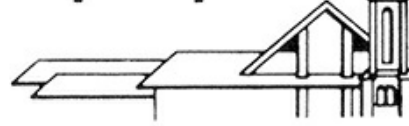


# THE BULLETIN

of the First Baptist Church in Beverly



*A progressive and welcoming Christian community!*

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Join Us for Summer Sundays at First Baptist Church in Beverly

**Sunday, August 18, 2019**

9:30 a.m.: Welcome Café

10:00 a.m.: Worship

**Sunday, August 24, 2019**

9:30 a.m.: Welcome Café

10:00 a.m.: Worship

**Summer Worship Series:**

**“Sabbath: Finding Rest, Renewal, and Delight in our Busy Lives”**

Sunday, August 18th :

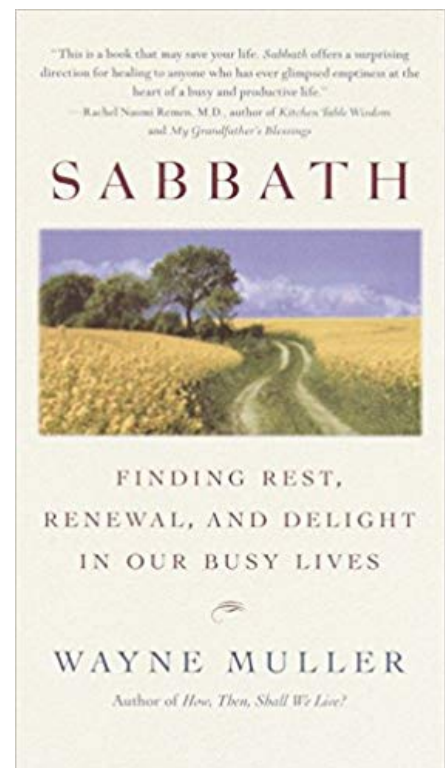
**Keeping Sabbath**

A shared sermon preached by Lisa LaPlante, Jerry Karaganis, Beverly Powers (her words read by her daughters, Ellen and Alison), and Karen Wood

Sunday, August 25th :

**Until Your Mud Settles**

Rev. Julie Flowers, preaching



## Sabbath Summer Worship Series

We are in the midst of exploring our summer sermon series, entitled “Sabbath: Finding Rest, Renewal, and Delight in our Busy Lives.” This is a series that is inspired by the book by the same title by Wayne Muller. Although we have sold all of our copies of this book to many of you to read along as summer reading they can still be purchased online at amazon.com.

This series is for you, if you have ever felt like your life is caught up in a relentless emphasis on success and productivity and that you’ve lost the necessary rhythm of life? Or if you’ve ever felt that you’ve lost the balance between work and rest? Or if you’ve ever felt you’ve lost the balance you long for between busyness and simply being? This series is for you if you ever feel overwhelmed, overly-committed, or just long for new ways of pausing and restoring rest and balance in your life. This is a series for all of us!

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### A Note from John DeNardo

Dear FBC church family,

I have recently become aware of a medical issue that requires me to be in surgery on Thursday, 8/15/19. Apparently there is a tumor, recommended for removal, on my right kidney that is likely malignant. My recovery time is expected to be four weeks. After that I will be returning back in my role here at FBC Beverly as your part-time interim Minister.

I’m grateful that the church will continue to be well served by our pastoral team of Kent Harrop and Julie Flowers, our church staff and talented volunteers. I know that many of you have expressed that you are blessed by The Worship Ensemble (the acoustic music group playing praise and worship music). We are exploring options of how we can keep that important ministry going through the summer without my leadership. I am looking forward to being back in early September to work with the rest of the Ministerial team to move toward and prepare for Rally Day on September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Please pray for my family and me in the next few weeks. I look forward to seeing you all again then.

John DeNardo

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### In the Family

We hold Beverly Powers, as well as Ellen and Allison, in our hearts and prayers as Beverly continues to work through some health issues, and as Ellen and Allison serve as wonderful caregivers for their Mom.

We pray, also, for Barbara Crawford, and for her family, as Barbara deals with health challenges. We also hold Shirley Crombie in our hearts and prayers, as she, too, is dealing with medical issues.

We offer prayers for the family of long-time church member Lillian Forstrom, who died this week. A service will be held for Lillian on Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m. at Campbell's Funeral Home, with Rev. Julie Flowers officiating.

We also hold in our hearts and prayers John DeNardo, his wife Lynda, and their family, as John undergoes surgery this week.

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## Final Summerfest on Beverly Commons: August 16th

Friday, August 16th from 7 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. the FBC family will gather at Beverly Commons Gazebo, for free ice cream, fun with the Giant Kinball, corn hole tournament, bocce and kick ball. Musicians are invited to jam on guitar, conga, fiddle (if you have a musical instrument, bring it!). [Fancy's Snoballs](#) will be our guest ice cream vendor, offering FREE snow cones with exotic toppings served from 7 – 8 p.m.



Invite your family, friends and neighbors. This event is a wonderful and affordable way to enjoy a summer evening and meet great people of all ages!

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## Lectio Divina Takes a Break

Due to the travel schedules of core participants, we'll be taking a hiatus this summer from Lectio Divina (an ancient way to meditate on Scripture).

While Lectio Divina takes a break, consider accessing a weekly audio presentation of Lectio Divina from Upper Room Ministry: <https://www.upperroom.org/resources/audio-lectio>

We will resume our weekly meetings on September 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. Lectio Divina has been hosted by First Baptist for five years. This is always a rich and meaningful time. New participants always welcome. Hosted by Kent Harrop

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## Solidarity Pilgrimage for Immigrant Justice

Immigration issues are complex, and we don't all see the issues the same way. But however you feel about immigration policies, as Christians, we all should agree that all of God's people should be treated with dignity and humanly. To peacefully tell our government that all people should be treated with respect, please participate in ECCO's Solidarity Pilgrimage for Immigrant Justice, August 19th-24th. Walking from the JFK Building in Boston (Warren Headquarters) to the ICE Detention Center in Dover, NH.

**Bill Schneider of First Baptist will be organizing a team of walkers from FBC.** He will be participating the 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. If you'd like to walk any portion of the walk (on a day or days convenient to your schedule) contact Bill for more information: email [billyjim53@aol.com](mailto:billyjim53@aol.com)

When: August 19th - August 24th

Start: JFK Federal Building, Boston, MA

End: Dover, NH

6 Days -70 Miles -Pilgrimage for Immigrant Justice!

What: Raise your voice against an immigration system that dehumanizes immigrants (particularly people of color), separates families and places people (including children) in overcrowded cages. Let our government know that faith communities in Essex County are not silent in this moment, and we will not be divided!

The time is now - and even if you can't march, there are so many ways you can be a part of this historic effort.

SIGN UP HERE: <https://forms.gle/icmPLiDV11cuXMQQA>

VOLUNTEER HERE: <https://forms.gle/QmiHkUn9RQZ3D1WC9>

**SAVE THE DATE**  
SOLIDARITY PILGRIMAGE FOR IMMIGRANT JUSTICE  
**AUGUST 19-24**

Join us as we walk 70 miles from Boston to Dover.  
Our pilgrimage kicks off with a rally at the JFK Federal Building in Boston at 10am on Monday, August 19 and ends at the Strafford County Immigrant Detention Center in Dover. Join us at the rally at either end or for any leg of the walk.

BOSTON, MA TO DOVER, NH · 70 MILES

FAITH IN ACTION | ECCO | Massachusetts Communities Action Network | VIA

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## Labor Day Weekend Family Camp

What could be a better way to wrap up the summer than a weekend at beautiful Geneva Point Center on Lake Winnepesaukee, NH? August 30 - Sept. 2nd. The weekend is for all ages, singles, families, extended family, friends and newcomers to FBC. Come and join the nearly 40 people from FBC who have already signed up! A time to rest and relax. Go at your own pace and choose from a variety of fun and inspiring programs. Check out our website at: [ldwfc.org](http://ldwfc.org). Financial incentives are in place for first time campers. To register contact Kelly Pheulpin [kpheulpin@sch-ben.com](mailto:kpheulpin@sch-ben.com)

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## SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendars! This year's Holiday Fair will take place on November 23<sup>rd</sup>



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### ***Summer Bulletin Schedule:***

*Bulletins will be published during the first and third weeks of July and August.*

### ***Staff Schedule Information:***

*Kent Harrop will be on vacation through August 28th.*

*John DeNardo will be on medical leave for approximately four weeks and will return in early September.*

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**Coming Up at FBC**



Friday, August 16

7:00 pm: Summerfest on Beverly Common

Saturday, August 17

12:30 pm: Lunch Program

Sunday, August 18

9:45 am: Welcome Cafe

10:00 am: Worship

Monday, August 19

6:00 pm: Monday Night Supper

Tuesday, August 20

9:30 am: Staff Meeting

Saturday, August 24

12:30 pm: Lunch Program

Sunday, August 25

9:30: Welcome Cafe

10:00 am: Worship at FBC

11:00 am: Prayer Shawl Ministry

Monday, August 26

6:00 pm: Monday Night Supper

Tuesday, August 27

9:30 am: Staff Meeting

7:00 pm: All-Church Meeting

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**Check out all of FBC Beverly's sermons at [fbcbeverly.org/sermons](http://fbcbeverly.org/sermons)**

Sunday, August 11th  
***To Be Enough***  
Rev. Julie Flowers, preaching



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