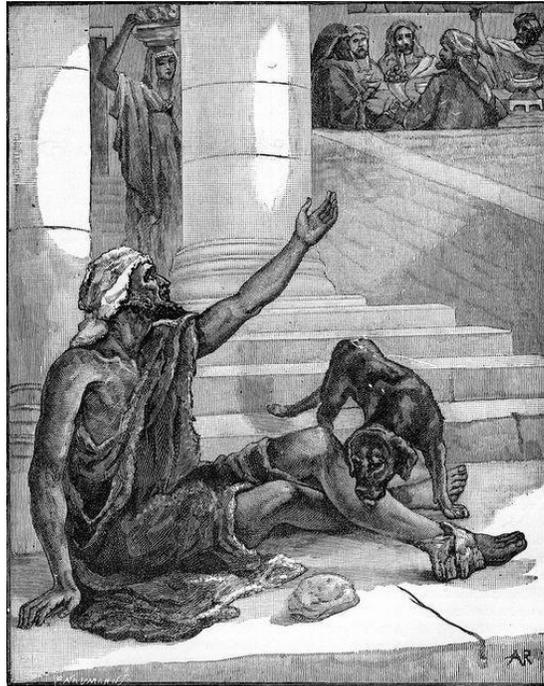


# Edgecomb Community Church

United Church of Christ

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*The parable of Lazarus and the rich man*

**Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Sunday, September 29, 2019**

**Scripture:** Luke 16:19-31

**Message:** Living the Eternal Life

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- Sun. Sept. 29**      **Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost - Worship at 9:30 a.m.**
- Tues. Oct. 1**      **Coffee & Donuts at the Edgecomb Green at 9:30 a.m.**
- Weds. Oct. 2**      **Busy Hands** meets at 1:00 p.m.  
*Celtic Prayer Service* at 5:30 p.m.
- Sun. Oct. 6**      **Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost – Worship at 9:30 a.m.**  
**World Communion Sunday**  
*Blessing of the Animals at 3:00 p.m.*
- Tues. Oct. 8**      **Edgecomb Community Lunch at Noon – all are welcome**
- Sun. Oct. 13**      **Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost – Worship at 9:30 a.m.**  
Sunday Service will be held in Fellowship Hall. The message will focus on the labyrinth as an archetype of wholeness and a sacred place that helps us discover the depths of our souls and learn how to walk ECC's *Labyrinth in the Field*.



During the fall & winter months, the Celtic Prayer Service will be held on the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. The next Celtic Prayer service is Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

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At our Bible study this morning, while reading Adam Hamilton's book, *Unafraid*, the group talked about the meaning of God's grace. "Grace is underserved kindness, blessing, mercy, and love. Grace is grace precisely because we can't earn it." (Hamilton) The following is from one of 20<sup>th</sup> century philosopher and theologian Paul Tillich most famous sermons titled "You Are Accepted."

*"Grace... strikes us when our disgust for our own being, our indifference, our weakness, our hostility, and our lack of direction and composure have become intolerable to us. It strikes us when, year after year, the longed-for perfection of life does not appear, when the old compulsions reign within us as they have for decades, when despair destroys all joy and courage.*

*Sometimes at the moment a wave of light breaks into our darkness, and it is as though a voice were saying: "You are accepted. You are accepted, accepted by that which is greater than you, and the name of which you do not know. Do not ask for the name now; perhaps you will find it later. Do not try to do anything now; perhaps later you will do much. Do not seek for anything: do not perform anything; do not intend anything. Simply accept the fact that you are accepted!" If that happens to us, we experience grace."*



Gail & Rose selling Theme Basket tickets  
at Ames 9/21



Kathleen & Jeff visit with Ruth  
at Williamsburg, VA



## Blessing of the Animals

Sunday, October 6, 2019

3:00 pm

at

**Edgecomb Community Church, UCC**

15 Cross Point Road

Edgecomb, ME 04556

There will be light refreshments for our  
two-footed and four-footed friends!

You are welcome to bring stuffed animals &  
photos of your pets, too!

Certificate of Blessing will be available.

Animals must be on leashes or in carriers. For more information,  
please call 207.882.4060



Happy fall from your friends at the Edgecomb Community Church Thrift Shop!

Hours: Tuesday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm,

Thursday, 1:00 to 4:00 pm & Saturday, 9:00 am to Noon