

Apple Crisp Order Deadline Extended to OCTOBER 8th



**To order Apple Crisp online go to our website
www.thebrownchurch.org then go to the "Shop" page
or click on the apple on the home page
or call the church 603.447.3851**

DIACONATE MESSAGE



To mask or de-mask? That is the question. October is here and as I sit and ponder, I wonder how many children are actually excited about the idea of putting on any kind of mask for Halloween this year. Many, I'm sure, are just as tired of wearing a mask daily as are their adult counterparts. They may be asking questions like, "Do I have to wear a surgical mask on top of my mummy wrapped head or my green warted witch nose, or my werewolf's sharp teeth?" "How am I supposed to look like Dracula if this mask hides my fangs?" Maybe they're making bold statements like, "Mommy, princesses wear tiaras, not surgical masks!" "Pirates don't wear surgical masks, they wear eyepatches!" Let's face it...COVID-19 will steal the one night of the year that children get to explore a make-believe world by wearing a costume of their choosing, because this year, they will have to "accessorize" it with a surgical mask.

By this time of the year, I know many of us were praying that we would be on a road to recovery and restoration of the normalcy of life. Gabe, my mom and I, took off at the end of September for a 17 day road trip looking to restore some normalcy. We drove through Vermont, New York, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia, Virginia, Maryland and New Jersey. All in all, we traveled 4,384 miles. Along the way, we made sure to take the road less traveled, avoiding major highways and toll roads. We covered lots of territory, enjoyed our country's beautiful scenic byways, visited with family and friends, enjoyed stopping at historical places and tasted a few libations at a few bourbon distilleries.

Overall, we had a great time! The only bump in the road was having to wear a facial mask everywhere we went in public. We sanitized our hands several times each day. We even made sure we did our part to practice social distancing by staying in cabins at KOA campgrounds and at a condo timeshare we had access to. However, the best stays were where we could be our unmasked selves, while visiting family in Tennessee and Pennsylvania and our good friends, Sam and Rich Rice in Ohio. (Sam and Rich said to say hello to everyone, by the way!) While we enjoyed our trip, the masks reminded us that all is not right in the world and the trip was not at all "normal".

So, if we as adults cannot find total normalcy in our lives at this point, how can we expect children to understand why they need to wear a surgical mask on top of their Halloween costume? To venture daily through the unknown road ahead, I believe we need to embrace what we have in front of us...Love for our family, forgiveness in our hearts, offering a helpful hand to our fellow man/woman and supporting each other through this craziness.

Above all, we need to live by the sound advice of the Good Book. Reading the bible never hurt anyone. After all, I hear there may be a man by the name of Saul, walking down the road to De-Mask-Us (pun intended). I'm betting he'll meet up with someone on that road who can provide the answers to turn things around! God bless us all. Stay safe, my friends!

Holly Necochea
October Deaconess of the Month



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Diaconate

Nancy Divine Mitzi Fitch Holly Necochea
Suzanne Rancourt Louise Saxby Dawn Vitters
Judy Workman



**Prayer
REQUEST**

◇ Alice Clapp	◇ Elise Keeney Edgerton
◇ Cathy Currier	◇ Linda Frechette
◇ Colleen Albert	◇ Lisa and Sandy Stowell
◇ Ruth Ward	

September Worship Service		
Date	#	Special Day
Sept 6	56	Communion Sunday "On the Threshold"
Sept 13	51	"Do You Believe in Clean Eating?"
Sept 20	50	"Our Daily Bread"
Sept 27	52	"Who's Responsible for My Suffering?"

Please email us at
info@thebrownchurch.org
 to add someone to the
 prayer list. Thank you



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<https://www.facebook.com/TheBrownChurchConwayNH/>

This will help folks who may not be familiar with our church know we are

well liked within the community. You will be notified on your Facebook notifications when we post something new. You in turn, if you choose to, can share that post on your page, which is very helpful in promoting the church, particularly for promoting our events.

Thank you & God Bless



Trustee's Message

The leaves are turning, the nights are cooler and the apple crisp ingredients are in Fellowship Hall. October would not be the same without the smell floating around the building!

Even though the Fair has been cancelled, we wanted to still have an event during that week and sell crisp. The congregation did vote to remove the fair income from the budget, but the trustees do need to keep the church solvent. With the success of the August turkey dinner, we decided to try again during what would have been Fair week and include crisp sales.

Thank you to Carl Vitters for making the oven fried chicken dinner set for October 7th. For dessert, he will have apple crisp.

The crisp prep will be a smaller production this year and for less days. We will have less than 10 people working at a time, spread out in the hall. All safety precautions as recommended by the CDC will be taken. If anyone is uncomfortable with being at the church at this time we totally understand and respect their decision. If you do wish to volunteer, contact the office and we will find a slot for you.

Bakers and peelers will be busy this week making pans of apple crisp. Once ordered, you will have a choice to pick up on October 7th or 9th. You can visit the church's website or call the office to order a dinner and pans of apple crisp. Please tell your friends! DEADLINE for dinner orders is 10/1/2020 and Apple Crisp orders 10/8/20.

In October, the trustees will be looking into a plowing contract and meeting with Bergeron Technical Services to begin working on the Master Plan for repairs and upgrades.

Trustees: Anne Getchell, Nancy Divine, Nancy Irving, Duddie Andrews,
John Edgerton, Paul Weld, Kim Murdoch, Gabe Necochea
and Carl Vitters, ex-officio member – CVCC Treasurer.



JOIN

**TAKE OUT
ORDERS ONLY**
THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

For A Fresh Homestyle

Everyone Is Welcome!!

Mondays 5 - 6
Call office on Mondays for menu! 447-3851

These services continue to operate while taking recommended safety precautions and practicing social distancing.

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

10 / 4	Nancy Divine
10 / 11	Nancy Irving
10 / 18	Anne Getchell
10 / 25	John Edgerton

TRUSTEE'S MEETINGS

Tuesdays, 4:30 pm

Happy Birthday October Babies



* 10/4	Ralph Freeman	* 10/24	Emily McLlarky
* 10/5	Keira Isabell McGove	* 10/24	Linda Frechette
* 10/12	Richard Quint	* 10/25	Carl Vitters
* 10/13	Jane Galloway	* 10/26	Liza Graustein
* 10/18	Cindy Thibodeau	* 10/28	Charlyne Gray
* 10/19	Mitzi Fitch	* 10/29	Gabriel (Gabe) Necochea
* 10/21	Chris Getchell		

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JOIN US

Fridays, 9 am



CONNECT WITH OUR

zoom

BIBLE STUDIES

Men & Women's Bible Studies are now combined.
To join us, please add your email address to our "Join Our Email"
list on our website to receive email notifications with the
meeting access information.

~ Ode To Autumn ~

Look around, look around – enjoy the wonder
It's a time to muse and a time to ponder
Summer has faded and Autumn is here
And nature presents a glorious sphere.



See the trees, see the trees in all their glory
Decked out in their finest and telling their story
As they open the curtain on their finest hour
And present a kaleidoscope - each year an encore!

See the sky, see the sky, how deep is the blue
While the clouds drift by as the wind passes through
The leaves are scattering, they're running a race
And the birds are nervously biding their days.

Hear the brook, hear the brook as it rushes along
Me thinks it's aware of winter's bold song.
The squirrels and the chipmunks gather their loot
But the wise old owl, he cares not a hoot!

Listen, yes listen all people who care
While Autumn is lovely, we must be aware.
The days have now shortened, October is here
But don't we love Autumn—best time of the year.

So when the seasons swiftly pass by
Ours is to wonder, but not to ask why.

Mary Russo

Welcome to
amazonsmile
You shop. **Amazon** gives.

Your shopping will support
**Conway Village Congregational
Church, UCC**

Any questions please contact
the church or email the
cvccwebteam@gmail.com

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/02-0236859>

Virtual WORSHIP Service

Sundays 10:00

If you would like the
access information to
attend these services

please send a request for zoom info to

cvccwebteam@gmail.com



Worship

WITH US
ON ZOOM



Food Pantry Statistics

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>Households</u>	<u>People Served</u>	<u>Meals Given</u>	<u>Over 60</u>	<u>Under 18</u>	<u>Walk Ins</u>	<u>New Households</u>
January-June 2020	265	575	24,150	183	100	43	25
<i>January-June 2019</i>	<i>256</i>	<i>510</i>	<i>21,420</i>	<i>185</i>	<i>65</i>	<i>38</i>	<i>33</i>
July-August 2020	67	122	5,124	55	11	11	3
<i>July-August 2019</i>	<i>88</i>	<i>215</i>	<i>9,030</i>	<i>46</i>	<i>62</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>20</i>
September 2020 (excludes 9/29)	30	66	2,772	30	6	11	3
<i>September 2019</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>78</i>	<i>3,276</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>1</i>



Conway Village Congregational Church **Food Pantry**

By Appointment Only

Tuesdays 9am - 1pm

Serving East Conway, Center Conway,
Conway, Eaton, Albany and Chatham.

603-447-3851

Call to make an appointment or for more information.

Outreach Committee

Anne Getchell, Dawn Vitters, Laura
Sorensen, Charlyne Gray,
Shawn Sylvester & Sylvia Weld

Conway Village Congregational Church Mission Statement

*"We are a community of faith in Jesus Christ,
open to all, and by following His teachings
we willingly serve God, our neighbors and each
other through worship, fellowship and ministry."*

History Corner

We thought that you might need a rest from The Pillars of the Church and might enjoy the following:

YOU ARE A LONG TIME PARISHIONER OF OUR CHURCH IF YOU REMEMBER:

- A. when we were called The Second Congregational Church.
- B. when we opened the stained glass windows in the sanctuary.
- C. the kitchen door by the stairs.
- D. the daily meditation on WBNC with Mr. Mack
- E. Junior and Senior Pilgrim Fellowships
- F. The Litahni
- G. Two elderly women (usually) serving as Greeters.
- H. Male (boys and teenagers) equal in height by Mrs, Schurman serving as acolytes.
- I. 150 registered in the Sunday School requiring two separate sessions.
- J. Christmas concerts with Petrina Paoletti, Diane Boorman and Charlotte Altenbern
- K. Midnight Christmas Eve Service with Forest Barton singing "Oh Holy Night."
- L. the stage in the Fellowship Hall
- M. attending elementary school downstairs in 1956-1957 with Mrs. Parent.
- N. the Family Life Committee.
- O. the Bloodmobile being held in Fellowship Hall under the direction of Ruth Henderson.
- P. being ushered to your pew by one of the four male ushers chauvinistic weren't we?
- Q. the Diaconate being four married couples of long standing.
- R. Services rarely surpassing one hour.
- S six more pews in the sanctuary.
- T, using the communion racks.
- U. the attendance each week being posted on the hymn plaque.
- V. the tolling of the bell every Sunday with assistance from several kids and the Methodist chimes across the street..
- W. the bike racks in front by the stately elm and the tiny church sign under the windows facing Main Street..
- X. Reverend Wilcox reciting "The Night Before Christmas" to an overflow congregation as we still have today.
- Y. the floods doing damage downstairs.
- Z. the Christmas wreathes made by Kay Hubbell that hung on our front doors.

(I would like to include your additions for another newsletter. That would be fun to share)

Brian Wiggin

Historian



October

Worship Schedule

Sunday, October 4th – *Worldwide Communion Sunday*

Scripture: Psalm 19
Exodus 20:2-4
7-9, 12-20

Sermon: “*Abiding with God*”

Hymn of Praise:	“ <i>Praise Him</i> ”	Brooklyn Choir
Lord’s Prayer	“ <i>Our Father</i> ”	Andrea Bocelli
Hymn of Approach	“ <i>In the Midst of New Dimensions</i> ”	Westwood Congregational
Communion	“ <i>Cornerstone</i> ”	Hillsong
Hymn of Thanksgiving	“ <i>Amazing Grace</i> ”	Multi-national Presentation

Sunday, October 11th

Scripture: Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23
Exodus 32:1-14
Philippians 4:4-9

Sermon: “*Do We Hate God?*”

Sunday, October 18th

Scripture: Psalm 99
Exodus 33:12-23
Matthew 22:5-22

Sermon: “*Is It Alright to Pay the Price?*”

Sunday, October 25th

Scripture: Psalm 90:1-16, 13-17
Deuteronomy 34:1-12
Matthew 22:34-46

Sermon: “*The View from the Top*”

OCTOBER 2020

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2 Men & Woman's Bible Study 9am Zoom	3
4 10am Zoom Worship Meeting	5 Dinner Bell 5-6 pm Take Out Only	6 Food Pantry 9 am - 1 pm TRUSTEES 4:30	7  Chicken Dinner & Apple Crisp Pick Up 5-7pm <u>Office Closed</u>	8	9  <u>Apple Crisp</u> <u>Pick Up 1-3pm</u> Men & Woman's Bible Study 9am 9am Zoom	10
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Temporary Office Hours

Staff is available by phone only. Office is staffed and phones will be answered on Mondays from 8am – 1pm and Tuesdays from 8am - 1pm. Messages may be left at any time throughout the week and will be answered as quickly as possible. Thank you.