# **Lovell United Church of Christ**

1174 Main St., Lovell, Maine

November 2021

## The Circuit Rider

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First of all, I wish to thank all who have sent cards, telephoned and helped out with the farm while I was recovering from surgery. Yes, I am the proud owner of a new hip, and it promises to be one that will serve me well.

November is here. Amazing how this year has flown by. Does time speed up as you get older? There must be some scientific evidence somewhere that says it does. When I was a child it took forever to get to Thanksgiving from the beginning of school. Then it took even longer from Thanksgiving to Christmas. I pray and hope that you can slow down a little as we head into this busy season of holidays. I pray and hope that you are filled to the brim with God's love. Out of that love, I hope you find time in your days "to taste and see that the Lord is good." (Psalm 34:8). Out of that love, I hope you find love and satisfaction within yourself truly believing that you are God's beloved and we are created to be fully who we are.

Down on the farm it is easy to see God's love and goodness. Each animal is so full of himself or herself, so good at being what they are – a sheep is good being a sheep, a mule is good at being a mule, the rooster is so good at being a rooster. They all reflect God's good creation.

Out in the barn, time slows. I so enjoy listening to the munching of hay and quiet noises around me. I wrote this poem a while back.

Don't rush.

All I really have to do

is listen.

God, the Holy One, will speak

I will know when it is right to move

and which direction to take.

In the meantime,

just listen.

Listen to the words and to the silence.

Enjoy the journey as it unfolds today.

Enter into preparation with expectancy.

This is a happy time of learning

of seeing new things

of finding God as I walk along.

May your days of Fall be blessed,

**Pastor Lois** 



# October 31st 3:00-5:00\* PM

(\*or until we run out)

# In the Lovell United Church of Christ parking lot Drive-up trick or treat and photo booth All are welcome!

Watch for signs for other participating businesses and organizations around town!

Kezar Realty Designs by Diana Harvest Gold Molloy Energy

Jordan's Carpentry The Common Loon Delta Lodge

Charlotte Hobbs Library Micklon Tree & Landscaping

Greater Lovell Land Trust

Sponsored by the Lovell United Church of Christ Board of Christian Education



## WEDNESDAYS & SATURDAYS 10:00-2:00

We continue to receive LOTS of great merchandise. Stop by and see!

\$2 Bag Sale on the last Wednesday & Saturday of each month

# Help needed!

Please call the church office to get involved 925-1321.



**NEW!** Monthly Bible School for children in grades K-6. Join us at 9:00 am one Sunday each month. Watch for more information about our next monthly class. All are welcome. Please call the church office 925-1321 or Carolyn Carter 928-2080 to register your child.

# **Ladies Circle**

The Ladies Circle held an indoor yard sale on Oct. 16, 9-1, at LUCC with everything sold at half price. Thanks, Jacky Stearns, for chairing this sale and also thanks to Nick Stearns for all his help during the sale. The next fundraiser will be the Greens Sale on Dec. 4, 10-12. This sale will include wreaths, berry bowls and gifts. After the business meeting on Oct. 12, the ladies enjoyed a mini Thrift Shop Fashion Show. The ice cream social that followed was delicious and enjoyed by all. Sue DeWire did her usual great job as hostess. Our Sunshine Lady, Nancy Olmsted, continues to send cards each month as needed. The next meeting is scheduled for Nov. 9 at 12:30. There are no membership requirements for Ladies Circle so all are welcome to join the group on the second Tuesday of each month as schedules allow. For further information, contact Linda Libby at 925-3661 or trout@fairpoint.net or Carolyn Carter at 928-2080 or cecarter1994@gmail.com

## **Lovell Girl Scouts**

Daisy Troop 146 held their first meeting, 2:45-4:00, on Monday, Oct. 18 in the Community Room at New Suncook School with leaders, Danielle Moore and Linda Libby. These leaders and two girls spent the day at Pondicherry Girl Scout Camp on Sept. 25. The event, Celebrate Camp, included tie dying, knots, a rope course and of course, s'mores. Troop 3149 has started meetings on Tuesdays also in the Community Room with leaders Andrea Walker, Andrea Goodwin and Abbey Nataluk. Junior Troop 280 needs leadership and does not have a schedule yet. C/S/A Troop 58 with leaders Megan Hamlin, Tabitha Blood, Heather Jean and Abbey Nataluk has started meetings on the 1st and 3rd Mondays 5:45-7:00 at the Lovell Library Gazebo with Lovell UCC as a backup location. This troop will be making apple pies on Nov. 13 and selling them on Nov. 14. The last date to order candy or nuts from the fall sale will be Oct. 31. Contact any Girl Scout or leader to place an order. All Lovell Girl Scout troops are accepting registrations for the upcoming year. Age levels remain the same: Daisy Troop 146 – Grades K & 1, Brownie Troop 3149 – Grades 2 & 3, Junior Troop 208 – Grades 4 & 5, C/S/A Troop 58 – Grades 6-12. New and renewing registrations can be completed at girlscoutsofmaine.org. Just be sure you indicate the troop number. For further information, please contact Linda Libby at 925-3661 or trout@fairpoint.net

## **COMMITTEE NEWS**

#### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

We had so much fun, we're doing it again! Don't miss our upcoming Halloween Drive Thru event on Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. **Sunday School is back in a new format!** It will now be held as a monthly Bible School, similar in style to our summer program. Fun for kids in grades K-6 and all are welcome! Call the office for more information.

#### **MISSIONS**

We are looking ahead to our Community Christmas Baskets. If you, or someone you know, needs a little assistance this holiday season please reach out to Pastor Lois at 925-1321.

We have frozen meals to pick up or deliver to those in need of them. Call the church office for more information. We are now accepting donations new puzzles for all ages and adult size white socks for Christmas projects. Have you ever heard of SERRV and their wonderful fair-trade gifts from around the world? Check out their website at <a href="www.serrv.org?a=LovellUCC">www.serrv.org?a=LovellUCC</a>. \*A portion of every order will benefit the Mission Committee here at LUCC. Thank you!

### **Ongoing Programs**

#### **CHILDREN**

Bible School classes for children in grades K-6 are offered once per month, October-May for 2021-2022. Call the church office for more information.

#### **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

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

#### **MUSIC-CHOIR**

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

#### **MUSIC-HANDBELLS**

Handbells rehearse Mondays at 10:30 am.

#### **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.

#### **SENIOR FELLOWSHIP**

**The Gathering Place** is not meeting, at this time.

# Lovell United Church of Christ Sunday Worship 10:30 am

www.lovellucc.org

Rev. Lois Amidon, Pastor
Dan Moore, Director of Music
Heather Sawin, Office Administrator

## **Apple Pie Sale!**

\$12 each

Gluten Free \$14 (pre-order)



Pick up and delivery on November 14<sup>th</sup>

Handmade by Girl Scout Troop #58. For more information call Megan Hamlin 928-2707

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## Pastor's Hours:

Monday 10:00-1:00

Wednesday 10:00-1:00

\*Other hours available by appointment Office Administrator's hours:

Monday 9:00-2:00

Wednesday 9:00-2:00

Office 925-1321

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