



# THE PARISH POST

First Parish Church United  
Westford, MA 01886

AUGUST 2010

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

- August 01** In the pulpit: Christina Williams
- August 08** In the pulpit: Deborah Romeo
- August 15** In the pulpit: Ruth Richards
- August 22** In the pulpit: TBD
- August 29** In the pulpit: Aurora & Frank Winters

**September 05** In the pulpit: Barbara Vitale

## SUMMER FLOWERS

Summer comes and we gather informal on Sunday morning. Flowers and/or other displays are shared spontaneously. You are encouraged to bring whatever is blooming in your life and share it with us. Vases and other containers may be borrowed from the lower kitchen cabinets from the "Cozy Corner." Now is the time to put your name into the upcoming year's worship schedule for Adornments and Decorations. Let us celebrate with you an accomplishment, a birthday, anniversary, or the life or memory of someone important to you. Surprise someone you respect. Express your appreciation and recognize them when we gather for worship. Call the church office and reserve a date today. We will get back to you on the details as it approaches. We look forward to hearing from you. Thanks for your thoughtful participation.



*Mary Lyman*



## WESTFORD FARMERS MARKET

The Westford Farmers Market invites all to enjoy the Fruits of our Labor - every Tuesday, rain or shine on the Westford Common! For the most up-to-date information please visit us on our website at <http://www.westfordfarmersmarket.com/>

*Westford Farmers Market*

## THANK YOU

"Dear Laurie: Thank you for coordinating the Monday, June 21<sup>st</sup> blood drive. The efforts of the First Parish Church of Westford have always been greatly appreciated, and their support of the community blood program will go a long way toward replenishing blood supplies and ultimately saving lives. You may be interested to know that 52 donors presented and 46 units were collected at your drive. Again, thank you for your contribution and ongoing support of this important community program."

*Heather Bellwin  
American Red Cross Representative*

Thank you to everyone who responded to my recent request for a computer for a young man in long-term foster care. We thankfully accepted Ben Roberts' offer of a computer as well as on-site support to get everything up and running. I feel blessed to have the resources of this church community to call upon.

*Bonnie Tincknell*

## IN OUR LIVES

Congratulations to Hollace Rooney's parents, Ralph and Dianne Neff, on the celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on July 24, 2010.

## COMMON THREADS



First Parish's knitting and crocheting group meets every month to make prayer shawls, hats and scarves for those in need and booties for babies being baptized and dedicated. Participants represent a wide variety of ages and abilities but share conversation, laughter and a sense of connection. We generally meet on the third Thursday of the month at participant's homes. For more information or to confirm this month's location, please contact Rev. Cindy at 978.589.8062 or [cindyworthingtonberry@verizon.net](mailto:cindyworthingtonberry@verizon.net)).

## 2010 GRADUATES

**Kristin Parisi** graduate of James Madison University.

**Nic Parisi** graduate of Holderness School plans to attend High Point University in the fall.



**Congratulations 2010 graduates!**

## NEW MEMBERS

**Ann Berry:** Ann Berry spent most of her life on the shores of Chautauqua Lake in western New York before moving to Massachusetts in 2007. She and her husband Bruce (who passed away in 2007) have three children: Bruce (a nurse in NY) and his wife Lela, Chuck (a controller for Merrill Lynch) and his girlfriend Patti, and Paul (an architect in MA) who is married to Rev. Cindy Worthington-Berry. Prior to moving to MA, Ann was a legal secretary. These days Ann volunteers at the Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry in Devens and loves to spend weekends with her grandsons, Spenser and Lincoln.

## SPACE FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Planning a meeting for a committee or other First Parish group? Please reserve your meeting space with the church office (978.692.8350 or fpcuwestford@verizon.net). Our buildings are used by many groups and space can get tight, but we want to make sure our programs have room.

## FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

Every Sunday there are baskets in the foyer of the Meetinghouse for contributions to local food pantries. Volunteers make regular trips to deliver the donations. Bringing non-perishables with you to church is a wonderful “spiritual discipline” and a way to help our neighbors in need.

## FOOD PANTRY DELIVERY FOR AUGUST

<b>Week of</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>	<b>Location</b>
08/01	Valerie Trantanella	Cameron Senior Center
08/08	Amy Lacon	Open Pantry – Lowell
08/15	Linda Marple	Cameron Senior Center
08/22	Ellen Martins	Open Pantry – Lowell
08/29	Beth Flanagan	Cameron Senior Center



**Articles for the September Parish Post are due in the office by Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup>!**