjo,
Naomi Shihab Nye, Gary Snyder, Mary Oliver... and
many others. All are welcome, whether or not you have
ever attended one of our Spring Poetry classes. The first session will be on
Zoom only; together we will decide how to proceed for future sessions. For

Ongoing groups and gatherings

more info and to sign up, contact Elizabeth or Ken.

Bodhisattva Study Group – Continues to gather each Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. On the first and third Sundays of each month, Ken Read-Brown leads the group, on Zoom only for now, through meditation and conversation. Our new book for a common read is *No Death, No Fear,* by Thich Nhat Hanh. On alternate Sundays members of the group lead the conversation on Zoom based a different reading each week. All are welcome. For questions and for the Zoom links, email Ken.

Men's Breakfast – Meets on the second Sunday morning, 8:30 a.m., of each month – our next gathering will be April 10 – in the Parish House parlor and on Zoom. Contact <u>Ralph Brown</u> or <u>Rich Elliott</u> for information and, for the Zoom link.

Women's Breakfast and Conversation – The next meeting will be on Sunday, April 24th. Ordinarily meets on the *fourth Sunday* morning of each month from 8:30 a.m. -10:15 a.m. Open to all the women of the church. If you would like to attend, you may <u>click here</u> for the Zoom link or send an email to <u>Janice McPhillips</u> - all are also welcome to gather in the Parish House parlor. We gather to share our lives and enjoy one another's company. Conversations are confidential and, again, all are welcome!

Sacred Texts Meditation Group – Ordinarily meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 4:00 p.m. for meditation and conversation based on a shared text we are reading together, this year mostly from the Taoist tradition. The next meetings are Thursdays, April 14 and 28. Email Ken Read-Brown for information and to be added to the email list and to receive the Zoom link for our gatherings.

Ceilidh! – Gathers on the first Tuesday of each month. So our next monthly song/poem circle will be on Tuesday evening, April 5, at 7:00 p.m. Given the particular danger of virus spread through singing, we will once again gather on Zoom. *Hoping to be in person/hybrid in May!*

Email Ken with any questions about Ceilidh or for the Zoom link to attend.

Fiber Funship

On Mondays and Wednesdays, at 1:30 PM, "Fiber Funship," the Old Ship Crafters, will meet in the parlor of the Parish House. All crafters are welcome!

SAVE THE DATES! AUGUST 12-14, 2022 The Old Ship Church Summer Retreat

Just when you thought it was safe to go back in the water... it is! The Old Ship Church Summer Retreat at Craigville Beach in Centerville is happening this August after a 2 year hiatus! All Old Shippers and staff are invited to attend for some fun, sun,



relaxing, reflecting, and worship. We have reserved The Manor at the Craigville Retreat Center, which can house up to 23 people with 2 rooms on the first floor and 7 on the second floor. The price per person is around \$230. for 2 nights lodging and 3 meals included. You can check out their website at https://www.uccr.org/craigville.. If you have questions or would like to sign up, please contact Diane Jordan 617-308-7179.

Save the Date! Ken's Retirement Party

On Saturday afternoon, June 18th, we will be honoring the Reverend Ken Read-Brown with a farewell celebration of his 35 years of leading our congregation. The work he has done with our community has truly been a blessing. Please join us as Ken begins his well deserved retirement.



New Members Sunday

During our worship service on Sunday, May 15, we will formally welcome all those who have joined Old Ship in the past year. If you've been coming to Old Ship and find yourself in harmony with the Unitarian Universalist principles of freedom and reason in religion, you may be considering membership. By



signing our Membership Book you are affirming your connection and commitment to Old Ship and to an open minded, reasoned, compassionate, and inclusive approach to life and spirituality. While we will offer support and encouragement to you as you walk your spiritual path, we ask that you offer your time, energy, and financial support, in whatever measure is possible for you, as together we affirm the values to which we aspire. If you would like to sign the Membership Book, or if you have questions about Old Ship, Unitarian Universalism, or the meaning of membership, please feel free to be in touch with our minister, Ken Read-Brown.

Serving Others

News from the Social Justice Council (SJC)

UU Mass Action Advocacy Day on

April 12 — Join UU Mass Action for the annual UU Advocacy Day at the Massachusetts State House. At



this annual event, UUs from across the state come together to meet with legislators about UU Mass Action's key areas of Immigrant Justice, Climate & Environmental Justice, Economic Justice, Indigenous Justice and Decarceration & Ending Solitary Confinement. To register or to learn more about these events, go to Upcoming Events— Unitarian Universalist Mass Action (uumassaction.org).

UUA and UUSC Respond to Russia's Attack on Ukraine — For information about how UUSC is deciding how best to deploy its resources so that it will have the greatest impact in responding to the refugee crisis created by this unprovoked attack, go to We Demand An End to the Bloodshed": UUSC Responds to Vladimir Putin's Invasion of Ukraine - Unitarian Universalist Service Committee. There is also a list of organization at this link that are directly responding to the crisis in Ukraine. For a statement from the UUA regarding this crisis and how UUs can best help, go to Supporting Those Impacted by the Crisis in Ukraine | Press Releases | UUA.org and Support for Ukrainian Refugees | International Unitarian Universalism | UUA.org.

April's Special Plate Collection is for Massachusetts Climate Action Network (MCAN) — This is an important and effective environmental group we have supported in the past. Local MCAN chapters, including on the South Shore, work to implement change at the municipal level. MCAN also advocates at the state and regional level for policies and programs that will benefit municipalities and their citizens, and works with partner organizations, including neighborhood and faith associations and affinity groups, to help them take action on climate change. To learn more about MCAN, visit its website at Massachusetts Climate Action Network (massclimateaction.org).

Remember, you may make your donation <u>online</u> through the Old Ship website by designating your donation to Outreach or by sending your check to the church office, payable to Old Ship, with MCAN designated on the memo line. Thank you in advance for your donations!

Thanks to all who contributed to our February special plate for the Boston Health Care Program for the Homeless. We sent a check to BHCPH for \$1857.84. Thanks also to those who contributed to our January special plate for Renewal House. We sent them a check for \$1,807.72. Thanks to everyone for their generosity.

Sustainability Can Be Fun – South Shore Eco Fest 2022 on Friday April 29th from 2-9pm, Cohasset Town Common

Local businesses, local organizations and communities coming together to show how we can reduce our impact on the world and have fun too. Hands-on information booths (2-6pm), local businesses showcasing their sustainable practices and selling their products, and a beer garden too (sponsored by Untold Brewing) 2-9pm. For the full list of participating organizations and businesses go to: https://www.just1bag.us/projects-2.

Hingham Food Pantry — We are collecting food donations for the Hingham Food Pantry. There is a basket in the vestibule of the Meeting House for donations. Donations may also be left in the Parish House office anytime the office is open. **Donations may also be made at the Hingham Stop and Shop (large bin at the front of the store).** The food pantry only accepts non-perishable, unopened, and unexpired food. Although all donations are

appreciated, the following items are among the most needed at any time: beef stew, hearty soups, small bags of granulated sugar, cookies, crackers, and 64 oz. bottles of juices. Checks to support the food pantry can be sent to Hingham Food Pantry, 685 Main St., Hingham, MA 02043. Thanks to Kate Philbin for delivering our donations to the Food Pantry.

Anti-Racism "Drop-In" Book Group — We will next meet on Sunday, April 24, on Zoom, at 7 p.m. We will be discussing "Waking Up White and Finding Myself in the Story of Race" by Debby Irving. Brenda Black will be leading our discussion of this important book. For more information or if you have questions, contact Davalene Cooper.. This group is open to all who are interested in learning more about racism and its impact on our nation, past and present. It is a drop-in group so members may attend whatever book discussions they are most interested in. Here is the Zoom link for the April meeting: https://zoom.us/j/97626863394? pwd=bDU4dXNHWUhuTHN4S3M4b1RlbndNQT09.

Mark your calendars for our May Anti-Racism Book Group meeting which will focus on "A Conspiracy of Mothers" by Colleen Van Niekerk (2021). The novel explores South Africa's racial classifications during apartheid, the government's construct of whiteness, and how those classifications affected laws and practices related to sexual assault. Patti Smith has made arrangements for the author to join us for our discussion. To accommodate Colleen's schedule, we will meet at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 11 on Zoom. Thanks Patti! And what an exciting event to hear from the author herself!

UUUM Peace Garden Donations in Honor of Mothers— From April 10-May 1, we at Old Ship will have an opportunity to make a contribution to the UU Urban Ministry Peace Garden in honor of the moms in our lives. To commemorate every \$25 contribution, UUUM will send a beautiful card honoring the designated mom of your choosing and letting her know that this donation was made on her behalf. These donations will directly support UUUM's life-affirming work with the Roxbury community. We will publish additional details in the weekly email once we receive it from UUUM.

UUA's Side with Love Campaign— This is an advocacy campaign seeking to harness the power of love to work for justice and stop oppression in its many forms. You can learn more about the campaign and sign up to receive updates on how to participate at <u>Side With Love</u>.

Old Ship Social Justice Action Alert Network — Sign up for the Old Ship Social Justice Action Alert Network to find out about specific advocacy opportunities such as letter writing, advocacy calls, and participating in educational/advocacy events with local legislators. Send your email address to Davalene Cooper, Keeper of the List.

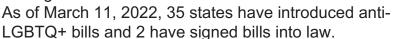
UUA Article 2 Study Commission Invitation to Participate in Envisioning How are Purposes and Principles Might Be Revised and Expanded — This Commission is considering how our Unitarian Universalist Purposes and Principles might be changed for the future. You can learn more about this process, including participating in an individual survey to share your input on

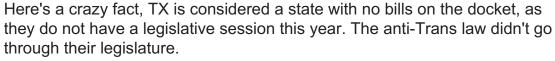
this important issue for our faith community. Information and a link to the survey can be found at the following link: <u>Article II Study Commission | UUA.org</u>. The survey will be available until April 30, 2022. Participate and make your views known on this important aspect of our faith!

Old Ship's Task Force on Widening the Circle of Concern— This new task force at Old Ship is considering the Widening the Circle report from the UUA Commission on Institutional Change, which made findings and recommendations regarding the problems of racism and white supremacy within Unitarian Universalism. The goal of creating this task force is to give us a means for examining the report and making recommendations for how Old Ship might widen our welcome to all, encourage more diversity, and broaden our circle of concern. Although the report is about dismantling white supremacy and becoming more aware of how we might be discouraging radical welcome and hospitality, our conversations and recommendations might be broader than just the report. We will see as we learn and explore. If you would like to be part of this work, contact Davalene Cooper at davalenecooper@verizon.net. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 26 at noon on Zoom.

Welcoming Congregation Committee Meeting Thursday, April 14th 7:00 pm Parlor & Zoom

Topics for discussion are: Various anti-LGBTQ+ bills in the US, such as FL - Don't Say Gay, TX - Transgender Youth is child abuse; ID - Crimalizing Affriming Care for Transgender Youth.



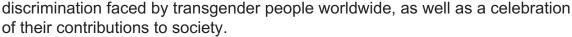


Please bring any state information you have, as we will discuss together. This is a group discussion, not a committee meeting.

If you have questions, please email Abby. To Join Zoom Meeting

Important Days for the LGBTQ+

International Transgender Day of Visibility (March 31) International Transgender Day of Visibility (TDOV) is an annual event occurring on March 31st dedicated to celebrating transgender people and raising awareness of discrimination found by transgender people worldwide.



Day of Silence (April 17)

The Day of Silence is the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network's (GLSEN) annual day of action to protest the bullying and harassment of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBTQIA+) students and their



supporters. Students take a day-long vow of silence to symbolically represent the silencing of LGBTQIA+ students and their supporters.

National Transgender HIV Testing Day (April 18)

National Transgender HIV Testing Day (NTHTD) is observed annually on April 18 to recognize the importance of routine HIV testing, status awareness, and continued focus on HIV prevention and treatment efforts among transgender and gender non-binary people.

Lesbian Visibility Day (April 26)

Held on April 26 every year, Lesbian Visibility Day showcases women-lovingwomen, providing a platform for lesbian role models to speak out on the issues facing female sexual minorities.

Special Event: Considering Matthew Shepard

Old Ship has long had a special relationship with the Unicorn Singers, who in years gone by presented their annual Christmas Concert at Old Ship. The Unicorn Singers and the Broad Cove Choral, under the direction of Margo Euler of Hingham, will present the powerful contemporary oratorio



"Considering Matthew Shepard." on Saturday April 9 at 7:30 pm, and on Sunday April 10 at 4pm at the United Church of Christ, 460 Main Street, in Norwell. The piece tells in words and music the true story of Matthew Shepard, a young gay man, killed in a hate crime in Wyoming, and of the love and support that flowed after his death. The composer, Craig Hella Johnson will hold a discussion via zoom on April 6 at 4p.m. You can register to view the discussion, at email ollireg@gmail. Tickets for the concert are at www.bcc-us.org us.org or email Kreardon111@comcast.net or Tickets@www.bcc-us.org

Ring Out a Happy Birthday!

I just noticed, in reading Harris Danzberger's "Meetinghouse Meanderings," that we almost missed celebrating a most impressive achievement. This year is the two-hundredth birthday of our church bell. Furthermore, our bell is a very superior bell!



The first bell rung at Old Ship (in 1681) lasted about 50 years, as did its successor. The fourth bell set a shameful low of four years, But the fifth bell, the same one that we now hear, has been heard every Sunday for 200 years (not counting the usual summer hiatus).

Although Paul Revere's bells still ring in New England churches, ours was cast, not by him, but, to quote from Harris, "by an apprentice to the illustrious Paul, one Major George Holbrook, whose foundry was in West Medway, now Millis. It was at this foundry, in 1822, that Old Ship's fifth and present bell was cast. It was placed in the belfry in 1822."

In the old days, to quote from Harris again: "The important bell not only called people to worship but was also the town's alarm as well as timekeeper. It was rung at 7 AM, at noon and at 9 PM, curfew. Also, it counted the days of the month at each curfew." It has been relieved of those duties but it still calls us

to gather. Long may it peal! --Fan Leonard

p.s from Ken

Watch future emails for an announcement of a 200-peal birthday celebration on a Sunday morning later this spring! (With thanks to Fan for making sure we didn't miss the bell's birthday!)



The Old Ship Calendar

The Old Ship Church calendar is available on our website by clicking here.

If you have an upcoming event or meeting and you want to see it on the calendar, please email <u>Lisa</u> in the office.

Additionally, if you contact information has changed, please email <u>Lisa</u> so she can update the Old Ship database.

Upcoming Committee Meetings

- Parish House Management Meeting, Monday, April 4 (every Monday) 5:00 p.m. Email Nina for the Zoom Link
- Finance Committee Meeting Tuesday, April 5, 7:00 p.m. Parlor
- Board of Trustees Thursday, April 7, 7:00 p.m. Zoom/Parlor Email <u>Ginny</u> for the Zoom Link
- Committee on Ministry Tuesday, April 12, 5:00 p.m. Zoom
- Welcoming Congregation Committee for the 21st Century Thursday, April 14, 7:00 p.m. Nursery & Zoom
- **Deacons** Friday, April 15, 3:00 p.m. Zoom
- Pastoral Care Team Meeting Tues., April 19, 12:30 p.m. Zoom/Parlor
- Widening the Circle Task Force Tues., April 26, Noon, Zoom



Printer Cartridge Collection

Please bring your used printer cartridges to the Parish House and help raise funds for our office supplies. In 2019 we were able to convert used cartridges into almost \$500 of office supplies! Drop off your cartridges in the cabinet in the outer vestibule of he Parish House office. Any brand or type of cartridge is fine. Thank you!

Shopping and Amazon Smile:

Are you shopping on Amazon? Please shop at smile.amazon.com and Amazon will donate 0.5% of eligible purchases to your favorite charitable

organization: The Old Ship Church! —no fees, no extra cost. Simply start your shopping at smile.amazon.com to support your favorite charity.



Happy Easter from your friends at Old Ship Church!

