



October 2006

Church of the New Jerusalem

Monthly Bulletin

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

Dear Friends,

Well, it's Fair Week already. As you read this a couple hundred pies are baked and ready, the grill has been fired up and ready for eggs in the morning and burgers for lunch and dinner, the stews, chowders and chili are simmering. This is the week to ask yourself, "How can I be there for the church that is there for me?" Whether you work the window counting change and serving customers, or dishing up soups, working the grill or helping out with the growing amount of food we prepare at the church and deliver to the booth, we need you to find a place to make your contribution.

As in all community endeavors, there is a core group that does a majority of the work. And that is OK. But the success of the project absolutely depends on the many other people who help out here and there. I see it like trying to carry a huge tarp. The people in the middle carry most of the weight and set the pace and direction. But it is only with a good number of people holding up the edges that the whole thing can move forward. The Fair Booth is this church's annual stewardship drive. We generate over a third of our annual budget in one intense, week-long effort. The great thing about this is that it doesn't cost you anything but time. And that time is spent doing mostly fun work with a great group of people.

The atmosphere is fun, friendly and supportive. Whether this is your first time or

you've been pitching in for years, everyone is welcome, and useful, helpful jobs that match your abilities are available for everyone. Nowhere else is it more true that many hands make light work than during Fair week. But not only do many hands make light work, but light hearts and bright faces and even new friends as well. So catch the spirit, commit some time and pitch in serving customers, serving the church, and by doing it with love and good will in heart and mind, serving God. Together we can make this the best Fair Week ever.

Blessings,

Rev. Ken

A.C 1103(2) . . . no one is ever born for the sake of any other end than that they may perform a use to the society they are in; to the neighbor while they live on earth and a use in the other life according to the good pleasure of the Lord.

A.C. 6388 When those in heaven who are in mutual love are performing uses and doing good to others, they are in such joy and happiness that they then for the first time seem to be in heaven. This is given them by the Lord and to each according to their uses. But this happiness vanishes as soon as they think about recompense....

- from the writings of Emanuel Swedenborg

The Fryeburg New Church aka The Church of the New Jerusalem

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Membership Class

For twenty-two years, I have been a parish minister with no small amount of discomfort in the role. I am no salesman. I have proven that several times by failing miserably trying to be one. And I am no glad-handed, overly enthusiastic evangelist. I turned away from Christianity for many years because that sort of thing was so offensive to me. I do not believe my particular brand of religion is the only way to find and know God and so enter into heaven. If someone is happy with their religion, then I am happy for them.

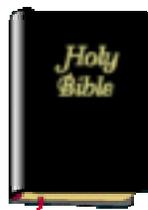
On the other hand, I have found through our church and its teachings a relationship with the Lord, a growing understanding of the Bible and spirituality that has, at the risk of sounding overly dramatic, saved my life! And I do love sharing that with anyone one who is interested.

The New Church is my spiritual home. It is my family. It is a human organization made up of real people and as such, by definition, is far from perfect. But it has given me a place where I can worship God, grow spiritually, be of service in a loving, wise and practical way, and still be who I am, warts and all. If you have found something similar in this church community and would like to take your involvement “to the next level,” or if you would simply like to know more about our church and its teachings, I will be offering a three week class on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM beginning October 12th.

This series will provide you with a complete introduction to the faith, aims and function of our church. It will also complete the first and biggest requirement for becoming a member of the church. So here is my invitation (NOT my sales pitch!!): Come and join me on these three evenings and you will learn a lot about our church. You will probably learn some things about yourself. And if you are then ready, take the next steps to becoming a member of our church. If you are not ready, continue to stay involved as an active friend. Either way, it just may change your life!

- Rev Ken

- Worship Services



Fall Schedule

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

10/1 Jacob and Esau

“The heart rules but the mind leads”
Genesis 27:1-29:30

(no Coffee Hour, see you at the Fair)

10/8 Wrestling with Angels

“Jacob becomes Israel”
Genesis 29:31-35

(no Coffee Hour, see you at the Fair)

10/15 Joseph In Egypt

“Selling Out to Gain the World”
Genesis 37-47

10/22 The Blessing of Israel

“Twelve Sons become Twelve Tribes”
Genesis 48-50

10/29 The Israelites in Egypt

“Paradise becomes a prison”
Exodus 1

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, October 10, at 6:30 p.m.** Please note the special date and 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
Debbie Dolley	935-2887
Pat Swett	603-939-2262
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! 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.

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. Our next meeting is **Monday, October 16**, at the church. Jean Cressy is doing coffee.

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!

Community Giving Tree

The Community Giving Tree has been in operation in the MSAD #72 school district for over 20 years now. The organization, sponsored by area churches and businesses, and with the help of many dedicated individuals, has a mission "to make the most of the opportunity for community giving during the Christmas season, so those who are less fortunate may experience the joy of the season." Everything is done anonymously.

Trees can be found starting next month throughout Fryeburg, including at our church. Please jump into the holiday spirit and help put a smile on a child's face. Take a tag or two, purchase a gift, wrap it and put a blank "To: and From:" sticker on it and return it to the location where you picked it up. What a difference you can make, one gift at a time.

Church Report

In the Hospital

Billie Holt has been in the hospital, but we're glad to see him back home and in church. Our continued prayers for his good health.

Passages



Ethelwyn "Muff" Worden, 63, recently living in Iceland, passed into the spiritual world on Aug. 25, 2006, in the Faroe Islands while on vacation. A skilled harpist and a wonderful singer, Muff was the Manager of Central Office of Convention for a number of years. You can visit her web page: [http://www.geocities.com/mworden.geo/Ethelwyn "Muff" Worden](http://www.geocities.com/mworden.geo/Ethelwyn%20Worden)

Births

Josie Anne D'Angelo, the first great-grandchild of Elsie Hill, was born on August 21st, 2006. Parents are Julie and Dave D'Angelo Of Rollinsford, NH

Fair News

The Booth is open daily Saturday, Sept. 30th through Sunday, October 8th. At press time, many shifts still need volunteers. Shift times are 6:30 to 11:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., 3:00-6:30 p.m., and 6:30 to close (usually 9:00-9:30 p.m.). Remember, the Fair Booth is this church's annual stewardship drive. If you have some time that you can donate, please call the Fair Booth at 935-2871 and sign up to help. Thank you!

The Christmas Cupboard is November 18, 2006 at the Fryeburg New Church. We need crafts of all types for our sale. This is our big fund raiser for the year which helps us donate to the church towards cleaner's salary and organist's salary. Hope everyone can make something. Thank you.

From the Choir Director

Adults:

The adult choir will meet on Wednesday evening, October 18th at 7:00 p.m. at the parsonage at 22 Elm Street. We'll put in a lengthy session getting ourselves prepared for the remainder of October and November, so that we can practice on Sunday mornings at 8:15 after that. Come on over and join the choir!



Youth:

Youth choir will hold our first rehearsal on Tuesday evening, November 7th, from 5:30 to 6:15. We'll begin preparing our songs for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Hot chocolate will be the featured drink of the evening, and if it's cool enough outside, we'll sing by the lighted fire! So come on over if you're between the ages of 5 and 12! We'll look forward to singing with you!

Please call me at 935 – 4500 with any questions.

- Laurie Turley

Thank You!

- ❖ **Tommy Hutchins** for two boxes of apples.
- ❖ **Herb Eastman** for expanding Rev. Ken's desk.
- ❖ **Susan Logan** for her help getting the monthly bulletin mailing published
- ❖ **Claudia Graves** for her great job serving as Secretary of Alliance – she has had to resign because of health issues. We appreciate all she has done.
- ❖ **Sally Harnden** says a big thank you to the Fryeburg New Church Sunday School for the lovely Willow Tree figurine and the beautiful mum plant.

Calendar for October 2006 (held at our Church unless indicated)			 <i>The Fair!</i>
1	Sun	Sunday School Family Worship FAIR OPENS	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
4	Wed	Dinner Bell at EA Seton Church	5:00 p.m.
8	Sun	Sunday School Family Worship LAST DAY OF FAIR	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
10	Tues	Trustees Meeting Community Giving Tree	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
11	Wed	Dinner Bell at EA Seton Church	5:00 p.m.
12	Thur	Membership Class with Rev. Ken	7:00 p.m.
15	Sun	Sunday School Family Worship	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
16	Mon	Women's Alliance	6:30 p.m.
18	Wed	Dinner Bell at EA Seton Church	5:00 p.m.
19	Thur	Membership Class with Rev. Ken	7:00 p.m.
22	Sun	Sunday School Family Worship	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
25	Wed	Dinner Bell at EA Seton Church	5:00 p.m.
26	Thur	Membership Class with Rev. Ken	7:00 p.m.
28	Sat	Set clocks back one hour tonight	
29	Sun	Sunday School Family Worship ANNUAL MEETING	9:00 a.m. 10:00 am 12 Noon

Office Hours

Our office hours are **Tuesday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.**

Spring Forward, Fall Back

Time reverts to Standard Time at 2:00 a.m. on the last Sunday of October. Don't forget to **set your clocks back one hour** before going to bed on October 28th!

Ushers for October

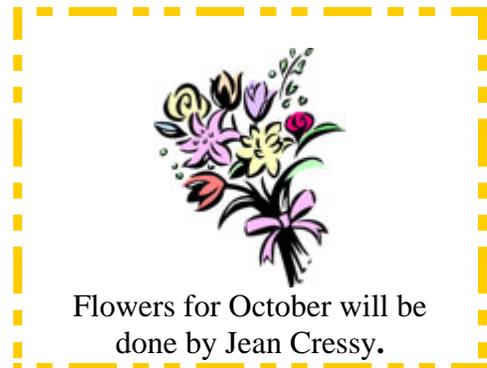
- 1 Stew & Dede Frost
- 8 Jean Cressy & Donnette Barnes
- 15 Stan & Debby Dolley
- 22 Chuck & Cindy Priest
- 29 Sue LaPointe

Welcomers for October

- 1 Debbie Urgese
- 8 Sally Harnden
- 15 Martha Richardson
- 22 Karen Ela
- 29 Debby Dolley

Coffee Hour for October

- 1 FAIR (no coffee hour)
- 8 FAIR (no coffee hour)
- 15 Mary Dysinger
- 22 Jean Cressy
- 29 ANNUAL MEETING (no coffee hour)



Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Fryeburg New Church will be held downstairs at **12:00 noon on Sunday, October 29th**. Annual Reports are available now to be picked up at church. We will have a pot luck luncheon and social hour right after our worship service that day. Please plan to join us in making important decisions that will affect our church in the year ahead.

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