



*Jesus said "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Matthew 11:28*

## *A New Church Year...*



## *We Are Here!*

**Ministers**

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**GOALS AND OUR LIFE AS A CHURCH**

- ❖ Seeking to be guided by love of God, love of others, being in community, seeking to be of service.
- ❖ Church services and classes being vital and central.
- ❖ Nurturing teamwork and community throughout the church.
- ❖ The church welcoming diversity of people working together as one.
- ❖ Developing a pervasive spirit of caring in the church community.
- ❖ The church developing as welcoming of all generations (from children to senior).
- ❖ Concerted efforts to involve young people more fully in the life of the church. Perhaps with aid from adults, having leadership emerge from young people. Involvement of young people in service projects in the community.
- ❖ Strengthening of programs for seniors, drawing on resources both within and outside the church.
- ❖ Developing processes for ministry preparation.
- ❖ Growth of participation from the congregation in the church activities.

**HISTORY OF THE CHURCH**

*New Jerusalem Church*

*Circa 1845*

The foundation of the Boston Society of the New Jerusalem (BSNJ) can be traced back to 1784 and the Green Dragon Tavern in Boston. It was then and there that admirers of, and those interested in learning more about, Emanuel Swedenborg first met to hear a lecture on Swedenborg by James Glen. In 1818, twelve people, some of whom were among the early "Green Dragon Tavern crowd," organized a Swedenborgian Church in the city. Chartered in 1823, the Boston Society of the New Jerusalem, Inc. is the first Swedenborgian Church established in Massachusetts. Members of the Church met at several locations before finally settling in 1845 at its present location atop Beacon Hill. The location inspired the name by which many today know the society: the Church on the Hill (Swedenborgian). Through the years, noted BSNJ members include Timothy Harrington Carter, publisher, and founder of the Old Corner Book Store; Sampson Reed, writer and mentor of Ralph Waldo Emerson; Lydia Maria Child, author, social activist and abolitionist; Warren Felt Evans, writer and healer;

Theophilus Parsons, dean of Harvard Law School; Otis Clapp, apothecary, publisher, member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, co-founder of The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (M.I.T.), Boston University, and founder of The Home for Little Wanderers; Theophilus P. Chandler, architect; Clarence Barron, financier, editor of the *Wall Street Journal*, and president of Dow Jones; George James Webb, hymnologist; and The Honorable Malcolm Nichols, Mayor of Boston. A beautiful Gothic Revival structure served the membership until the 1960s when it was replaced with a new Church building and an eighteen story high-rise apartment. Today, the main sanctuary of the Church is accessible from Bowdoin Street. The Church has also served as a place of worship and gatherings for the local Muslim Community and other faith-based communities. The Church has organized and runs many programs to meet the needs of the Church community and larger surrounding neighborhood.

Use of the Church facility is offered to human service and outreach organizations.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SENIOR PASTOR



Dear Members and Friends of the Church on the Hill:

This is to wish each of you the best as we begin a new church year. In the second Sunday of September the full choir will return, and beginning with the first Sunday of September we will resume the regular program of classes before each church service. As we begin this new church year we will be blessed with the presence of a Ministry Intern, Gail Barrows. We will also be making efforts to expand our programs to include more during the week while staying strong on Sundays

Each new year provides opportunities for the church to grow, be reborn, be reshaped. We need to keep looking to God and seeking God's help as we seek ways for the church to continue its growth and its service in the world. In September, as in any month, each of us can consider our own life direction, our connections with others, and how we can contribute o lives of others.

As we begin this new church year, I urge you to think about your own connection with the church. How might the church make more of a difference for you? How might you make more of a difference in the church? What might seem like something very small could open the way for more as we explore possibilities for the church moving forward.

Love and Best Wishes to Each of You,

Ted

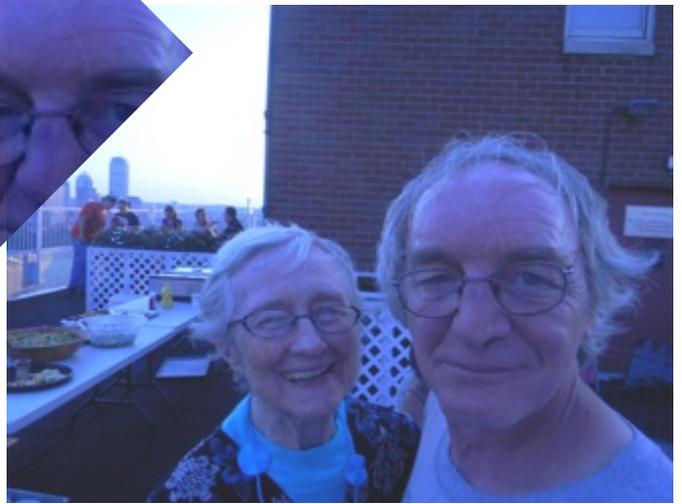
## A Book Review by: Ned Carleton Oasis Book Club

### The Art of Racing in the Rain by: Garth Stein

The Oasis readers read Racing Tuesdays July 5 through August 2. It's in a now-flourishing tradition of philosophical whimsy - compare Tuesdays with Morrie or Life of Pi. Enzo, the family dog of its principal (human) characters, tells their story, and of course he's way ahead of them. Brush up your Buddhism for this: he has learned from the television that Mongolian Buddhists believe dogs are reincarnated as humans. (Enzo can understand English, but not speak it because his tongue, being a dog's, is wrongly made - this is explained at the outset. It's like the 'lockbox' theory of autism). And so he believes himself the spiritual director of his owners, the Swift family; Denny, Eve, and daughter Zoe. Just as a Buddhist saint, though worthy of release from the wheel of rebirth, delays this to be of service to his fellow-humans, so Enzo, devoted to the Swift family, and when we meet him an old dog, serves them in ways they scarcely recognize, urging them along their karmic path, though ready for human reincarnation. He braces himself to the task; it is his Master Plan (ch.1). "Not all dogs return as men, they say; only those who are ready... I am ready" (ch. 18). This, to put it mildly, did not go over well with our little gang. It's cute, yes. The title ('The Art of Racing in the Rain') comes from what Denny Swift does for a living, which is race cars. (Actually, his weekdays job is to do car repair in a sales-and-service shop.) This is in Seattle. It turns out that car racing is an image

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# President's Annual Summer Social





"Let every nation know that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe in order to ensure the survival and success of liberty."

"The labor movement is people. Our unions have brought millions of men and women together, made them members one of another, and given them common tools for common goals. Their goals are goals for all America - and their enemies are the enemies for progress. The two cannot be separated."

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."

" The American Labor Movement has consistently demonstrated its devotion to the public interest.

It is, and has been, good for all America." **JFK**

*When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. 'These who were hired last worked only one hour,' they said, 'and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.'*

*"But he answered one of them, 'I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn't you agree to work for a denarius? Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?'*

Matthew 20:11-15

## Work and A Life of Service *Some Labor Day Reflections* Rev. Dr. Ted Klein

Labor Day provides an opportunity to remember and be mindful of the value of all work. There are many kinds of work, some paid and some unpaid. We can take time to consider how each form of work or labor contributes to good, how it is of service.

One way we can approach all work is as a way of responding to what is needed. For example, there is the story of Jesus, on the Sabbath Day, healing a person with a crippled hand (Matthew 12: 9-13). What was needed was for the person's hand to be made whole. For each form of work we engage in, we can stay mindful of needs to which the work responds.

What is a good life? We can describe a good life as a life of caring, charity, or service. Swedenborgian teachings describe caring or charity as doing what is good and right in every work, office, employment, and activity in our life with others (The Heavenly City, no 101, True Christian Religion, no. 422). In such a life, one is moved to discern what is needed by others and to act in response to those needs

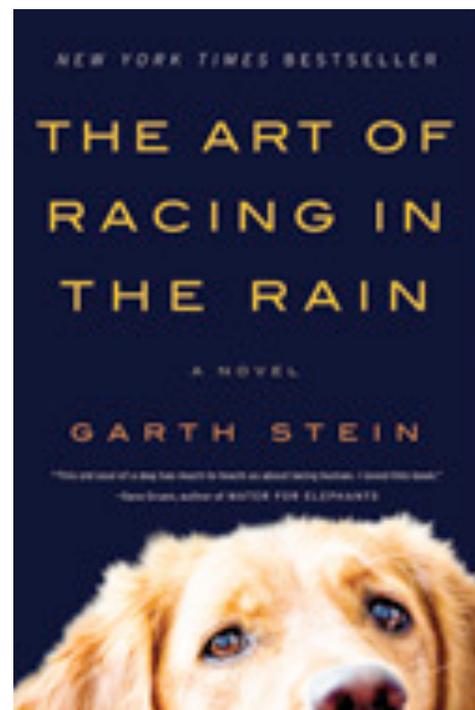
Think about the role of work in your life, the different kinds of work you engage in. Work includes but goes beyond any jobs you may have. With work we are engaged, make efforts, look to what is needed, seeking to contribute and make a difference for good. You may in many different ways contribute to lives of others in work you do.

With work we are interdependent with one another. Different ones of us have different gifts to offer and contribute in different ways. We can look to God for help in weaving together what each of us contributes.

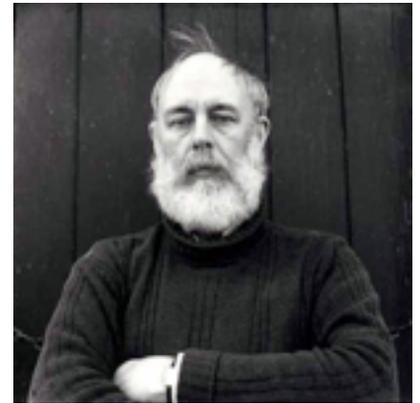
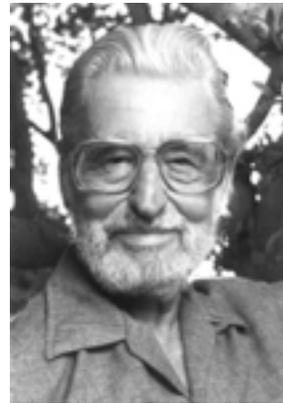
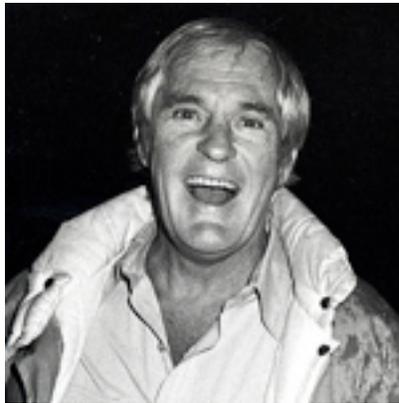
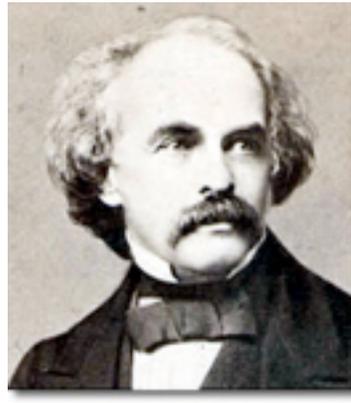
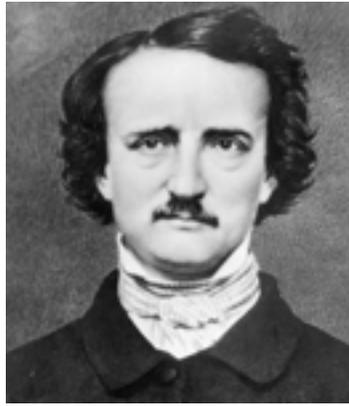
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of the human condition - the parallel to Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance is not an accident. You need courage, of course. You have to pay attention. You have to think proactively, pushing through turns. And, of course, you have to take responsibility. There are no excuses. You create the problems that plague you, on the track and in life. Racers have a saying - 'That which you manifest is before you', and another, 'The car goes where your eyes go'. So, if you're scared of disease, you'll get sick. Eve, Denny's wife, dies through the working of this spiritual law, though her evil parents threw the scare into her in the first place.

This is a very moral book. But the zinger is at the end. Death is inevitable, but we choose to age, and suicide is our duty, should things come to that point. It's taking responsibility. These reflections are Enzo's. Pondering this, one of our group recalled that the suicide argument was given by Jim Jones Nov. 18, 1978, to get his flock to drink the Kool-Aid.



# Can you name who's who?



*Hint: They're all writers from Massachusetts...*

The person to name them all/the most wins a \$50 Gift Certificate to Grotto restaurant. GOOD LUCK!

Congratulations to Jane and Brian for winning last month's, naming all 12!

Answers from August's "who's who" can be found on page 10.

## The Journey

One day you finally knew  
 What you had to do, and began  
 Though the voices around you  
 Kept shouting  
 Their bad advice -  
 Though the whole house  
 Began to tremble  
 And you felt the old tug  
 At your ankles "Mend my life!"  
 Each voice cried.  
 But you didn't stop.  
 You knew what you had to do,  
 Though the wind pried  
 With its stiff fingers  
 At the very foundations,  
 Though their melancholy  
 Was terrible.  
 It was already late  
 Enough, and a wild night,  
 And the road full of fallen stones.  
 But little by little,  
 As you left their voices behind,  
 The stars began to burn  
 Through the sheets of clouds,  
 And there was a new voice,  
 Which you slowly recognized as your own,  
 That kept you company  
 As you strode deeper and deeper  
 Into the world,  
 Determined to do  
 The only thing you could do -  
 Determined to save  
 The only life you could save.

By Mary Oliver



## Donations Needed

We are currently looking for donations for our Senior Food Pantry. The church is collecting canned goods and other non-perishable food items to be donated for seniors. These can be brought into the church either on Sundays or during our office hours. We will be placing collection boxes throughout the church or they can be left with Mike or Craig in the office.

Remember, there is no such thing as too much food when it comes to feeding the hungry!

A special 'Thank You' to Maria MacKenzie for donating multiple bags of groceries and starting off our collection by filling up our cupboards.



## Provençal-Style Stuffed Zucchini

### Ingredients

8 small zucchini (about 7-inches long and 1 1/4 to 1/2-inch wide)  
Kosher salt

### For the filling:

2 1/2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided  
6 ounces fresh sausage  
1/2 cup minced onion  
Freshly ground black pepper  
1/2 cup finely chopped peeled and seeded tomatoes  
1 tablespoon minced garlic  
1 tablespoon freshly chopped basil leaves  
1 teaspoon freshly chopped thyme leaves  
1/4 cup fine dry bread crumbs, divided  
1/4 cup grated Gruyere  
1/4 cup finely grated Parmesan



### Directions

Lay the zucchini down on a flat work surface and, using a sharp knife, cut the top 1/4 of each squash off lengthwise. Using a small melon baller or paring knife, remove the inner flesh from the zucchini to form a small boat shape, leaving a shell on the sides and bottom approximately 1/4-inch thick. Cut the trimmings into 1/4-inch dice and reserve separately. Lightly salt the inside of each zucchini and set aside, cut sides down, on paper towels to drain while you prepare the filling.

### For the filling:

In a large skillet, heat 1 tablespoon of the olive oil and, when hot, add the sausage and saute until golden, using a spoon to break it into small pieces, about 6 minutes. Add the onion and cook until soft, 3 to 4 minutes. Add the chopped zucchini and season lightly with salt and pepper and cook, stirring, until squash is soft and lightly caramelized, about 5 minutes. Add the tomatoes and garlic and cook, stirring, for 2 minutes. Add the basil, thyme, and 2 1/2 tablespoons of the bread crumbs. Season, to taste, with additional salt and pepper, if necessary, and set aside to cool.

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F and lightly grease a baking dish with 1/2 tablespoon of the remaining olive oil.

Pat the insides of the zucchini with paper towels and rub the outsides of the zucchini with the remaining olive oil. Spoon the mostly cooled filling into the zucchini. Sprinkle with the cheeses, then top with the remaining bread crumbs. Bake for 30 minutes, or until golden brown and crispy on top.

*Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few.  
Matthew 9:37*

Last Month's "who's who" answers...  
From left to right and top to bottom:



1. Harvey Birdman
2. Captain Caveman
3. Bam Bam Rubble
4. Huckleberry Hound
5. Rosie Jetson
6. Johnny Quest
7. Pac Man
8. Velma
9. Magilla Gorilla
10. Secret Squirrel
11. Space Ghost
12. Jerry Mouse



Star Island Retreat Center:  
where Mike Bancewicz spent 4 days  
on a Spiritual Retreat in late August.

## FALL PROGRAMS

### West End Community Center

**Adult Italian Classes (both level I and II)**  
**Day:** Monday  
**Dates:** Both classes start September 19  
 Italian I (for 6 weeks), Italian II (10 weeks).  
**Time:** Italian I: 7:30 – 9:00 pm, Italian II: 6:00 – 7:30 pm  
**Price:** Italian I: \$180 for non-members, \$160 for members  
 Italian II: \$300 for non-members, \$280 for members  
 Spots are filling fast!  
 Sign up online at:  
<http://www.westendcommunitycenter.com/site/index.php>

**Introductory Water Color Class**  
**Day:** Monday  
**Dates:** September 12<sup>th</sup> – October 24<sup>th</sup> (6 weeks)  
**Time:** 9:00 – 11:00 am  
**Price:** \$150 for members, \$130 for non-members  
 Spots are filling fast!  
 Sign up online at:  
[http://www.westendcommunitycenter.com/site/adult\\_intro\\_watercolor.html](http://www.westendcommunitycenter.com/site/adult_intro_watercolor.html)

**Introductory Drawing Class**  
**Day:** Wednesday  
**Dates:** September 14<sup>th</sup> – October 19<sup>th</sup> (6 weeks)  
**Time:** 6:30 – 8:00 pm  
**Price:** \$150 for members, \$130 for non-members  
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[http://www.westendcommunitycenter.com/site/adult\\_drawing.html](http://www.westendcommunitycenter.com/site/adult_drawing.html)

**Possible upcoming classes for late fall:™**  
 -Genealogy course - trace your family tree!  
 -Spanish for Business  
 -Introductory Spanish course  
 -Dance sampler course - try a different dance every week!  
 ™If interested in these classes: please email Anwyn at  
[an@westendcommunitycenter.com](mailto:an@westendcommunitycenter.com)

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<http://www.westendcommunitycenter.com>.

# Church Calendar Events 2011

All are welcome. Come as you are.

## September

Sunday, September 4	9:45 AM	Bible Reflection
	11:00 AM	Church Service and Communion with Rev. Dr. Ted Klein
Wednesday, September 7	5:00 PM	Church Council Meeting
	6:00 PM	Board of Trustees Meeting
Sunday, September 11	9:45 AM	Swedenborg Class with Rev. Dr. Ted Klein
	11:00 AM	Church Service with Dr. Mary Kay Klein
Sunday, September 18	9:45 AM	Swedenborg Class with Rev. Dr. Ted Klein
	11:00 AM	Church Service with Rev. Dr. Ted Klein
Wednesday, September 21	12:00 Noon	Senior Lunch
Sunday, September 25	9:45 AM	Bible Reflection
	11:00 AM	Church Service with Gail Barrows, Ministry Intern

## October

Sunday, October 2	9:45 AM	Swedenborg Class with Rev. Dr. Ted Klein
	11:00 AM	Church Service and Communion with Rev. Dr. Ted Klein
Wednesday, October 5	5:00 PM	Church Council Meeting
	6:00 PM	Board of Trustees Meeting
Sunday, October 9	9:45 AM	Swedenborg Class with Rev. Dr. Ted Klein
	11:00 AM	Church Service with Rev. Dr. Ted Klein
Sunday, September 16	9:45 AM	Bible Reflection
	11:00 AM	Church Service with Laity in the Pulpit
Wednesday, October 19	12:00 Noon	Senior Lunch
Sunday, October 23	9:45 AM	Bible Reflection
	11:00 AM	Church Service with Gail Barrows, Ministry Intern
Sunday, October 30	9:45 AM	Swedenborg Class with Rev. Dr. Ted Klein
	11:00 AM	Church Service with Dr. Mary Kay Klein



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**Lydia Maria Child (1802-1880)**

Member of the Church  
Writer, Author, Abolitionist,  
Civil Rights Advocate  
Writer of "Over the River"

**"It is my mission to help in the breaking down of classes, and to make all men feel as if they were brethren of the same family, sharing the same rights, the same capabilities, and the same responsibilities. While my hand can hold a pen, I will use it to this end; and while my brain can earn a dollar, I will devote it to this end." Lydia Maria Child**

