

## WEEKLY GOOD NEWS EMAIL

December 27, 2020

First Sunday After Christmas

First Congregational Church of Hanover, Massachusetts

An Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ

From Pastor Terry

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The mantle at the Terry homestead

### TAKING A BREAK

I have not taken a break since beginning in Hanover 14 months ago, so the next two weeks I will get caught up on some reading – President Obama’s book *A Promised Land*, all 768 pages and Michael Beschloss *Presidents of War*, all 786 pages, and *Jack* by Marilynne Robinson, only 320 pages. Rev. Bartlett will be filling for me. Sundays I plan to attend my home church to see how they do live streaming.

### Christmas Eve Services: Pageant and Lessons & Carols

Numerous members of the congregation participated in putting together virtual videos for the Christmas services.

### 2020 – THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER!

To view it, [click on this link](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8kqNzVt1QVc) (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8kqNzVt1QVc)



### Starring:

Sophie, Sadie & Tommy Bunar

Elena & Gianna Conti

Ella Taylor

David Jason Christensen

Maxx Crimi

Nora, JD & Eli Barrett

Parker & Teagan Ingram

Alexandra, Ian & Maylee Troupe

Callia Gilligan

Edited by Callia Gilligan



Creche at the Kelly homestead

### **SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS**

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**Advent Candle Lighting:** *Jackson and John Terry*

**Hymn:** *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

**Words of Welcome**

**Call to Worship:** *Andrew Talbot*

**Invocation**

**Carol:** *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

**Isaiah 9:2-7, 11:1-9** - The Prince of Peace, Root of Jesse: *Lisa Boucher*

**Micah 5:2-4** - The Place of Birth: *Hal Thomas*

**Carol:** *Angels We Have Heard on High*

**Luke 1:26-38** - The Annunciation to Mary: *Debbie Shea*

**Matthew 1:18-23** - Visit to Joseph: *Deborah Springhetti*

**Solo:** *Silent Night:* Sung by *Julie Cotillo* and accompanied by *Dave Christensen*

**Luke 2:1-16** - The Birth of Jesus: *Marianne Christensen*

**Matthew 2:1-12** - The Wise Men: *Jack Shea*

**On Christmas Night:** composed by *John Wall*

**Carol:** *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

**Closing Prayer**

**Carol:** *Joy to the World!*

**Christmas Benediction**

*Chad Weirick, Organist*

Edited by *Bob Sigsby*

**SUNDAY:** **Virtual coffee hour** on Sunday at 10:30 am

<https://zoom.us/j/92797351249?pwd=QXZJQXIEOEftZ0xPM1llcGxLU1dodz09>

**Meeting ID:** 944 9754 1799; **Passcode:** 73851

**Advanced notice:** Special Guest at the **January 10 ZOOM** meeting is  
Town Councilor Venessa O'Connor

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN:** Please submit your pledge for 2021 as soon as possible.  
Your thoughtfulness is appreciated.

**BIBLE STUDY: No Bible Study on December 28**



**CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS**

*Please email your celebrations and concerns to John Terry or to the church office.*

***Let's celebrate:*** Zack Conant, grandson of Susan and Robert Conant, made Dean's List with highest honors this semester.

***Please pray for:***

- Carol McHugh, friend of Ruth Hall, with ovarian cancer
- Carolyn Frattalone, at home with cardiac issues
- Mary Hoyes, cousin of Jim Hoyes, struggling with COVID 19
- Tom Spear, family friend of Adrienne Rafferty, battling leukemia
- The family of Vivian Dunn, Mary Dunn's aunt, who passed December 7
- Carolyn White, wife of Derek White
- Pegge Powers, recovering at home
- The family of Barbara Black, sister of Dave Vaughn, who passed away on November 29
- Jim Vaille, recovering at home