

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCH OF BRAINTREE



Annual

AUTUMN FAIR

October 21, 2023

9:00 a.m. ~ 2:00pm

TOUCH-A-TRUCK 11 am-1 pm

SILENT AUCTION Closes @ 1:30 pm

RAFFLES Drawn @ 1:45 pm

LOTTERY TREE & DOOR PRIZE Drawn @ 2 pm

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Welcome!

First gathered in 1707, First Congregational Church of Braintree-United Church of Christ offers a welcoming, friendly, and joyful home to all believers in Jesus Christ, and to all who are true seekers of hope, peace, forgiveness, and spiritual guidance.

*We encourage a deepening of Christian belief through greater understanding of scripture, and by way of forward-looking approaches to worship. We also endeavor to be active in the life of our community through loving Christian outreach, and by providing a safe venue for a wide range of community organizations and groups. **Whoever you are and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!***

WORSHIP SERVICES

*Sundays at 9:30am, in-person and streaming live online
Visit firstchurchbraintree.com for more info.*

SUNDAY SCHOOL
meets during worship

YOUTH GROUP
meets Sunday afternoons

Contact Mattie for more info: mattie@firstchurchbraintree.com



What does our logo say about us?

The stem and leaves symbolize new life and renewal.

The stem and leaves are growing out of strands of grass reminiscent of pages in an open Bible - the foundation for a vibrant Christian faith.

At the center of the image is the cross, indicating that we hold Christ to be the center of all life and growth.

The green palette symbolizes nature, life and growth.

The image itself is contained in an oval, which is representative of our gathering in a community and our fellowship with one another.

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AUTUMN FAIR

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We are grateful for their support!

WELCOME TO THE ANNUAL AUTUMN FAIR AT BRAINTREE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH!

Thank you for attending, and for your purchases which help us support our mission outreach projects throughout the year. We are grateful to our sponsors and vendors, to Boy Scout Troop 22 as well as the Braintree Fire Department, Braintree Police and Brewster Ambulance for providing the opportunity for children (of all ages) to sit in an emergency vehicle! Please be sure to visit all the exciting areas of the Autumn Fair:

THE RAFFLE ROOM: Located in Fellowship Hall (indoors on the first floor, down the hall of the education wing.) Your presence is not required to win, but you may want to stay until the end to place your final bid at the silent auction.

The Silent Auction – Each item has a bid sheet for you to place your bids. Bidding closes at 1:30pm.

Raffle Baskets – a staple of our church fair! Tickets may be purchased and placed in the can which corresponds to the number of the basket you choose. Drawings will be at 1:45pm

The Money Tree - take a chance at winning a small Christmas Tree loaded with \$100 worth of scratch tickets. Drawing at 2:00pm.

BAKED GOODS AND HOME-MADE CANDY – located in Lower Parish Hall. Perennial favorites such as homemade pies, breads, cookies, brownies, butter crunch, and fudge.

THE “CHURCH TABLE” – features hand-made items from our church members, including mittens, gloves, hats, our very popular scrubbies, quilts, costume jewelry, plants and more.

Plus...enter to win our **DOOR PRIZE:**
Everyone who attends has the chance to win a 24" Insignia Fire Smart HD TV
Value = \$130! No purchase necessary!
It's our way of saying
Thank you for coming!



THE CHURCH CAFÉ: Located in the Lower Parish Hall (on the first floor.) ***I hope you're hungry!*** There are great breakfast and lunch choices available. Chef Rick will once again be offering his popular meatball subs. The full menu can be found on page 7.

ARTISAN VENDORS – located upstairs and outdoors, featuring many local crafters and businesses! The complete list of vendors is in the directory on page 10.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES – The west lawn is set up for you and your children to enjoy activities such as pumpkin patch, bouncy house, and games. But that's not all...

“TOUCH A TRUCK” 11:00am—1:00pm

Located in the driveway in front of the church.

Kids of all ages get a close-up look at Emergency Vehicles:

Braintree Firetruck



Braintree Police Car



Brewster Ambulance



**You can find a map of the building on pages 8-9.
Lost? Ask anyone in a blue First Church apron!**

**Thank you for coming and have a wonderful time at our
Autumn Fair! God bless you!**

Pastor Michael and the Autumn Fair Team

FELLOWSHIP HALL—THE RAFFLE ROOM

Silent auction bidding closes @ 1:30pm

Raffles drawn @ 1:45pm. Lottery Tree drawn @ 2pm

RAFFLE BASKETS

LARGE SELECTION OF GIFT BASKETS AND ITEMS

\$2 PER TICKET OR

3 FOR \$5, 7 FOR \$10 OR 20 FOR \$20

THE LOTTERY TREE

\$5 PER TICKET OR \$10 FOR 3 TICKETS

**FEELING
LUCKY?**

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

	Gift Certificates	Value	Starting Bid
G1	Campanale's Restaurant	\$ 50	\$ 10
G2	Caruso Jewelers (+ cleaner)	\$ 75	\$ 20
G3	Danny's Cleaners	\$ 100	\$ 25
G4	Southside Tavern	\$ 25	\$ 5
G5	Richmond Hardware 1	\$ 50	\$ 10
G6	Richmond Hardware 2	\$ 50	\$ 10
G7	Stockholders	\$ 50	\$ 10
G8	Kristin's Breakfast	\$ 40	\$ 5
G9	Shaw's	\$ 25	\$ 5
G10	Stop & Shop	\$ 25	\$ 5
G11	Cielo 1	\$ 25	\$ 5
G12	Cielo 2	\$ 25	\$ 5
G13	Almquist Flowerland	\$ 50	\$ 10
G14	Fasano's Marketplace	\$ 25	\$ 5

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS

	Item	Value	Starting Bid
1	Bruins Tickets	\$ 420	\$ 275
2	Ballard 6-Bulb Lamp	\$ 480	\$ 40
3	Magic Wand	\$ 25	\$ 5
4	Window Birdfeeder	\$ 25	\$ 5
5	Six Dessert Glasses	?	\$ 5
6	Ceramic Robin	?	\$ 5
7	Cut Glass Plate 10"	?	\$ 5
8	Vintage Sewing Box	?	\$ 5
9	Divided Glass Dish	?	\$ 1
10	Vintage Rhinestone Jewelry	\$ 75	\$ 10
11	Lego Friends	\$ 75	\$ 25
12	Google Next Mini	\$ 50	\$ 10
13	Alexa Echo Dot	\$ 50	\$ 10
14	Live Well... Sign	\$ 35	\$ 5
15	Thimble Set	?	\$ 5
16	2 ½' x 7 ½' Runner	\$ 150	\$ 40
17	Baby Stella	\$ 45	\$ 20
18	Lion Cub Puppet	\$ 55	\$ 25
19	B&S Backpack	\$ 40	\$ 15
20	Perfect Petz Cat	\$ 45	\$ 20
21	Vintage Carolers	\$ 150	\$ 20
22	Campanale's Liquor Basket	\$ 100	\$ 20
23	Verde Spa Basket	\$ 100	\$ 20
24	Floral Throw-Pillow Cases	\$ 20	\$ 5
25	Azzaro Black Backpack	\$ 20	\$ 5
26	Emile Bellet print 10 c 10"	\$ 65	\$ 5
27	Large Rex Begonia Plant	\$ 55	\$ 15

We accept: \$ Cash Check Credit Debit 

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO MADE THE AUTUMN FAIR POSSIBLE:



Plus all the local businesses and friends who donated items to the Silent Auction and Raffle tables



The First Church Autumn Fair Team:

Craig Barnes

Marcia Barnes

Aiden

Rob Beaulieu

Don Bisset

Noreen Bisset

Karen Boyle

Keith Ciccone

Loreen Curtis

David Cutshall

Valerie Fink

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Diane Francis

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Al Giordani

Shane Hathaway

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Brian Holton

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Valerie Johnson

Denise Keaney

Tom King

Barbara Larsen

Phyllis Lyons

Deb McMartin

Paul McMartin

Julie Mills

Jessica Mills

Nancy Mills

Rick Mirkin

Lily O'Brien

Sally O'Connell

Bill Opie

Jean Opie

Bev Roffo

Janet Simpson

Lenny Simpson

Ben Taylor

Liz Taylor

Mike Taylor

Judy Williams

Lorraine Young

**Thank
You!**

THE CHURCH CAFÉ MENU

All food items can be wrapped to go.

BREAKFAST

Breakfast Sandwich.	\$ 3
<i>With a beverage</i>	\$ 4
Muffin, Croissant, or Butterscotch Pumpkin Bread.	\$ 2
<i>With a beverage</i>	\$ 3

LUNCH

MAKE IT A COMBO: WITH CHIPS & BEVERAGE ~ ADD \$ 2

Meatball Sub w/Provolone.	\$ 8
Just Meatballs.	2 for \$ 3
	3 for \$ 4
Hot Dog	\$ 3
Large Hot Dog or Chili Dog	\$ 5
Cup of Chili.	\$ 5
Mac & Cheese	\$ 5



Soup:	<i>Legal Sea</i>	<i>Food's</i>	<i>or</i>
<i>Panera Bread's</i>			
Clam Chowder	Broccoli Cheddar Soup		
Medium			\$ 5
Large (24 oz).			\$ 10

DESSERT

Apple Pie Slice.	\$ 2
Muffin, Croissant, or Butterscotch Pumpkin Bread	\$ 2

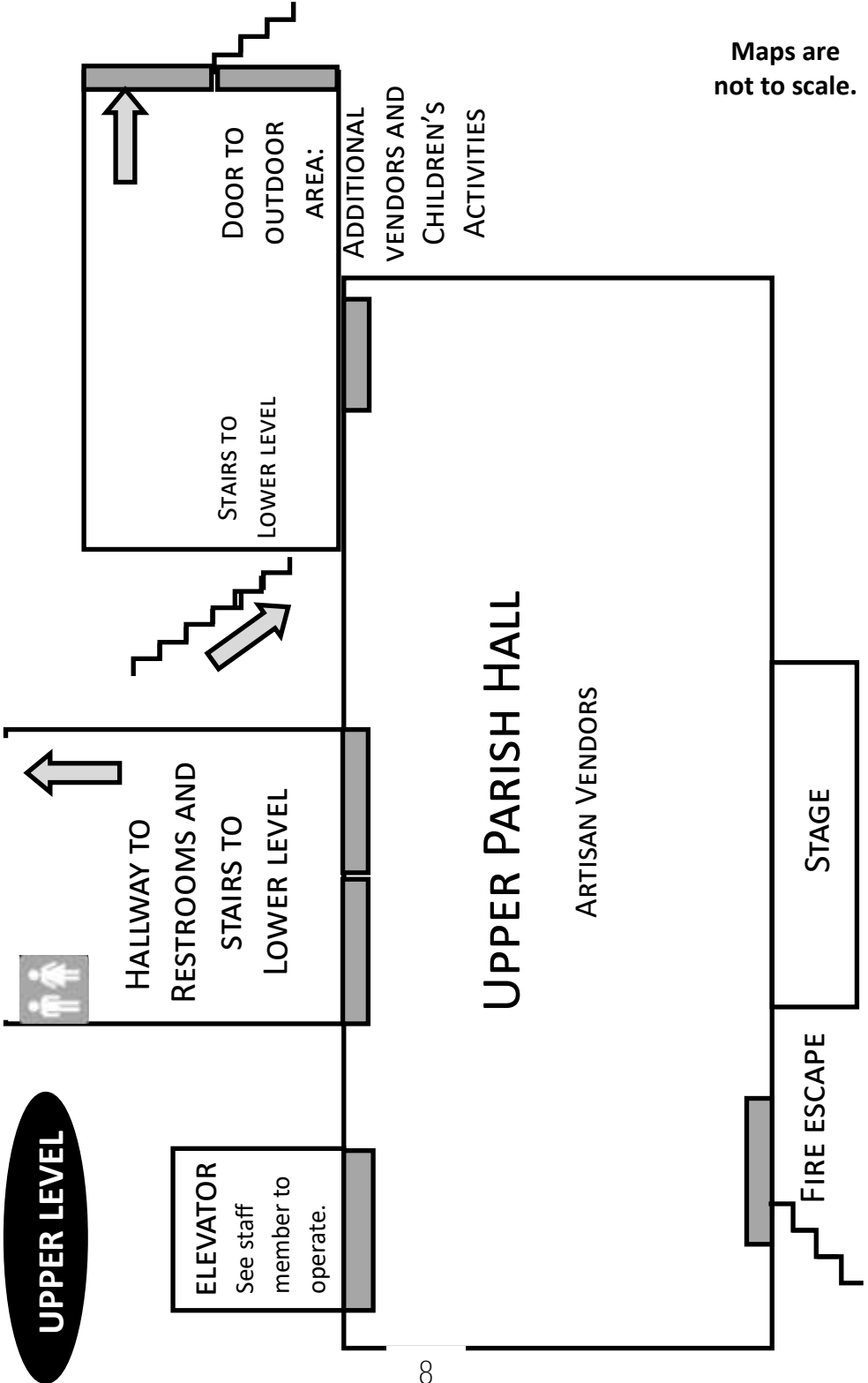
Or visit our Baked Goods and Candy Tables for sweet treats!

BEVERAGES

Coffee, Tea, Water or Soda	\$ 2
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Maps are not to scale.



LOWER LEVEL

HALLWAY TO
RAFFLE AND
SILENT AUCTION
ROOM
(FELLOWSHIP HALL)
AND
STAIRS TO
UPPER LEVEL

EXIT TO
PARKING

LOWER PARISH HALL

CAFÉ, BAKED GOODS, CANDY,
COSTUME JEWELRY, HOMEMADE ITEMS

FELLOWSHIP HALL
Silent Auction & Raffles



STAIRS TO
UPPER LEVEL

TO CHAPEL

KITCHEN
(staff only)

CAFÉ

ARTISAN VENDORS

UPPER PARISH HALL

Bayside Soy Candles	Homemade soy candles
Braintree Women's Club	2023 Braintree Ornament - Thayer House
Budget Babe	Tumblers
Buy Zwina	Jewelry boxes, magnets, tiles, argan products
Cotton & Colors	Hand sewn crafts
KKC Creations	Crochet & Knit items: hats, pumpkins, gnomes, headbands, etc.
Lauren & Ellen's Crafts	Ornaments, cards, scarves, hats, keychains, etc.
Liz & Tracy Crafts	Wreaths, arrangements, shower gifts
Medical Spa in Braintree	Information
Mountain Valley Shoppe	Photography art
Norfolk County Sheriff	Info & cards for vets
Rosanne's Crafts	Aphgans, hats, scarves
Seashell Finds Designs	Handmade glass and wood signs, ornaments, cards, holiday wreaths
Wood Carvings by Wayne	Wood carvings & figurines, plaques, puzzles, gnome, pumpkin

OUTSIDE ON THE WEST LAWN

Dance Concepts	information about dance classes here at 12 Elm Street
Goldfish Swim School	Sign up for free trail swim lessons
Improper Fractions Wellness	Reiki-infused crafts, jewelry, oils, wood art
Scout Troop 22	Candy & information

CHILDREN'S A

OUTSIDE ON THE WEST LAWN

PUMPKIN DECORATING
GAMES
BOUNCY HOUSE

LOWER PARISH HALL

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HANDMADE CRAFTS

FIRST CHURCH TABLE

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FELLOWSHIP HALL AKA THE RAFFLE ROOM

SILENT AUCTION (See Pages 4-5 for items)

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IN THE FRONT DRIVEWAY

TOUCH-A-TRUCK 11:00AM—1:00PM

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The Lollipop Tree nursery School opened their doors in September of 1982. The school started with one classroom and has expanded over the years to 4 classrooms which include programs that educate children from 2.9 years to 5 years old. Parents can choose full or half days, 2 to 5 days a week. The school also offers a before and after school program, yoga and music. The school has access all day to a large indoor gym area. This space is used for yoga, gym classes, shows and a variety of other activities.

*"There are only two lasting things you can give your child...
One is roots, the other is wings."*

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Serving children 2.9 years of age through kindergarten, Step Ahead is an innovative science based program located at First Congregational Church in Braintree. We provide a comfortable environment that eases your child into an academic situation that includes a strong phonics agenda and an effective math program. Other activities range from daily arts and crafts, number games, reading readiness skills, story telling, role playing, poetry, dance, sports and music. We offer full-day and extended-day programs. Our school hours are 7:30 AM to 5:00 PM.

*A first class dance studio dancing in the Upper Parish Hall
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Braintree Women's Club:



The threefold purpose of the Braintree Women's Club is to further the educational, philanthropic and social lives of its members and its community. The club meets the first Thursday of every month (with some exceptions) from October through May at 7:00 p.m. at First Congregational Church. New members are welcome!
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**OA meets at
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on Mondays from 7-8pm**

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OA is not just about weight loss, weight gain or maintenance, obesity or diets. The OA program offers physical, emotional and spiritual recovery for those who suffer from compulsive eating. Members find recovery on all three levels by following a Twelve-Step program patterned after Alcoholics Anonymous. Members who recover through the Twelve Steps find that yoyo dieting is a thing of the past. They no longer wish to return to eating compulsively.

OA is not affiliated with any public or private organization, political movement, ideology or religious doctrine and takes no position on issues outside of its own program. No membership dues or fees are required for participation in OA. The organization is self-supporting through members' **voluntary donations and the sale of OA literature.**

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