

Women's Connection News!



College Cookie Mailing 2021!

Women's Connection would like to continue the old tradition of a College Cookie Mailing on December 4th in the church parlor at 9:00 am.

Because of Covid we will not do the swap but we want to let the college students know that we are thinking of them and care about them. Masks will be required. To anyone who would like to bake cookies and or package cookies on December 4th, your baking skills are welcome. We will also need snack donations to fill the boxes. Just

e-mail Pam LeBlanc (blanclp@comcast.net) or Denise Beaurivage (beau.de@comcast.net) to let us know your plan. If you want to help, we need you to provide at least three dozen cookies and deliver them to the church office by noon on December 3th, unless you have signed up to help package.

Attention College Student Parents! If you are a lucky parent of a college/grad student and they are taking their college exams... how about treating them to some homemade cookies. We know things are different from the past but we want to continue one of our churches oldest traditions! Please e-mail or call the church office by Weds., Dec., 1st with their name, home address or school address.



FCC Yarn Crafters

Please drop off your finished yarn projects at the office or my home as we get ready to distribute them in time for the cold weather. Knitting is good for you, the knitters, so keep on knitting! Also, yarn donations would be especially welcome at this time. May we all stay safe—JoAnn Ward



A SPECIAL HOLLY BERRY FAIR ANNOUNCEMENT!

Do you have December 5th on your calendar?

That is the date of the after worship sale of Holly Berry handcrafted items. So please mark your calendars to attend worship and afterwards see what your friends at FCC have made. See you there! —Pam and Peggy



Today is the deadline to submit your pictures for the upcoming Church Photo Directory.

Please send your "selfie" to Lauren Henderson in the church office: LHenderson@FCCManchesterNH.org.

THE CHURCH COUNCIL

Senior Pastor—Rev. Carolyn Keilig **Clerk**—Karen Hawver
Moderator—Selma Naccach-Hoff
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Ministry of Spirituality—Coordinator Jeanine Finefrock
 Jennifer Longval, Joan Currier, Becki Krueger
Ministry of Mission and Outreach—Coord. John Rowe
 Sue Clement, Kathy Rowe, Kate Parker
Ministry of Sustaining Our Church Home—Coordinator—Grant Dugan, Kathy Nelson, Neil Funke, Sue Curtis
At Large—Fred Simmons, Janie Shaklee, Martha Perich

FCC CHURCH STAFF MEMBERS

Senior Interim Pastor—Rev. Carolyn Keilig
Associate Pastor & Director of Parish Care — Rev. Barbara Papagian
Director of Music Ministry—Adam Peithmann
Church Administrator—Linda Bonetti
Front Office Assistant — Lauren Henderson
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Church Sexton—Sokhom Sar
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October 24, 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, October 24th
 10:00 AM Worship Service & Stewardship Moment
 1:00 PM Open & Affirming Committee Zoom Meeting

Monday, October 25th
 9:00 AM Morning Watch Prayers on Facebook

Tuesday, October 26th
 9:00 AM Morning Watch Prayers on Facebook
 10:00 AM Staff Meeting
 6:30 PM Outreach Committee Zoom Meeting

Wednesday, October 27th
 9:00 AM Morning Watch Prayers on Facebook
 7:00 PM Sabbath Bells

Thursday, October 28th
 9:00 AM Morning Watch Prayers on Facebook

Friday, October 29th
 No Church Activities Scheduled

Saturday, October 30th
 No Church Activities Scheduled

Sunday, October 31st
 10:00 AM Worship Service, New Member Joining & Stewardship Moment

Upcoming Worship

Sunday, October 24th 10:00 AM
Ushers & Greeters: Tom Irving, Peter Perich, Mark Sowa, Sue Clement
Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
Stewardship Moment: John Rowe for the Bakersville School

Sunday, October 31st 10:00 AM
Reformation Sunday
Stewardship Moment: Elizabeth Blood
New Member Joining

Sunday, November 7th 10:00 AM
All Saints Sunday
Member Recognition

Sunday, November 14th 10:00 AM
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Rev. Barbara Papagian Leads Worship
Open & Affirming Vote Anniversary

Sunday, November 21st 10:00 AM
Thanksgiving Sunday
Stewardship Campaign Wrap-up

COVID SAFETY INFORMATION

Below are the most recent safety guidelines for Worship Services at FCC.

- * Masks are strongly urged to protect every one, following CDC recommendations.
- * Social distancing indoors should be practiced. (Feel free to greet one another outdoors)
- * If ramp access is needed, please ring the bell.
- * Offerings may be left in the box located in the narthex and in plates by the exit doors.
- * Hand sanitizer and wipes will be available.
- * People may seat themselves in open pews.
- * The Cradle Room is available but not staffed.
- * We look forward to seeing everyone but urge you not to congregate inside the building at this time.

You're Invited to an Online Trivia Night Hosted by the Wesley's Way Foundation! Thursday, October 28th at 7PM



Go to their website at www.wesleyswayfoundation.org to register!

Save the Date: November 14th, 2021!



The Worship Service on Sunday, November 14th will include selected worship elements and music in observance of the FCC Open & Affirming Vote Anniversary.

UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Be sure to contact committee leaders for meeting location! (in-person or Zoom)

- Sun, Oct. 24th 1PM ONA Committee Meeting
- Tues, Oct. 26th 6:30PM Outreach Committee
- Mon, Nov. 1st 10AM Senior Fellowship Board
- Mon, Nov. 1st 6PM Deacons' Board Meeting
- Tues, Nov. 2nd 6:30PM Membership Meeting
- Mon, Nov. 8th 6PM Stewardship Meeting
- Tues, Nov. 9th 2PM Connecting the Congregation Zoom Meeting

Interfaith Women of New Hampshire invites you to a special program via Zoom, 'FAITH INSPIRED STORIES: teaching tolerance, overcoming prejudice, acting from faith', on Monday, November 15th, 2021 at 6:45 pm.

This program offers a continuation from IWNH's March program, 'Let's Talk: Faith and Race', sharing our thoughts, concerns and response to each other as people of faith. 'FAITH INSPIRED STORIES' provides stories from the Jewish, Christian and Muslim faiths of respect for the humanity of all peoples, making choices related to tolerance issues, taking action to better people's lives regardless of race, religion or nationality. We invite you to view these thoughtful, faith-based presentations, and stay with us for Zoom "break out room" discussions facilitated by the IWNH Leadership Team to share your related thoughts and lived experience regarding the matter of faith and race.



Email interfaithwomennh@gmail.com to register. Once registered you will receive a Zoom meeting invitation. Check-in on 11/15/21 begins at 6:30pm, program begins promptly at 6:45pm. For questions, call 603-233-7760 or visit our web-site: interfaithwomennh.org to learn more about us.

Please send your condolences to Pam Smith & Family on the passing of Genevieve Merrill. Gen passed away on Thursday, October 14th. There will be a Funeral Service here at First Congregational Church on November 4th at 11AM.



Pam Smith, 12 Edgemont Street, Concord, NH 03301
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Please send get well messages to Fred Simmons who is going through major health issues.

Fred Simmons, 61 Morrill Road, Hooksett, NH 03106

SHOES & BOOTS FOR BAKERSVILLE SCHOOL!



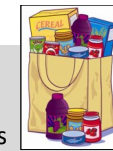
In past years we have provided boots and coats for kids at Hallsville. Bakersville has a source for coats but are in need of shoes (sneakers) and boots for many kids. The

Outreach Committee has already supplied some sneakers to give them a start, but we are again asking the congregation to participate. **There are signup sheets on the office window—one for boots and one for sneakers.** We are asking for you to sign up for a specific size UNISEX sneaker and/or boot so that we can provide what is needed, and be sure to write your name and contact information. FCC members are extremely generous and we thank you so much for providing so much for children in need!

Help us keep the FCC Food Pantry stocked for the hungry in our community

Items we always need:

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



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



Upcoming Membership Events!

New Member Joining Sunday October 31st
Member Recognition Sunday November 7th

Join us as we celebrate our newest Members on Sunday, October 31st during the Worship Service. Then on Sunday, November 7th, there will be a celebratory recognition of those with milestone years and also, recognition of the Church membership of our entire congregation!

MEAL TRAIN NEWS

At this time The Meal Train is looking to restock our supplies, so



if you would like to provide a small meal (we often deliver to those who live alone) a soup, muffins, small breads, and of course cookies, (everyone's favorite), we will be very grateful!

Everything for the Meal Train is stored in the downstairs freezer. If you would label it "Meal Train" and write the contents, that would be very helpful. *For example, mark your container with "pumpkin muffins". Thank you!*

If you are making soups and need the containers we use (this helps with sizing uniformity and follows sanitary guidelines), please contact Liz at 603-623-7461 or by email at liz-v@comcast.net.