

**Holly Berry Fair
Craft Workshops!**



The crafting workshops will continue for the next two Thursday mornings in August from 9:30-12.

Come and see what is happening, socialize and help out even if you can only spend an hour or so, we would love to have you. If you think you are not real crafty we have lots of things that need to be done. Call Lauren in the church office at 625-5093 or email Pam LeBlanc or Peggy Neveu and your name will be added to the list!

Has your attic, basement or garage been cleaned out lately? The "Attic Treasures Shoppe" is looking for interesting one of a kind type of items. *Not yard sale items!* We can not store Attic Treasures at this time,

but start cleaning and collecting because the time is drop them off will be coming soon. If you are not sure about the items you find, just contact Peggy or Pam and they will help you decide. The crafting group is looking for glass stemware, glass plates - any size and color, interesting shaped vases, glass jars and bottles any size, to create yard sculptures. We would also love to acquire some lace, lace curtains and doilies, even if they are worn and tattered. If you have anything of this nature and would like to pass it on, please let Pam or Peggy know and arrangements can be made to pick it up. "The Jewelry Shoppe" is looking for your old unwanted, hasn't-been-used-in-many-years, jewelry. These pieces might be repaired and cleaned for resale or repurposed into a craft. Please contact Terri Pattee (seamstressed@yahoo.com) to arrange pick up.



Please note the summer church office hours: M—Th from 9am to 2pm & Fridays from 9am to 12 noon.

Summer Altar Flowers Needed for 8/29

The Altar Design Team would like to extend the invitation to supply the altar flowers for **August 29th**.

Notify Lauren in the office at 625-5093 or email Terri at seamstressed@yahoo.com or Pam at blanclp@comcast.net. 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.



ARE YOU ON THE FCC WOMEN'S CONNECTION EMAIL LIST?

Email Terri Pattee at seamstressed@yahoo.com to

receive emails from the Women's Connection. These emails include upcoming events & birthdays!



The "Movie Club" will not be meeting again this summer.



Book/Bible Study is being planned for this fall. Please stay tuned for details on when it will return!

THE CHURCH COUNCIL

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August 15, 2021 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, August 15th
10:00 AM Worship Service

Monday, August 16th
No Church Activities Scheduled

Tuesday, August 17th
10:00 AM Staff Meeting

Wednesday, August 18th
6:00 PM Reopening Task Force Meeting on Zoom

Thursday, August 19th
9:30 AM Holly Berry Fair Craft Workshop

Friday, August 20th
Church Office closes at Noon

Saturday, August 21st
No Church Activities Scheduled

Sunday, August 22nd
10:00 AM Worship Service on Facebook

Upcoming Worship

Sunday, August 15th 10:00 AM
Ushers & Greeters: Mark Sowa, Craig Finefrock,
 Pam LeBlanc & Joan Currier
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Pip Adams Leads In-person Worship*

Sunday, August 22nd 10:00 AM
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Rev. Barbara Papagian Leads Worship on Facebook

Sunday, August 29th 10:00 AM
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Rev. Gordon Rankin Leads In-person Worship*

Sunday, September 5th 10:00 AM
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Rev. Barbara Papagian Leads Worship on Facebook

Sunday, September 12th 10:00 AM
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Rev. Carolyn Keilig 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, August 15th** — In-person and Facebook
 - **Sunday, August 22nd** — Facebook only
- **Sunday, August 29th** — In-person and Facebook
 - **Sunday, September 5th** — Facebook only

**THE MORNING WATCH IS BACK!
Now at 9:00 AM!**



The Morning Watch Prayers with Peter Perich and Rev. Barbara Papagian is every Monday thru Thursday at 9:00 am on Facebook. They lead a short time of Devotional Reading and Prayer. 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 at [Facebook.com/FCCManchester](https://www.facebook.com/FCCManchester). The book we are using is "A Guide to Prayer for All Who Walk with God", 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. If you have questions please contact Rev. Barbara at 603-625-5093 or BPapagian@fccmanchesternh.org.

Cradle Roll Room is Open

During the summer, the cradle roll room will be open but not staffed with volunteers. The service is broadcasted through the speakers in the room.



On the counter you will see a container of disinfectant wipes. Please wipe down any large items that were used before leaving the room.



We have seen traffic pick up recently at our community food pantry! If you would like to help us keep it stocked for the hungry in our community by donating non perishable items, 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



Friday Link Submissions Needed

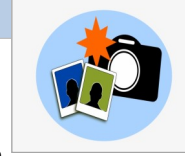
We are looking for your help with the *Friday Link* Newsletter that is sent out to FCC Members and Friends by email every Friday morning. Do you have a poem, story, funny (appropriate) joke, bible passage, pictures or something you would share with the congregation? We would love to hear from you! Email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



UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- **Weds. August 18th @ 6PM—Reopening Task Force Meeting**
- **Mon. August 30th @ 6:30PM—Deacons' Board**
- **Weds. Sept. 1st @ 9AM—FOOS to prepare Church Window *this is a new date***

HAVE YOU SUBMITTED A PHOTO FOR THE CHURCH DIRECTORY?



The Membership Team is pleased to let you know we are working on a directory that will be distributed this fall. 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. 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 this summer, 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. 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!



All Church Picnic scheduled for Sunday, September 12th!

This event is tentatively planned as we watch the Covid-19 numbers over the next few weeks. We're still in the planning stages so stay tuned for more details, including volunteer opportunities, coming soon.



Please let us know if your committee will be meeting in the coming weeks/months. We would like to keep everyone informed! We publish meeting dates on our website and newsletters. Email Linda at LBonetti@fccmanchesternh.org or Lauren at LHendersonFCC@yahoo.com.



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. 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 your condolences to Carol Soucy for the recent loss of her very dear friend, Margaret.

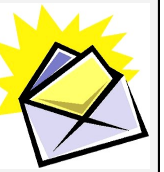


Carol Soucy, 10 Pickering Street, Manchester, NH 03104

Please send messages of healing to Dan McKenney. Dan recently underwent hip replacement surgery and is recovering well.

Daniel McKenney, 194 Tennyson Drive, Manchester, NH 03104

Please send Happy Birthday messages to Barbara Bard and Samuel Knowles as they both celebrate milestone birthdays this month! Barbara on 8/22 and Sam on 8/23!



Barbara Bard, 1465 Hooksett Road, #78, Hooksett, NH 03106

Sam Knowles, 5 Clay Street, Hooksett, NH 03106