

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF MONTAGUE,
TRINITARIAN, MONTAGUE, MA
SUMMER BULLETIN INSERT SEPTEMBER 13, 2015

HYMN OF GATHERING #68R I Sing the Mighty Power of God
HYMN OF PRAISE #391R Be Thou My Vision
HYMN OF CLOSING #397R Lord Speak to Me

RESPONSIVE READING #68R Psalm 19, p. 517

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Epistle: James 3:1-12
Gospel: Mark 8:27-38
Sermon: Speaking Openly

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sept. 17 5:30pm Interfaith Council of Franklin County meets here.

Sept. 20: Rally Sunday, *Welcome Back!* Sunday school resumes with Chris Foster and UCC ordained Children's minister, Sherril Willis

October 4, Blessing of the Animals on our front lawn

Sabbatical Soundbites coming soon! Watch this space for information about the upcoming time of renewal for our church and Pastor Barb. The sabbatical team: Janet Andrews, Lu Anne Herrick, Dave Hanson, Beth Marshall and Pastor Barb

PRAYER GARDEN

Community Meals, First Monday of the month 5:30pm at Our Lady of Peace in Turners Falls.

****HELP NEEDED****

Please volunteer.

Deacon for the month of September is Lu Anne Herrick
(413-522-0454)

See www.montaguechurch.org for more information

**Please fill out the pew card or let a deacon or Pastor Barb
(413-949-3391) know if you would like a visit or have a prayer concern. **

SONGS FOR SYRIA

A Concert for Humanitarian Relief

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH 3 – 4:30 PM

First Churches 129 Main Street Northampton

After four years of war, half of Syria's people have fled their homes and are living in deplorable and dangerous conditions, many without access to food, shelter, and much-needed medical care. The United Nations has called this the worst humanitarian crisis since the Holocaust.

The Valley Syrian Relief Committee is hosting a concert to raise funds for medical aid for Syrian refugees. The concert is free. The Valley Syrian Committee will be requesting donations for the Syrian American Medical Society. The funds will be used to provide medical services, replace bombed hospitals, train medical personal and purchase medical supplies.

The concert will feature a special performance by the highly acclaimed Layaali Arabic Music Ensemble with Syrian guest artists, as well as remarks by Dr. A.F. Elshaar, President of the New England Chapter of The Syrian American Medical Society. Local civil liberties lawyer, radio personality and author Bill Newman will emcee.

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