



**March Food Bank Donation:
Peanut Butter & Jelly**

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

Thank you!

Your Board of Missions

Church Calendar

- Sunday, March 12:** 10 am - Service
11:10 am - Choir Practice
- Monday, March 13:** 7 pm - Trustees
- Deacons
Rev. Carson away on vacation March 13-20.
- Thursday, March 16:** No Bible Study
- Friday, March 17:** Happy St. Patrick's Day!

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
March 12 , 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 Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into His presence with singing!

Enter His gates with thanksgiving!
Come into His courts with praise!

For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and His faithfulness to all generations.

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 228 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Children's Time

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

First Lesson Ezekiel 36:22-28 Pew Bible, p. 704

Responsive Reading - from Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills.
From whence does my help come?

**My help comes from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.**

He will not let your foot be moved.
He who keeps you does not slumber.

**Behold, He who keeps Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.**

The Lord will keep you from all evil;
He will keep your life.

**The Lord will keep your going out
and your coming in, from this time
forth and forevermore.**

Notes & News

Craft Group resumes every Tuesday from 10am-12pm, *except* on Women's Fellowship day. If anyone has a craft they would like to make for the fair, your expertise and sharing would be wonderful. The craft room is all set to go with a working sewing machine, a craft table under a light, and a dehumidifier. Hope to see you there! Elly and Susan

Bible Study does not meet this coming Thursday while John is away.

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 Wed. 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.

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.

Family & Faith

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

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. The Arks are available for filling with loose change during the Lenten season as well. 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 "What a Friend" (Mary McDonald, arr.)

Second Lesson John 3:1-12 Pew Bible, p. 863

Sermon "If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how will you believe if I tell you heavenly things?"

***Hymn 243 "Holy Spirit, Truth Divine"**

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

Call to Giving
Offertory
***Doxology 515**

***Prayer of Dedication**

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***Benediction**

Choral Blessing

Postlude *All who are able, please stand.

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