

D⁺eering Community Church

The Newsletter



From the Pastor's Pen

May, June, 2017



I am mindful of all the recent efforts to affirm grounded science in contrast to the extremism of "alternative facts" and imperial religious speculation. It's certainly an interesting discussion. But just what is science? Just what is religion? According to the

dictionary science is "the intellectual and practical activity encompassing the systematic study of the structure and behavior of the physical and natural world through observation and experiment." Some of science grew out of the general inquiry of theology, as "reasoning or discussion concerning the Deity, the science of things Divine." Jews, Christians, and Muslims of the Abrahamic faiths, as well as other world religions, have delved deeply into discerning the presence of the divine in all of creation. Out of these inquiries came many branches of the sciences. Somewhere along the line this parallel inquiry divided into opposing camps largely due to extreme fundamentalism on both sides. They are both inquiries into the nature of cosmic and physical reality. Spiritual and scientific insight each have something to offer those in the world who do not go the extremes. Quantum and Particle physics, for instance, are unfolding mysteries scientists of yesteryear could not even begin to speculate about. The very nature of reality is being discovered anew.

It's important to understand science and theology as two related fields of study into the nature of reality and its function. Each requires what in philosophy is referred to as the "hermeneutics of suspicion," defined by Paul Ricoeur. G.D. Robinson states that it is "the fine line between a call for objectivity

(grounded in some way in the text or object of study), and yet at the same time seeking to remain "open" to what the text may have to say. Ricoeur's hermeneutic of suspicion represents his attempt to retain both science and art, whilst disallowing either an absolute status; (Ricoeur says) "Hermeneutics seems to me to be animated by this double motivation: willingness to suspect, willingness to listen; vow of rigor, vow of obedience." <http://www.gongfa.com/robinsonlike.htm> It is the suspicion, openness and objectivity, that allows

serious exploration and communication between faith and science. Biblical criticism arose from such inquiries and has continued to illuminate our understanding of the nature of the divine reality and texts. Together they help us approach a relative and functional grasp of a moral universe of both chaos and order. Human consciousness is one of the most profound gifts of existence. While it separates us from other life forms we begin to discover through scientific inquiry that there are varied types of consciousness in other living organisms. Ours is of an advanced willful nature and the most dangerous as so proven by our species very short history.



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Pastor's Pen cont.

Rev. Bill Beardslee

Our task as practitioners of Christ-Love is to serve ALL of creation. Resurrection teaches us of the regenerative nature of life, so needed to rescue our planet and all species who have become victims of our pride, selfishness and materialism leaving a wake of desolation and destruction in its wake. The humans must wake up with new eyes to know what lies unseen, what interpenetrates the physical, bodily reality of which we are a part.

Geo-Logian (as he liked to be called) Jesuit, Fr. Thomas Berry wrote a book called *Dream of the Earth*, that brought him to the attention of many. He therein articulated the call for a "a mutually-enhancing human-Earth presence" among the humans. Influenced by Berry and others, a "think tank" came up with "The Ten Key Values" for transforming the human presence on the planet. These Ten Values, as well as Berry's other work, are the cutting edge and synchronization of culture: spirituality/faith/arts, politics, economics and survival embodied in workable strategies. Within each area, a series of questions is asked for reflection. They are: Ecological Wisdom, Grassroots Democracy, Personal and Social Responsibility, Nonviolence, Decentralization, Community-based Economics, Past Patriarchal Values, Respect for Diversity, Global Responsibility, and Future Focus.

<https://www.ncronline.org/blogs/eco-catholic/fr-thomas-berrys-dream-earth-ten-ways-achieve-it>

May we continue to embrace the impetus to be in

right relationship with this magnificent planet entrusted to us. May we bring clarity of intention, purpose, suspicion and love to all we do as we go to the limits of our longing!

God speaks to each of us as he makes us,
then walks with us silently out of the night.

These are the words we dimly hear:

You, sent out beyond your recall,
go to the limits of your longing.

Embody me.

Flare up like a flame
and make big shadows I can move in.

Let everything happen to you: beauty and terror.

Just keep going. No feeling is final.

Don't let yourself lose me.

Nearby is the country they call life.

You will know it by its seriousness.

Give me your hand.

"Go To The Limits Of Your Longing" -- Book of Hours, I 59, Rainer Maria Rilke

Peace!

Rev Bill Beardslee

Worship

Rev Bill Beardslee

The Lenten Season worship and discussions proved to be full with meaning. We gathered each week to discuss the sermon content, themes and idea in the context of our Lenten practices. There was near full participation of all who attended the service. It was stimulating, thoughtful, engaging and even inspirational. Thanks one and all.

An Easter Sunrise Service on the hill at Intrepid Farm was stunning as the blazing sun rose over the ridge as we sang. This was followed by a continental breakfast at St. Mary's Catholic Church.

Worship cont.

Rev Bill Beardslee

Deering Community Church worship with guests was alive with Spirit and the beauty of a sanctuary adorned by forsythia facsimiles and flowers in honor and memory of loved ones.

The Choir outdid itself, their numbers, voices and hearts strong and full in Resurrection celebration.

We enthusiastically welcomed SEVEN new members into our community in the midst of the Resurrection celebration. Please extend your hand to Kate Boucher, Brandon Boucher, Sally Carll-Long, Amanda Gunter, Ruth Kochalka, Deanna Lenz, and Stan Long.

NATIONAL POETRY MONTH brought together readers of their own poems as well as favorite poets. The evening began with a good number of people gathered for wonderful deserts followed by the power of the shared word. It was a profound and fun filled night of sharing.

CONSTANT CONTACT

We continue to utilize our church wide email program called Constant Contact. We hope this is serving its purpose. Your feedback is always welcomed. Please note that clicking on and opening any emails received helps us evaluate the effectiveness of our outreach via this medium.

The same is true for efforts on **Facebook**. Please click AND share.

THE FREE NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY is in the planning stages for Tuesday, June 13th from 1:30 to 8:40pm

- PLEASE sign up for a slot to have your individual or family portraits taken.
- Well behaved **PETS ARE WELCOMED** for your session.
- Both the company, Life Touch and Deering Church, see this as a tool for outreach. It is totally appropriate to **invite friends to take advantage of getting a free 8x10 portrait**. They can choose or not to be listed in the church directory.
- While the date might seem far away there is lots of planning that goes into making this happen.
- IT IS NOT TOO EARLY TO CLAIM A TIME.
- If we get 15 more people than the slots we've been given we'll get more time!
- Photos will be taken in Sherwood Hall

The Woodpecker

Elizabeth Maddox Roberts



The Woodpecker pecked a little round hole, And made him a home in the telephone pole. One day when I watched he poked out his head, And he had on a hood and a collar of red. When the streams of rain pour out of the sky, And sparkles of lightening go flashing by, And the big, big wheels of thunder roll, He can snuggle back in the telephone pole.

Time to Rise

Robert Lewis Stevenson

A birdie with a yellow bill, Hopped upon my window sill,
Cocked his shining head and said: "Ain't you 'shamed, you sleepy head!"



Moderator's Desk

Bryan Terry

A year ago, at this time, the congregation voted to call Reverend Bill Beardslee to be our new Pastor. Spring was in the air. It was a time full of the excitement of new life, both outside with greening grass and buds on the trees, and also within the church! Well, the Daffodils and Hyacinths are coming up again, and we continue to feel the buzz of rejuvenation and new life! Church committees are working on ways they can support each other in their various ministries that make our church flourish. The church building has undergone some more renovation and improvements over the past year, with a handicapped-accessible Bathroom and delightful, sunny and efficient new kitchen. Our hard-working Trustees and numerous volunteers worked together for this huge project. A special volunteer, Captain Tom Cavannaugh of the Deering Police Department, put in many hours helping with the kitchen, alongside of our Trustees and other church worker bees. In fact, these good folks continue to work diligently on this old building with the necessary, perpetual maintenance and sprucing up. Just wait until you see the up-coming, up-dated bathroom upstairs by the Pastor's and Secretary's offices! Various angels have continued to keep paper goods, coffee, foods, even flowers flowing in our church, filling our basic sensory needs.

Pastor Bill has nourished our spiritual quest and needs. He has continued to excite and inspire us all with his sermons and contributions to after worship discussions and educational sessions. A great many congregants have stayed after coffee hour to partake in moving discussions and presentations. Perhaps you remember, High School Senior, Mackenzie Nase, opened our eyes to the excess waste, and unsafe – even cruel – practices that go into the production and sales of most of the products that we consumers use. Mac provided resources for more information on ways to be 'green' and how we can be 'conscientious' consumers. Bill educated soon-to-be members, and many others of us interested in learning about the beginnings of Christianity up to who we are today as the "United Church of Christ". Lenten discussions were well attended, inspirational

and moving. We seem to thirst for spiritually driven, insightful discussions, where even typically close-lipped souls have been able to open up. Information from each of these talks and presentations are on either the large bulletin board or on the information table in Sherwood Hall. But, it has been Bill's sermons that have most intensely and genuinely moved us. He has been able to connect us to the ancient Biblical stories in ways that help us better understand the political and economic climate of that time. Perhaps that connection has been what has been vital in helping us to more clearly see how pertinent those stories, scriptures and Jesus' actions still are today. You will just have to come and hear Bill, to grasp what I'm trying to say. Bill's robust connection with social media, as in Facebook, Constant Contact emails and various links on the church's website, have been attracting people (some have found our church through social media). Also the contagious, out-going attitude from the New Day Committee, has encouraged some in our congregation to personally invite and bring neighbors and friends to worship. The combined spiritual freshness and inspiration from our Pastor, the social outreach ministries, as well as the warm, welcoming and caring people in our church, have created the 'just right' atmosphere that many seem to be searching for. Seven new members joined the Deering Community Church on Easter Sunday. Each one of them brings wonderful attributes, skills, sensitivities, awareness and energy that will add, immeasurably, to this remarkable little church on the hill! Let's all embrace and take the time to get to know, "Amanda, Deanna, Brandon, Kate, Ruth, Sally and Stan". We will show them a welcome that only the folks at the Deering Community Church can!

We will be capping off the week with our inaugural "Welcome to Summer" strawberry bash on Saturday, June 17th! We have a busy, exciting summer ahead, with musical concerts, our church fair and chicken barbecue, as well as the picture-taking and new event welcoming summer (residents and warm weather!). So, please, stay tuned-in by regularly checking the calendar that is both on the

Moderator's Desk

Bryan Terry

large bulletin board in Sherwood Hall, as well as on the website. Also, please, do check out the Deering Church's Facebook page. There will be inspirational and interesting conversations, event listings, pictures, etc., that can be cherished and shared with family and friends. If you have news or pictures that might be of interest to any of our church friends and members, please post them! If you need help or have questions, you can contact Bill. We are committed to staying vital in our communities both within the church and at large. I look forward to seeing what we can accomplish together in the months ahead. Thank you for your thriving interest, actions and participation in our church's ministries and life.

A BIG Thank You!

The following members, and friends of the church, have put hours of work towards the Handicapped-Accessible bathroom and the beautiful new, commercial kitchen we now enjoy and can share with the community:

Tom Cavannaugh- Captain of the Deering Police and friend of the Deering Community Church, who spent hours and hours of painting, building and general pitching in!

Jean Lewis, Jane Levesque and Tim Ferwerda- Trustees, visionaries, coordinators and master workers!

Stuart Huggard, Bob Fuller and David Bell – former Trustees and heroes of the church, who have since moved, but will never be forgotten for their incredible work & contributions!

Peter Cram – Treasurer, former Moderator (*both during the working phase!*), and Organizer of monthly Saturday "Church Clean-Up" projects and kitchen duties! Byron, Joel, Bill, etc.

*While there are others who have also contributed in various ways, the above people, who have done such heroic work, deserve our hearty and sincere **Thank You!***

Trustees

Jean Lewis

The Trustees continue to work on maintaining our physical facilities. We are reviewing and prioritizing the needs as an ongoing project. We are aware of the peeling paint on the exterior by the entrance. Having limited funds, we do hope for a volunteer effort. At the moment we request not using the lower level 'Ladies' room, as we don't believe it is a presentable facility. Please use the former "Mens" room to the right of it as a restroom for all. We are now beginning to rehab the rest room adjacent to the church office. As this has a tub and shower, it is prudent to keep in good repair not only for members' and staff convenience, but should a community member not have water/bathing facilities due to a water emergency. We again, are keeping to a minimal budget. Does seem like we are bath room fixated! Well, we try to keep these things clean and in good repair! We give thanks to talented heads, hands, and hearts, once again!



Our next work day will be May 6th followed by June 3rd. Could you please bring along some equipment/tools for sprucing up our lawns and gardens? Again, our delightful Chef Peter Cram will nourish us and more at 7:00 am. See you then! Please come and enjoy Spring together in fellowship.

Yours in Faith, Your Trustees,

Tim Ferwerda, Jean Lewis (Chair), Jane Levesque, and Hazel Vogelien.



Treasurer's Report

Peter Cram



We can be comfortable, yet not over confident with our financial status. Through prudent spending and watching of the bottom line, we find ourselves for the most part in line with budgetary expectations. Having completed 25% of the fiscal year, we've spent roughly 28% of the yearly budget. This, despite having made significant payments toward heating oil since the first of January. We expect that outlays with that particular line item to be relatively minor for the remainder of the year. Many thanks to all who have helped to make the finances of our church remain steady.

We're pleased to see that a significant contribution from an anonymous donor for \$7,500 came in.

Meanwhile, our church continues to show incredible generosity toward the 5 major fundraising programs sponsored by the wider church. To date, contributions to 'One Great Hour of Sharing' totaled \$1,347. I don't recall us ever having raised that much for this program. Amazing!

Last month we also paid \$1,000 (half) of our commitment to the conference for 'Our Church's Wider Mission, so we're ahead of the game with respect to our overall outreach contributions.

Clearly, in terms of the funding we provide and the work we put behind our words, we continue to live up to being 'small but mighty'.

Musical Notes

Jane Waters



Music for Lent --
Palm Sunday's
Hosannas, Maundy
Thursday's service
recalling the Last
Supper, highlighted
by *Were You
There* sung by Bryan

Terry and Sam Kelly, and finally joyful *Alleluias* sung on Easter Sunday -- all of these services included our very dedicated choir. We appreciated Susan Bartlett's joining us to sing. Jon Doharty, talented young trumpet player, and Darlene Poole, guest organist, added special touches.

Events to come are the possibility of choir members joining others to sing in the 25th anniversary of Plymouth UCC Church's 25th anniversary of becoming Open and Affirming. This will take place on the weekend of May 6, 7 and 8.

The **summer concert series** at Deering Community Church, *Sundays at 3*, will begin on May 21st at 3 pm with Will Ogmundson, pianist, composer, and a favorite performer over the years. Then on July 16th the Vermillion Strings, a piano trio from the Boston area, will perform at 3 pm, and finally Shizue Sano, pianist, will perform here on August 6th at 3 pm.

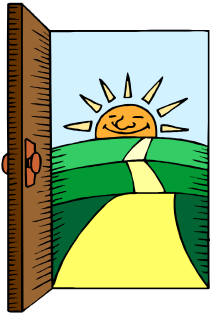


Monadnock Music will be holding their free summer concert at Deering Community Church on July 9th with music by a piano trio.

Don't miss the wealth of summer concerts at the Deering Community Church this summer.

New Day

Steve Waters



In May of last year, a group of parishioners met with the Rev. Paul Nickerson in a workshop at the Conference Center. Jammed into a crowd of representatives from other parishes, all had the same thing on their minds. Can our beloved church actually survive in this time of uncertainty? Is there hope for us to be relevant and thriving while our congregation has diminished to a precious few? Paul Nickerson gave us hope with specific pathways to vibrant effectiveness while telling us directly that churches can no longer expect people to show up at their door, that churches must become known in the community by getting out from the walls of the church, talk to people about who we are and what we do, and then invite and bring them to the church. We were promised that the work would be long and difficult but essential in order to survive in a continually fast changing world.

Our group – Rev. Bill Beardslee, Lee and Christine Marcroft, Chris Nase, Bryan Terry, Jane and Steve Waters, soon joined by Carol and Jack Hubert – began meetings at various cafes to present a visible presence in the community while charting a course of action to reintroduce the Deering Community Church to the community at large based on the Nickerson formulas.

Being more intentional about what we are known for already, our group came to an awareness about the difficulties confronting “reaching out” in Deering, a town with no central gathering place along with various infrastructure frustrations. We

took actions to overcome the inherent difficulties that have confronted us, including use of the media to publicize our activities, meet and greet dinners, events to meet and thank police and firemen, and other opportunities for the community to come to know us.

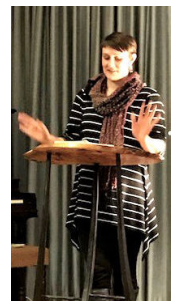
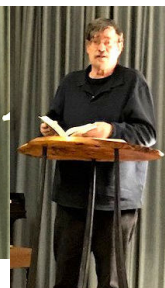
Clearly, the calling and installation of Rev. Bill has been the one key step the church has taken this year. Factors that have been important include an engaging and meaningful church service; adding new choir members, an enhanced sense of community and relationships; and great involvement in inspirational and informative after-church discussions and forums. Coming together as a committee to recognize and address our problems has led to renewed optimism and confidence in our future.

The bottom line – attracting new people – is the proof in the pudding, if you will. On Easter Sunday, seven new parishioners were installed as members of the church! These newcomers bring with them new ideas, new backgrounds, and new energy for our church.

While important to celebrate the accomplishments and successes of the past year, it remains that we both recognize the efforts and also the work that still needs to be addressed. The top priority is to include all members of the church in the positivity, enthusiasm, and collaboration in the need to grow. As the church culture of loving, welcoming and helpful outreach is fully absorbed, we may find a greater sense of a vital future for the Deering Community Church.

Poetry Evening

Jeanne Bartlett

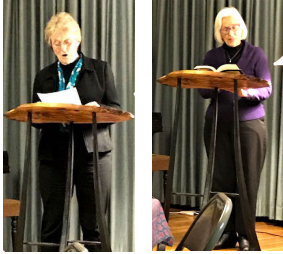


Poetry Evening cont.

Jeanne Bartlett & photos by Christine Marcroft



Deering Community Church celebrated National Poetry Month with open mic in Sherwood Hall. The first person to arrive had the Hillsboro Messenger, (they printed our submission!), under his arm and a poetry book containing some of his favorite poets. He said: "It sounded like fun". Joyce Peace read from her copy of Robert Frost's poems, dedicating her reading of his poems to honor the memory of Jean Johnson. Pastor Bill welcomed everyone and later read some of his own profound poetry. Several writers came forward to read their work while



pansies, decorating the cafe tables, nodded their approval. Two delicious trifles, called Blueberries on Snow, were enjoyed by all. The rain fell, enriching the earth outside, while inside voices read poetry to an attentive audience. It was a delightful evening! "Poetry is like bread--everyone shares it". Pictured here reading their poetry choices on page 7 & 8 are Bill Beardslee, Jeanne Bartlett, Wolfgang Seidlich, Sylvia Dupre, Katelyn Boucher, Sally Long, Stan Long, Betty Dishong, Chris Hague and Barbara Currie along with a picture of the group and audience that evening.

WS & O

Jeanne Bartlett

The One Great Hour of Sharing appeal brought in a total of \$1,097.00. The Women's Guild's generous pledge of \$200.00 will be added to this. Here are some of the ways your dollars are used: The United Church of Christ is adding its voice to a new nationwide effort of three dozen faith groups in support of refugees that responds to the needs of the most vulnerable and seeks to restore their hopes for resettling in the US. The UCC is sending \$85,000 in aid to South Sudan and three other African countries to help people combating a crisis fueled by war, severe drought and massive food shortages. The UCC disaster relief responded to: 2017 --Kansas(wildfires), Illinois (Ottawa/Naplate tornado), Michigan (Flint Water Crisis), New Jersey (Hurricane Sandy 2012), West Virginia (Flooding 20@5 and '16), Florida (Hurricane Matthew). Thank you one and all!

Teen Bag project: Here at home the need for donations to buy supplies for the monthly delivery of small meals and snacks to Genesis Youth drop-in center is urgent. A paper bag is on the table in church foyer to receive your donation or checks can be mailed to church office, directed to Financial Secretary, and made out to Deering Community Church for Teen Bag project.

Goffstown Women's Prison: We will be remembering the women on Mothers' Day with messages of hope - notes on plain white paper. No glue, stickers or envelopes, please. We try to provide 150. The John Stark high-school students also help with this project.

Brooms

By Dorothy Aldis

On stormy days when winds are high,

Tall trees, like brooms, sweep the sky.

Swishing their branches In buckets of rain, They wash and sweep the sky blue again.



Guild Gleanings

Barbara Glauner

The Guild held meetings on March 6th and April 5th. After a snowy period this spring, it is warming up. The daffodils are in bloom and things are greening up. We had lunch and a short business meeting in March and then adjourned to the basement area to work on our upcoming Attic Treasure Thrift Shop set up. To test out our idea of a thrift shop, on Saturday, March 18, the Guild booked a table for \$15 for the Cabin Fever Flea Market at the American Legion. in Hillsboro, where we sold jams, potholders, rada kitchen knives etc and handed out flyers for our new Attic Treasures Thrift Shop in the Deering Community Church opening Saturday, April 29th from 9 am to 1 pm. The church Council approved the idea in April and we will split the proceeds with the church to pay rent for the use of the area downstairs for this shop. We welcome new donations in good condition to add to what we have to offer the last Saturday of each month -- things like children's clothing, household items, books, and small furniture -- no electronics.

Kay brought in an unfinished quilt that someone gave her. Kay had bound and tied it, and it was decided to leave it that way and offer it for a church raffle at the Summer Fair. It is a log cabin design in beautiful colors. In the meantime, Jeanne will look into finding another item to be raffled along with the quilt.

At our April Guild meeting during poetry month, 7 poems were read by members. Jeanne Bartlett opened our meeting with a poem called Memory and told us all of the passing of long time Guild member Jean Johnson at age 82 on 4/4/17.

The Guild voted to give \$100 to the "Community Concert Series in Deering" which is being arranged by Jane Waters and our music department at the church. They received \$300 from the Ruth Ethel Clement Farr Art Fund but needed more to pay for the musical series this season.

Our next two meetings are scheduled for May 3rd and June 7th at noon. All women are always welcome to come and make new friends.

Christian Education

Chris Nase

During Lent, Pastor Bill offered sermon discussions following the service. These discussions were well attended and generated lively discussion. One discussion focused on our earth and our responsibility as Christians to care for it. Several of us have used a resource from the Massachusetts UCC to participate in a Lenten carbon fast. We received daily emails with information and suggestions for action and contemplation about how we can best be stewards of God's creation. For more information please see - <http://www.macucc.org/carbonfast>

Here is a list of things we can do to decrease our carbon footprint – 1) Turn off lights when you leave the room; 2) Unplug items not in use; 3) Lower thermostat - move more, use blankets, sweaters, layers; 4) Limit use of materials (reduce), reuse any materials possible, recycle when no longer usable; 5) Share a list of tools, machines, equipment you own and would be willing to loan - especially items that have limited use - share rather than purchase; 6) Turn off water when washing dishes, brushing teeth, use rainwater containers, use “warm up” water for watering plants; 7) Think before you print - can you use a digital copy, can you copy on both sides, what is the purpose of printing?; 8) Purchase “clean” electricity - Amanda Gunter does this; 9) Combine errands, walk when possible, share errands with a friend; 10) Use less, buy less, buy from local vendors.

What else are you doing to be a good steward of our earth?

Next month – information about DCC's participation in the March for Science and the walk to church.

Easter Sunday and New Members

Photos by Christine Marcroft



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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 for **May**, such as ham, tuna, chicken, etc., and personal care products for **June**, such as bath soap, shampoo, toothpaste and brushes, etc., 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 !**
Pasca Ferwerda,
Financial Secretary



MAY

Stephen Waters – 3
Marjorie Weeden -12
Joyce Peace -14
Hailey Nase - 19

JUNE

Debbie Matthews - 5
Bob Santagata –23
Alfred Glauner –24
Bryan Terry –24



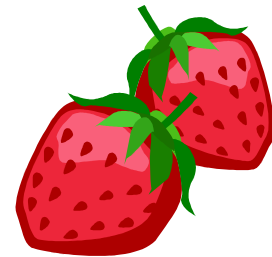
Happy Anniversary

JUNE

Charlotte & Glenn Price - 6
Barbara Pond & Jim Cook –12

Photos will be taken for the **Deering Church Pictorial Directory**. Sign up for appointments on **June 13th, 1:30 to 8:40 pm**

June 17th– Welcome to the Summer Church Strawberry bash picnic.





May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3  Guild @ Noon Chi-Do & Max Med mornings	4  Choir Practice 7 pm each Thursday	5 7:30 pm Max Meditation each Friday	6 Breakfast 7 am, Workday 8 to 10 am.
7 10 am Worship & Communion	8	9 Council 7 pm	10 Chi-Do Movement 9:30 am, Max Med 10:30 am each Wed. WS&O - 7 pm	11 New Day Meets 4:30 to 6 pm	12	13
14 10 am Worship Mother's Day	15	16	17 Trustees 7 pm	18	19	20 8 am Adult & Tot yoga, 2 pm Mini Me Yoga workshop
21 10 am Worship (3 pm Pflag Concord) Ogmundson Concert 3 pm	22	23	24	25	26	27 Deering Church Thrift Shop 9 am to 1 pm
28 10 am Worship Memorial Weekend	29	30 5 pm Council Leadership Deacons 7 pm	31			



June 2017

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				 1 Choir Practice 7 pm each Thursday	2	3 Breakfast 7 am, Workday 8 to 11 am.
4 10 am Worship & Communion	5	6	7  Guild @ Noon Chi-Do 9:30 , Max Med 10:30 am Weds.	8 New Day Committee 4:30 to 6 pm	9	10
11 10 am Worship	12	13 Church photos taken today. Council 7 pm	14 Flag Day  WS&O 7 pm	15	16	17  Church Summer strawberry picnic
18 10 am Worship Father's Day	19	20	21 First Day of Summer Trustees 7 pm	22	23	24 Deering Church Thrift Shop, 9 am to 1 pm
25 10 am Worship	26	27 Council Leadership, 5 pm Deacons 7 pm	28	29	30	

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deeringcommunitychurch.org

*We're on Facebook at Deering
Community Church, United
Church of Christ*



The passing of Jean Elliot Johnson



It is with great sadness that we learned our long time friend, church and Women's Guild member Jean Johnson died at age 82 in her home in New York City on April 4th. She was surrounded with her family and husband Don Johnson. Jean led a full and rich life with personal and professional accomplishments, dedicating her life to education, social justice and an unwavering commitment to her friends and family. A full history of her accomplishments can be found on Legacy.com.

Late spring, summer and early fall were spent at their home in Deering, NH in recent years with their family nearby. Jean was an active member of the Deering Community Church and the Deering Women's Guild for many years. She had a sweet disposition and was loved by all who knew her. A memorial service will be held in Riverside Church, NYC on May 21st at 2 pm and in Deering in the coming months. We will let you know when the service will be held in the Deering Community Church.

