



Community Easter Egg Hunt & Basket Decoration Party

Preschool–5th grade

Join friends at the Merriconeag Grange on April 8th from 1–3pm where children may decorate a basket, make a card for someone special, and decorate a cookie!

Bring your special Easter basket on Saturday April 15th at 10am for the Elijah Kellogg Church's egg hunt! Children can listen to a story, create an Easter robin, find the hidden eggs and enjoy refreshments.

ELIJAH KELLOGG CHURCH
917 HARPSWELL NECK RD, RT 123

MERRICONEAG GRANGE HALL
529 HARPSWELL NECK RD, RT 123



March Food Bank Donation:
Peanut Butter & Jelly

Church Calendar

Sunday, March 19:	10 am - Service
	11:10 am - Choir Practice
Monday, March 20:	1 pm - Book Group, parlor
Tuesday, March 21:	7 pm - Church Council
Thursday, March 23:	11 am - Bible Study

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 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)

Thus says the God who created you, "Fear not: for I have redeemed you, I have called you by name; you are mine. You are my witnesses, says the Lord, and I am God."

God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation.

Jesus said: "If any would come after me, let them deny self, take up the cross, and follow me."

Service

*Prayer of Invocation and Lord's Prayer (in Unison)

Thanks be to thee, my Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits thou hast won for me, for all the pains and insults thou hast born for me.

O most merciful Redeemer, Friend, and Brother, may I know thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, and follow thee more nearly; for ever and ever. Hear me now as I join the congregation, praying as Jesus taught:

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 15 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Children's Time

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

First Lesson Proverbs 1:20-33 Pew Bible, p. 509

Responsive Reading - from Psalm 95

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make
a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

**In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.**

The sea is his, for he made it; for his hands formed the dry land.

**O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!**

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.

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 meets here on Thursday mornings at 11 am. Please join us!

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

Chance Auction: We need help filling 4 gift baskets to be raffled off - one for a man, a woman, a boy, and a girl. Donations (books, games, tools, crafts, personal items, gift certificates, etc.) are due by April 1st. The auction will run April 2-16. Tickets will be sold for \$1 each. (The Fill the Arks are due back on April 16th). All proceeds will benefit Heifer International.

Easter Egg Hunt: Join us on Saturday, April 15th at 10am for our annual Egg Hunt. Donations of candy are still needed. Please place your *peanut-free, individually wrapped candy* in the collection box located on the mission table. Thank you!

Parent Support Group: In Partnership with Harpswell Community Nursery School, we will be holding monthly support groups for parents during the school year. The first one will take place on Tuesday, April 25th from 11am-12pm. The second one is scheduled for Wednesday, May 10th from 1-2pm. If you (or someone you know) would like to join us, please come. All are welcome!

Service

***Gloria Patri 513**

Anthem "The Lone Wild Bird" Wendy McClenahan, flute
(Ruth Schram)

Second Lesson Romans 5:1-11 Pew Bible, p. 917

Sermon "Sometimes suffering is a dead end!"

***Hymn 153 "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"**

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

Call to Giving
Offertory
***Doxology 515**

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn 297 "O God, Above the Drifting Years"**

***Benediction (Unison)**
May the face of God shine upon us, and Christ's peace rule among us. May the Spirit's fire burn within us, as we scatter into the world around us, until we meet again. Amen

Choral Blessing

Postlude *All who are able, please stand.

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