## News from the Deering Community Church



Something new is coming to the town center. The Deering Community Church is creating a Meditation and Memory Garden on the church property. This peaceful setting will be located to the right of the church building, easily accessible with a walkway from the road in front of the church. It will include a paved area, benches, and an area for incorporating ashes into the landscape for those who might wish to make this their final resting place in a town they love. There will also be an opportunity to purchase a paving 'brick' in honor of someone you'd like to remember.

While this is a project of the Deering Church, it is open to all and we welcome everyone in the community to use this Garden. Church affiliation is

*not required*. Our committee is now working on preparing guidelines and a fee schedule for the interment of ashes and for the memorial bricks. We expect to have this approved and ready early in 2022. We welcome your questions and the best way to contact the church is via email, deeringchurch@mcttelecom.com.

We are in the planning stages with a contractor and expect to start work in the Spring, with completion by Fall 2022. But, right now, we need your help to make this happen. This will be funded entirely by donations and our goal is \$10,000. We had a pledge of \$1,000 to start us off, and several who have heard of our plan have already made or pledged donations. We hope you will consider this a meaningful addition to the town center and will support this project with a generous donation.

Donations may be made by check, payable to Deering Community Church (MMG on the memo please) and mailed to 763 Deering Center Road, Deering, NH 03244. PayPal may also be used through the link on the DCC web page (<u>www.deeringcommunitychurch.org</u>) - be sure to add note for Memory Garden. Donations are tax deductible.

We are so very grateful for your support.