



CONWAY VILLAGE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

November 2021



THE GOOD NEWS

Volume 10, Issue 11

Grateful for Your Generosity

*'...like trees planted
by streams of water
yielding fruit in season'*

Psalm 1:3a

The news from our **Apple Crisp** sales at the Fryeburg Fair is sensational! We appreciate being able to support the self-help groups that do so much for our community yet cannot return the monetarily support our church needs for hosting them. We are grateful we can support their ministries and programing by raising these much-needed funds. We appreciate everyone's dedication, volunteering, contributions, and support in making our fundraising project a major success. We pray our **Apple Crisp** fundraiser has sweetened everyone's life and we pray the proceeds will continue to help people, who look to our Church for support.

As we return to our regular programming, we begin our **Stewardship Program**, *(our checking account funds)*, needed to support our ministries for the health and welfare of our Mount Washington Valley community. Our financial pledges and gifts make our support of worship, counseling ministries, Bible studies, book groups, support of our Pantry and Dinner Bell Programs possible. In advance of your generosity, we thank you for your prayers and financial support in making our life-giving ministries a reality.



Covid-19 Pandemic continues. We not only help people stretch their budgets, receive well-balanced food and personal supplies, but we also provide the counseling and emotional support people need to sustain their lives. Your stewardship and generosity offer a much-needed, life-bridge for our community.

*In advance of your generosity,
We Thank You for Your Financial Support*

Rev. John Hughes

Important
Dates

Special
events!

**Conway Village "The Brown" Church
Stuffed Roast Pork Dinner To-Go
& Apple Crisp Take 'n Bake**



**Stuffed Roast Pork Dinner
\$15.00**

Pick up Wed.
November 10th
4:30 to 6 PM
Available by
Pre-Order Only
By November 6th



**Pan of Apple Crisp
\$20.00**

Order Apple Crisp online on our website
www.thebrownchurch.org then the "Shop" page,
or call the church 603.447.3851

Order deadline is Saturday November 6th

All orders should be picked up at the church Wednesday November 10th between 4:30 – 6:00 PM
Conway Village Church 132 Main Street Conway NH 03818

Proceeds benefit The Brown Church's work to support the health and wellbeing of the Mount Washington Valley area.



Holiday Church Dinner

December 15

**Watch our website &
the December newsletter for
more details!**

Menu TBD



TRUSTEES

The Trustees would like to thank everyone who volunteered to make the crisp sales at the fair a huge success. We sold over 500 pans and grossed \$41,000. There were approximately 40 volunteers who helped peel, cut, bake and work in the booth. They put in 964 hours of their time. Who knows how many boxes of rubber gloves were used!

For ten days, Fellowship Hall was busy with two shifts of volunteers preparing the crisp from 6 AM well into the evening. When coming up the stairs, it was great to hear the laughter and stories being shared. It has been awhile since we have heard that in the church. The booth was busy all week and people were so happy to see us back and had missed the "famous apple crisp".

If you missed getting any this year, 60 smaller pans were made and frozen. These will be sold by online order on our website or you can call the office and order one. The pick-up day will be on Wednesday, November 10th between the hours of 4:30 to 6 pm.

On November 10th, we will also be selling a pork take out meal. You can order it the same way and pick up both that afternoon.

We will be needing volunteers to help with the dinner, if interested we will be sending out an E-blast or you can call the office.



John Edgerton	Nancy Divine	Paul Weld	Nancy Irving
Anne Getchell	Tom Workman	Duddie Andrews	
Carl Vitters, ex officio member (CVCC Treasurer)			

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

11/7	John Edgerton
11/14	Anne Getchell
11/21	Nancy Irving
11/28	Nancy Divine

TRUSTEE'S MEETINGS

Tuesdays, 4:15 pm
November 9th & 23rd



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."*

Please visit our website at

thebrownchurch.org

<http://thebrownchurch.org>



December
Newsletter
Articles
**Due by
November 22nd**

Conway Village Congregational Church

United Church of Christ

**PO Box 333,
132 Main Street
Conway, NH 03818**

Email
info@thebrownchurch.org

Website
www.thebrownchurch.org

Phone: 603-447-3851

**Rev. John G. Hughes
Minister**

**Moderator
Carl Vitters**

**Admin. Asst./Bookkeeper
Melody Bergman**

CVCC Office Hours

Monday	8:00 am-4:00 pm
Tuesday	8:00 am-4:00 pm
Wednesday	8:00 am-4:00 pm
Thursday	8:00 am-4:00 pm

CLOSED FRIDAYS



If you use Facebook please "LIKE" our Facebook Page by clicking the "Like" button at the top of the page. <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





**November
Deaconess
of the Month
Suzanne Rancourt**

**Diaconate
Meeting
November**

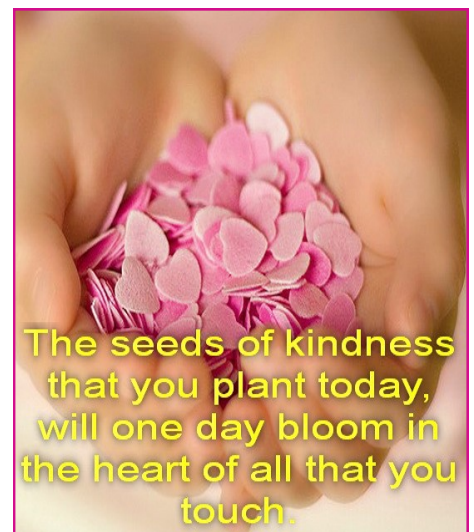
From the Deacon's Bench

As I sit here pondering what to write, my mind turns to acts of kindness. Reverend Hughes tells the story of a father and son living in a car here in the valley. They availed themselves to our Pantry supplies and took dinners from the Dinner Bell's free community meals program. With so little housing available in the Mount Washington Valley, Reverend Hughes found them a place to stay until help came from the Tri-County Community Action Program, guaranteeing them a bed, a shower, and a home. Thank God Rev. Hughes followed his own heart, and ours!

There are so many ways to perform acts of kindness. Some big and some small. Send a card; make a phone call; hold the hand of a sick or lonely person; pray and let people know that they are loved.

Remember, God loves all of us.

Suzanne Rancourt



DIACONATE

Judy Workman	Suzanne Rancourt
Louise Saxby	Beth Campbell
Dawn Vitters	Mitzi Fitch

Moderator's Moment

It's has been quite a while since I wrote anything for the newsletter. A lot has happened in the past four months, especially for Dawn and I. Finally after 30 years of trying, we got approved for a house loan. We signed papers June 28th. Our daughter Megan got married in September, we had to move out of the apartment in Madison a month early and I have been doing a lot of renovation on the new house. None of this would have been possible without the help of our church members, who took time out of their busy schedules to give us a hand. Paul and Sylvia Weld helped with the wedding, the renovations and the moving process. Mitzi and Wayne Fitch helped pack boxes and help with the move as well. During this time the Fryeburg Fair also had to be orchestrated. I was not as available this year for the church booth. I still opened every morning but had to go to work after my morning shift. Anne and Paul Getchell thankfully were able to fill the massive shortfall of volunteers for the booth. This year we only had fifteen people that helped in the booth. Those fifteen people filled 72 slots. Nancy Divine, Ella Hill, Mary Russo and Donna West did an amazing job making a record number of crisps to sell. I only saw those four but I know there were a few more people that helped peel and prepare the apples, but again a very few people turned out to help in the kitchen. The fair was a huge success with over \$40,000.00 being raised in the 8 days of the fair. A record number, 516 pans of crisp were sold and we actually sold out at 5 minutes before 9 pm on Sunday.

As you have seen, there has been a lot of work completed on the capital campaign. The drawings from the architect have been displayed in the newsletter in October. We hope to have the estimates of what all this will cost in the next few weeks. Anne Getchell and Nancy Divine have done a tremendous job keeping track of all the things happening with the construction plans.

In July, the church opened again for worship services. While we have seen an increase in Covid-19 cases in NH which have held us back from full operation, the worship team consisting of Steve Graustein, Dawn Vitters and Nancy Irving have been working hard each week to give a hybrid style of worship service. The music team has been keeping up with the videos and special music. We hope that the Covid numbers will begin to decline so that we can get back to live music again.



I thank all those dedicated members that have put in so much time this year to keep things moving forward. You are all very much appreciated. May God keep his blessings upon us and lead us forward through the coming months.

Again, THANK YOU.

Sincerely, Carl F. Vitters

PRAYER REQUEST

Our team would love to pray for you.

- ◇ Alice Clapp
- ◇ Cathy Currier
- ◇ Colleen Albert
- ◇ Ruth Ward
- ◇ Elise Keeney Edgerton
- ◇ Linda Frechette
- ◇ Alice Spear
- ◇ Sharon Campbell
- ◇ Lisa & Sandy Stowell
- ◇ Bernie & Jeanette Plimpton
- ◇ Judy Burgess

*To add someone to the prayer list
Please call 603-447-3851
or email us at
info@thebrownchurch.org
Please provide mailing address.*

Thank you

Women's Bible Study

Weekly meetings are Thursdays
at 9:30 am in the
Church's Conference Room.
If you would like to join the group, please contact the office at
603-447-3851 or email
info@thebrownchurch.org

JOIN US MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Fridays, 9 am

CONNECT WITH OUR



zoom

BIBLE STUDIES

Add your email address to our "Join Our Email" list on our website to receive email notifications & to request bible study notices with the meeting access information.

You may also send a request to join at
cvccwebteam@gmail.com.

*You have
MADE KNOWN
to me the path
OF LIFE.*

PSALM 16:11

October Worship Service

Date	#	Special Day/Sermon Title
10/3	35	Worldwide Communion Sunday "Faith Under Pressure"
10/10	36	"What God Can't Do"
10/17	51	"To See Clearly"
10/24		"To See Clearly Once Again"
10/31		"Beside Him There is no Other"



11/11 Sut Marshall
 11/12 Dorothy Hunter
 11/13 Nancy Geiger
 11/16 Dreaaner Sanford
 11/16 Dawn Vitters
 11/26 Alice Clapp
 11/29 Holly Necochea



THE DINNER BELL

Fresh Homestyle Meal
Everyone Is Welcome!!
Mondays 4—5 pm
Call office on Mondays for menu!
447-3851
 These services continue to operate while taking recommended safety precautions & practicing social distancing.

TAKE OUT ONLY

Free Community Dinner

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 - October 2021 Excludes Oct 26th	313	678	28,476	264	120	60	23
<i>January - October 2020</i>	<i>404</i>	<i>863</i>	<i>36,246</i>	<i>302</i>	<i>139</i>	<i>64</i>	<i>41</i>

Conway Village Congregational Church

By Appointment Only

Tuesdays, 9-11:30 am

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

603-447-3851

Call to make an appointment or for more information.

Outreach/Food Pantry

There is a touch of Fall in the air these days. Leaves are turning brilliant colors, and then, in the next step, falling off the trees waiting to be raked up!

Before we know it, we will be giving out Thanks-giving Baskets! This year it will be done a little bit different, we will be giving out \$15 vouchers toward a Butterball Turkey to be purchased either at Shaw's or Hannaford's. We will still give out the traditional Thanksgiving side dishes we have always done in the past. The dates for pick up will be Tuesday, November 16th, 9am to 12 and Wednesday, November 17th, 9am to 12.

The Outreach volunteers have been helping the Mobile Food Pantry the last few months. October was the last month, giving the Food Bank in Manchester and all the volunteers that helped a well-deserved rest. It will be starting back up in January and February 2022. Watch the upcoming newsletters for more details. Thanks to all who have been helping the Pantry on Mondays and Tuesdays as well as helping with the deliveries that we have on the first and second Thursdays every month.

May you and your families have a Blessed Thanksgiving.

Outreach Committee

Food Pantry Wish List

Ramen Noodles-Chicken and or Beef
Rice-A-Roni-Chicken or Beef
Ketchup - 20 oz.
Mustard - 20 oz
Mayo - small jar
Stable Milk 32 oz.
Juice - orange or apple 64 oz.
Chicken Broth
SM. Soup - Chicken Noodle or Tomato
Canned Fruit - 15 oz - any kind
Jelly - 16 oz. grape or strawberry
Sm. canned Chicken and Tuna 5 oz.
Baked Beans - 15 oz. - any kind
Canned Pasta - 15 oz., any kind
Diced Tomatoes - 15 oz.
Tomato Sauce - 15 oz.
Pasta Sauce - (can) 15 oz.
Pasta Sauce - (jar) 32 oz.
Beef Stew - Can or Pouch
Boxed Spaghetti - 1lb.
Boxed macaroni - elbow 1lb.
Crackers - 1lb.
Canned-Peas, Carrots, Green Beans, & corn - 15 oz.
Cold Cereal - 10.8 any kind
Instant Oatmeal - 1lb.
Paper Towels
Toilet paper - individually wrapped
Shampoo - White Rain or Suave - 24 oz.
Dawn - small size
Laundry Detergent - Tide-small size
Lg. Laundry Detergent - Dollar Tree brand in green container
Hand Soap - Dial 2 or 3 pk bars

Outreach Committee

**Anne Getchell, Dawn Vitters,
Laura Sorensen, Charlyne Gray,
Charles Monaghan & Sylvia Weld**



Sunday, November 7, 2021 – Communion Psalm 146

Psalm 146

1 Kings 17:8-16

Mark 12:38-44

Sermon: *“Believing in Bounty”*

Sunday, November 14, 2021

Psalm 16

Daniel 12:1-3

Mark 13:1-8

Sermon: *“What Endures?”*

Sunday, November 21, 2021 - *Thanksgiving / Rein of Christ* Joel 2:21-27

Matthew 6:25-33

Psalm 126

Sermon: *“Don’t Worry? Be Happy? Are You Kidding?”*

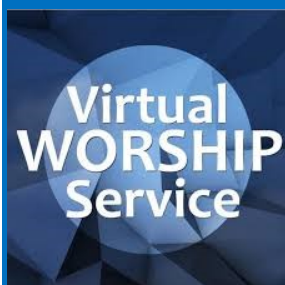
Sunday, November 28, 2021 – *1st Sunday of Advent*

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Psalm 25:1-10

Luke 21:25-36

Sermon: *“Great Changes are Coming”*



Sundays 10:00 AM

If you would like the access
information to attend these “meetings”
please send a request for zoom info to

cvccwebteam@gmail.com



November 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2 Food Pantry 9-11:30 am	3	4 9:30 am Women's Bible Study AA-Big Book Step Group 7pm	5 9 am Men's Bible Study <u>Office Closed</u>	6 AA-Good Morning Group 9am Dinner order deadline
7 10 am Zoom & In Person Worship Service 	8 Dinner Bell 5-6 pm Take Out Only	9 Food Pantry 9-11:30 am <i>TRUSTEES</i> 4:15 PM	10 Dinner & Apple Crisp Pickup 4:30 to 6:00 PM 	11 9:30 am Women's Bible Study AA-Big Book Step Study Group 7pm 	12 9 am Men's Bible Study <u>Office Closed</u>	13 AA-Good Morning Group 9am
14 10 am Zoom & In Person Worship Service <i>Stewardship Sunday</i>	15 Dinner Bell 5-6 pm Take Out Only	16 Food Pantry 9-11:30 am	17 <i>Diaconate</i> 3:30 pm	18 9:30 am Women's Bible Study AA-Big Book Step Group 7pm	19 9 am Men's Bible Study <u>Office Closed</u>	20 AA-Good Morning Group 9am
21 10 am Zoom & In Person Worship Service	22 Dinner Bell 5-6 pm Take Out Only Newsletter Articles Due	23 Food Pantry 9 - 11:30 am <i>TRUSTEES</i> 4:15 PM	24	25  <u>Office Closed</u>	26 9 am Men's Bible Study <u>Office Closed</u>	27 AA-Good Morning Group 9am
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