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FRYEBURG NEW CHURCH



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Secretary hours (*winter break hours*):

Wednesday 10 - 2

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HYBRID WORSHIP



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Christmas Sing-a-long ~ December 16th @ FNC 2:00 p.m.**
- **Sunday, December 17th ~ Worship 10:00 am.** The Poinsettias arrive. For honoring and remembering our loved ones. We will also have a “Bring a Holiday treat to share” coffee hour after worship.
- **Sunday, December 24th ~**
No morning service.
- **Christmas Eve Ecumenical Service ~ First Congregational Church Fryeburg. December 24 5:00 pm.**
- **Christmas Open House at the Parsonage ~ December 25th 1 - 4 p.m.**
- **Sunday, December 31st - New Year's Eve Day service at 10:00 am.**
- Please let Rev. Catherine know your favorite Christmas Hymns and we will sing them during our December services. Fa-la-la-la-la!

ZOOM LINK

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85357860199>

Meeting ID: 853 5786 0199

Dial by your location: 1 929 205 6099

GIVING TO THE CHURCH

Ongoing General support is needed for everything from paying the Church staff's salaries to keeping the lights on at the church to buying music for our choir. We depend on donations from our congregation to help offset all of our expenses.

Donations may be made by check mailed to FNC, 12 Oxford Street, Fryeburg, ME 04037, or by donating through PayPal,

<https://fryeburgnewchurch.org/giving>

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Donations in any amount are always welcomed and very much appreciated.

Thank you for your support!

Upcoming Events



REMEMBERING AND HONORING OUR LOVED ONES THIS SUNDAY

We will be remembering our loved ones and honoring those who cannot be with us during the Holiday Season on December 17 during our Worship Service with Poinsettia plants, greenery or other floral arrangements.

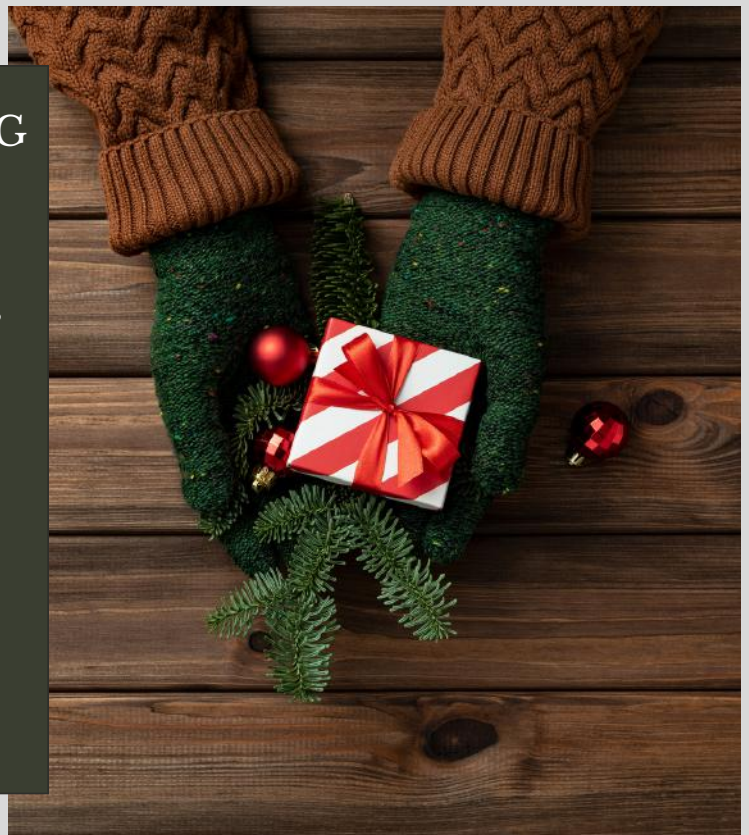
This year, we'd like to ask you to purchase the plant you want and bring it with you on December 17.

Also, do you have a favorite Christmas treat that you would like to share? Bring it to share at coffee hour this Sunday. Thank you to Lee and Martha for making the meeting space look spiffy and festive!

CHRISTMAS SING-A-LONG

Church of the New Jerusalem
Saturday, December 16 @ 2:00 p.m.

A Christmas Song Sing-A-Long, hosted by Ellen Schwindt and her students, takes place at 2 Pm on December 16th at Fryeburg New Church at 12 Oxford Street in Fryeburg. Come enjoy many renditions of Jingle Bells, The Ukrainian Bell Carol, Oh Christmas Tree, and even the Dreidle Song played on the piano, violin, and maybe even our very own Estey Organ Company organ. Requests will be honored as far as we are able and we will share some snacks and hot chocolate after we sing.



 Merry Christmas! 



You're Invited!
Christmas Day
Open House
at the Parsonage

22 Elm St.

Rev. Catherine welcomes you to stop
by and say 'hi' on Christmas Day
between 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm.





“May no one be forgotten this season, may we search for those who need an extra hug, a kind word, an ounce of cheer.”

~Toni Sorenson

Calendar

- **Family Worship** - Sundays @ 10:00 am
- **COFFEE HOUR** - Bring a Holiday treat to share this Sunday December 17th. Thanks!!
- **Trustees meeting** - January TBA hybrid @ 6:30 pm
- **Worship Committee mtg.** - January 4 @ 7:00pm
- **Tai Chi** - Saturdays 8:30 - 10:00 am (contact Greg Huang-Dale)
- **Dinner Bell at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church** - Wednesdays 5pm - 6pm drive through pick-up.
No Dinner Bell during school vacations.
- **Game Night at FNC** - every 2nd & 4th Tues. 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
- **Sound Bath Meditations** - Wednesday, Dec. 20th 7:00 pm.
We will reconvene the second week of January 2024.
- **Fryeburg Academy winter break** - December 15 - January 3
- **Christmas Sing-a-long** - December 16 @ 2:00 p.m.
- **Christmas Plants** - bring them in on December 17
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Fa-la-la-la-la!
- There will NOT be a morning service on December 24th
- **Christmas Eve Ecumenical Service** at First Congregational Church Fryeburg. 5:00 pm.
- **MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!** - Monday, December 25th
- **Christmas Day open house at the Parsonage** - 1 - 4 pm
- **Kwanzaa begins** - December 26th
- **Sunday, December 31st** - New Year's Eve service at 10:00 am.
- **Happy New Year!** - January 1, 2024
- **ANNUAL REPORTS DUE ASAP, no later than January 19.**
- **Sunday, January 28th** - FNC Annual Meeting after worship/

*Have something to add to the calendar or newsletter?
Please let the office know by giving a call or sending an email.*

**“It is Christmas every
time you let God love
others through you.”**

~ Mother Teresa ~

Why Jesus Called Himself A Temple | Your House In Heaven | Life After Death

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"Houses, buildings, temples. . . . In the afterlife, all the buildings are very real, but they're also extensions of people's states of mind. Curtis digs into "Heaven and Hell" to learn more!"

-Off the Left Eye, YouTube

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