



October 2012

Church of the New Jerusalem

Monthly Newsletter

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

Dear Friends,

The season of pie and fair burgers is upon us!!! I am so sorry that I'll be missing the first few days of the Fryeburg Fair while I complete my first week of Spiritual Direction training in Canada but I look forward to returning and catching up with all of the excitement on Wednesday, October 3rd. Thank you to all of the people in our extended church family who make the New Church Fair Booth happen every year.

This time of year especially makes me think of the many people in our church's extended family now residing in the spiritual world, whose efforts have set the foundation for our church's successes today. So many hands, so much planning, so many decisions and creative ideas have gone in to forming who we are as a church, how we are known in the larger community, and what has been established to support our work every year. Those few inspired and generous souls who decided to start selling chowder at the Fair so many years ago laid the ground work for a yearly fundraiser that is hugely if not solely responsible for the churches continued operations. Wow. Really amazing.

Our Fryeburg New Church, is so much more than our building, so much more than the 50 or so people who gather each Sunday to worship together, so much more than it's laws of incorporation or yearly budget. Our church consists of a huge web of connections that span across time, people who have come together to live their faith with the common purpose of loving God and their neighbor, of sharing in sacred community and proclaiming the good news that love reigns and that the Lord is calling us all to participate in His Holy City here on earth. If you are saying to yourself, well all I did was roll some pie dough? Or all I do is sing in the choir, or help fold newsletters, how am I participating in this great purpose? That's just it. The Lord's Kingdom will not be brought to earth by one great act, by one great person, but adding together millions of small acts of generosity, love and kindness.

I pray that during our week of working together at the fair each one of us who volunteers, while we are taking out the trash, serving up some corn chowder, or doing dishes, we will see the sacredness of these tasks. I hope we'll think of the many generations who have done these tasks

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before us. I hope we will feel the blessing of being a part of this great network. And I pray that we will all know these efforts done today, will establish new foundations for a future we cannot yet imagine.

Many October Blessings,

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Worship Schedule

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

October 7, 2012 ~ "Day 7," Genesis 2:1-7

October 14, 2012 ~ "A helpmate for Adam"
Genesis 2:8-25

October 21, 2012 ~ "Noah builds the ark"
Genesis 6:9-21

October 28, 2012 ~ "The end of the flood"
Genesis 8:6-22

Passages

Our beloved friend **Edward "Billy" Holt** passed away on Saturday, September 22, 2012. A funeral service for him will be held on Sunday, October 14th at 2:00 pm at the Fryeburg New Church. His widow Gail appreciates the many people who have reached out since Billy's passing. As Gail transitions to life without Billy, she has expressed the need for help getting to the grocery store once a month or so and would appreciate anyone who could give her a ride.

Church Report

The Trustees

The Trustees' next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at 7:00 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

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| Cindy Priest, <i>Chair</i> | 935-3360 |
| Deneane Frost, <i>Vice Chair</i> | 935-3344 |
| Donnette Barnes, <i>Treasurer</i> | 935-2130 |
| Scott Ferguson, <i>Secretary</i> | 925-3207 |
| Jennifer Richardson | 935-4509 |
| Jean Cressy | 935-7093 |
| Jon Crowe | 925-1302 |
| <i>Women's Alliance Representative:</i> | |
| Carol Andrews | 935-1007 |

Women's Alliance

The next meeting of the Women's Alliance will be on **Monday, October 15, 2012 at NOON**. Bring a bag lunch. We meet the third Monday of each month at the Church. All ladies are welcome!!

2012 Officers for the Women's Alliance are:

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

Gratitude Season Begins October 14th

This is our third year together, and also our third year celebrating what has become our Season of Gratitude leading up to Thanksgiving. We all know that it is important to give thanks, and yet it can be so easy to begin taking the many blessings that the Lord has given us for granted. During our Gratitude Season we are all invited to make a practice of gratitude, that in this practice we might be awakened to the blessings that abound. This year the Sunday School Teachers and classes will be putting together our Gratitude display in the side alcove and it will include a place for all those visiting the New Church to add their thoughts on what they are grateful for throughout the season. I hope you all will participate, and work to carry an attitude of gratitude with your church family.

Christmas Cupboard



The Women's Alliance is once again gearing up for the annual **Christmas Cupboard** which will be on Saturday, November 17th!! Donations of anything handmade is

appreciated and very much needed this year!
MEN: We could really use donations of some of your handmade wooden crafts. Items for sale should be brought to the Church no later than set up day, Friday, November 16th at 9:00 a.m. Baked items can also be brought in anytime on Friday, or Saturday morning by 8:00 a.m.



Annual Meeting and Pot Luck Luncheon

Please join us for our annual pot luck luncheon immediately following Worship Service on: **Sunday, October 28th**
FNC Annual Meeting will follow after lunch.

**Maine Association Annual Meeting TBA

Fryeburg Academy Hall of Excellence 2012 Inductees

The Fryeburg Academy Hall of Excellence is proud to announce its newly inducted class of 2012. This year's class will include nine new members and span 70 years of Academy history. Our very own Sally Harnden was inducted. Below is the quote from the event program...

"**Celestine Perkins Harnden '46**, or Sally as we know her, has been a fixture in the Town of Fryeburg. Due to antiquated school rules of the time, Sally was unable to receive her diploma but that was rectified on December 7, 2011, as she was presented her long over-due high school diploma. While at Fryeburg, Sally served as Secretary and Vice President of the National Honor Society. In three years of Prize Speaking, she took first place her freshman year and second place the next two years. Sally was unable to participate in other extra-curricular activities due to the fact she was needed at home. However, after her high school years, she made up for lost time by being involved in many civic activities. Sally was involved in the east Fryeburg Grange, D.A.R., Sunday School Teacher at the Fryeburg New Church, Assistant Scout Leader of the Brownies, President and Secretary of the Morrill School P.T.A., Trustee of the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, President and Secretary of the Fryeburg Library Club and a charter member of the Raider Booster Club. Sally also received the Distinguished Alumni Award in 2001."

We would also like to mention that Sally served as our volunteer church secretary for over 25 years. Please congratulate Sally when you see her!

Fish and Game Supper

Nov 5, 2012  6:30 p.m.

* ALL SUPPERS to be \$9.00 per person.

Welcomers for October

Oct 7 Fryeburg Fair
 Oct 14 Sally Harnden
 Oct 21 Martha Richardson
 Oct 28 OPEN

Ushers for October

Oct 7 Tom Barrett & Donnette Barnes
 Oct 14 Stanley Dolley & Chuck Priest
 Oct 21 Jen & David Richardson
 Oct 28 Dean Harnden & Sue Davidson

Coffee Hour for October

Oct 7 Fryeburg Fair
 Oct 14 Mary Dysinger
 Oct 21 Debbie Urgese
 Oct 28 Jean Cressy

| WORSHIP SERVICE ATTENDANCE SEPTEMBER 2-23, 2012 | | |
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| Date | Adults | Children |
| Sept 2 | 35 | 1 |
| Sept 9 | 47 | 2 |
| Sept 16 | 46 | 2 |
| Sept 23 | 52 | 2 |



October flowers
 courtesy of
Renie Chaplin

*Reminder: There is **NO** Dinner Bell
 on Wednesday, October 3 due to
 Fair parking at St. Elizabeth.*

| Calendar for October 2012 (held at our Church unless indicated) | | |  |
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| 30 | Sun | Fryeburg Fair begins Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship | 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. |
| 4 | Thu | Brown Bag Bible Study | 12 noon |
| 7 | Sun | Last Day of Fair Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship | 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. |
| 9 | Tue | Trustees Meeting | 7:00 p.m. |
| 10 | Wed | Dinner Bell North @SEAS | 5:00 p.m. |
| 11 | Thu | Brown Bag Bible Study | 12 noon |
| 14 | Sun | Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship Funeral for Billy Holt | 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. |
| 15 | Mon | Women's Alliance | 12 noon |
| 17 | Wed | Rev. Sage @ FHCC Dinner Bell North @SEAS Worship Committee mtg. | 10:30 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. |
| 18 | Thu | Brown Bag Bible Study | 12 noon |
| 19 | Fri | Rev. Sage @ Maine Council | All day |
| 21 | Sun | Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship | 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. |
| 24 | Wed | Dinner Bell North @SEAS | 5:00 p.m. |
| 25 | Thu | Brown Bag Bible Study | 12 noon |
| 28 | Sun | Birthday Bank Sunday Food Pantry Sunday Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship Family Potluck and FNC Annual Meeting | 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. |