



March 2008

Church of the New Jerusalem

Monthly Bulletin

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

Dear Friends,

We are approaching a record accumulation of snow for this winter. It's beautiful and great for the winter sports which are so important to the culture and the economy of our area. But there are also some concerns. A number of houses and roofs have collapsed recently because of the weight of accumulated snow. I am one among a number who have fallen on the ice with varying degrees of physical discomfort resulting. I've been nursing a very sore shoulder for over a week now, and already I've "re-wrenched" it a couple of times from what would normally be inconsequential slips. As the piles of snow get bigger and the paths get smaller, visibility becomes more and more of a critical issue, both when driving and walking. And we're not even out of February yet! What I am getting at is the slow and steady accumulation of snow is adding to the difficulties of getting through winter and we still have a ways to go. I would like to ask you to take extra care to be observant and watch for ways to help out those who have difficulties as a result of the harsh weather.

Make sure your neighbor(s) are getting the help they need with shoveling. It's great that the driveway gets plowed, but not much help if you can't get down the walk from the front door that leads to the driveway! Make sure your neighbors are able to get out and get their groceries back home, something that might not be a problem on a sunny day with only a few puddles to avoid. Drive extra carefully and leave plenty of room for sliding those extra yards it takes to stop on snow covered ice.

We are all in this together and it is times like these that help bring us together as a community. Look around, it shouldn't be hard to find an opportunity to be a good neighbor. Remember the Lord's words, "What you have done for the least of these, you have done for Me."

And speaking of being a good neighbor, take a look at "East Of Eden" elsewhere in the Newsletter!

Blessings,

Rev. Ken

The Fryeburg New Church aka The Church of the New Jerusalem

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Winter Schedule

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

- 3/2 "The Woman of Samaria"
John 4:1-43
- 3/9 "Healing on the Sabbath"
John 5:1-46
- 3/16 **Palm Sunday**
"The Joyous Welcome"
John 12:1-35
- 3/20 **Maundy Thursday**
**6:00 p.m. Potluck Supper and Ecumenical
Communion Service**
at Brownfield Community Church
- 3/23 **EASTER SUNDAY**
6:30 a.m. Ecumenical Sunrise Service
at Fryeburg Harbor Church
- At the Fryeburg New Church
9:00 a.m. Family Breakfast
10:00 a.m. Easter Worship Service
John 18-20
- 3/30 "The Risen Lord"
John 21



Don't forget to turn your clocks 1 hour ahead
before bed on Saturday night, March 8th!!

Church Report

The Trustees

The Trustees' next meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 4, 2008 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
Stan Dolley, <i>Treasurer</i>	935-2887
<i>Women's Alliance Representative:</i>	
Sally Harnden	935-2546

Women's Alliance

Women's Alliance will meet on **Monday, March 17th at 6:30 p.m.** Edie Leach will be in charge of coffee. We meet the third Monday of each month at the Church.

Officers for the 2008 Women's Alliance are:

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

Choir

Youth Choir will meet on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. beginning on March 5th until Easter. See Laurie Turley if your child would like to join us to sing on **Easter Sunday.**

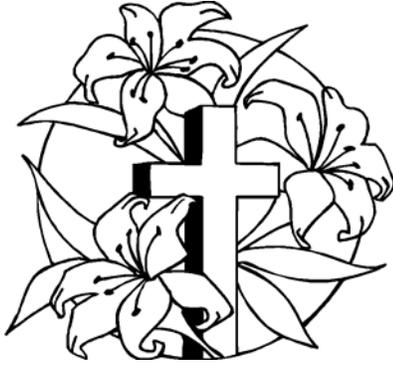


Easter Lily Reminder

It's still not too late to get your order in for Easter Lilies.

The cost this year is \$8.00 each.

Lilies can be picked up after church on Easter Sunday or left for the following Sunday, or for a shut-in or nursing home resident. Orders should be returned to the office **prior to March 7th**. Envelopes and order slips were enclosed in last month's newsletter but can also be picked up from the table at the Church entrance. Orders may be placed in the collection plate, left in the church office, or called in to Jennifer at 935-3413. *Please indicate who the lily will be "In Honor" or "In Memory of".*



Fish and Game Supper

March 3, 6:30
2008  p.m.

Cindy Priest, Chair

Last Call...

If you haven't already done so, please get your reports in to the Church Office for the 2007 Annual Report. Thank you!!

Brownfield Food Pantry Benefit Concert

featuring

Katherine Rhoda

heartfelt music from Hiram Hill –
voice, Marxophone,
violin-guitar, Lithuanian kankles,
more, much more...

Ken and Laurie Turley

from Fryeburg – original songs &
covers –
jazz, blues, and light rock style
plus a touch of classical

Denis J. Dunn

from Porter – poetry - yes!

and, from this area -

Empty Pockets

Celtic/traditional instrumentals
played with passion and grace

Sat., Mar. 8, 7 PM

an evening of and for community
nourishment at the

Brownfield Community Church

Jct. of Rt. 160 & Main St.
Limited seating - first come, first served

Admission by donation

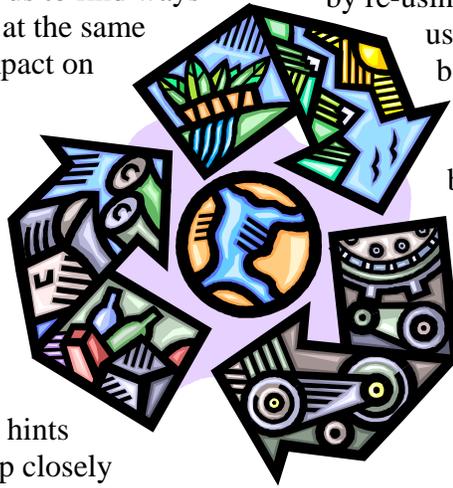
There will be an Intermission with
snacks for sale.

Thanks in advance for your
generosity!

East of Eden

Adam and Eve were ushered out of their utopian existence in the Garden of Eden because they wanted to know what was good and what was evil for themselves. God sent them somewhere east of Eden and they soon began to find out. We've been finding out for ourselves ever since. Life is hard, it takes work, it is often painful, but God has provided everything we need and it is up to us to find ways to make use of what is given and, at the same time, minimize our destructive impact on the environment.

This section is offered to help us cultivate a little bit of the garden out here on our own, and to do something toward keeping up with the task of being stewards of the earth, the sacred trust God has given us. You'll find creative ideas, helpful hints and things others are doing to keep closely connected with the earth, to be of help to others not so fortunate and to generally improve the quality of life. Some of the ideas may be "old hat" to you, some may seem "too far out" and that is fine. As with all things in this church, you are not required to accept everything, only take what is useful to you and make the most of it in your life. So enjoy the reading and if you find some things useful, that is the purpose. And if, by chance, you have some good ideas that you would like to share, please deliver them to the office in one form or another, and we'll see they get included so others have the opportunity to benefit from your good idea.



First Idea: Buy local! It supports local people and improves the stability of the local economy. It diminishes the environmental impact of trucking and packaging. And it is usually better and much fresher.

Second Idea: Patronize those products that use a minimum of paper and plastic to package their product. And then dispose of properly. Preferably by re-using and/or recycling whatever you do not use. My favorite is re-using plastic bottles with water from the tap!

Third Idea: When it comes time to buy gifts for people who have everything, try something really unique and inspiring. Go to www.churchworldservice.org and click on *Resources* in the upper right hand corner, or you can try going to

<https://secure.churchworldservice.org/catalog/display.php?sid=2>. I'll bet they don't have a water buffalo! Here you can provide one yourself or in someone's name, to a family that will treasure it like the local farmer treasurers a tractor!!! There are all kinds of other creative and amazingly helpful things to get involved in. They are not a lot of money, but it is a wonderful gift to know you are having a powerful positive impact on our world.



Calendar for March 2008 (held at our Church unless indicated)		
2	Sun	Communion Sunday Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship 8:15 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
3	Mon	Fish and Game Supper 6:30 p.m.
4	Tue	Board of Trustees Meeting 6:45 p.m.
5	Wed	Instrumental Group Practice Dinner Bell North @ EAS Youth Choir <i>Saving Jesus @ 1st Congo</i> 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
8	Sat	<u>Turn clocks 1 hour ahead.</u> Brownfield Food Pantry Benefit Concert @ Brown- field Community Church 7:00 p.m.
9	Sun	Daylight Savings Begins Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship 8:15 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
12	Wed	Instrumental Group Practice Dinner Bell North @ EAS Youth Choir <i>Saving Jesus @ 1st Congo</i> 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
14	Fri	Rev. Ken at Maine Council 8:00 a.m.
16	Sun	Palm Sunday Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship 8:15 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
17	Mon	St. Patrick's Day Women's Alliance 6:30 p.m.
19	Wed	Rev. Ken @ FHCC Instrumental Group Practice Dinner Bell North @ EAS Youth Choir <i>Saving Jesus @ 1st Congo</i> 10:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
20	Thu	Maundy Thursday Potluck Supper and Ecumenical Communion Service @ Brownfield Church 6:00 p.m.
21	Fri	Good Friday
23	Sun	Easter Sunday Sunrise Service @ Fryeburg Harbor United Methodist Adult Choir Family Breakfast Family Worship Maine Maple Sunday 6:30 a.m. 8:15 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.

26	Wed	Dinner Bell North @ EAS <i>Saving Jesus @ 1st Congo</i> 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
30	Sun	Adult Choir Sunday School Family Worship Birthday Bank Sunday 8:15 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.

Welcomers for March

Mar 2 Debbie Urgese
Mar 9 Sally Harnden
Mar 16 Martha Richardson
Mar 23 Debbie Dolley
Mar 30 Debbie Urgese

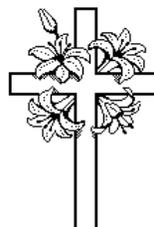
Ushers for March

Mar 2 Lawrence Perry & Mary Dysinger
Mar 9 Kevin & Bonnie James
Mar 16 Greg & Jodie Hesslein
Mar 23 Donnette Barnes & Billy Holt
Mar 30 Herb Eastman & Dean Harnden

Coffee Hour for March

Mar 2 Sally and Dean Harnden
Mar 9 Susan Logan
Mar 16 Jodi Hesslein
Mar 23 Easter Breakfast
Mar 30 Jean Cressy

WORSHIP SERVICE ATTENDANCE FEBRUARY 3 - 24, 2008		
Date	Adults	Children
February 3	39	2
February 10	25	3
February 17	36	1
February 24	36	0



*March flowers will be
done by Jean Cressy*