

WEEKLY E-LETTER --

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Grace and Peace to you in these gentle summer days!

I hope to see you on Sunday at worship. This week, we are welcoming those attending the Pride Day festivities to join us for worship, as we celebrate God's abundant and unfailing love for all. We'll also celebrate the sacrament of baptism.

Planning is well underway for Vacation Bible School which begins later this month.

I had a few days at Murray Corner last week and also visited Johnson's Mills to see the thousands of sandpipers prepare for their flight south. The abundance of nature and the intricate ways of different species is such a reason to marvel at the Creator. I confess though, I did not feel such wonder when I was stung by a yellow jacket after I disturbed a nest unknowingly, in a flower bed.

The shared services seem to be working well. Of course, we are old hands at this now!

I'll share with you a recent realization I had about the importance of God in my life. I was in conversation with a young man, who was dealing with frustration and adversity. His way forward seemed blocked at every turn.

He said to me: "I don't have many people in my corner. I have to fight this on my own, I can't be a victim. I need to move onward and make my own way."

I am glad that I always feel I have God and God's love in my corner, and that I am not alone as I deal with adversity and frustrated plans.

Our challenge is: How do we share this good news with those who so long for 'someone in their corner'?

Blessings, and peace.

Rose~Hannah