

The Circuit Rider



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June 2017



Vacation Bible School - The best week of the summer!

- New friends
- Amazing experiments
- Creative games
- Lip-smacking snacks
- Surprising adventures
- Incredible music

Location: Lovell United Church of Christ
1174 Main St./Lovell, Maine

VBS will last from: June 26-June 30, 2017

Each day's fun begins at: 9:30 am

The VBS day ends at: 1:30 pm

Register online <https://vbspro.events/p/lucc>

For more information or for a registration form call:

Vicki 925-1444 or the Church Office 925-1321

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We are currently exploring a new outreach program called **The Living Room** an **Adult Social Day Center**. We would really appreciate your feedback if you could take a moment to send us your answers to the following questions.

You can email lucc@fairpoint.net or call the office at (207)925-1321.

1. Are you, or someone you know, the primary caregiver for a loved one who needs constant supervision?
2. Would respite care two days per week be useful to you?
3. What would you consider a reasonable cost for 4 hours of respite care on these days?
4. Do you have time to share with us as a volunteer or a hobby/skill to share with the attendees?

Thank you for your input!

Greeting from Pastor Lois,

Down on the farm everybody is happy – green grass to munch, basking in warm sunshine. I wrote the following poem many, many years ago (senior in high school). It is about slowing down and taking time for the present. The longer I share my life with the animals on the farm, I learn to follow their lead. They live in the now and always take time to enjoy the present.



Running to and fro...

I am a Christian.

I must start something. I must do something. I must be a witness.

Running to and fro. - -

I start my day saying,

“Good morning, how are you?”

When inwardly, I would much rather have stayed in bed,

And I really don't care how the other person is but

I must start something. I must do something. I must be a witness.

This involves running,

Running to and fro...Running! Running!

My goodness, what a lot of running.

Where am I running to anyhow?

To the future or am I running away from the past?

I guess I don't know.

But, I must start something. I must do something. I must be a witness.

Running to and fro.

Hey! Wait a minute. I've got to catch my breath. Besides, do I have to run?

The past is gone. It won't return.

The future...It will come in its own good time.

But...I must start something. I must do something. I must be a witness.

Hey! I'm not running. Things look different too. I have more time.

I guess I was running so fast I forgot about the present.

And look, there is somebody I see every day. Maybe I can love that person,

or at least allow God's love to flow through me.

I don't have to start something great, or do something wonderful.

Jesus ministered to those around him.

He was sensitive to their needs. He never ran.

Stop! Don't run!

Look! There are people around you.

Listen! They have needs.

And where's the glory?

It's in heaven.

Holy God,

I need patience to stop.

I need a bit of your wisdom to look and listen.

Won't you give me some today?

Thank you, Lord.

Let's walk together.

MISSION NEWS

Keep an eye on our ongoing Farmer's Market table on Sunday mornings. More items will start appearing as seedlings get going and produce comes in. We also continue to collect food items for the local food pantries.

Donations are always welcome.

Missions Committee



<u>June</u>	
7	Elaine Cranston
8	Karen Bacchiocchi
9	Peg Mason
10	Dean Stearns
17	Peter Bacchiocchi
20	Andy Feld
	Claire Moore
	Danny Barker
21	Nate Munro
24	June Christopher
25	Louise Whidden
	Mary Heroux
26	Deb Jordan
29	Irene Zeller



**Monday, Wednesday and Saturday
from 10:00-12:00**

NO early birds, please!

\$2/Bag sale 7/1-7/8

The Thrift Shop will be CLOSED 6/26-30

**Looking ahead: Baked goods will be for sale at the
Thrift Shop every Wednesday in July from 10:00-12:00**

Contact Peg Mason FMI 935-7528

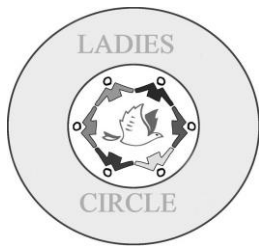


**Stop by our weekly farmer's market table after worship.
Shop for fresh produce, eggs, baked goods and seedlings as they
come in. We welcome donations of items at any time!
All proceeds benefit the ongoing work of the Mission Committee.**



We are getting ready for another August Calendar Raffle! Last year's calendar raffle was a great success and we hope to make this year's even better. If you have an item, gift certificate or service you could donate, please contact the church office. We are looking for 31 donations! Calendar pages will be for sale during the month of July and the winners will be drawn each day of August. Thank you for your support!

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June 13 Ladies Circle Annual Luncheon
July 11 Business Meeting **9:30am**
16th Annual Fashion Show 7:00

Kitchen clean-up volunteer signed up for May is Jacky Stearns and for June is Linda Libby. Thanks to Geneva and Dan Barker, ten Church World Service School Kits and ten Clean-Up Kits were delivered to Portland. Thank you Elsa Newhouse for sewing eight of the school bags. The Ladies Circle pays the \$50 handling fee on the kits. CWS Blanket Sunday was observed at LUCC on May 14. The May 9th business meeting was followed by a recipe swap. The group enjoyed samples of each recipe. Great food! Our annual luncheon will be on June 13, location tbd. The next regular Circle meeting will be at 9:30am on July 11 for a short business meeting and decorating for the 7:00 16th Annual Fashion Show and ice cream social. Now is the time to check the Thrift Shop for just the right outfit to model. There are no membership requirements for Ladies Circle, so please feel free to attend business meetings, work meetings or other activities as your time allows. Contact: Linda Libby, 925-3661, trout@fairpoint.net or Carolyn Carter, 928-2080, cecarter1994@gmail.com

Lovell Girl Scouts

***Returnable Bottle/Can Collection to
Benefit Girl Scouts.
Please place empties in the container
available at Lovell U.C.C.***

Early Bird registration for the 2017-2018 Girl Scout year is currently happening. Girls and adults are encouraged to register at this time to qualify for a \$5 refund to their troop. Contact Linda Libby or your GS's troop leader for registration information. Troop 58 had a wonderful trip to New York and will soon have a photo display on the Scout bulletin board at Lovell UCC. Congratulations to Troop 58 Seniors, Audra Hamlin and Katherine Trumbull on receiving their 10-year pins at the Apple Mountain Service Unit Recognition Dinner on May 5. At that same dinner, Trish Stearns received the Volunteer of Excellence Award for her work with three troops, the Service Team and several Service Unit events. Jade Blood and Alanna Nataluk, are currently working on their Silver Award project of "Birthday Bags". They are collecting items and sewing bags to make children's birthdays more enjoyable. There is a collection box and list of needed items available in the Lovell UCC vestry. Completed bags will be donated to area food pantries. Daisy Troop 146 is making plans to visit Harvest Hills on June 12 and Storyland on June 23. Brownie Troop 3149 visited the Lovell Historical Society on May 10 and also took part in an Outdoor Skills Day event at Pondicherry Girl Scout Site in Bridgton on May 13. Junior Troop 208 also attended the Outdoor Skills Day and has been working on a cooking badge and a pets badge. Some of the girls have been making toys for cats and will be baking dog bones to take to Harvest Hills. A collection box is located at the Lovell Library for donations of items for Harvest Hills. Scouts still continue their returnable bottle/can collection (*please be sure containers are returnable*) at Lovell UCC, or donations may be left at Woitko's Redemption Center on McNeil Road. Just ask that the Girl Scout account be credited. Contact Linda Libby, Lovell Organizer/ Recruiter, 925-3661 or trout@fairpoint.net, for local and service unit information.

A Girl Scout Court of Awards, Bridging and Fly-Up Ceremony will be held at 6:30pm on June 20 at the Lovell United Church of Christ. All girls should come in uniform and arrive by 6:15pm. Families are also encouraged to attend.

