



June 2006

Church of the New Jerusalem

Monthly Bulletin

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

Dear Friends,

OUR VISION

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.

OUR WAY

**Illuminate • Respect • Support •
Nurture • Affirm • Serve**

Illuminate: Spiritual sense enlightening people, teach, brighten the way we see, light in the dark,

Respect: For each other's beliefs and choices

Support: Community wide – serving the community needs, both outer and inner

Nurture: Inclusive, encompasses more, action oriented (love, growth, regeneration)

Affirm: Our faith, our community, it is the opposite of condemn and judge

Serve: Uses, serve each other and the larger community

OUR VALUES

Respect: Acceptance and respect of all religions, cultures, differences

Enlighten: Constant pathway to learning, teaching,

Play: Life, celebration, explore, look, seek, forms of worship

Love, health, respect, honesty, integrity, inclusiveness, kindness, peace, diversity, contribution, tolerance, honor, cherish, useful, Swedenborg – value teachings, worship, education, harmony, bible, sacred space, family, law-abiding, direct connection to spirit, celebration, ritual, ancestors, history, elders, leadership, youth, play, respect, love thy neighbor, worship, usefulness, wisdom.

Money – Fryeburg has been independent and self-sufficient since the 70s. If we need money, we raise it; when we need a decision, people vote. Recognize need to give financially to national level. The need to acknowledge greater accountability exists at all levels.

The Fryeburg New Church aka The Church of the New Jerusalem

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OUR PRIORITY

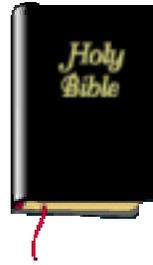
YOUTH! This church has a long history of an active Sunday School and providing resources and activities for the youth of the church and the wider community. As we look to the future of this church it is to, and through, our youth that we look see the fulfillment of our vision.

The above is a summary of what we came up with as a result of our recent visioning project. It is offered again to keep before us the values that we bring from the past as we move into the future. It holds not just the goals we want to accomplish, but also the basis on which we act and the way in which we act as we seek to accomplish those goals. Over the summer and as we approach the beginning of a new church year next fall, I hope you will give some deep thought to ways in which this church as a community, and you as an individual, can contribute to the fulfillment of these goals. In all things we seek to serve God and the coming of the kingdom of heaven on earth. It is our joy and the fulfillment of our worship as spiritual people to be a part of that.

I'm thinking of two brief passages. In one the prophet Isaiah says, "Where there is no vision, the people perish." We have a vision! And in our case, the people will not perish—rather we are a parish! In other words, we are a community of people united in love to the Lord and one another with a common vision and purpose. And the second phrase, from the book of Revelation, is "Behold, I make all things new." It is when we move forward, with faith, prayer, humility, courage and a willingness to be led by the Lord, that the heavenly spirit enters in and makes things happen in ways we could never predict. It is in this that we are joined with the Lord and each other and renewed in a personal and communal process of spiritual growth. Amen!

Blessings,

Rev. Ken



Worship Services

Transition to Summer Schedule

The Teachings of the Parables:

- 6/04 Children's Sunday**
No Sunday School
Family Worship and Awards 10 a.m.
All Church Picnic at Assembly
11:30 a.m. (Watermelon Provided)
- 6/11 Just A Regular Sunday**
▶ **Summer Schedule Begins** ◀
Family Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School Resumes in Fall
- 6/18 Father's Day Café Sunday**
Gather downstairs for informal worship
- 6/25 Guest Worship Leader**

Genuine divine worship is unknown to those who think worship exists only in reverence and prayers, that is, from the mouth and thought alone, and not in the work done from a good heart full of love and faith. True worship of God consists in living according to God's ways. This is also true love of God and true faith in God. When we live a life of love and kindness, our life is continual worship.

~Emanuel Swedenborg
A.C. #1618 and #10143



Rev. Ken, Laurie and Ethan are attending Convention in Urbana, Ohio, followed by some vacation time. They will all be back for Café Sunday in July.

Church Report

In the hospital

Violet Thurston, who celebrated her 90th birthday last month, has been in the hospital. **Billie Holt** and **Elsie Hill** also have been in the hospital. Our best wishes for their good health.

Services

There was a graveside service for **Marilin Daigle, Patty Swett's** sister on May 13th, with Marilyn's son Lyle Leach officiating.



Thank You!

The bathroom project is almost complete, and we want to offer heart-felt thanks once again to the following people who have given so generously of their time and talents, saving the church thousands of dollars:

Chuck Priest • Carl Magee • Herb Eastman • Billy Holt • Lawrence Perry • Shane Hatch • Nels Liljedhal • Ed Wilkey • Bob Potter • Stanley Dolley

A big "Thanks!" also this month to.....

- ❖ **Stanley Dolley** and **Nels Liljedahl** for mowing the church lawn
- ❖ **Burt Chaplin** for his work on the kitchen's new dishwasher
- ❖ **Rev. Ken** for taking over mowing of the parsonage lawn, as well as making trash and recycling runs for the church
- ❖ **Sally Harnden** for all her help with Children's Sunday

Well done, good and faithful servants, and blessings upon thee all from a grateful and appreciative congregation.

From the Choir Director

Thank you to the Trustees and all those at church for the thoughtful card and gift on Music Sunday. I am very grateful to you for your love and support. And, many thanks to Martha Richardson and Debby Dolley for helping to get the children singing on Music Sunday.

Adult choir members: we'll still meet at 8:15 on Sunday mornings until Father's Day. We're still singing God's praises! *Laurie Turley*

Women's Alliance

Officers for the Women's Alliance are:

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

We meet the third Monday of each month at the Church, except July and August, but please note: our next meeting date is **Tuesday, June 20th** (not the 19th!). This will be a pot luck supper at **6:30 p.m.**



May 2006 Sunday Service

April 30	52 adults, 3 children
May 7	50 adults, 1 child
May 14	40 adults, 4 children
May 21	45 adults, 3 children

May 2006 Sunday School

April 30	18 attendees
May 7	19 attendees
May 14	16 attendees
May 21	17 attendees

Reunion Sunday

Over 50 people helped us to celebrate this year's Reunion Sunday on May 7th. Honors to the longest-lived went to Mildred Heath, age 96. Fond stories were shared about Mr. Briggs' Saab, and the jolting travel experience that it provided; the Gott's Island *Perilous Cliff-Climbing Adventures of Patty and Ola-Mae*; the Sunday school bus "loop" rides through East Conway, West Fryeburg, and North Fryeburg.



Sally Harnden remembered Sunday School in 1937. Patty Swett told about getting married during Fryeburg Fair week and working in the Fair Booth the next day. Stanley Dolley described being in a play at the Grange Hall (which belonged to the church at that time); and Judy Hatch remembered dancing with Carl "Pickles" Magee at the Friday night dances were held in the Church basement in the 1950s and 60s. Thanks to all who participated in our stroll down Memory Lane!



The Trustees

The Trustees' next regular meeting is scheduled for **Monday, June 5th, at 6:30 p.m.** Please note the special date and 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.

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Gift Idea Reminder!



With graduation and wedding season upon us, our limited edition, colored, 11"x14" matted print would make a beautiful and meaningful gift for that special person in your life. Please visit our web site for more information and the mail order form:

<http://www.fryeburgnewchurch.org/orderform.html>

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!



Black Fly Festival



Mother Nature did not cooperate with this year's Festival, but despite the day's downpours, the event was well-attended, and our bake sale raised over \$230.00. Thanks so much to everyone who donated delicious confections to the cause!

Oldie Goldies

Rev. Ken visits Hicks' Nursing Home and the Fryeburg Health Care Center every month and reports that his most requested songs are *In the Garden, He Keeps Me Singing, God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again, The Old Rugged Cross, and How Great Thou Art.* Watching a room full of 80-year-olds enthusiastically singing along with Rev. Ken must be quite an experience!



Benefit Supper

There will be a Benefit Supper on June 17th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church to help defray the medical expenses of **Vickie Hatch Stevens**, who has Lyme Disease.

Calendar for June 2006

(held at our Church unless indicated)



Happy Father's Day, June 18th!

4	Sun	<p>Children's Sunday Family Service & Awards</p> <p>All Church Picnic at the Assembly</p>  <p>FA's Baccalaureate at the First Congregational Church</p>	<p>10:00 a.m.</p> <p>11:30 a.m.</p> <p>7:30 p.m.</p>
5	Mon	Trustees' Meeting	6:30 p.m.
11	Sun	<p>Summer Schedule Begins</p> <p>Fryeburg Academy Graduation – Rev. Ken doing invocation</p>	<p>9:00 a.m.</p> <p>2:00 p.m.</p> 
14	Wed	Flag Day	
15	Thru	<p>Rev. Ken at Hick's Nursing Home</p> <p>Rev. Ken at FHCC</p>	<p>9:30 a.m.</p> <p>10:30 p.m.</p>
17	Sat	<p>Benefit Supper for Vickie Hatch-Stevens</p> <p>St. Elizabeth Ann Seton</p>	5:00-7:00 p.m.
18	Sun	<p>Café Sunday</p> <p>Father's Day</p>	9:00 a.m.
20	Tues	<p>Women's Alliance Meeting & Pot Luck Supper</p>	6:30 p.m.
21	Wed	<p>Turleys leave for convention</p> <p><i>First Day of Summer!</i></p>	
25	Sun	<p>Guest minister</p> <p>Pre-Convention begins</p>	9:00 a.m.
28	Wed	Convention begins in Urbana, Ohio	

Child Care

Sunday, June 4th, is Children's Sunday, which is the end of our Sunday School year. Our summer schedule begins the following week, with family worship services at 9:00 a.m. Child care is provided during the summer worship services.

Ushers for June

- 4 Stan & Debbie Dolley
- 11 Chuck Priest & Lawrence Perry
- 18 Billy & Gail Holt
- 25 Patty Swett & Claudia Graves

Welcomers for June

- 4 Martha Richardson
- 11 Debbie Urgese
- 18 Debbie Dolley
- 25 Sally Harnden

Coffee Hour for June

- 4 Debbie Urgese
- 11 Brenda Brackley
- 18 Donnette Barnes
- 25 Debbie Dolley



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!

There are a number of regular volunteers from the New Church who help out each week, including the Gibsons, Karen and Naomi Ela, Charlotte Lord, Claudia Graves and youth

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

