

Lovell United Church of Christ

1174 Main St., Lovell, Maine

The Circuit Rider

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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"Hee haw, hee haw...sweetly sings the donkey at the break of day, if you do not feed him, this is what he'll say...hee haw, hee haw." Down on the farm, this old camp song is the absolute truth. And now that the days are long, dear old Louie (30 years old and shining) begins at dawn right along with the rooster. Then the cat purrs and rubs until I get up. Then it is, "feed me!" Everyone is so enjoying the warm days and cool nights but importantly there is lovely green grass to munch. The best news ever is the water hydrant at the barn flows again. It has been frozen since January. Hauling jugs of water twice a day gets old fast. Anyone have any suggestions as to keeping that water line running all winter?

I do hope that summer brings you all great joy, good food, time with friends, and time alone to be and rest in the presence of God.

I close with a very well-known prayer, a way in which we might share our faith and love in God.

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Lord, make me an instrument of your peace, Where there is hatred, let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy;

O Divine Master, Grant that I may not so much seek To be consoled as to console; To be understood as to understand; To be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; It is in pardoning that we are pardoned; And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Attributed to St. Francis of Assisi (12181-1226)

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

MONDAYS ALL MONTH

9:00-3:00 Secretary's hours 9:00-12:00 Pastor's Hours

WEDNESDAYS ALL MONTH 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

SUNDAYS ALL MONTH Worship 10:30 am

Mother's Day Sunday School closing

SUNDAY, June 2 **Communion Service TUESDAY**, June 4 Girl Scout Court of Awards 6:30 MONDAY, June 10 **Missions Meeting 10:30** Deacon's meeting 7:00 Trustees Meeting 7:00 pm Christian Ed Meeting 6:00 pm **TUESDAY**, June 11 Ladies Circle luncheon & Meeting 12:00 **Evening Bible Study 6:30** MONDAY, June 17 Cabinet meeting 7:00 **THURSDAY**, June 20 Circuit Rider 9:00 **MONDAY-FRIDAY, June 24-28** Vacation Bible School week NO Secretary's hours this week Thrift Shop CLOSED on Wednesday SATURDAY, June 29 Live Auction 11:00 preview



LADIES CIRCLE

- May 28 Photo Album Workday 1:00-3:00
- June 11 Annual Luncheon 12:00 noon
- July 9 18th Annual Fashion Show 7:00

The Ladies Circle kitchen clean up volunteer for May is Jacky Stearns and for June is Pat Stearns. Two of the Circle's projects have been completed. There are ten new comfortable chairs to use in the Vestry now and a beautiful new refrigerator in the kitchen. The project of replacing the Vestry windows has been referred to the Board of Trustees, and the Circle is looking into purchasing three new card tables. The Circle continues to collect photos of Circle activities to be organized and put in albums on May 28. If you should have any older photos of Ladies Circle activities that you would like to donate, please put them in an envelope marked Ladies Circle and leave in the Secretary's folder by the office door by May 28. Fifteen Church World Service School Kits and 15 Health Kits as well as 10 Clean Up Buckets were delivered to The Woodford's Church in Portland thanks to Lou and Nancy Olmsted. The Circle voted to pay all shipping costs plus pay \$75 for one Clean Up Bucket. The proceeds to date for CWS Blanket Sunday are \$200 to purchase 20 blankets. On Graduate's Sunday,

May 19, \$25 and a card were given to two 2019 graduates. The next Circle activity will be their Annual Luncheon on June 11. Their May 20 meeting program of bringing quilts to show and telling about their history was enjoyed by all. Be sure to mark your calendars now for the July 9th Fashion Show and check out the Thrift Shop to get just the right fashion 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. Contacts: Linda Libby, <u>trout@fairpoint.net</u> 925-3661, or Carolyn Carter, <u>cecarter1994@gmail.com</u> 928-2080.

- 7 Elaine Cranston8 Karen Bacchiocchi
- 9 Peg Mason
- 10 Dean Stearns
- 17 Peter Bacchiocchi
- 18 Jane Gleason
- 20 Andy Feld Claire Moore Danny Barker
- 21 Nate Munro
- 24 June Christopher



25 Mary Heroux26 Deb Jordan



LIVE AUCTION AT THE

LOVELL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST 1174 MAIN ST. LOVELL, ME

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

PREVIEW OF ITEMS BEGINS AT 11:00 AM

HOT DOGS, CHIPS, DESSERTS AND BEVERAGES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

LIVE AUCTION BEGINS AT 1:00 PM

ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES, HOUSEHOLD ITEMS, FURNITURE AND SO MUCH MORE CAN BE EXPECTED

COME JOIN THE FUN!

All proceeds benefit the Lovell United Church of Christ

To donate an item or for more information contact Joe Dorner joematthewdorner@gmail.com

COMMITTEE NEWS

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday School is coming to an end for the year

Our Sunday School classes have come to an end and will resume in September. Youth Group meets for Sunday afternoon hikes during the summer months.

We offer classes for all ages every Sunday at 9:00 am. Youth Group for grades 5-12 meets on Sunday afternoon from 1:00-3:00 at LUCC. All are welcome! FMI about any CE programs, contact the church office.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Please consider dropping off a donation of non-perishable food any time for our ongoing donations to the local food pantries. Collection boxes can be found on the carts in the vestry. Our weekly Farmer's Market is in full swing with seedlings, vegetables, fresh eggs and more, offered every Sunday. All purchases are by donation and benefit the Mission work of the church. If you like to bake, please consider baking a sweet treat for this project. Many people enjoy picking up a plate of cookies or a coffee cake (for example) to offer summer guests. Your continued support of our Mission work is greatly appreciated!

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Coming in June-live auction!

Coming in August-our annual Calendar Raffle. We are looking for donations of new items or gift certificates to business or for services. Once again, contact the church office for more information.

Lovell Girl Scouts

It's not too late to register your daughter for the 2019-2020 Girl Scout year as all five Lovell troops have openings and are active with 14 trained leaders and 31 girls aged 5-17.

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

Most of the troops will be meeting through May with a Court of Awards scheduled for June 4, 6:30pm, at the Lovell UCC. Daisy Troop 146 (Gr. K & 1) is making plans to visit the Maine State Wildlife Park in Grey followed by pizza at The Pizza Hut in Windham. Daisy Troop 146 and Brownie Troop 3149 (Gr. 2 & 3) went to Home Depot and made and painted wall hangings on May 4. The Brownies have finished their "Painting" Try-It. Junior Troop 208 (Gr. 4 & 5) has finished their Jewelry Badge. Cadette Troop 67 (Gr. 6-8) has not been meeting on a regular basis due to their sports schedules. They will be visiting Urban Air Teen Night in Portland on June 8 and still have plans for a trip to Boston June 22-24 as well as the Whales Tale Water Park on June 29. The Senior/Ambassador Troop 58 (Gr. 9-12) are finishing plans for their June 22-27 camping trip to Montreal. Some members from each troop will be tenting at Horseshoe Pond on July 16-17 and will also be camping at Scelkit GS Site in Kittery July 22-24. Girls are also encouraged to participate in the Lovell Old Home Days Parade on July 20. Lovell leaders attended the Apple-Mountain Recognition Dinner on May 10 in Harrison where Lovell troop leaders Kari Reed and Megan Hamlin received the Volunteer of Excellence Award. Scouts still continue their returnable bottle and 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.



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-8)

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

School & High School)

This meets September-May and is open to all youth in grades 5-12. FMI contact the church office.

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.



Monday, Wednesday and Saturday from 10:00-12:00 NO early birds, please!

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

June 6 Monthly hot lunch served June 27 Trip to Dyed in the Wool Farm **AA MEETINGS** are held at LUCC on Saturdays at 7:00 pm

STAY IN TOUCH

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The Circuit Rider submission deadline for July & August is June 16th.



New friends • Amazing experiments • Creative games Super-fun snacks • Surprising adventures • Incredible music

Location: I	ovell United Church of Christ
	(church name)
VBS will last from:	June 24 to June 28
40 ····	(VBS dates)
Each day's fun begins at:	9:30 a.m (Bring a bagged lunch.)
	(VBS storting time)
The VBS day ends at:	1:30 p.m.
	(VBS ending time)
For more information, call: _	LUCC 925-1321 or Vicki 925-1444
	(church phone number)
Register online here:	vbspro.events/p/lucc
	(web address)

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