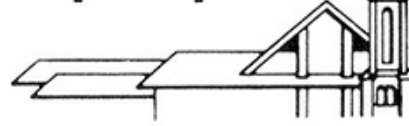


# THE BULLETIN

of the First Baptist Church in Beverly



*A progressive and welcoming Christian community!*

Ministers:

[Rev. Julie R. Flowers](#)

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## *Worship With Us!*

*Sunday,  
July 25th at  
First Baptist  
Church*

**10:00 am: Join us on our [Facebook page](#) for a Facebook Premiere Worship**

*(This video will be available to watch at any time after the service premieres on our [Facebook page](#). You may also view the service on our website, [www.fbcbeverly.org/sermons](http://www.fbcbeverly.org/sermons), and on our [YouTube channel](#).)*

*(You can view everything we post on Facebook even if you do not have a Facebook account!)*

**11:00 am: What a Zoom Fellowship! Immediately following Virtual Worship (see info below)**

*Sunday, July 25, 2021*

*10 a.m.*

*"A Restorer of Life"*

**Scripture:** Ruth 1:8-18 and 4:13-17

**Preacher:** Rev. Jaimie Crumley

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## What a Zoom Fellowship!



Join us for a time of fellowship on Sundays after the worship service! During these summer months, we invite you to stay connected with your friends at FBC! Whether you want to drop by for a few minutes to say hello, join us near the end of the call for prayer, or stay on the call for the full hour, it will be our joy to see you! Grab a snack and your favorite beverage, and stop by!

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87584963293?pwd=VndSanBZVTIVQVJhcXNPUGlwaEFFdzog>  
**Meeting ID: 875 8496 3293 Passcode: 835114**

### Together Again!

Zoom Coffee  
Hour  
Thursdays  
@ 10am



## Thursday Morning Zoom Coffee Time

Come and gather around the virtual table on Thursday at 10:00 am for a time of connection, laughter, reflection, fellowship, and sharing! There is always room for more to gather, so come and pull up a chair with us! Thank you to Lisa LaPlante for hosting the coffee time this week!

### Zoom Coffee Time

**Time: Jul 22, 2021, 10:00 AM Eastern Time  
(US and Canada)**

### Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82992922621?pwd=VFNadGFaSzAzSmcrSEZuK1lkVzFDQT09>

Meeting ID: 829 9292 2621  
Passcode: 324639

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## Music with Esther



Summer is here! Join Esther in celebrating the season with relaxing selections of music. How about enjoying “Fly Me To The Moon” or “Georgia On My Mind” with a crisp glass of rosé or refreshing iced tea? See you at the piano!

Our Friday videos by our music director, Dr. Esther Chang, and, Rev. Kent Harrop on the contemplative life, premiere on Fridays at 1:00 pm EST on Facebook Live. Please find them at [www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistBeverly](https://www.facebook.com/FirstBaptistBeverly). You may access the videos on Facebook anytime, even if you do not have a Facebook account. You may also find the Friday videos on our [YouTube channel](#) (First Baptist Church Beverly Massachusetts). Our videos are available to you anytime as a spiritual resource. We hope they will be a blessing to you. Please feel free to share them as a resource for your loved ones.

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## A Message from our Church Moderator...

Dear Church Family,

The minutes from our Annual (Zoom) Meeting, held on June 29, 2021, are now available. Please contact Pat Haight at the church office at 978-922-3295 or by email at [phaight@fbcbeverly.org](mailto:phaight@fbcbeverly.org) for a copy.

I want to express my heartfelt thanks to all of you for your patience, collaboration and insight over this past pandemic year. Being new to this role of Moderator, you answered my many questions and aided me in cultivating a deeper understanding of our Church and Church Family. You were and continue to be open to have discussions and try very different approaches, especially with the structure of our (Zoom) meetings and what our future meetings will be like. I appreciated your flexibility especially when it came to what we really needed to cover at our Annual Meeting.

Thank you for being present with me and for your confidence as we navigated the turbulence of last year. Together we met the challenges of a pandemic year and kept on a steady course doing God's work meeting the needs of not only this congregation but our community as well.

I look forward to continuing to do so, in collaboration with you.

Sincerely and with Many Blessings,  
Gloria Stoneham

The Annual Report  
of  
THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN BEVERLY

*The journey  
is our  
home.*



## More Rev. Kent Memories...

I was the first one from the First Baptist Church congregation to meet Kent in person. As a member of the Search Committee, I volunteered to pick him up at Logan airport when he traveled east for his initial interview. After traveling across country by plane from his home in Oregon, he stepped into the terminal with a friendly affable energetic greeting and I could see at once that he had one of the most important attributes of an FBC minister – stamina.

Now seven years have passed of exciting, creative, visionary and challenging ministry under Kent's leadership. My strongest memory of Kent's time among us will be seeing him virtually on my computer screen during the isolated winter of the pandemic year 2021, in his kayak on the Ipswich River with ice on the water, snow gently falling all around him and not another person in sight, as he looked directly into the camera while delivering an uplifting spiritual message of hope and comfort. Thank you, Kent, for all the times you've inspired and sustained us and best wishes for many happy days ahead for you and Tricia.

~Loyce Thomson



*(Here is a photo from one of the retreats at Hallelujah Farm, NH, Sue attended with Rev. Kent, which seemed very moving, exploring prayer and our relationship with God.)*

Sue also noted...

"Kent helped do a service with me for my father, who had died in Florida. None of my friends could come to the service in Florida, and many members of my family could not come. Kent and I planned a service together to be held at FBC in Beverly, and he made it all come to life. He brought the church to some of my unchurched family members. I believe that his contribution showed them that not all ministers are

“scary” or full of “fire and brimstone.”

"Kent and I have enjoyed wonderful times together at church and in book groups. I attended many sessions of his book group studying “The Naked Now” by Richard Rohr. We ended with a terrific time of fellowship at Kent and Tricia's house, which happened to fall on my birthday; I could not think of any other place I would want to be that day than with the saints, enjoying great conversation and delicious food!"

~Sue Kingston

## The Return of Lectio Divina



Join us on **July 21st and 28th at 8 a.m.** for Lectio Divina services with Rev. Kent at Independence Park (off of Lorthop Street in Beverly). Bring a beach chair and your sunglasses as we gather on the lawn overlooking the ocean.

**Lectio Divina** (meditating on the Word), is an ancient Christian practice. We will read a piece of Scripture three times, each time with a different question, as we reflect on the wisdom for our life and times. The service concludes with Communion (pre-packaged juice and bread). The service is approximately 35 minutes and is a wonderful way to reflect and renew (with a great view!) Look for Kent by one of the benches closest to the water. Note: In case of inclement weather Lectio won't meet. Please email Kent if you have any questions [kharrowp@fbcbeverly.org](mailto:kharrowp@fbcbeverly.org).

## Last Contemplative Paddle, Sunday July 25th!

Sunday morning 8.am. join Kent as he leads a final Contemplative Paddle on Chebacco Lake (Hamilton/Essex). We will be meeting and launching from the lakeside cabin of Bob and Deb Blanchard (thank you Deb and Bob!). 2 canoes and 4 kayaks and PFDs are available for loan, or, bring your own boat. Limited to a total of 9 boats.

A wonderful event for experienced and novice paddlers. **RSVP to Kent:** [kharrop@fbcbeverly.org](mailto:kharrop@fbcbeverly.org). Start at 8 a.m. and off the water by 10:30 a.m. A wonderful way to experience the Sabbath and meet some great people! Reservations required, with a list of what to bring and directions to lake provided. In case of inclement weather participants will be notified.



## Celebrate Rev. Kent Harrop's Ministry!



Join the church family on **Sunday, August 1, 2021, at 11:15 am** as we offer words and gifts of appreciation and gratitude to Kent and wish him and Tricia well on this new chapter of their lives. **We will meet behind the church at 221 Cabot Street.**

We will also enjoy delicious desserts and the joy of each other's company and **share communion.**

If it rains, we will meet in Fellowship Hall, where masks will be required and available for all.

Please plan to arrive a few minutes early to give yourself time to find parking and not miss anything!

If you have any questions about the celebration, please call Pat Haight (987-922-3295) or email her at [PHaight@fbcbeverly.org](mailto:PHaight@fbcbeverly.org). To donate toward a special gift for Kent, please click [HERE.](#)



## Recap from the First Delightful Dinner on Saturday!

Buck and Cindy hosted quite the delightful dinner on Saturday with eighteen attendees. The evening started outside for a brief time before it started raining, but it didn't dampen anyone's spirits! The group enjoyed delicious food prepared with care and enjoyed seeing one another in person.

***Do you want to host a Delightful Dinner this Summer or in the Fall?***

***Please let Rev. Jaimie Crumley know. Email her at [jcrumley@fbcbeverly.org](mailto:jcrumley@fbcbeverly.org).***



## Bloomin' For Good (Again!)

Thanks to the dedication and hard work of John and Eileen Hadley we are back **Bloomin' for Good** for the month of **August!**

We are thrilled to be selected by the Bloomin' 4 Good Program, an innovative program from Stop & Shop that works to fight hunger in our local communities. In this program, every \$10.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet sends a \$1 donation to a hunger organization local to the store in which it was purchased.

For the month of August 2021, First Baptist Church Lunch Program has been selected to receive a \$1 donation for every \$10.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet with the red circle sticker sold at the stores located at 37 Enon Street, Beverly MA and 224 Elliott Street, Beverly MA.



Look for the bouquets with the **red circle sticker** pictured here to make sure it is a Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet that will fight local hunger right here in our community.

## Great Plates: Win a \$25 Gift Card While Supporting Local Restaurants



Help support local restaurants and you could win a gift card through Great Plates Beverly!

- When you're dining out, please tell your server that you're there to support Great Plates Beverly
- Take a photo of your meal before you dig in and tag your on social media with **#greatplatesbev** AND **upload here** on our online form
- Every week, we'll pick a winner who will receive a \$25 gift card to one of our restaurants!
- More info at <https://www.bevmain.org/events/great-plates-beverly/>

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## The Ordinary and The Extraordinary: Summer 2021 Sermon Series at First Baptist in Beverly

### The Ordinary and The Extraordinary

*Summer 2021 Sermon Series at First Baptist in Beverly*



Join us for a sermon series that explores some of the ordinary stories in Scripture. God comes into the mundane and painful moments of our everyday lives and transforms them into extraordinary moments.

Join us by clicking [HERE](#) and be transformed!

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## Coming Up at FBC



Wednesday, July 21st

8:00 am: Lectio Divina with Rev. Kent at Independence Park

Thursday, July 22nd

10:00 am: Zoom Coffee Time

Friday, July 23rd

1:00 pm: Music with Esther

Saturday, July 24th

12:30 pm: Lunch Program (Boxed meals-to-go meals will be provided from the gym)

Sunday, July 25th

8:00 am: Last Contemplative Paddle!

10:00 am: Sunday Virtual Worship Service

*(View the worship video on Facebook, YouTube, and our website!)*

11:00 am: Zoom Fellowship

Monday, July 26th

6:00 pm: Monday Night Supper (Boxed meals-to-go meals will be provided from the gym)

Tuesday, July 27th

9:30 am: Staff Meeting

7:00 pm: Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, July 28th

8:00 am: Lectio Devina with Rev. Kent at Independence Park

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***Sunday July 18th, 2021***

***"Learning to Trust"***

**Scripture:** 1 Kings 19: 1-13a

**Preacher:** Rev. Kent Harrop

**Sunday, July 18, 2021**

**"Learning to Trust"**

**Scripture: 1 Kings 19:1-13a**



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

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