

# October 2019

# **Lovell United Church of Christ**

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# The Circuit Rider

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### Greetings Everyone,

As I write, we are nearing the end of September. There is a tree here or there that is beginning to show its yellow and red color. Down on the farm, all our animal friends are growing their winter coats. The air is cool, and the alpaca lie in the field instead of the shade of the barn. Of course, there are many chores to do "for winta." The second cutting of hay is coming. The garden is ending, and the freezer is filling. Somehow there is a quietness surrounding everyone. I think that the animals must know to enjoy the sun's warmth for soon it will be gone. Experiencing the rhythms of their lives is wonderful. They so reflect the seasons of the year.

There is a wonderful book called Earth Prayers from Around the World. In it I found this prayer.

O Holy One, I ran through the fields and gathered flowers of a thousand colors And now I pour them out at your feet.

Their beauty and their brightness shout for joy in Your presence.

You created the flowers of the fields and made each one far more lovely than all the skill of man could design.

Accept my joy along with theirs

This field of blossoms at Your feet.

Holy One

As the wind blows through these flowers

Till they dance in the ecstasy of creation

Send Your Spirit to blow through my being

Till I too bloom and dance with the fullness of Your life.

by ISHPRIYARSC

May we all experience God and live in the fullness of life. **Pastor Lois** 

# **CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **MONDAYS**

9:00-3:00 Secretary's hours 9:00-12:00 Pastor's Hours

#### WEDNESDAYS

Choir rehearsal 7:00 pm Bell Choir rehearsal 4:00 pm

#### **THURSDAYS**

9:00-1:00 Secretary's hours 9:00-12:00 Pastor's Hours 10:00-2:00 The Gathering Place Senior Fellowship

#### **SATURDAYS**

AA meetings 7:00

#### **SUNDAYS**

Sunday School 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am Youth Group 1:00 pm

#### SUNDAY, October 6

**Communion Service** Deacon's meeting 12:00

#### **TUESDAY, October 8**

Ladies Circle mtg. 12:30 am Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm

#### **MONDAY, October 14**

Missions Meeting 10:30 Trustees Meeting 7:00 pm Christian Ed Meeting 6:00 pm

#### **MONDAY, October 21**

Cabinet meeting 7:00

#### **TUESDAY, October 22**

Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm **THURSDAY, October 24** 

Circuit Rider Committee 9:00

Our Handbell Choir is back! Rehearsals will resume on Wednesdays at 4:00 pm beginning October 16th. All are welcome and you can join any time! For more information, contact the church office.



# A hospice Choir for the Lakes Regio **Western Maine**

A volunteer hospice choir of members who live in the lakes region of Western Maine and come from different religious and spiritual backgrounds. They bring songs of comfort and peace wherever they sing.



Please join us!

October 10th at LUCC

12:15 pm during The Gathering Place

**Senior Fellowship time** 

All are welcome!

# **LADIES CIRCLE**

Oct. 8 **Business Meeting 12:30** Snowflake Fair 9:00-1:30 Nov. 9 The Ladies Circle kitchen clean up volunteer for September is Pat Stearns and for October is Lois Brown. The Circle's project of replacing the Vestry windows and Christian Ed. wing windows has been referred to the Board of Trustees. After the Sept. 10 business meeting, the ladies worked on organizing old Ladies Circle photos. Since we won't be working on them again until the January meeting, we will continue to collect photos of the Circle. If you should have any older photos of Ladies Circle activities that you would like to donate, please put them in an envelope marked Ladies Circle and leave in the Secretary's folder by the office door. On August 13, the ladies enjoyed a "Fun Fund" lunch at the Fryeburg House of Pizza followed by a visit to the Currier Doll Museum. The Harvest Supper took place on Sept. 6 and was a huge success allowing the Circle to add a little over \$900 to their treasury. The supper would not have been possible

without the help of so many people who baked, peeled and/or worked on the supper as cooks, waitpersons, set-up or clean-up crews. A special thanks again goes to Jan Newhouse who took care of ordering, cooking and slicing the corned beef which was delicious. There are no membership requirements for Ladies Circle, so please feel free to attend business meetings, work meetings or other activities as your time allows. Contacts: Linda Libby, trout@fairpoint.net 925-3661, or Carolyn Carter, cecarter1994@gmail.com 928-2080.

10/7 Joyce Koop 10/10 Haley Littlefield 10/14 **Robert Williams** 

10/20 Ann Williams

10/22 Nancy Olmsted

**Penny Williams** 

10/24 TJ Rose

10/22

10/25 Stuart Gardner 10/28 Ned Jordan 10/29 Caprice Littlefield

### **COMMITTEE NEWS**

#### **BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

Our Sunday School classes are underway! New students are welcome at any time.

We offer classes for all ages every Sunday at 9:00 am for ages preK-Grade 5. Youth Group for grades 5-12 meets on Sunday afternoon from 1:00-3:00 at LUCC. All are welcome! FMI about any CE programs, contact the church office.

#### **MISSIONS COMMITTEE**

Our committee has a lot of events on the horizon! Don't miss the Mini Mission Fair during our Ladies' Circle annual Snowflake Fair, November 9th. We will have products available for purchase from Fair Trade Mission Programs as well as donation opportunities to local mission projects. This year we will also be holding a toy drive for our Christmas baskets. Please consider donating a new, unwrapped toy that will find a home with a child in need. As always, thank you for your support of our Missions programs.

#### **FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE**

Congratulations to all the lucky winners in our September Calendar Raffle! The generous support of everyone who purchased an entry resulted in \$660. towards the work of the church. Thank you!

#### **STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE**

It is time for our annual Stewardship Campaign. You may receive a letter from us requesting a pledge or donation. Even if you don't receive one, please know we welcome and gratefully receive any donation given to the church. Without the generous support of our congregation and community we would not be able to offer all the activities and programs you see listed in this newsletter. Thank you!

# Lovell Girl Scouts

Registrations for the 2019-2020 Girl Scout year are still being accepted. Daisy Troop 146 (Gr. K-1) with leaders Heather Rowe, Andrea Walker and Abbey Nataluk have started meetings at New Suncook School on Fridays, 3:00 -4:30.

<u>Returnable</u> Bottle/Can Collection to Benefit Girl Scouts.

Please place empty bottles/cans in the container available at Lovell U.C.C.

Brownie Troop 3149 (Gr. 2 & 3) with leaders Trish Stearns and Linda Libby is meeting at New Suncook School on Wednesdays 3:00-4:30. Junior Troop 208 (Gr. 4 & 5) with leaders Susie Mosca, Anna Mosca and Trish Stearns will be meeting at New Suncook School time tba, Cadette Troop 67 (Gr. 6-8) with leaders Linda Libby, Chaz Reed and Kari Reed will be meeting the first Monday evening of each month at the Fryeburg Congregational Church 5:45-7:00. The Senior/Ambassador Troop 58 (Gr. 9-12) with leaders Megan Hamlin, Anne Trumbull and Tabitha Blood is meeting the first and third Monday evenings of the month at the Fryeburg Congregational Church, 5:45-7:00. Troop 58 Ambassador, Audra Hamlin, would like to thank everyone who supported her Gold Award project fundraiser yard sale on Aug. 31. Proceeds will be put to good use to build the display cabinets for the new Stoneham Historical Society. All the Lovell troops will be participating in the Girl Scout fall product sale of magazines, candy and nuts. The sale will start after leaders are trained on Sept. 23. Scouts still continue their returnable bottle and can collection (please be sure containers are returnable) at Lovell UCC, or donations may be left at Woitko's Redemption Center on McNeil Road. Just ask that the Girl Scout account be credited. The Lovell troops will again this year be offering parking during the Fryeburg Fair thanks to the Lounsbury family, the new owners of the site. The parking lot is on Chautauqua Rd. on the left from the north before the fairgrounds and on the right from the south after the fairgrounds. Contact Linda Libby, Lovell Organizer/Recruiter, trout@fairpoint.net, or 925-3661 for local and service unit information.







Monday, Wednesday And Saturday FROM 10:00-12:00 NEW ITEMS DAILY!

# Ongoing Programs

#### **PRESCHOOL**

Childcare is provided during worship every Sunday if needed.

#### CHILDREN (PreK- Grade 5)

Sunday School classes for all ages are offered every week from 9:00-10:00 am. All are welcome to join any time September-May.

# YOUTH GROUP (Middle School & High School)

This group `meets
September-May and is open
to all youth in grades 5-12.
FMI contact the church
office.

#### **MUSIC-CHOIR**

Choir rehearsals are held Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 pm and the choir participates in worship every Sunday. Handbells rehearse at 4:00 pm.

# WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY

This group meets at Vicki Royer's home on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month (Oct-June). 6:30-9:00 pm. FMI contact Vicki at 925-1444.

#### **LADIES CIRCLE**

This group meets on the second Tuesday of each month for a business meeting and throughout the year for special programs and events. All ladies are welcome to come as their schedule permits. FMI contact Linda Libby at 925-3661 or Carolyn Carter at 928-2080.

#### **AA MEETINGS**

are held at LUCC on Saturdays at 7:00 pm

#### **SENIOR ADULTS**

Our Senior Fellowship,

The Gathering Place, meets on Thursdays from 10:00-2:00. This is FREE and open to any senior who wishes to drop in. Bring your own lunch. Coffee, tea and snacks are provided. A hot meal is provided on the first Thursday of each month. This is a time for fellowship, games, art and special events. Call the church for more information 925-1321.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE GATHERING PLACE**

10/3 NO Gathering Place-enjoy the Fryeburg Fair! 10/10 "Sing Now!" Hospice Choir concert 10/17 Yoga

10/24 "Old Time Music", antique music players and a sing along

10/31 Halloween party 11/7 Lunch served/Bingo

11/14 TBD 11/21 Yoga

11/28 NO MEETING Happy Thanksgiving!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR ANY OR ALL ACTIVITIES!

# STAY IN TOUCH

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