

**WEEKLY GOOD NEWS EMAIL**  
**January 3, 2021**  
**Second Sunday After Christmas**  
**First Congregational Church of Hanover, Massachusetts**  
**An Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ**

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The mantel at the Terry homestead

**TAKING A BREAK**

I have not taken a break since beginning in Hanover 14 months ago, so for 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.

**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR** on Sunday at 10:30 am  
<https://zoom.us/j/92797351249?pwd=QXZJQXIEOEFtZ0xPM1lcGxLU1dodz09>

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

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

**If you haven’t done so already, go to First Church Hanover on YouTube to watch our Christmas Eve Pageant and service of Lessons & Carols.** Numerous members of the congregation participated in putting together virtual videos for the Christmas services.

**Note:** Last week’s email contained a partial listing of the Pageant participants. Here is the complete list of the cast of **2020 – THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER!**

**Starring:**

Dave Christensen  
Julie Cotillo  
Elena & Gianna Conti  
Sophie, Sadie & Tommy Bunar  
Ella Taylor  
Jason Christensen  
Maxx Crimi  
Nora, JD & Eli Barrett  
Parker & Teagan Ingram  
Alexandra, Ian & Maylee Troupe  
Callia Gilligan

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**2021 PLEDGE ENVELOPES** are available at the church office. Come by Tuesday or Thursday between 9 and 2 to pick up your set. Knock loudly on the door to Riley Hall and it shall be opened.

**MONDAY BIBLE STUDY AT 7 PM** Join in at

<https://zoom.us/j/93375349480pwd=OWlkcjRmV2llaEt0M202RUhKRTA4UT09>

**Meeting ID:** 933 7534 9480; **Password:** 006430

**WEDNESDAY HOUR OF FELLOWSHIP AT 2 PM** Join in at

<https://zoom.us/j/5848654652?pwd=WHIDSnlhWkIwc2FGS0c3VWgwNmMzZz09;>

**Meeting ID:** 584 865 4652; **Password:** 531416



## CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

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

### *A Christmas 2020 Thank You*

Thank you to everyone who participated in and contributed to this year's First Congregational Church of Hanover's Christmas Eve Service and Children's Christmas Pageant. Seeing and hearing so many members of our church community share the glorious Christmas message was a highlight of our Christmas 2020. Thank you for this Christmas gift! May 2021 bring you hope, peace, joy, and love. Blessings, Linda & John Wall

*Let's celebrate:* The New Year that the Lord will provide

*Please pray for:*

- Joseph Balich, brother of Louise Jackson, with COVID, as well as her parents who had direct contact with Joseph
- Andrew, Jeannie and James White, family of Don and Lynn White, with serious concerns about COVID
- Carol McHugh, friend of Ruth Hall, with ovarian cancer
- Carolyn Frattalone, at home with cardiac issues
- Mary Hoyes, cousin of Jim Hoyes, recovering at home from COVID 19
- Tom Spear, family friend of Adrienne Rafferty, battling leukemia
- The family of Vivian Dunn, Mary Dunn's aunt, who passed December 7
- Jim Vaille, recovering at home