

Join Harpswell Coastal Academy
on Thursday, March 2nd
for our 4th Annual
Free Spaghetti Supper
& Dessert Auction!



Join us for supper beginning at 5:30pm,
or come for just the dessert auction at 6pm!



**February Food Bank Donation:
Canned Goods**

Baskets are located in Fellowship Hall
and in the front of the Sanctuary.

Church Calendar

Sunday, Feb. 19:	10 am - Service 11:15 am - Choir Practice
Monday, Feb. 20:	1 pm - Book Group, parlor
Tuesday, Feb. 21:	7 pm - Church Council
Wednesday, Feb. 22:	No Cribbage
Thursday, Feb. 23:	11 am - Bible Study, parlor
Saturday, Feb. 25:	9 am - Leadership Retreat, Fellowship Hall

Do you have a bulletin announcement? Please submit it by Wednesday, 9 am, the week before.
Email to: adminassist@elijahkelloggchurch.org. Thank you.



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**Sunday Service
February 19, 2017**

Welcome to Elijah Kellogg Church! We are glad that you could be with us this morning!

Please let us know how we can be of service to you. Feel free to fill out an information card found in the pew, and place it in the offering plate.

Sunday School for young children is provided. Child care for small children is available.

Please join us for our Coffee Hour following the morning service.

Prelude

Greetings and Announcements

Introit and Quieting our Hearts for Worship

***Call to Worship** (Responsive) from Leviticus 19

Speak to the congregation and say to them:
"You shall be holy, for I the Lord am holy."

**"You shall not render an unjust judgment;
you shall not be partial to the poor, or
defer to the great."**

"You shall not hate in your heart anyone of
your own kin. You shall not take vengeance
or bear a grudge against any of your people."

**"But you shall love your neighbor as
you love yourself: I am the Lord."**

Service

***Prayer of Invocation and Lord's Prayer (in Unison)**
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***Hymn 39 "O Splendor of God's Glory Bright"**

Installation of Church Officers and Leaders (see pg. 5)

(The children are dismissed to Sunday School.
Child care for young children is available.)

First Lesson Matthew 5:38-42 Pew Bible, p. 786

Responsive Reading - from Romans 12

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil,
hold fast to what is good.

Love one another with mutual affection.

Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought
for what is noble in the sight of all.

**If it is possible, as far as it depends on you,
live peaceably with all.**

Beloved, never avenge yourselves,
but leave room for the wrath of God,

**Do not be overcome by evil,
but overcome evil with good.**

Greetings from HCNS!

Thank you for making me feel so welcome at your Annual Meeting. I really enjoyed seeing familiar faces, meeting new ones, and having an opportunity to see how the Preschool fits into the bigger picture of the church. As we are getting ready for next year's enrollment, we are trying to replenish our scholarship fund to make the high quality programming at HCNS available to all young children in our community. I wanted to share two events that are coming up, where proceeds will go towards our fundraising goal:

***HCNS' Fedco Seed Sale.** This year, we are offering 50 varieties of organic and non organic vegetables and flowers. You can place your order online at <https://hcnstore.ecwid.com/> or pick up an order form on the table in Fellowship Hall and return it by March 3, 2017. Seeds will be available for pick up at the school or by mail.

***Registration is open for our 4th annual Run by the Bay~** 5K run/walk and Kids Fun Run ~ occurring Saturday May 6th at 10:00 am at Mitchell Field. Registration is available at: runbythebay.org. There will be pizza, music, and prizes!

Thank you for considering supporting our school, as well as your own health through the run and growing your own food and plants! Please share these opportunities with others! As always, please get in touch if you would like to spend time with our children, either reading stories, gardening, nature walks, cooking, or another project!

Sincerely, Kimberly A Sanders hcnsthebay@gmail.com or 833-5102

HCNS
RUN BY THE BAY 5K
RACE AND KIDS FUN RUN!
May 6, 2017

Join us for a 5K Run/Walk and Fun Run
to benefit the **Harpwell Community Nursery School**
Free Pizza from Portland Pie, Prizes & Music
Mitchell Field - Race starts at 10am

to register please go to:

www.runbythebay.org

Notes & News

Book Group meets Feb. 20th in the church parlor at 1pm. Please bring a poem to share.

Leadership Retreat will be Saturday, Feb. 25th, in Fellowship Hall from 9am–12pm.

Women's Fellowship has rescheduled to Tues., Feb. 28, here in Fellowship Hall at 11 am.

Bible Study meets at 11 am on Thursday mornings. Please join with us in study!

A Family Caregiver Support Group is being formed to bring together family caregivers to share, interact, and learn from each other in a safe, supportive, and confidential environment. **The first meeting is Wed., March 22nd** at the Harpswell Town Office at 1pm. Thereafter, meetings will be every 4th Wednesday of the month. If you, or someone you know, would like more info call Maureen Sullivan at (207)233-1573, or email: maureen.jfriends@gmail.com.

Cribbage will next meet on March 29th, here in Fellowship Hall at 7 pm. All are welcome.

Cooking with Friends is happening March 30th at the Elijah Kellogg Church, from 11 am to 2 pm. Registration is limited to 14 people, call Linda Strickland to reserve your spot, 833-5771.

"Hard Tellin', Not Knowin'", the first of HAH's new TV series, will feature the Home Repairs and Resources Team and has lots of information to offer.

Seniors Connecting volunteers have begun calling older Harpswell residents who have recently lost a loved one, are living alone, or are homebound. The program is one-on-one, with the same volunteer calling the same person each week. **An additional benefit** is hearing about information on upcoming events and senior resources available to Harpswell residents. If you, or someone you know, would like to be part of our Seniors Connecting Program, call Linda Strickland at the Town Office, 833-5771, or Charlene Boulais at 406-2743, or email: hah@hah.community.

Faith & Family

Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it. Proverbs 22:6

Join us on Saturday, March 4th at 5pm to hear Pastor John share highlights from his trip to Nepal. Following his presentation we will gather for a potluck dinner. Activities will be provided for younger children during the presentation.

Our "Chance Auction" in support Heifer International will run for two weeks beginning Sunday, April 2nd. We need help filling 3 gift baskets to be raffled off: one for a man, one for a woman, and one for a child. Items could include (but are not limited to): books, gift certificates, personal products, candles, gardening supplies, golfing supplies, etc. Donations are needed by April 1st and can be left in the Christian Education office. Thank you!

On Saturday, April 15th, we will host our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Again, we need help from our congregation to fill the 1000 eggs. *Please be sure the candy is peanut-free AND individually wrapped. **Easter Candy is needed by April 9th.** A collection box will be on the mission table in Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

Service

*Gloria Patri 513

Anthem "Sweet Hour of Prayer"
(Traditional hymn arr. Earlene Rentz)

Second Lesson Matthew 5:43-48 Pew Bible, p. 787

Sermon "Love your enemies and pray
for those who persecute you."

*Hymn 237 "Send Down Thy Truth, O God"

Prayers of the People
Sharing Joys and Concerns
Silent Prayer
Pastoral Prayer
Choral Response

Call to Giving
Offertory
*Doxology 515

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn 373 "God Is My Strong Salvation"

*Benediction

Choral Blessing

Postlude

*All who are able, please stand.

Serving You this Morning

Minister	Rev. John Carson
Christian Education Director	Denise Perry
Pianist	Elizabeth Quimby
Choir Director	Sue Luce
Greeters	Linda Clement, Ruth Smith
Ushers	David Fitzgerald, Win Gillis
Reader	Gail Johnson
Nursery Attendants	Denise Perry
Trustee	Eric Wohltjen, 833-0924
Hospitality	Hospitality

The white rose on the communion table celebrates the birth of Conor James Sanford, born Jan. 27, 2017 to proud parents Morgan & Heidi Sanford, and delighted big sisters Autumn & Abbey.

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Installation of Church Officers and Leaders

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving, but it is the same God who is served.

There are different abilities to perform service, but the same God gives ability to each of us for our particular service.

The spirit's presence is shown in some way in each person for the good of all.

Charge to Church Officers and Leaders: All ministry in the church is Christ's ministry. Therefore, in partnership with Christ and with each other, all Christians are called to serve according to the gifts that God has given them.

Sisters and brothers in Christ, it is an honor to be entrusted with responsibility for particular service in the ministry of the church. Having prayerfully considered the duties of your ministry, are you prepared to serve in Jesus' name for the glory of God?

Response of Officers and Leaders: I am, God being my helper.

Charge to Church Officers and Leaders: Do you promise to exercise your ministry with diligence and faithfulness, showing forth the love of Christ?

Response of Officers and Leaders: I do, relying on God's grace.

Charge to the Congregation: Members and friends of this household of faith, you have heard the promises of those who stand before you who have answered God's call to service. Do you promise to honor, support and encourage them as they fulfill their ministries?

Response of the Congregation: **We do, in the Spirit of Christ.**

To the Officers and Leaders: I declare you duly installed. May the grace of God be with you, and may you enjoy the full confidence and loving support of this congregation.

Prayer (unison): **Dear God, look well upon our brothers and sisters who have pledged themselves to serve this church of Christ in Jesus' Name. Send your Holy Spirit upon them. Help them in their duties. And help us all together – to prosper in the work to which You call us as your people in this place. Lord, hear our prayer. Amen.**