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**NEWSLETTER OF THE OLD SCOTCH CHURCH
MAY 2021**

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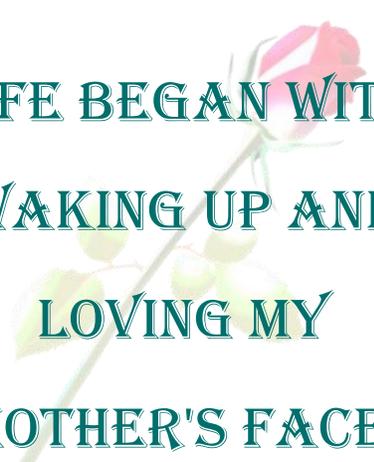
Office hours: Tuesday-Friday, 9:00 AM-1:00 PM



Due to the COVID-19 virus, there will be no in-person gatherings or worship services at the church until further notice.

At-home worship and regular Sunday, 11 AM, Fellowship Hour Zoom links can be found on the [Sermons](#) page of the church web site and at the following YouTube channel address:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtsQCBGAU8gvja2DFrymmYQ?view_as=subscriber



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George Eliot, English novelist, poet,
and journalist, 1819-1880.

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~ “OLD SCOTCH” ~

MAY 2021 NEWSLETTER

Transitions, Large and Small

It's been hard to know, every time I start writing an “Aspire” article in the middle of the previous month, whether what I write in the article will still hold once the first of the month rolls around. That's how fast change in terms of surges, vaccine availability and eligibility, and our best-laid plans seem to shift. Strange, for a year-plus where we've felt stuck doing the same thing in our limited worlds.

But that's where we are, as we see the aspects of our common life try to return to post-pandemic living. I am thinking about this transition in my personal life, in my family, in my calling, and in this church where I serve. I invite you to read the article this month from the Session entitled “Rationale and Hopes for In-person Worship” to hear one aspect of post-pandemic life ... eventually.

For my pastoral vocation, I am grateful that some of the jobs I've picked up over the last year are coming to an end. Scott Ables has taken over the edit, upload, and website access of our online worship services. He has already given his creative flair to the videos, and I'm grateful for the hours of time he has given back to me each week. The church hired a twice/month cleaning person, so I'm no longer trying to keep the building clean! Our monthly live service gives more space to worship preparation, which opens my days a bit. One of the arenas where I hope to spend this extra time is with personally reconnecting with folks in the congregation. That is, once I'm fully vaccinated by May 24, I'd love to figure out a way to visit, probably outside for a while, just to see faces and hear stories of the last year. To this end, I'd like to do this the old-fashioned way, with a stop-in, knock-on-your-door kind of visit. If you're not there, or see me through the window and hide, I'll leave a card. My hope is to work through an area to use my time wisely and well.

Here's an important piece of this: ***If you do not want me to come by to visit, or need it to be on a weekend or evening, please call or email to let me know what works best for you. If you don't contact me with your preference, you are fair game to visit!*** I have the help of a wonderful volunteer who will work to set up appointments for those who need them. I won't get to visit with all of you, but I'd really like to see as many as I can! As we worship for most of the month, we are studying 2 Thessalonians. Remember we took on 1 Thessalonians in January? It's a short book, so feel free to read it each week to get the full letter.

Below are the sermon texts and church events to help you prepare each Sunday for worship.

May 2	2 Thess. 2:1-5, 13-17	The 2 Thess. series started April 26.
May 9	2 Thess. 3:1-5	We celebrate Women today!
May 16	2 Thess. 3:6-13	Live worship recording, with a Minute for Mission!
May 23	Pentecost	Youth Sunday, with Senior Hannah Metz preaching!
May 30	Matt. 4:1-11	Trinity Sunday and Memorial Day Weekend

Grace and Peace,

Jacie Bullis

Follow Us On Facebook!

 Follow our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/OldScotchChurch. We also have a closed Facebook group called “Old Scotch Church Members and Friends,” where you may add photos and posts about our church. Material will only be accessible to members of the group.

News of Our Church Family

Spring Clean-up Day Coming Up!

Please join us for our annual Spring Clean-up Day on Saturday, May 8, from 9:00 AM until noon. As usual, we will be doing landscape pruning and cleaning, and some miscellaneous repairs and maintenance. Please wear work clothes and gloves and bring gardening tools to share. Also, please bring your face mask to use as necessary.



Scholarships Available

The Memorial Committee awards grants through the Harriet Unruh Scholarship Fund, endowed by long-time member Harriet Unruh in 1987. Active participants in the Old Scotch Church who attend an academic, vocational, or technical institution are eligible for assistance for up to four years of undergraduate study and two years of graduate study. Applications will be available after June 1 and must be returned by July 1. Please contact the church office for an application or more information.

New Adult On-line Sunday School Class Slated

Join us through June 13 for our weekly on-line adult Sunday School class. The 30-minute zoom meeting discussion focuses on "A Spiritual Formation Primer" from Renovare.org. We meet at 4 PM each Sunday. Exact time and zoom link is forthcoming. Please, contact Karen Ables for the Zoom link, the e-book, and any inquiries.



Mission Committee Report

The Mission Commission has started a tradition to help build the Old Scotch Church Mission Fund. An annual offering will alternate between Mother's Day and Father's Day and serve to honor the women and the men in our lives. Since we started the tradition last Father's Day, this Mother's Day, May 9, we will honor the women in our lives. The money will be used for local mission projects. Please send your gift to the church office by May 4, so that we can recognize your loved one in time for Mother's day.

Until we resume in-person Sunday gatherings, Brad Parker will be collecting food donations for Community Hands Up on the first Saturday of the month. The next food Collection day will be Saturday May 1, between 9-10 AM in front of the Church.

Volunteers Needed!

Our Christian life includes sharing our talents. Currently, we can use help in the following areas:

- Fellowship Commission (contact Sheri Hiester)
- Mission Commission (contact Brad Parker)
- Personnel Committee (contact Terri Browning)
- General office work when Jeff is away (contact Jeff Uecker)
- For Christian Education Commission, there are many opportunities to serve in VBS, worship, nursery and Sunday School (contact Karen Ables)



Live Worship Online

Our next attempt at doing a live Saturday worship service to post by the following day will be sometime in May. Pray for the skeletal crew and tech team who are trying to get the technology figured out for whenever we return to in-person worship.

Join Us at Sunday Morning Zoom Fellowship Hour!

Don't forget to join the online real-time Zoom Fellowship Hour that begins at 11 AM every Sunday. You can access it through the weekly Friday e-mail message. Remember, there is a different access link every week. It's great to touch base with the Old Scotch community.





ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTION

To donate electronically via your smart phone, just follow these simple steps: 1) Download a free QR code reader app. 2) Scan the code on the Electronic Giving Option card found in the pew (and included here). 3) Use the link to make a donation to the Old Scotch Church Paypal account with your credit card (found at oldscotchchurch.org/give.html).

Our Cemetery

OLD SCOTCH CHURCH CEMETERY PRICE STRUCTURE

	Members	Non-members
<i>In-Ground*</i>		
Regular, 4'x10' lot	\$700	\$1500 (double-depth burial allowed in unoccupied lot)
Infant section, 4'x7' lot	\$200	\$500
Cremation, 2'x2' lot	\$150	\$500
(*These prices do not include grave opening and fabrication and installation of marker. Additional record-keeping fee of \$150 for each interment.)		
<i>Columbarium**</i>		
Top row	\$750	\$1100
Middle Row	\$700	\$1050
Bottom Row	\$650	\$1000
(**Additional inurnment and engraving fees apply. Additional record-keeping fee of \$150 for each inurnment.)		
For more information about cemetery policies, contact the church office or visit www.oldscotchchurch.org/cemetery .		

ADVANCED ARRANGEMENT PLANNING PACKET AVAILABLE

Our church provides information on advance directives, POLST, donor programs, wills, long term stewardship, memorial services, and the cemetery. Please contact the church office for de-



Reminders in Our Service to God

Elder of the Month—Dave Vanasche

Deacons of the Week

5/2, Cheryl McFadden; 5/9, Carl Winch; 5/16, Teresa Griffels; 5/23, Janet Hopson; 5/30, Jo Ann Tannock

ASPIRE SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE ISSUE—MAY 15

Church Staff

Pastor	Rev. Tracie Bullis
Parish Associate	Chris Macfarlane
Office Administrator	Jeffry Uecker
Choir Director	Maurine Granat
Accompanists	Meredith Bach, Judy Charles
Treasurer	Katherine Kinnear
Wedding Hostess	Robi Knox
Nursery	Jasmyne Adame

Session

Clerk of Session	Phyllis Laners
Business & Finance	Terri Browning
Mission	Brad Parker
Worship and Music	Judy Charles
Christian Education	Karen Ables
Cemetery	Henk Ploem
Outreach & Membership	To be filled
Building & Grounds	Dave Vanasche
Fellowship	Sheri Hiester

Deacons

Teresa Griffels • Janet Hopson • Warren Hopson • Robi Knox • Peggy McShane
Cheryl McFadden • Caitlin Mitchel-Markley • Kali Nelson • Jo Ann Tannock • Carl Winch