Lovell United Church of Christ

1174 Main St., Lovell, Maine

May 2022

The Circuit Rider

PO Box 232 Lovell, ME 04051 www.lovellucc.org Office:925-1321 email:info@lovellucc.org



It's time for our annual support of Church World Service Global. You can read about all the wonderful work they do around the world by visiting www.CWSglobal.org. If you wish to make a contribution to our collection this year, please send your check to Lovell UCC, PO Box 232, Lovell, ME 04051 by May 8th. Thank you!



_Blanket	\$15
_School kit	\$15
_Health kit	\$15
_Welcome backpack for a refugee	\$75
_Clean-up bucket	\$75

Please make your check payable to LUCC Ladies Circle "CWS kits & blankets" in the memo.

The above is a list of suggested donations, but any amount will be gratefully accepted.

Please join us for worship during this transition time and continue to hold up our church leaders in your prayers as we make our way towards a new settled pastor.

The pulpit will be filled during the month of May by the following:

May 1 Rev. Beth Gleason

May 8 Carolyn Carter, lay leader

May 15 Rev. Beth Gleason

May 22 Sue Clout, lay leader

May 29 Vicki Royer, lay leader hymn sing

*Rev. Beth Gleason is the daughter of Jerry and Jane Gleason. She has fond memories of her summers in Lovell and the many members of our congregation she has known over the years.

Ladies Circle

The Circle met on March 8 with six ladies present. Unfinished projects continue to be curtains for the vestry and for the pastor's office. The vestry, kitchen and bathroom floor refinishing has been completed. Chairs in memory of Phyllis Gregson are still on back order. Cash donations for CWS kits will be requested rather than items for the kits. Donations for CWS Blankets will be collected on Mother's Day, May 8. With the exception of Clean-Up Kits and welcome backpacks, all kits and blankets cost \$15 each. Next meeting will be on May 10 with Mary Heroux as hostess. Program will be sharing hobbies or collections. Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 10:30am. As there are no membership requirements, everyone is welcome to attend whenever your schedule allows. For further information, contact: Linda Libby 925-3661 trout@fairpoint.net or Carolyn Carter 928-2080 cecarter 1994@gmail.com

Lovell Girl Scouts

GS Cookies were delivered to Brownfield on April 2, picked up there, transported to LUCC to sort then parents picked orders up there. The older girls from Troop 58 have held one sale already and will have another April 23 at the end of the Transfer Station road from 9:00-12:00. The Daisy troop is still meeting on Mondays at New Suncook School with eight VERY active girls. Heather Sawin did a great program about bees at their April 11 meeting. This helped the girls earn the "Use Resources Wisely" daisy petal. The Brownie troop is also still meeting Tuesdays at New Suncook School. They have been getting outside as much as possible, earned their Thinking Day patch, have sold cookies and have a new co-leader, Andrea Goodwin. The Older Girls, grades 6-12, meet 1st and 3rd Mondays at Lovell UCC and are still planning their end of year trip to The Outer Banks. Four of these girls graduate this year. All the troops will be participating in a Court of Awards, Bridging & Fly-Up Ceremony at Lovell UCC on Saturday, May 7 at 2:00. Leaders and Graduating Seniors will also be attending an Apple Mountain Unit Recognition Dinner in Brownfield on Friday, May 13. Several leaders are signed up for a First Aid/CPR Course on April 30, 9-11, in Fryeburg after completing a three hour online course. Contact: Linda Libby, 925-3661 or trout@fairpoint.net

COMMITTEE NEWS

MISSIONS

Ten beautiful Easter baskets were assembled and delivered to folks on our care list. Everyone was delighted to receive them. If you, or someone you know, should be added to our Community Care list, please call the church office. Another successful Drive Up Soup Lunch was held on April 23rd. The total collection of \$123.10 will be used to purchase kits and blankets through Church World Service. We accept food donations for the local pantries year-round. You can drop off your non-perishable items in the church vestry any time. We also have frozen meals available for those who could use a little support. Please call the church office is you would like to receive one.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We have a **Bible School for children in grades K-6** on one Sunday each month at 9:00 am. For more information or to sign up for the **next class on May 15th**, please contact Carolyn Carter at 928-2080 or the church office at 925-1321. All are welcome!

We also offer a Women's Evening Bible Study on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm. For more information about this group please call Vicki Royer at 925-1444.

TRUSTEES

At the April 11 Trustee meeting, Mo Lipiatos spoke to the group about the cost effectiveness of converting LUCC to solar powered energy. The Trustees are only gathering information at this point. Two more air purifiers have been purchased and air ventilation is being installed in the Thrift Shop shed. The Board of Trustees is charged with the oversight of LUCC property, finances and employees.

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 on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month (Oct-May). 6:30-9:00 pm. FMI

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 Wednesdays from 9:00-10:00 am. Bell Ringers wanted! Call the church FMI 925-1321.

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 contact Vicki at 925-1444. schedule permits. FMI contact Linda Libby at 925-3661 or Carolyn Carter at 928-2080.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

The Gathering Place is hoping to resume soon! Please call the church office for more information.

Office Administrator's hours:

Monday 9:00-2:00 Wednesday 9:00-2:00

Office 925-1321

Lovell United Church of Christ Sunday Worship 10:30 am

www.lovellucc.org

Dan Moore, Director of Music **Heather Sawin, Office Administrator**

LUCC Thrift Shop

OPEN 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

Do you enjoy receiving this monthly newsletter? Did you know it is sent to all postal patrons in Lovell as well as people in other towns on our mailing list? Your contributions are always welcome to help defray the cost of this mailing.

Please send any donations to: Lovell United Church of Christ PO Box 232 Lovell, ME 04051 Indicate "Circuit Rider" on your check

STAY IN TOUCH



Follow us on Facebook

VISIT US ONLINE www.lovellucc.org

Email:

info@lovellucc.org

COME SEE US

1174 Main St. PO Box 232 Lovell, ME 04051

CALL US

(207)925-1321 (office)

The Circuit Rider submission deadline for June is May 15th

Watch for our new Drive-Up Lunches! We will be serving lunch on the last Saturday of each month to coordinate with our Thrift Shop's \$2/Bag sales. Drop by between 11:00-1:00 for pickup. \$5. per person, menu changes monthly. All proceeds will benefit a church program or charity to be determined.



DRIVE UP LUNCH

SATURDAY, MAY 28TH AT THE LOVELL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

1174 MAIN ST.

LOVELL, MAINE

11:00-1:00

\$5 PER PERSON

HOMEMADE CHLI, CORN BREAD AND DESSERT (brownies/blondies)

Just drop by or call Joyce at 928-3132 to reserve your meal

All proceeds to benefit the Lovell UCC Parish Fund to cover emergency needs for members of our community