



CONWAY VILLAGE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

THE GOOD NEWS

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*"Each of you should use
whatever gift you have received
to serve others ... in its varied forms."
1 Peter 4:10*

Recently Conway Village Congregational Church made the decision to cancel a proposed fundraiser for *the 4th of July* because not enough volunteers signed up to make the event doable. After it was cancelled, some people said, *"Oh! I was going to volunteer ... I meant to volunteer ... I thought I had time ... I wish it hadn't been canceled."* What needs to be realized is our events don't just happen, they take a great deal of organization and planning.

Our next fundraiser is a **Turkey Dinner, Wednesday, September 7th**. People will be asked to volunteer and commit to making the event a success on **Sunday, July 17th**, at the Special Meeting of the Church. *"Why so early?"*, you may ask.

We need to create **A Publicity Flyer** to be placed on bulletin boards in town, and on our website by **July 20th** for the event to be advertised and posted (to guarantee participation). We also need to let [Vall3y Vision](#), a Public Television program, [Valley Promotion's Charity Chatter](#) and [The Mount Washington Valley Chamber of Commerce](#) know by **July 20th** to post the flyer on their websites. The same flyer is submitted for our [August Newsletter](#). Following those postings, the Trustees will determine how they would like to advertise in [The Conway Daily Sun](#) - - *(Should the ad be in color? Or, black-and-white? What size ad, and how often should it appear?)* The Dinner Crew/Committee will then decide how often and when it will be announced at worship.



As you can see these events take a great deal of planning - - it does not happen at the spur-of-the-moment. **If not enough people sign up to volunteer by July 17th the event would be cancelled.** If the publicity is not put in motion on the dates mentioned, the event would be [cancelled](#) by **August 2nd**. If we go ahead with the fundraising, we then receive pre-paid orders for *"take-out"* and for those who will *"eat-in"*, so the event can be organized for September 7th.

Pick up orders will then be from 5-6 o'clock and sit-down dinners will be from 5 to 6:30. All dinners will be prepaid, which allows the Kitchen Crew to guarantee the proper numbers of dinners. Of course, we need volunteers to organize take-out's and to serve tables, prepare the meal, and to clean up. Fundraising at the Brown Church is very gratifying, yet it does not occur by happenstance - - it takes everyone's cooperation *(those who order food, those who sit for dinner, and those who organize the "Nuts + Bolts" organization)* to make it work. The monies raised support all our programming and ministries so necessary to the health and welfare of the Mount Washington Valley. Please help us help those who are in great need.

**In Advance of your Generosity
and cooperation**

Thank You
Rev. John Hughes

Notice of Special Meeting



CONWAY VILLAGE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

The Brown Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

TO: All Members and Friends of the Conway Village Congregational Church

A Special Meeting of the Membership of the Conway Village Congregational Church will be held on Sunday, July 17, 2022, at approximately 11:00 am following the church service in person and via Zoom. As in the past the vote will be for members only and will be conducted by roll call. Please use the weekly link for the church service to participate in this vote if you are attending by Zoom.

The purpose of this Special Meeting will be:

1. To review the 2022 Budget
2. To review proposed modification to the 2022 Budget
3. To conduct any other business that may come to the floor of the meeting.

Dated at Conway, New Hampshire, on the 11th of June 2022

Dawn Vitters, Clerk

Thank you!

Just another thank you to everyone who helped with our successful sales in May at the Spring Festival!

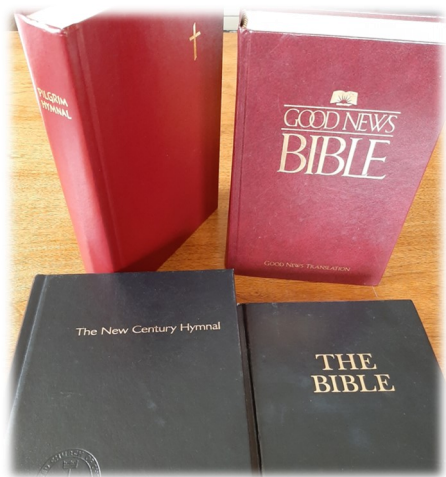
Through the efforts of bakers and many donations of specially made items, food, books and yard sale donations, we raised a total of \$4,553!

Special mention to Charlyne Gray for her handiwork, Bob Burnhardt for his wood works, Jill Reynolds and Marilyn Hughes for coordinating the baked goods, Wally Campbell for the food and Paul and Sylvia Weld for coordinating the set up for lunch, Duddie and Roy Andrews and many others for their plant donations, women's bible study volunteers (Donna West, Mary Russo, Ella Hill, Jean Hamilton, and Judy Workman), Brian Wiggin for manning the book sales and Louise Saxby and the Diaconate members for all the help with the yard sale. We also appreciated the help to move all the heavy items out to the yard (John Saxby, Paul Weld and Tom Workman). Thanks to our cashier, Nancy Irving, for keeping track of all the income. It took many hands to pull off this fundraiser ~~ you all are the best!! We are a small but mighty group. God bless you all for your dedication and hard work to support our church!!

Nancy & Anne



Free Bibles & Hymnals



Contact the church office
to arrange pick up.
603-447-3851 or
info@thebrownchurch.org

MASK UPDATE

The Leadership of the Church has made a decision about wearing masks in church. The recommendation for masks will be as follows:

“Wearing of masks will be optional for those who have been fully vaccinated, but we ask that you still social distance yourselves. If you have not been fully vaccinated, we ask that you still wear a mask and social distance yourself from others. If you wish to still wear a mask in church that is totally up to you and if you wish to be social distanced from others just let the usher of the day know. We will be happy to seat you in an area away from others.”



If you have any questions, please see a member of the Trustees or Diaconate.

Thank you, the Church Leadership



THE DINNER BELL FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

Fresh Homestyle Meal

Everyone Is Welcome!!

Mondays 5 - 6 pm

(hours change with Daylight Savings)

Call office on Mondays for menu!
603-447-3851

Take Out Only!



Diaconate

Diaconate July

As the words from *The Servant Song* say “will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you, pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too”. We need to be servants

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

1 Peter 4:10



to each other during these changing times we are in. We are all on a journey, whether it be a personal journey, a journey through some tough times, or just a journey through life. We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load. CVCC church family is the best for being there for each other. I for one have had that experience of the wonderful church family that we have here. I am challenging my wonderful church family to

step it up a little. If you notice someone hasn't been in church or on zoom for a while, give them a call or let a Diaconate member know that we have someone sending cards to people. Tell them to come in and see the new chairs that have been placed in the sanctuary. To end this with a verse from the song: “I will weep when you are weeping, when you laugh, I'll laugh with you. I will share your sorrow, 'til we've seen this journey through” by Richard Gillard. Please let me be your servant and be my servant too, we will go through this journey together.

Blessings,

Dawn Vitters, July Deacon of the Month

Diaconate Meeting
10am, Wednesday,
July 13th, 2022

Diaconate

*Louise Saxby, Chair; Dawn Vitters,
Treasurer; Beth Campbell, Secretary;
Judy Workman and Suzanne Rancourt*



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 box – 20 oz.
 Juice - Orange or Apple – 64 oz.
 Small Soup - Chicken Noodle or Tomato
 Jelly - Grape or Strawberry – 16 oz.
 Small canned Chicken or Tuna – 5 oz.
 Baked Beans – 15 oz.
 Tomato Sauce – 15 oz.
 Beef Stew - Canned – 15 oz.
 Boxed Crackers – 1 lb.
 Boxed Spaghetti – 1 lb.
 Canned Veggies - Peas, Carrots – 15 oz.
 Instant Oatmeal – 1 lb.
 Paper Towels
 Toilet paper – individually wrapped
 Shampoo - White Rain or Suave – 24 oz.
 Dawn Dish detergent – small size
 Tide Laundry Detergent – small size
 Large Laundry Detergent
 Hand Soap - Dial 2 or 3 pk bars



Food Pantry Donations

Please call the office to schedule a drop off time.

Most of these items can be bought at Dollar Tree or any supermarket.

Thank you for your donations!

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.



THANK YOU

Outreach Committee

Anne Getchell, Sylvia Weld, Charlyne
 Gray, Dawn Vitters, Marilyn Hughes
 & Charles Monaghan

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 2022	196	436	18,312	192	80	39	26
January - June 2021	193	421	17,682	163	74	38	13

On Being Old

Being old is a privilege and a gift, so they say,
Be honest you'd rather be young any day.
When you're young your lively, strong and carefree
When you're old your slow and weak in the knees!

One thing that's a plus for the state of being old
You can do what you want, not what you're told,
Tell folks where to go And never come back.
That you're sick and tired of their rules and their lack.

Of respect and kindness, is that be their style,
Then look in their eyes and flash a big smile.
On the other hand-there are those who do care.
Knowing they're getting older and losing their hair!

The truth be told whether sixty or eighty,
Folks don't lose their humor, their wit or their gaiety.
They struggled through life and sacrificed all,
They earned a "hi-five" and a "good job y'all".

If you're old and you nap in mid-afternoon,
You missed doing a chore ~ you'll get to it soon.
Time isn't your boss, you can while it away,
Tell yourself Rome wasn't built in a day!

To the aged the meaning of life becomes clearer,
So does the stranger you see in your mirror!
But what the heck, who cares anymore,
We all had our day and so what if we snore?

This poem is satire to make you all laugh
Being old is a Journey down life's hallowed path.

Mary Russo



7/3	Maggie McLlarky
7/5	Joan Mathurin
7/11	Penny Wellman
7/12	Josh Wiggin
7/12	Leah Twombly
7/15	George Wellman
7/20	Sam Getchell
7/25	Audrey Young



Trustess

Welcome summer!

The chairs have been delivered and are set up in the Sanctuary. We hope you will come and try them for yourselves. The air-conditioner is up and running and the summer morning light shines through the windows.

We hope you will join us on July 17th for the service and Special Meeting right after. As noted last month, the finances at the church have been very tight as a result of high fuel costs, utility and plowing bills. We will provide year to date numbers and a revised 2022 budget for discussion and approval.

We had hoped to sell apple crisp on the 4th of July at Schuler Park. We were unable to get enough volunteers to cover all the needed work to participate. This could potentially have been a profitable fundraiser. The church relies on the fundraisers to supplement the other sources of income. Our next fundraiser is our biggest, so please note on your calendars, the Fryeburg Fair, October 2nd - 9th and crisp prep will begin the week before. Volunteers are critical to making this a successful fundraiser.



John Edgerton
Anne Getchell
Paul Weld
Treasurer)

Duddie Andrews
Nancy Irving

Tom Workman
Nancy Divine
Carl Vitters, ex officio member (CVCC

TRUSTEE'S MEETINGS
Tuesdays, 4:30 pm
July 5th & 19th

TRUSTEE OF THE WEEK

7/3	Paul Weld
7/10	Nancy Divine
7/17	John Edgerton
7/24	Anne Getchell
7/31	Nancy Irving



JULY 17th
Church
Meeting

Following
Worship Service

**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>

To obtain Sunday Worship Service
Zoom Meeting information email
cvccwebteam@gmail.com

**Conway Village
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United Church of Christ

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**Rev. John G. Hughes
Minister**

**Carl Vitters
Moderator**

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

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-2:00 pm

**New Summer Hours:
Thursdays 8am to 2pm**

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



June Worship Service

Date	#	Special Day/Sermon Title
6/5	49	Pentecost Sunday "Genuine Transparent Love"
6/12	48	Trinity Sunday "Take What is Mine ... Proclaim It!"
6/19	48	Father's Day "Living in the Tombs"
6/26	70	Celebration of Baptism "The Problem with Children"
Attendance # includes both In Person & Zoom		

PRAYER REQUEST

- ◇ Alice Clapp
- ◇ Cathy Currier
- ◇ Family of Ruth Ward
- ◇ Elise Keeney Edgerton
- ◇ Linda Frechette
- ◇ Alice Spear
- ◇ Sharon Campbell
- ◇ Lisa Horne
- ◇ Sandy Stowell
- ◇ Judy Burgess
- ◇ Jill & Curt Reynolds
- ◇ Susan Proctor
- ◇ John Vacchino
- ◇ Olive Deblois
- ◇ Maurice LaMothe
- ◇ Bobbie from Bangor
- ◇ Jackie LeBlanc
- ◇ Lori Dorey



Women's Bible Study ~ Thursdays 9:30 am

(On vacation until August 4th)

Men's Bible Study ~ Fridays 9:00 am

Church Conference Room.

Also on Zoom.

If you would like to join the group,
please contact the office at
603-447-3851 or email

To add someone
to the Prayer List

Please call 603-447-3851

or email us at

info@thebrownchurch.org

Please provide their
mailing address.

Thank you



**August Articles
~ Due by July 20th ~
Midnight! Thank you!**



Sunday, July 3rd – communion

Scripture: Isaiah 66:10-14
Luke 10:1-11

Sermon: "The Kingdom has Come Near"

Psalm 66:1-9

Sunday, July 10th

Scripture: Amos 7:7-15
Luke 10:25-37

Sermon: "Moved by Pity"

Psalm 82

Sunday, July 17th

Scripture: Amos 8:1-12
Luke 10:38-42

Sermon: "The Deceit of False Balances"

Psalm 52

Sunday, July 24th

Scripture: Colossians 2:6-15
Luke 11:1-13

Sermon: "Ask, Seek, Find"

Psalm 85

Sunday, July 31st

Scripture: TBA
TBA

Sermon: "TBA"

Psalm 107:1-9, 43



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



JULY 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
 Women's Bible Study is taking the month of July off. They will resume on Thursday, August 4th. Wishing everyone a safe and wonderful August! 						1 9 am Men's Bible Study <u>Office Closed</u>
3 10 am Zoom & In Person Worship Service	4 No Dinner Bell  <u>Office Closed</u>	5 Food Pantry 9-11:30 am Trustees 4:30	6 6:30pm AA-Men's Way of Life	7 NO Women's Bible Study 7pm AA-Big Book Step Group	8 9 am Men's Bible Study <u>Office Closed</u>	9 9am AA- Good Morning Group
10 10 am Zoom & In Person Worship Service	11 Dinner Bell 5-6pm Take Out Only	12 Food Pantry 9-11:30 am	13 Diaconate 10am 6:30pm AA-Men's Way of Life	14 NO Women's Bible Study 7pm AA-Big Book Step Group	15 9 am Men's Bible Study <u>Office Closed</u>	16 9am AA-Good Morning Group
17 10 am Zoom & In Person Worship Service 11am SPECIAL MEETING	18 Dinner Bell 5-6 pm Take Out Only	19 Food Pantry 9-11:30 am Trustees 4:30	20 9-1pm OLLI Granite State College Newsletter Articles Due By midnight 6:30pm AA-Men's Way of Life	21 NO Women's Bible Study Newsletter Mailing 7pm AA Big Book Step Group	22 9 am Men's Bible Study <u>Office Closed</u>	23 9am AA-Good Morning Group
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