

**THE MORNING WATCH RETURNS!**



The Morning Watch will be starting up on August 9th at 9:00 am, Monday-Thursday. Barbara Papagian and Peter Perich will lead this short time of Devotional Reading and Prayer. You can access Morning Watch through our Facebook page. You are welcome to join in at any time, or if you are unable to join in live, it will continue to be available on our Facebook page. The book we are using is "A Guide to Prayer for All Who Walk with God" written by Rueben P. Job, Norman Shawchuck, and John S. Mogabgab. You are not required to buy the book and there will be a weekly bulletin that will be accessible on our church website. I look forward to sharing devotional time with you. If you have any questions please call me/ email me at the church: 603-625-5093 or [BPapagian@FCCManchesterNH.org](mailto:BPapagian@FCCManchesterNH.org).  
-Rev. Barbara Papagian-



**Get on the Women's Connection Mailing List to know about their next event!**

This email includes ladies' birthdays that happen that month, upcoming events and any other information that might be announced at any given time. If you are not on the mailing list and would like to be, email your contact information to Terri Pattee and she will get you on the list! [seamstressed@yahoo.com](mailto:seamstressed@yahoo.com).



**The Meal Train "THANKS" the wonderful cooks of FCC for all of the cookies, brownies, and bars for "Caring Connections", the program coordinated by UpReach in Goffstown for First Responders.**

**Connections", the program coordinated by UpReach in Goffstown for First Responders.**

We delivered 31 bags (about 300 cookies) on Monday 7/12, to a delighted Executive Director, Karen Kersting. Also delivered were books for their *Resilience Reins* participants, who are aged 7 to 15 years. A "HUG" and "THANKS" from Peggy and Liz to all who helped!



**\*Holly Berry Fair Craft Workshops\***

**Workshops have been scheduled through the month of August every Thursday morning from 9AM—12PM in the dining room!**

There will be tasks for all those with special skills and those who just want to help with very simple items. Please watch the Women's Connection emails for information. Come to see your friends, laugh with them and help make the Fair a success! If you volunteered to head a table or assist someone, either Pam or Peggy will be contacting you to confirm your participation this fall. We look forward to having everyone's participation. If you want to help or have questions, please contact either Pam ([blanclp@comcast.net](mailto:blanclp@comcast.net)) or Peggy ([frannys1@aol.com](mailto:frannys1@aol.com)). There is a sign up sheet on the church office window!

**THE CHURCH COUNCIL**

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**July 25, 2021 WELCOME BACK!** We are pleased to welcome members, friends and guests. If you are a first time guest and would like to receive a **Welcome Bag**, please speak with an usher. We invite you to fill out a **Welcome Card** found next to the hymnals, and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher.

**THIS WEEK AT FCC**

- Sunday, July 25th**  
10:00 AM Worship Service
- Monday, July 26th**  
No Church Activities Scheduled
- Tuesday, July 27th**  
10:00 AM Staff Meeting
- Wednesday, July 28th**  
No Church Activities Scheduled
- Thursday, July 29th**  
9:00 AM Holly Berry Fair Craft Prep Workshop
- Friday, July 30th**  
Church Office closes at Noon
- Saturday, July 31st**  
No Church Activities Scheduled
- Sunday, August 1st**  
10:00 AM Worship Service

Please note that Worship Service will be held at 10:00 AM every Sunday through the remainder of 2021



*Upcoming Worship*

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- Sunday, July 25th 10:00 AM**  
Ushers & Greeters: Tom Irving, Mark Sowa, Peter Perich, Sue Clement  
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost  
Lucia Carlisle will deliver Sermon  
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- Sunday, August 1st 10:00 AM**  
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Rev. Barbara Papagian Leads In-person Worship\*  
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- Sunday, August 8th 10:00 AM**  
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost  
Rev. Stephen Cushing Leads Worship on Facebook  
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- Sunday, August 15th 10:00 AM**  
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
Pip Adams Leads In-person Worship\*  
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- Sunday, August 22nd 10:00 AM**  
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Rev. Barbara Papagian Leads Worship on Facebook  
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- Sunday, August 29th 10:00 AM**  
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
Rev. Gordon Rankin Leads In-person Worship\*

\*In-person services also have virtual service on Facebook



All in-person and virtual (Facebook) services are at 10:00 am every Sunday

- Sunday, July 25th — In-person and Facebook
- Sunday, August 1st — In-person and Facebook
  - Sunday, August 8th — Facebook only
- Sunday, August 15th — In-person and Facebook
  - Sunday, August 22nd — Facebook only
- Sunday, August 29th — In-person and Facebook
  - Sunday, September 5th — Facebook only

**“Movie of the Week Club”  
Next Meeting Friday, August 6th at 9:30 AM to discuss “The Help”**



In this fun take on our Bible/Book Study, we will discuss a movie we watched during the week. Each Friday we will choose the next movie to watch from a list we have made. If you would like more information about movie club, please reach out to Rev. Barbara at [BPapagian@fccmanchesternh.org](mailto:BPapagian@fccmanchesternh.org)

**Friday Link Submissions Needed**

We are looking for your help with the Friday Link Newsletter that is sent out to FCC Members and Friends by email every Friday morning. Do you have a poem, story, funny (appropriate) joke, bible passage, pictures or something you would share with the congregation? We would love to hear from you! Email Rev. Barbara at [BPapagian@FCCManchesterNH.org](mailto:BPapagian@FCCManchesterNH.org). Thank you!

**UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

- Mon. August 9th @ 6PM—Stewardship
- Tues. August 10th @ 2PM—Connecting the Congregation Meeting
- Sun. August 15th @ 1PM—Open & Affirming Committee Meeting
- Weds. August 18th @ 6PM—Reopening Task Force Meeting
- Weds. August 25th @ 9AM—FOOS to prepare Church Window
- Mon. August 30th @ 6:30PM—Deacons’ Board

**Food Pantry Donations Needed**

If you would like to donate non perishable items to our community food pantry, please call the office before you stop by! (625-5093)

**Items we always need:**

- boxed milk
- peanut butter
- dry pasta
- pasta sauce
- canned pasta
- canned vegetables
- soup
- cereal bars
- Hormel Meals
- cereal
- pudding cups
- fruit cups /canned fruit
- crackers
- mac & cheese
- canned meats: tuna, ham, or chicken
- toiletries: toothbrush, toothpaste, soap

**Summer Altar Flowers**

The Altar Design Team would like to extend the invitation to anyone who would care to place a flower arrangement on the altar this summer. The dates the church will be open and that flowers are needed for are Sundays: August 1st, 15th & 29th. Notify Lauren in the church office at 625-5093 or email Terri at [seamstressed@yahoo.com](mailto:seamstressed@yahoo.com) or Pam at [blanclp@comcast.net](mailto:blanclp@comcast.net) to chose a Sunday. The arrangement can be flowers from your own garden, the grocery store or from a florist. If a florist is used, check with Lauren and she can set it up.



**Please note church office summer hours:**  
**Mon—Thurs from 9AM to 2PM**  
**and Friday from 9AM to 12 Noon**  
 As always, we are available if you need us so please call ahead before you visit!  
 625-5093



**UPDATE**



**Picture Directory for First Congregational Church**

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 The Membership Team is pleased to let you know we are working on a

directory that will be distributed this fall. Our 2021 Picture Directory will be a much less formal project, not something where portraits are taken and you can then order prints from the portrait company. Our intent is to make a simple directory using pictures we take of ourselves so that we can put a face to a name. Here’s how it will work. We are asking Members and Friends of First Church to take their own “selfie” pictures and email them to Lauren Henderson in the church office: [LHenderson@FCCManchesterNH.org](mailto:LHenderson@FCCManchesterNH.org). Pictures can be of individuals, couples, or families – it’s up to you. If you have problems with this approach, such as an older cell phone or no cell phone at all – you can stop by the church office from 10:00 am to 12 noon during July and Lauren or Linda will gladly take your picture. Just give them a call to let them know you are coming at 625-5093.

If that is not convenient for you – please call Bill Jones at 603-860-1236 to discuss coming to your home to take the picture. If you do not wish to have your picture in the Picture Directory – that’s fine – just drop Bill Jones an email to tell him you are not interested – [wjones0615@comcast.net](mailto:wjones0615@comcast.net)

When the directory is finished, we will ask people to pick up a copy during worship or at the church office, as this will save us the expense of having to mail them out. The Membership Team will also help in delivering the directories to those people who cannot pick them up. Your cooperation in making this project a reality is most appreciated!



**Prayer Requests**

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If you have a prayer request for Sunday mornings, there are boxes in the narthex and hallway for you to put your requests in. Please submit them by 9:55 am. If you do

come in after that you can hand your request to an usher who will get it to me. During the week you are welcome to email your request to me at [bpapagian@fccmanchesternh.org](mailto:bpapagian@fccmanchesternh.org). I can take email requests up until 9:00 am on Sunday morning. I am honored to have the privilege of raising your prayers during the service. - Rev. Barbara Papagian

Please send \*Happy Birthday\* wishes to Pip Adams! Pip celebrates his 80th birthday this Wednesday, July 28th.



Pip Adams, 13 Greystone Way, Manchester, NH 03104

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Send your messages of \*Congratulations\* to the Longval & Arsenault Families on the birth of Amelia’s son, Owen Scott, born July 17th!

Jennifer, Joe & Tyler Longval and Amelia Arsenault, 233 Glen Forest Drive, Manchester, NH 03109

**All Church Picnic scheduled for Sunday, September 12th after worship!**

We’re in the planning stages so check back here for more details, including volunteer opportunities.

**Cradle Roll Room is Open**

During the summer, the cradle roll room will be open but not staffed with volunteers. If you wish to use cradle roll, the room is open and the service is broadcasted through the speakers in the room so you won’t miss anything. The room has been cleaned and disinfected prior to each service. On the counter you will see a container of disinfectant wipes. Please wipe down any large items that were used before leaving the room. Cradle roll will be cleaned and disinfected before each in-person service.

