

Lovell United Church of Christ

1174 Main St., Lovell, Maine



July & August
2022

The Circuit Rider



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Anticipation

Anticipation, anticipation

Is makin' me late

Is keepin' me waitin'

Carly Simon

The words to the pop song, *Anticipation* have been going through my head. Sometimes it is hard to wait for something new, something promised. Like the ketchup in the Heinz commercial, one can almost taste it before it actually comes out of the bottle. Waiting for our new pastor is a study in anticipation.

Waiting for the arrival of a pastor who has accepted the call to serve our church and is not able to come until months later is not easy. The Pastoral Search Committee will make its announcement in September. Next, the congregation will meet the candidate and vote on whether to accept them as pastor. It is anticipated that the new pastor will be with us for the start of Advent, if there is a positive vote. It will be worth the wait.

Until then, pray for our church and its leadership. Ask questions. Stay positive. Be patient. Support our continued church programs.

Yours in Christ,

Vicki Royer

Chairperson, Lovell U.C.C.

The end of a matter is better than its beginning and patience is better than pride.

Ecclesiastes 3:7 (NIV)

While we wait and anticipate...

The pulpit will be filled during the months of July and August by the following:

July 3	Rev. Beth Gleason
July 10	Pastor Chaz Reed
July 17	Rev. Beth Gleason
July 24	Pastor Chaz Reed
July 31	Rev. Bob Linders
August 7	Rev. Beth Gleason
August 14	Pastor Chaz Reed
August 21	Rev. Beth Gleason
August 28	Pastor Chaz Reed

Ladies Circle

Eleven ladies attended the Ladies Circle annual luncheon, June 14, at the Olde Mill Tavern in Harrison. A great time was had by all, food was good including dessert and Sue DeWire as hostess did her usual great job of added flowers, etc. The date of the 19th Annual Thrift Shop Fashion Show has been changed to July 19th. Be sure to take time to choose your favorite Thrift Shop outfit. Sue Clout is the Chairperson of this event. Also, remember there is always a delicious ice cream social following the fashion modeling. The regular 2nd Tuesday Ladies Circle 10:30 meeting will remain as scheduled on July 12, however, a few volunteers will be needed to set up and decorate on the 19th. Please contact Sue Clout to volunteer. The 2nd Annual Pie Sale is still on the calendar for August 6th starting at 9:00. Be sure your calendars are marked.

Lovell Girl Scouts

As soon as school ended, all regular GS meetings also ended. The Daisy, Brownie and Junior GS met together on June 6th to complete some bridging requirements. Plans for some summer activities have not been completed yet. Daisy GS planted 110 Daisy seeds in honor of the 110th anniversary of Girl Scouting, however, they are still not big enough to transplant. This project is on hold for now. The Older Girls, grades 6-12, are still planning their end of year trip to The Outer Banks. Registrations for the upcoming GS year will open the first of July. Stay tuned for further information.

News from Troop #58:

Well, Troop 58 finally got to go on our postponed trip from 2020 - we went to the Outer Banks in North Carolina the 1st week of June. We got to experience nature, history, and some city culture. We rode in a Humvee to take a tour to see the wild horses in Corolla - it was a bumpy stretch of beach highway. We also took a kayak tour in the Alligator Wildlife Refuge and saw a 10 foot and a 6 foot gator - it was pretty exciting. We were able to visit some natural areas where we were able to see some sea turtles and a sea turtle nest. We were able to stop overnight in Philadelphia, where we saw the Liberty Bell, Liberty Hall, a copy of the Declaration of Independence and Articles of Confederation as well as getting to sample some Philly cuisine - Philly Cheesesteak sandwiches- which were amazing! On the way home we were able to stop in DC and walk through the Smithsonian Natural History Museum and walked through the mall.

We had an amazing last blast together and we have really appreciated all of the support that the LUCC has provided through the years.

Thank you,

Megan Hamlin, Troop #58 Girl Scout leader

COMMITTEE NEWS

MISSIONS

Don't miss the next drive-up lunches to be served on July 30 and August 20! All proceeds benefit the Parish Fund of the Lovell United Church of Christ helping our neighbors and community members in need. We also accept food donations for the local pantries year-round. You can drop off your non-perishable items in the church vestry any time. We have frozen meals available for those who could use a little support. Please call the church office if you would like to receive one.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We have finished up our Bible School Adventures for this year. For more information or to sign up in the fall please contact the church office at 925-1321. We will NOT be holding Vacation Bible School again this year. 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 the upcoming movie night or the next study series please call Vicki Royer at 925-1444.

TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees held a short meeting on June 13. Farwell (Jr.) Sawin reported on investments. The possibility of solar energy is still being investigated. Possible grants and cost of replacing part of the roof is also being checked into. Ventilation has been added to the Thrift Shop Shed and new shelving will be installed soon.

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 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 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 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

**The Circuit Rider submission
deadline for September is
August 21st.**

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.

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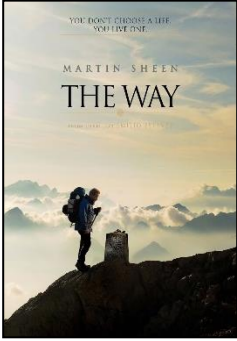
Clare Gardner

of **Goodness ME small batch bakery**

will be here at LUCC on Wednesdays, beginning June 1st from 9:00-12:00. Stop by to purchase muffins, cookies, biscotti, toffee, focaccia, pies, lemon bars, gluten free options and more! Special requests and orders can also be made. A portion of all sales will benefit the Lovell United Church of Christ. For more information about her business or how you can join her, email GoodnessMEsbb@gmail.com or call 928-3838.

Come Join Us For
Ladies' Dinner and a Movie
We'll watch *The Way*

And enjoy a meal inspired by the trek through France and Spain



When: Tuesday, July 20, 2022

Meal at 5:00. Movie to follow.

**Where: Vestry of the Lovell United
Church of Christ**

1174 Main St., Lovell, ME

RSVP: Vicki 925-1444

(and find out what to bring to this special potluck.)

The Evening Bible Study Group selected this inspirational film at the conclusion of their study of The Sermon on the Mount.

All ladies are invited.

Ladies' Dinner and a Movie is sponsored by
The Evening Bible Study Group

Upcoming monthly

DRIVE UP LUNCH

SATURDAY, JULY 30

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

AT THE LOVELL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

1174 MAIN ST., LOVELL, MAINE

10:00-1:00

\$5 PER PERSON

July: Choice of turkey or tuna salad sandwich, chips, watermelon and chocolate chip cookies. Add a side of pasta salad for \$1 more!

August: Hot dogs, chips, a side of baked beans, watermelon and a brownie/blondie. Add a side of coleslaw for \$1 more!

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***

