

D⁺eering Community Church

The Newsletter



Pastor's Corner



Can you believe it? The other day I thought I smelled leaves burning! And it isn't the end of August yet! It seems that once we get past July 31, we are at September 1 already (or even December 31). And we ask where does the time

go? The past months have flown past so quickly. I trust you have had a productive summer even if your task was to "goof-off" and have opportunity for re-creation (hyphen intended) as we approach that time when activity shifts into an autumnal mode after a summer's relatively quieter time (for some).

Life has not been restful for all though.

I received by e-mail the following thought by Andrea Singbeil entitled "Eagles in a Storm".

Did you know that an eagle knows when a storm is approaching long before it breaks? The eagle will fly to some high spot and wait for the winds to come.

When the storm hits, it sets its wings so that the wind will pick it up and lift it above the storm. While the storm rages below, the eagle is soaring above it. The eagle does not escape the storm. It simply uses the storm to lift it higher. It rises on the winds that bring the storm.

Andrea's thoughts bring to mind:

Have you not known ? Have you not heard ?
The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary his understanding is un-searchable. He gives power to the faint,

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and strengthens the powerless.

Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.—

Isaiah 40. 28 – 31

The Book of Genesis assures us that we are created in the image of the divine Creator. That means that we, in our humanity, carry the divine in our own lives.

As friends of Jesus, he has assured us that the things he does we will do also, and that we will do even greater things. (John 14.7-17)

May we soar like the eagles when stormy relationships in life and in the world threaten.

May the Spirit of that divine master continue leading and strengthening us in our mission of living the kingdom life into all our relationships.



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Moderator's Desk

Peter Cram

I'm often struck at how open some people are on Sunday mornings during that portion of the service when we offer our 'Joys and Concerns'. Most every week, someone will express thanks for the church family, and how welcome they feel. Who hasn't marveled at our own head Deacon, who will always openly give thanks to God for his blessings, his love, and the love we all share in Christ's name. That's usually followed by a 'woo-hoo!', with positive reinforcement from the congregation. I'm amazed at how freely these proclamations are given, and sometimes wish I could do the same. Perhaps it's my more reserved nature in that setting, or maybe I'm just more apt to listen than to speak. I'm not alone. There are those who freely express, and those who don't. I fall in the latter group.

This is not to say that I don't hold most, if not all of the same feelings. I do, and my guess is that most, if not all of those who are more of the listening sort, feel the same way. Like all of us, I see all the great works that are being done by all within the church, and I am eternally grateful. I'm grateful that the Holy Spirit works within so many people here in Deering to make it a welcome place for all. They work hard to lighten the load for those who are less fortunate. And, they work extremely hard to be a friend, offering a smile or a lift up when needed. It is a joyous community, and I'm eternally grateful to be a part of it.

So my hat is off to those who are able to more visibly and vocally show us their love and appreciation on Sunday mornings. We love hearing it. Just bear with the rest of us who may be silent. Our thoughts and our hearts are with you.

What I find amazing too is the number of things that get accomplished when we work collectively toward an objective. All of our committees are wonderful examples of how we all move forward as one.

The Pastoral Search Committee has done excellent

work, and we should all be extremely grateful for the effort they're giving. I don't want to speak on their behalf, but with their preliminary paperwork just about done, they're nearing the phase where they'll begin to look at potential ministerial candidates. How exciting is that!

The very successful Guild and Church Summer Fair once again was a remarkable event that brought the church community together, presenting to the wider community a bit of who we are and what we do. A large number of people gave countless hours of effort, and yes, their attic treasures. Whether we individually say it or necessarily show it, 'grateful' describes who and what we are.

But it doesn't stop there. To name a few other events we staged during this season, we had a great free Chicken Barbecue with an invitation to all residents in the area to gather and join in under our lovely pavilion. We had forums after church on some Sundays through the W S & O church group. Our music department organized wonderful music programs on some Sunday summer afternoons. And we opened our church to the greater seniors group for their lunch once a month in Deering. Now we take some time to relax, and enjoy some time off.

Later, we dig back in. For example, in a couple weeks, the bathroom / kitchen project will be entering its construction phase. Our patience will be tried as we find ourselves without a convenient bathroom for a while. (There are two other bathrooms in the facility of course.) The kitchen will be affected, and no doubt we'll be without stoves for a while too. But with a little elbow grease on the part of the church work crew, a little money and a little time, our facility will be that much better off. Well maybe that's a lot of elbow grease, and a lot of money, but it'll be worth it. I can't wait to see the results. **Workdays are September 12th and October 3rd**, so come and join in the fun of working on this project and others.

Search Committee Update

Steve Waters

Following the format provided by the New Hampshire Conference, our Search Committee has been meeting weekly throughout the Spring and Summer seasons, with occasional breaks for vacation and refreshment. The work requires a consistent focus on the goal of finding our next Pastor, a good measure of old fashioned hard work, and a lot of joy in the fun of working together. The results, as of this writing in early August, are a completed Parish Profile, a Brochure, and an Advertisement. These documents will be submitted to Pastor Zecchini, Moderator Cram and the Church Council, for proof reading and suggested editing. Once their approval of these documents has been

received, they will be forwarded to our advisor, Conference Minister Shulte, for the next step in our search which will be advertising for the position.

In working together, the Search Team has learned a more complete, thoroughgoing understanding of our parish, both its history, its transitions over time, and the work undertaken in current times. Along with this is a realistic picture of what our church may be able to accomplish, there is pride in the slogan "Small But Mighty", in reviewing all the activities in which we have been engaged. Yet we keep a vision of better serving our membership and our community.

Treasurer's Report

Stuart Huggard

I am happy to report that at this time, halfway through the third quarter, the church is in a good place financially. Even though we are paying for some help with cleaning and lawn mowing that was not budgeted for, we are well in the black. That has not always been the case when we get into mid-summer. There are several reasons for this positive report. The fair did better than ever, so the Guild and the church will split the \$4,000.00 that was taken in. There will be more to come with the ongoing sale of jam and cheese. Pledge performance has been great, and the

sale of Bob's woodworking creations has almost fulfilled the "to be raised" portion of the budget. The trustees and the Saturday morning work crew are planning on starting the work to make the bathroom handicapped accessible sometime soon. The funds for this work have been put aside and, therefore, this expenditure will have no effect on the budget. So, all in all, my job has been made easier by your continued support of all aspects of our budget. Congratulations to all.



W S & O Forums

Jeanne Bartlett & Don Johnson



The August 14th potluck dinner at 6 pm followed by a forum on her trip to India given by Barbara Currie was very interesting and well attended.

The August 16th forum was well attended by people from church and community. The subject was Cellar Holes. Two residents were there who summer on cellar hole road in Deering, one of which was Ray Petty. The speaker thought that was a hoot! Attendees found this a very interesting program.

On September 20th at 11:30 A.M. The World Service Committee will host our final forum on "The Middle East." Sponsored by the New Hampshire Humanities Council, Mohamed Defaa will explore the major issues facing the nations in the region and the world's powers. This program is especially relevant as Americans debate the proposed U.S. - Iranian treaty.



Remembrance Day & Bibles

Suzanne Huggard

Sunday, September 13 has been designated as Remembrance Sunday. Our new pew Bibles will be dedicated and we will also be using the historic pewter set for communion. It was Bev Yeaple who paid for the restoration of the pewter after we retrieved it from the NH Historical Society where it had been for many years. It now resides in the cabinet at the rear of the sanctuary. The purchase of the new pew Bibles was underwritten by donations and every one of the 40 Bibles will have a label indicating the donor and those remembered or honored by the purchases.

We hope many will join us as we celebrate and remember those who have been here before us, as well as honoring many in our midst today.

By Bob Fuller

In Memory of: Cynthia Jayne Ward
Beatrice Taylor Ward

By Ray Petty

In Memory of: A. Ray Petty, DD, Nan Petty, A. Ray Petty, Jr., Jean O. Petty, Carleton Sherwood, Ann Sherwood, Eleanor A. Campbell, Wallace Petty, Margaret Calderwood, Nancy Petty Wright

By Jane Levesque

In Memory of: Channing and Elizabeth Connor

By George Borbeau

In Memory of: Doris and William Laughlin

By Joyce Peace

In Memory of: Edith M. Daniels (2 Bibles)

By Carol and Jack Hubert

In Memory of: Our Parents

In Honor of: Jane Waters and the Deering Choir, The Canon Family (friends of the Huberts), Char Corbett and Family (Associate Minister of First Church in Windsor CT), The Jeanne and the Williams family (sister of Carol Hubert)

By Jane and Stephen Waters

In Memory of: Carolyn Maren Waters (daughter of Stephen and Jane Waters)

In Honor of: John Everett Waters (son of Stephen and Jane Waters)

By Phil and Marjory Bryce

In Memory of (2): Rev. Glendon E. Bryce

In Honor of (2): Sylvia E. Bryce

By Marjorie C. Weeden

In Memory of: Chester W. Colburn,
Margaret Colburn

By Tom Copadis

In Memory of: Thelma A. Copadis, Peter Wood, Margaret B. Wood, Wallace P. Wood, Dorothy J. Wood, Ruth and Edward Melton, Ruth E. Clement Farr, Yeaple Family

By Al & Barbara Glauner

In Honor of: The Deering Com. Church

By Jeanne T. Bartlett

In Memory of: Lottie Holmes

By Suzanne Huggard

In Memory of: My Sister Joan

By Stuart Huggard

In Memory of: My Parents

Sunday School

Chris Nase

Children and their families who are interested in participating in Sunday School should contact Chris Nase, 660-6790 or cnase@comcast.net, so we can plan for your children. If there are interested children, we will start the fall Sunday School schedule on September 13, 2015.

Margaret Annie Grover Colburn

Barbara Glauner



Margaret Colburn of Weare, NH died peacefully on Monday, July 13, 2015 on her 107th birthday, having been born on that date in 1908 in Brattleborough, Vermont. She grew up on the family farm in Bernardston, MA. She graduated from the Powers Institute, the town's

high school, and went on to the Keene Normal School graduating in 1927. She found employment as a school teacher at age 19 in Deering, NH at the North Deering School, a one room schoolhouse which no longer stands. She has one pupil left who remained a friend over the years, Hazel Vogelien, who was in her first and second grades. She taught for two years and then had to leave teaching when she married Chester Colburn. She moved into his home in Weare just over the Deering line. She worked alongside of him in his poultry business while building Colburn Cottages on Lake Horace. They were married for 67 years with Chester dying

in 1995, and had three children, Shirley, Chester and Marjorie. By the time Margaret died she had children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and many friends.

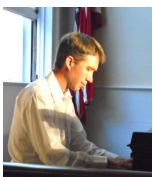
She was a member of the Deering Community Church and Woman's Guild from 1927 until her death. Her interests included golf, gardening, knitting and family. She was active in the church and the Guild activities and projects like the annual fair for many years. She was such a gentle, soft spoken lady and will be missed by so many of us who knew and cherished her.

There will be a private family service. In lieu of flowers, please give a donation to the Deering Community Church, 763 Deering Center Road, Deering, NH, 03244, or Hospice House, 30 Pilsbury Street, Concord NH, 03301. A photo and obituary can be found on the Holt Woodbury Funeral Home website under her name Margaret Annie Grover Colburn.

Hubert 40th Anniversary

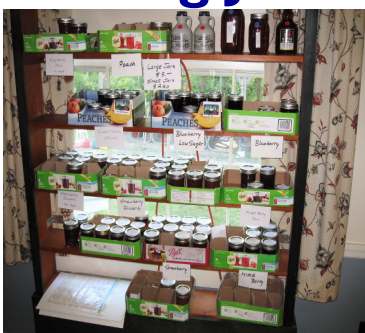
Christine Marcroft

Carol and Jack Hubert celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary at Deering Community Church with friends on August 20th in the evening with an hour of ragtime and other music played by Will Ogmundson on the piano followed by a funny duet sung by Carol and Jack with the group adding their voices at the end. The Huberts had a dinner party for all in Sherwood Hall. We were happy to honor a lovely and very active couple in our congregation.



Making Jams & Jellies

Christine Marcroft



Making Jam in July: I want to thank Pasca, Bryan, Jeanne, Carol and Kay for being such a big part of this annual activity! We made over 130 jars of delicious jams, had a lot of fun and sold quite a lot at the fair! Many more jars of yummy jams are available, so please keep browsing and purchase them for yourself or a lovely gift for the holidays!



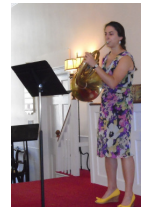
Musical Notes

Jane Waters

Our church always comes to life with special music at 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoons. On July 19 we enjoyed a concert by gifted classical guitarist from Mexico, Zaira Meneses, presented by Monadnock Music and hosted by Ray Petty.

On August 2nd we were blessed by the return of Lily Haley, clarinetist and colleagues Kelly Wallace, Katrina Veno, Sam Bradley and Laura Chicacello, all recent alumni of UNH with several receiving their initial training and inspiration from Heidi Welch at Hillsboro-Deering High School. They performed clarinet ensembles, flute duets, and solo French horn. Featured selections included Latin rhythms with snappy titles "Two Flutes (On the Loose)" and "Don't Make It Bad." The quartet for clarinets, "Carmen Fantasy" by Bizet was the final piece, which was by request. It is so

gratifying to see such great support by our community for these talented



young musicians. The final well attended summer concert on August 23

featured our beloved Japanese pianist, Shizue Sano. She played arrangements of familiar songs by R. Rogers, Gershwin and Joplin plus works by Beethoven, Liszt and Chopin. Charlotte and Glenn Price came and chatted with Shizue after the concert.



As is customary for the summer months, choir members who come on Sunday may choose music to sing. A delightful duet by Sam Kelly and Peter Cram featured Abraham Lincoln's favorite hymn. It has been so pleasant to hear the organ played by Paul Bordeleau, Miriam Ort, and Warren Geissinger. Your scribe had the honor to sing with Warren accompanying.

Choir rehearsals resume on September 10th at 7 PM. Friday, October 23 will be the date for our fall hymn sing and potluck supper @ Smith Church.

Free Chicken Barbecue, 7/25 Photos --David Glauner & Christine Marcroft



Summer Fair August 8

Barbara Glauner

Our annual summer fair, organized by the guild and the church, took place on a lovely August 8th day. The fair was very well attended by lots of people from hither and yon.

We had many of our usual offerings like baked goods and pies, homemade jams and jellies, some garden produce, the cheese table, the raffle table with Bob Fuller's handmade table and bench along with a new Electrolux vacuum cleaner, an assortment of new kitchen implements, our crafts and jewelry table, attic treasures, and new this year a used tool area set up in the pavilion behind the church along with the plants for sale. Out in front, we had hot dogs, soda and snacks, plus ice cream, and a face painting table. We started talking about and organizing for the fair back in June, and it culminated with a lot of hard work by many hands. The fair is the main fund raiser for the church and netted about \$4000. Here are photos of the event taken by David Glauner and Christine Marcroft.



Summer Fair, cont.

Barbara Glauner



Wedding Gowns: We also had a display of wedding gowns over the years inside the main church on fair day along with pictures and invitations.



For Your Information

Food Pantries

We continue to collect alternating weekly donations of non-perishable food for the Food Pantries.

Hillsboro: There is need for small cans of meat and fish for **October**, such as ham, tuna, chicken, etc., and personal care products for **September**, such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste and brushes, but each week you're welcome to bring whatever food or personal-care items you have. The Food Pantry is still in need of large brown paper bags.

Weare: Donations of all types of food and personal care products are sorely needed.

Cash donations are always welcome. Please make checks payable to Deering Community Church and note "Food Pantry" on the memo line. Periodically, accumulated cash donations are divided and half is sent to each of the above food pantries.

Food Pantry donations are part of our outreach program to help others less fortunate. Please help if you can. THANK YOU !
Suzanne Huggard,
Financial Secretary



SEPTEMBER

Sarah Byron, 4
Lynn Compton, 19
Jean Johnson, 20
Priscilla Beaudrault, 20
Henry Weeden, 22
Lauren Warner, 23
Pasca Ferwerda, 29

OCTOBER

Robert Carter, 9
James Carpenter, 16
Tom Copadis, 19
Mackensie Nase, 20
David Bell, 20
Ann Foraker, 22



Happy Anniversary

SEPTEMBER

Lynn & Robert Compton, 4

OCTOBER

Bryan & Bert Terry, 7
Barbara & Alfred Glauner, 22

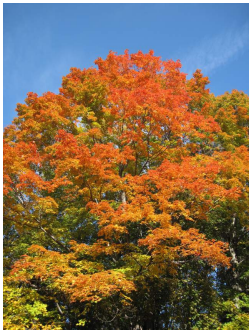
GHSS report by Chuck Gaides

Folks: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 was a lovely day in Deering! The Greater Hillsborough Senior Services held their annual picnic at the Deering Pavilion courtesy of the "open to all" Deering Community Church. The assembled Seniors had hamburgers, cheeseburgers, hot dogs, home made salads, beans with all the fixings, and many lovely desserts along with fresh, cool watermelon. It truly was a fine time, eating well and having enjoyable conversations with the 40 plus seniors who attended. This was the 4th such summer picnic that GHSS has had the opportunity to have in Deering. We are very grateful!



September 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 YOGA 9 am each Tuesday	2  Guild @ Noon	3	4	5
6 10 am Worship & Communion, Deacon's Gift	7 Labor Day	8 7 pm Council	9 7 pm WS&O	10  7 pm Choir each Thursday	11	12 7 am Breakfast, 8 am Workday
13 10 am Worship, CE	14	15	16	17	18	19
			7 pm Trustees			
20 10 am Worship, CE Forum, 11:30 3 pm Pflag Concord	21	22  Autumn Begins	23	24	25	26
27 10 am Worship, CE	28	29	30			
			7 pm Deacons			



October 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				 1 7 pm Choir Each Thursday	2	3 7 am Breakfast, 8 am WORKDAY starts
4 10 am Worship & Communion Deacon's Gift CE	5	6 YOGA 9 am each Tuesday	7  Guild @ Noon	8	9	10
11 10 am Worship, No CE	12 Columbus Day	13 7 pm Council	14 7 pm WS&O	15	16	17
18 10 am Worship, CE 3 pm Pflag Concord	19	20	21 7 pm Trustees	22	23 Potluck Supper & Hymn Sing @Smith Church Newsletter Deadline	24
25 10 am Worship, CE	26	27	28 7 pm Deacons	29	30	31  Halloween

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