



November 2009

Church of the New Jerusalem

# Monthly Bulletin

A community united by faith in God and love to the neighbor

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Dear Friends,

It is the month of Thanksgiving. We not only survived the Fair, we "thrived" the Fair! The Booth once again was not only an experience of hard-work, fun and community building, it has provided the means for the church to continue in a state of well-being through another year. It truly has been and is a bountiful harvest for which we can all be immensely thankful.

So as we enter into this month of Thanksgiving it is time for us to look with gratitude to the past which has carried us here; to the present and all of God's blessings around us now; and to the future which is unfolding at our feet and stretching out before us. All of us here within the community of the Fryeburg New Church are part of a legacy and a tradition that goes back well over one hundred years. It is and continues to be strong and vital, even as we live it out day by day. And it is our responsibility and honor and joy to be able to hand it on to those who are joining us on the unfolding path we walk together. This church, of which we are all a part, has and continues to provide a spiritual home and community. It is strong and healthy because, even though the people within this community grow and change and come and go, the shared focus is still the worship of and service to the Risen Lord, the loving and life-

giving God of all people no matter what name or face they may choose. It is a spiritual home which allows and even celebrates the diversity with which we respond to the Eternal God and at the same time holds true to the fundamental principles of the Divinity of the Lord, the sacredness of the Word and the essential call to a life of service guided by charity and grounded by wisdom. This church serves as the impetus and nexus for our connection with God and our neighbor. It serves as the source of our inspiration and renewal of the sacredness of spiritual life in a world that clamors for our attention and claims the superiority of materialism and self-centeredness. This church building and this church community is our place of refuge, renewal, safety, healing, celebration and inspiration in a world that can and does so often knock us down. And like the power of the love of God, it quietly and unassumingly just is; always available without being overbearing for those who would enter into and be lifted up by its sphere of influence.

In this month of Thanksgiving, as we celebrate the bounty of the harvest, as we enjoy the fruits of our labors, as we celebrate the victories and the struggles of human endeavor, let us all take the time to deeply appreciate and give thanks for this church of which we are all a part, this church which is alive and well because we each give something of ourselves to make it

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what it is, this church which keeps us alive and well through that which we all receive, this church which is simply and wholly because God is. Let us give thanks.

Blessings,

*Rev. Ken*

### *Worship Schedule*

**Sunday School 9:00 AM**  
**Family Worship 10:00 AM**

- 11/1 Communion Sunday**  
**Joshua Enters the Holy Land**  
Joshua 1; 18:1-10  
John 11:32-44  
ANNUAL MEETING
- 11/08 Judges: Deborah and Barak**  
Judges 4  
Mark 12:28
- 11/14 Maine Association Annual Meeting**  
**11:00 am Potluck Lunch**  
**Communion Service**  
**Program and Meeting**
- 11/15 Samuel, Saul, David and Solomon**  
1 Samuel 1; 2:1-11  
Mark 13:1-8  
SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS MEETING
- 11/22 Thanksgiving Sunday**  
Joel 2:21-27  
Matthew 6:25-33
- 11/24 Ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Service**  
7:00 PM Fryeburg New Church
- 11/29 First Sunday of Advent: The Prophecy**  
Jeremiah 33:14-16  
Luke 21: 25-36

**Please note corrected date and time!!!**

### **THE MAINE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING**

***Saturday, November 14, 2009***  
***at 11:00 a.m. at***  
***The Fryeburg New Church***

Please plan on attending this important "gathering of the tribes!" Members from our sister Swedenborgian churches and camps will be joining us here and we need your presence and support.

### *Fish and Game Supper*

Nov 2nd, 6:30  
2009  p.m.

Cindy Priest, Chair



**Reminder!!**  
Turn clocks back  
before bed on  
Saturday, Oct 31st



# Church Report

## The Trustees

The Trustees' next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 3, 2009 at 6:45 pm**. The meetings are open to all, but you should contact the Chair prior to the meeting to get an item on the agenda. Also, please speak to any of the Trustees with your questions, concerns, compliments or complaints. We are here to serve you.

### Currently Serving Trustees

Patricia Swett, <i>Chair</i>	603-939-2262
Cindy Priest, <i>Vice Chair</i>	935-3360
Nels Liljedahl	935-3741
Deneane Frost	935-3344
Scott Ferguson	925-3207
Susan Wheaton Logan	603-694-3743
Donnette Barnes, <i>Treasurer</i>	935-2130
<i>Women's Alliance Representative:</i> Sally Harnden	935-2546

### Special Notice from the Trustees

*There will be two openings on the Board of Trustees at this year's Annual Meeting on November 1st. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please submit your name to the Nominating Committee; Billy Holt, Dede Frost, or Scott Ferguson, or to one of the trustees.*

The Annual Meeting of The Fryeburg New Church will be held on **November 1, 2009** at 12:00 noon.

## Women's Alliance

Women's Alliance will meet on **Monday, November 16, 2009 at NOON**. Bring a bag lunch. We meet the third Monday of each month at the Church. All ladies are welcome!!

*2009 Officers for the Women's Alliance are:*

*President .....Jean Cressy*  
*Vice-President.....Sally Harnden*  
*Secretary .....Sally Harnden*  
*Treasurer.....Patty Swett*  
*Chaplain.....Betty Baker*

## Passages

**Warren Cressy**, husband of Jean Cressy and son of Jo Cressy, entered the spiritual world on October 17, 2009. A memorial service was held at the Beach on Duck Cove Road on Saturday, October 24, followed by a luncheon here at church.

**Valvia Clark** entered the spiritual world on October 3, 2009. A funeral service was held on Monday, October 12.

**Kenneth Hatch** entered the spiritual world on September 21, 2009. A funeral service was held on September 26 at Pine Grove Cemetery.

Our love, sympathy, and support goes to all their friends and family.

## In The Hospital

**Priscilla Lewis**, sister of Renie Chaplin, was in the hospital for hip replacement. We wish her a quick and comfortable recovery.

## Thanksgiving Basket Sunday

Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup> is Thanksgiving Basket Sunday! Please bring in your canned, boxed or other non-perishable items and let's get that basket filled to the rim!!! It's an easy way to help a family in need and you'll feel great doing it.

## Thank You from the Fair Committee

The Fair Booth Committee wants to thank all involved for the effort put into the running of the booth. This project takes many hands on many levels and all are necessary and appreciated. Thank you to all the rollers and fillers. Thank you to all the drivers and haulers. Thank you to all the flippers and dippers. Thank you to all the cooks and servers. Our spirits were bright and we all worked together for our church. This was, as always, a great undertaking for us and we should all be proud of our efforts every year.

## Community Giving Tree



You will soon see those Red and Green tags on the Community Giving Tree here at church. Please consider taking a tag and helping out a family in our community who may be having a particularly difficult year due to job loss, cut backs, or just the state of the economy. The families appreciate it more than you can imagine!!

Christmas  
Saturday,  
Nov. 21st



Cupboard  
9:00 a.m. till  
12:00 noon

The Women's Alliance is once again gearing up for the annual **Christmas Cupboard!!** Donations of anything handmade, such as knitted or crocheted items, crafts, woodworking, etc. are appreciated and very much needed this year! Items for sale should be brought to the Church no later than set up day, Friday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

## Candy and Fudge Table and Bake Sale

As in previous years, homemade candies and fudge will be one of the attractions at The Christmas Cupboard along with baked items!! Food items may be brought in on Friday, November 20 or by 8:00 am on Saturday Nov 21 to be marked.

## Christmas Wreaths

Please come join us in decorating our beautiful Christmas Wreaths on Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup> after church! Bring a bag lunch with you as we will eat as we work.



## Christmas Cupboard Raffle

Items for this year's Christmas Cupboard raffle are as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> prize: Hand Crocheted Afghan
- 2<sup>nd</sup> prize: Decorated Christmas Wreath
- 3<sup>rd</sup> prize: Lap Robe
- 4<sup>th</sup> prize: Clock

Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.  
Drawing: November 21, 2009



## Welcomers for November

Nov 1 Debbie Urgese  
 Nov 8 Martha Richardson  
 Nov 15 Sally Gibson  
 Nov 22 Debbie Dolley  
 Nov 29 Sally Harnden

## Ushers for November

Nov 1 Stew & Dede Frost  
 Nov 8 Chuck Priest & Stanley Dolley  
 Nov 15 Billy Holt & Donnette Barnes  
 Nov 22 Mary Dysinger & Lawrence Perry  
 Nov 29 Dean Harnden & James Harrington


## Coffee Hour for November

Nov 1 Pot Luck  
 Nov 8 Debbie Urgese  
 Nov 15 Renie Chaplin  
 Nov 22 Susan Logan  
 Nov 29 Jennifer Richardson

WORSHIP SERVICE ATTENDANCE OCTOBER 4 - 25, 2009		
Date	Adults	Children
October 4	FAIR	
October 11	FAIR	
October 18	41	3
October 25	51	2



November flowers  
 courtesy of  
*Edie Leach*

Calendar for November 2009 (held at our Church unless indicated)				
Oct 31	Sat	<b>Daylight Savings Time ends</b>		<b>Clocks back 1 hour tonight</b>
Nov 1	Sun	Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship <b>FNC Annual Meeting and Potluck Lunch</b>		8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
2	Mon	<b>Fish &amp; Game Supper</b>		6:30 p.m.
3	Tue	<b>Election Day Trustees Meeting</b>		Go vote!! 6:45 p.m.
4	Wed	Dinner Bell North @SEAS		5:00 p.m.
5	Thu	<b>Rev. Ken at General Council mtg. (Nov 5 &amp; 6)</b>		
8	Sun	<b>Rev. Hunter Roberts preaching</b> Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship		8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
11	Wed	<b>Veteran's Day</b> Dinner Bell North @SEAS		Thank a vet! 5:00 p.m.
14	Sat	<b>Maine Association Meeting and Potluck Lunch</b> (Communion Service)		11:00 a.m.
15	Sun	<b>Thanksgiving Basket Sunday</b> Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship <b>Wreath Decorating</b>		8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. Aft. church
16	Mon	Women's Alliance		NOON
18	Wed	Rev. Ken @FHCC Dinner Bell North @SEAS		10:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m.
20	Fri	Christmas Cupboard set-up Rev. Ken @ Maine Council		9:00 a.m. All day
21	Sat	<b>Christmas Cupboard</b>		9am-12pm
22	Sun	Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship		8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
24	Tue	<b>Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service at FNC</b>		7:00 p.m.
29	Sun	<b>Birthday Bank Sunday</b> Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship		8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.