



September 2006

Church of the New Jerusalem

Monthly Bulletin

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

Dear Friends,

When I woke up this morning, there was that familiar chill in the air. I shivered half with the cold and half with delight. Then I went and jumped in the lake. The fog was just lifting to reveal a clear blue sky. It was a beautiful way to start the day.

Now I am sitting in the office contemplating how we can make a "beautiful" start to a new year. We have the start of Sunday School with the Family Breakfast on September 10 as we shift into our winter schedule; the start of a new Sunday School year with some new teachers getting involved; we'll be putting the finishing touches on the new bathroom downstairs and, after many communications back and forth, the elevator is inspected, licensed and ready to go. On top of that, preparations for the Fair Booth have begun, and last but not least, our new church secretary, Ginny Manley is settled into the office and has begun the task of learning the office routine. For the time being, she will be here on Wednesday and Friday mornings, so stop in and introduce yourself if you're in the area.

This summer has gone by quickly: Convention in Urbana, Ohio, was a quiet and peaceful time, with many beautiful worship experiences, smooth and productive business sessions and, while numbers were down from previous years, there is a growing sense of

excitement and anticipation as a whole new generation of ministers is taking its place within our denomination. There is even starting to be competition for available churches, which is a good thing for everyone involved. The Assembly was similar in that, while numbers were down somewhat, the sessions went smoothly and peacefully with an informative and inspiring lecture series (available on CD and/or cassette at www.fryeburg.org), lots of good weather for swimming, and a general good time for all. On the closing day of Assembly a number of people stayed, came from the local area, and were invited from all over to celebrate Rev. Susannah and Deane Currie's 30th wedding anniversary.

A little closer to home, and even more personally, both Ethan and Shirley got their driver's licenses and, as the summer draws to a close, we are making preparations for Emily to attend her Junior year in college at Keele University across the Atlantic in England.

All of this has got me thinking about the long arc of life in general and the coming year in particular. There have been some difficult and problematic things that have happened in the past few months, and while it has perhaps resulted in things being a little more subdued, it has not diminished but rather increased the sense of Divine

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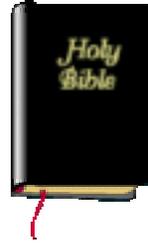
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Providence at work in all things. As the morning fog gently lifted to reveal the sun shining brightly in a clear blue sky, the troubles that at times seem to cover everything always have a way of lifting and passing on to reveal the many sources of blessings that overlay all of life. Even when we can't see it, God's Providence shines on us the way the sun shines on us. And we should not let the troubles of the moment overshadow our awareness of, and appreciation for, the source of all good things in our lives that is always there. Take pleasure and enjoyment from the little blessings in life, from the people you love and who love you, and the opportunity to generate even just a spark of joy in your daily interactions with people. The kingdom of God is within you, and those are welcomed into heaven who welcome heaven into themselves.

Blessings,

Rev. Ken



Worship Services

Transition to Fall Schedule

The Teachings of the Parables:

- 9/3 Worship 9:00 a.m.
 Communion**
- 9/10 Breakfast at 9:00 a.m.
 Worship 10:00 a.m.**
- 9/17 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship 10:00 a.m.**
- 9/24 Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
 Worship 10:00 a.m.
 Birthday Bank Sunday**



From the Teachings of Emanuel Swedenborg.....

A.C. 1755 The Lord foresees, provides and disposes everything; but some things from permission; some from admission; some from leave; some from good pleasure; and some from will.

A.C. 8478(4) Divine Providence is universal and is in all things. Those who are in the stream of Providence are continually carried to things happy and those are in the stream of Providence who trust in the Divine, and attribute all things to the Lord; those are not in the stream of Providence who trust in themselves alone, and attribute all things to themselves, because they are in the opposite, for they take away providence from the Divine, and claim it for themselves.

Our Mission

The mission of the Fryeburg New Church is to illuminate the path for people seeking God's purpose for their life. We offer a place that nurtures those seeking regeneration and spiritual growth. We live out our mission by supporting each and those in need in the community.

The Trustees

The Trustees' next regular meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, September 5, at 6:30 p.m.** Please note the new time. 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

Stew Frost, <i>Chairman</i>	935-3344
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Judy Hatch	935-2223
Susan Wheaton Logan	603-694-3743
<i>Women's Alliance Representative:</i>	
Cindy Priest	935-3360
<i>Treasurer:</i> Stan Dolley	935-2887



Dinner Bell North

Dinner Bell North in Fryeburg is alive and well. Under the direction of Bebe Toor, it serves dinner to 80-120 patrons at the Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton church at 5:00 p.m. every Wednesday. All of the help from shopping, prepping, setting up tables, cooking, serving, and cleaning up are volunteers. It takes quite a crew each week!

This truly is an ecumenical and community involved activity. All are welcome to eat and/or help. If you would like more information or would like to become involved, please call Bebe Toor at 935-2068.

Introducing our New Secretary!

Ginny Manley has begun work as our new Secretary and will be working in the Church Office Wednesdays and Fridays from 8AM to noon. She is a long-time Fryeburg area resident, who, by the time you read this, will have just moved to North Fryeburg where she will have room for her draft horse, Lander. She has two grown daughters and, when not working at our church or the Lovell UCC Church or driving the school bus, likes to knit and crochet. She also loves all kinds of animals. We welcome Ginny to our church community!

Gift Idea



Our church print, the original of which was donated in memory of the late Lou & Ola-Mae Wheaton, would make a beautiful and meaningful gift for that special person in your life. For more information, and for the order form, please visit our web site, <http://www.FryeburgNewChurch.org>

All proceeds from the sale of these prints go into our Capital Fund which makes many worthwhile projects possible. This truly is a gift that keeps on giving!

Church Report

In the Hospital



Iva Hatch, Herbert Eastman, and Billy Holt have been in the hospital. Our best wishes for their good health.

Fair Committee News

Mark your calendars! The Fair is a comin'! Our booth will be open September 30th thru October 8th with pie-making at 9:00 a.m. at the church on September 19th & 20th and booth cleaning after church on September 24th. Keep your eyes on your mailbox. Your letter will be coming soon!

From the Choir Director

As we enter the Fall season, Adult Choir will still meet at 8:15 on Sunday mornings until after the Fair. We'll be doing easy to learn songs. After the Fair Adult Choir and Children's Choir will resume regular weekly rehearsals. As always if you would like to sing with us, please feel welcome to join us in our Sunday morning rehearsals.



Laurie Turley

Sunday Worship Attendance

During the summer, attendance at church has varied from as few as twenty to over fifty. We have had a number of visitors from other churches and denominations. Those who spoke to me commented on how much they enjoyed the service. One couple said how "laid back and friendly" our service was compared to what they are used to. All in all it was a good summer season. As we resume our winter schedule we will resume taking and reporting attendance for both Sunday School and Worship Service

Women's Alliance

Officers for the Women's Alliance are:

President Jean Cressy
Vice-President Sally Harnden
Secretary Claudia Graves
Treasurer Patty Swett
Chaplain Betty Baker

Our next meeting date is Monday, **September 18**. Jean Cressy is doing coffee.

Please mark your calendar!

There will be a **Fish & Game Supper** on **September 11 at 6:30 p.m.** at the church.

Contacts: Cindy Priest at 935-3360.

Jean Cressy at 935-2759

Sally Harnden at 935-2546

Thank You!

- ❖ **Chuck Priest and Herb Eastman** for continued work on the nearly-done new bathroom
- ❖ **Nels Liljedahl** for mowing the church lawn
- ❖ **Sally Harnden** for helping our new Secretary Ginny Manley get started
- ❖ **Susan Logan** for continuing to coordinate the monthly Bulletin
- ❖ **Ada and Gerald Kiesman** for a new 3 quart crockpot for the Church kitchen.



Calendar for September 2006

(held at our Church unless indicated)



Fall !



3	Sun	Family Worship with Communion	9:00 a.m.
4	Mon	Labor Day	
5	Tues	Office Hours, 8:00-noon Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m.
6	Wed	Office Hours, 8:00-noon	.
7	Thur	Office Hours, 8:00-noon	
8	Fri	Office Hours, 8:00-noon	
10	Sun	Sunday School Family Breakfast Family Worship	9:00 a.m. 10:00 am
11	Mon	Fish & Game Supper	6:30 p.m
12	Tues	Office Hours, 8:00-noon	
13	Wed	Office Hours, 8:00-noon	
14	Thur	Office Hours, 8:00-noon	
15	Fri	Office Hours, 8:00-noon	
17	Sun	Sunday School Family Worship	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
18	Mon	Women's Alliance	6:30 p.m
19	Tues	<i>OFFICE CLOSED</i> Pie-making for Church Booth	9:00 a.m.
20	Wed	Office Hours, 8:00-noon Rev. Ken at Hicks & FHCC Pie-making for Church Booth Dinner Bell at EA Seton Church	9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.
21	Thur	Office Hours, 8:00-noon	
22	Fri	Office Hours, 8:00-noon	
24	Sun	Sunday School Family Worship Birthday Bank Sunday Church Booth Cleaning	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 am
26	Tues	Office Hours, 8:00-noon	
27	Wed	Office Hours, 8:00-noon Dinner Bell at EA Seton Church	5:00 p.m.
28	Thur	Office Hours, 8:00-noon	
29	Fri	Office Hours, 8:00-noon	
30	Sat	Fair Booth Opening Day	6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Ushers for September

- 3 Sue LaPointe
- 10 Chuck & Cindy Priest
- 17 Jean Cressy & Donnette Barnes
- 24

Welcomers for September

- 3 Debbie Urgese
- 10 Martha Richardson
- 17 Debbie Dolley
- 24 Sally Harnden

Coffee Hour for September

- 3 Debbie Urgese
- 10 Breakfast
- 17 Kelly Lloyd
- 24 Brenda Bradley



Flowers for July will be done by **Rene Chaplin.**