

June 2018

Lovell United Church of Christ

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The Circuit Rider



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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Imagine it is June. 2018 is just about half over. Where or where does the time go? Down on the farm, spring is bursting into summer. The animals are so delighted to run, jump, twist and turn. One of the smaller sheep actually jumped over another sheep in pure delight. Yeah! The ice is gone. Spring chores are in full swing. "Gotta get ready 'fore winta!" The winter piles have been moved for composting. We are hoping the hay lasts until the first cut of this season. Gardens are being cleaned up and planted. And the best thing, the patio furniture is on the deck where we can sit in the late afternoon sun enjoying the color and sounds of this time of year.

Life is bursting forth all around us. I am finding this is a good time to reflect on the incredible, unbelievable yet very real love of God for each and every one. God walks with us each step of the way. Please, take time to breathe deeply and know that "The Lord is God".

From a website: [A Concord Pastor Comments](#).
The following is a Monday morning prayer. →

As this week begins, Lord,
I offer you my intention and my hope
to be more faithful to prayer in the days ahead
than I was in the days just past...
I offer you this coming week's struggles:
those I expect and those I've yet to discover
- and I pray for your help
in making my way through my troubles...
I offer you the joys that will be mine this week,
especially any that will take me by surprise
- and I thank you in advance
for your blessings and your gifts...
I offer you my prayer that in the days ahead
I'll be generous, generous in responding
to the needs of those around me:
generous with my time, my treasure and my talent...
Even before it begins to unfold:
I offer you the mystery of the week before me, Lord,
help me find your wise and quiet presence
in those curious, mystical, secret ways.
I know you'll come to meet me,
to lead me and to guide me...
I offer you my thanks and praise
for having brought me safe thus far
and pray, O Lord, you help me still
to walk in peace this day, this week:
to walk in peace with you... Amen.

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

MONDAYS ALL MONTH

9:00-3:00 Secretary's hours

9:00-12:00 Pastor's Hours

WEDNESDAYS ALL MONTH

Bell Choir rehearsal 9:30 am

Choir rehearsal 7:00 pm

THURSDAYS ALL MONTH

9:00-1:00 Secretary's hours

9:00-12:00 Pastor's Hours

10:00-2:00 *The Gathering*

Place Senior Fellowship

SATURDAYS ALL MONTH

AA meetings 7:00

TUESDAY, June 12

Ladies Circle Luncheon

Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm

Friday & Saturday, June 15-16

Girl Scout Overnight

SUNDAY, June 17

Father's Day

MONDAY, June 18

Cabinet Meeting 7:00 pm

Vacation Bible School

June 25-29

FRIDAY, June 1

Movie Night 6:00 pm

SUNDAY, June 3

Communion Service

Classical Concert 4:00 pm

SUNDAY, June 10

Girl Scout Court of Awards

4:00 pm

Christian Ed Meeting 6:00 pm

MONDAY, June 11

Missions Meeting 9:30 am

Deacon's meeting 12:00

TUESDAY, June 26

Evening Bible Study 6:30 pm

THURSDAY, July 5

Circuit Rider Committee 9:00



Worship during July & August
changes to 9:30 am

Friday Night Movie at LUCC!



The Goonies (PG)

Friday, June 1st

6:00 pm

All ages are welcome

FREE

Popcorn and lemonade

will be served

Door Prize

Classical Concert at LUCC



Sunday, June 3rd 4:00 pm

FREE

All are welcome

Dan Moore-piano,
organ and harpsichord
Cynthia Priem-violin
Gwendolyn Boros-French horn



LADIES CIRCLE

June 12 Annual Luncheon 12:00 Maurice's in So. Paris

July 10 Business Meeting & Set-Up 9:30

July 10 17th Annual Thrift Shop Fashion Show & Ice
Cream Social 7:00

The Ladies Circle would like to thank Nancy and Lou Olmsted for delivering 14 Hygiene, 11 School and 11 Clean Up Church World Service Kits to Portland. The shipping and handling costs will be paid by the Ladies Circle. Every year, the Circle honors our area graduates with a cash gift and a card, and this year there were seven young people honored during the May 20 Lovell UCC worship service. On May 8 the Circle sponsored an excellent informational meeting with Valerie Cole from Seniors Plus. Over 20 people attended. The Kitchen clean up volunteer for May is Jacky Stearns and for June is Pat Stearns. The Circle also voted to pay for half the cost of the new computer for the Financial Secretary. On June 12, the group will be having their annual luncheon at Maurice's in So. Paris at 12:00 noon. Be sure to add your name to the sign-up sheet available in the church vestry. July 10 will be a busy day for the Ladies. The Circle will

meet at 9:30 for a short business meeting and will set up and decorate for the 7:00 Thrift Shop Fashion Show & Ice Cream Social. Don't miss your chance to model that favorite outfit from the Lovell UCC Thrift Shop. 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. Contacts: Linda Libby, 925-3661, trout@fairpoint.net or Carolyn Carter, 928-2080, cecarter1994@gmail.com

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



JUNE
BIRTHDAYS

COMMITTEE NEWS

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Plans are already underway for Vacation Bible School 2018 (June 25-29). More information and registration forms are found at the end of this newsletter. Congratulations to all the local graduates and those that were recognized during worship on May 20th. FMI about any CE programs, contact Carolyn Carter at 928-2080 or the church office.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Donation boxes are now in place in the vestry to collect items for the Maine Seacoast Shoebox Ministry. We welcome all donations for men, women, children, teens and babies. Just be sure they will fit in a shoebox! Our Senior Fellowship, *The Gathering Place*, is going well. Please remember that ALL are welcome to join us. Just drop in on any Thursday from 10:00-2:00.

Coming soon! Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention. This class will be offered by Seniors Plus at LUCC beginning June 13th for 8 weeks. Wednesday and Friday mornings, 10:00-11:00 am. All are welcome!

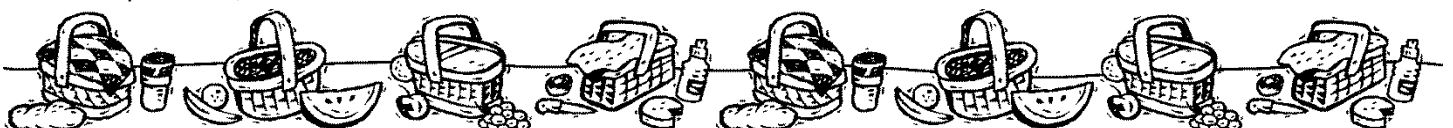
*Please note that this is an 8 week class and participation is expected twice per week. This is not a drop-in program. FMI contact the church office 925-1321.

Lovell Girl Scouts

Registration for the 2018-2019 Girl Scout year continues, and all Lovell troops K-12 have openings. Contact Linda Libby or any other leader for information on meetings. Looking ahead to fall, we will need a co-leader for the

Daisy troop and possibly co-leaders on the Junior and Cadette level. Troop 58 Cadette, Hannah Reed, is finishing up her Silver Award project of replacing the swim shed at the Bridgton town beach. Cadettes, Jade Blood and Alanna Nataluk, are also finishing up work on their Silver Award project of "Birthday Bags". On April 28, Cadette Troop 67 visited the Westbrook Animal Shelter for a two-hour program then a GSME event in Westbrook called "Exciting Engineering" in the afternoon. They had a great day including pizza at The Pizza Shed. These same girls will be attending a Silver Award training on June 25 to prepare them for doing their Silver Award project. The younger Girl Scouts will be having an overnight at Lovell UCC on June 15. This is part of their camping progression in preparation for camping outside. The Girl Scout Court of Award (Bridging & Fly-Up Ceremony) for all Lovell troops will be held on June 10, 4:00, at Lovell UCC. All the Lovell troops participated in the Apple Mountain Service Unit Camporee, May 18-20, at Sebago Lake State Park. Two troops camped overnight and the rest attended on Saturday only. Camping was a challenge with VERY cold weather Friday night and heavy rain on Saturday night. Overall, everyone had a great time. Our August trip to Scelkit GS site has been rescheduled to August 13-15 as school in MSAD 72 begins August 29. 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, trout@fairpoint.net, or 925-3661 for local and service unit information.

Returnable Bottle/Can Collection to Benefit Girl Scouts.
Please place empty bottles and cans in the container available at Lovell UCC





**MONDAY,
WEDNESDAY
AND SATURDAY
FROM 10:00-12:00
NO EARLY
BIRDS, PLEASE!**

\$2/BAG SALE 6/30-7/14

CLOSED 6/25 & 6/27

**BAKE SALE AT THE THRIFT SHOP
ON WEDNESDAYS 7/11, 18 & 25**

Ongoing Programs

PRESCHOOL

Childcare is provided during worship every Sunday if needed. We offer a PreK-K Sunday School class (Sep-May) every week at 9:00 am. All are welcome and it is never too late to join in the fun!

CHILDREN (K-5)

Sunday School classes are offered every week from 9:00-10:00 am. All are welcome to join any time September-May.

YOUTH GROUP

This meets on Friday evenings (Sep-May) from 6:00-8:00 and is open to all youth in grades 5-12. FMI contact the church office.

*Watch FMI about summer events.

MUSIC-HANDBELLS

Our handbell choir rehearses and performs at various times during the year. FMI contact Ruth Mitchell at 928-2888.

MUSIC-CHOIR

Choir rehearsals are held Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 pm and the choir participates in worship every Sunday. All are welcome to join!

WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY

This group meets at Vicki Royer's home on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month. 6:30-9:00 pm. FMI contact Vicki at 925-1444.

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 ADULTS

Our Senior Fellowship, *The Gathering Place*, meets on Thursdays from 10:00-2:00. This is **FREE and open to any senior who wishes to drop in**. Bring your own lunch, coffee, tea and snacks are provided. A hot meal is provided on the first Thursday of each month. This is a time for fellowship, games, art and special events. Call the church FMI.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE GATHERING PLACE

6/7 Communion will be served

6/28 Outing to Dyed in the Wool Farm in Stow. Meet at 10:00 at the Hobbs Library back parking lot to carpool.

AA MEETINGS

are held at LUCC on Saturdays at 7:00 pm

STAY IN TOUCH

COME SEE US

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(207)925-1207 (Pastor's Study)



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The Circuit Rider submission deadline for July/August is June 17th.



The best week of the summer!



New friends



Amazing experiments



Creative games



Tropical treats



Surprising adventures



Incredible music

LOVELL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, CENTER LOVELL, ME

Vacation Bible School

June 25-June 29, 2018

9:30-1:30

Ages 3 and Up

- Register online at vbspro.events/p/lucc
or contact the church for a paper copy
- For more information, call:
Vicki: 925-1444 or the Church: 925-1321



Crew Name (for church use only): _____

REGISTRATION FORM

(One Per Child)

Child's name: _____ Child's Gender _____

Child's age: _____ Date of birth: _____ School Grade entering in the Fall _____

Name of parent(s): _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home telephone: (_____) _____

Parent/caregiver/s cellphone: (_____) _____

Home email address: _____

Home church: _____

Allergies or other medical conditions: _____



In case of emergency, contact: _____

Phone: _____

Relationship to Child: _____

PHOTO/MEDIA/WEBSITE RELEASE

I hereby consent to the use of my child's name, likeness and speech in audio tape, video tape, film or photograph made during the Lovell United Church of Christ Vacation Bible School Program for the church or for publicity purposes. I expressly release the Lovell United Church of Christ from any privacy, defamation, other claims arising out of broadcast, exhibition, publication or promotion of this program.

Parent/Guardian's Name (Print)

Parent/Guardian's Name (Signature)

