

November 2018

One of the more common topics of conversation I have around the church from week to week is about preaching. Whether it is about that week's message, possible future topics or the mechanics of speaking, it is an area of interest to many. The interest doesn't surprise me since my preaching touches more lives more often, possibly excepting prayer, than anything else I do. Content questions and comments are the most frequent. Among these are often a curiosity about why or how I choose the topics I do. Answering that means stepping back from specific sermons for a moment while I take a big picture look. There are several major types of sermons that can be categorized in various ways. One way to think of these types are as expository, textual and topical sermons (see, for example, the work of Kristyn Hammond). Expository preaching focuses on a particular passage of scripture, seeking to understand by detailed analysis what the text says and means, much like one might do during a Bible study. Textual preaching uses a passage of scripture as the central focal point of the sermon with the theme frequently being one that a congregation needs to hear or that isn't directly addressed by the scripture text. Topical sermons begin with a topic (for example, forgiving someone who has harmed you or Christian living in our personal lives) and uses scripture to make the points of the sermon.

Another way to think of sermons are in terms of their purpose. Adam Hamilton, pastor of the United Methodist Church of the Resurrection in greater Kansas City who predominantly preaches topical sermons, focuses on preaching that will facilitate nonreligious and nominally religious people becoming deeply committed Christians. Over the course of the year, Hamilton makes sure that his sermons variously focus on evangelism, discipleship, pastoral care, equipping and sending, institutional development and what he calls fishing expedition sermons geared toward prospective Christians. These are but a few examples of how you can think of preaching types. Most pastors I know adapt their style and their message to the context in which they are serving. In many cases a church's theological and historical tradition will also be a major influence. One of the interesting aspects of Gray Memorial for me is that people here have collectively experienced over their lifetimes a wide variety of traditions and styles. The style I use may be familiar. It may be different than what you grew up seeing.

Years ago, I moved away from expository preaching. I did this not because this is an inferior style. Indeed, it is one of the classic ways of preaching. A good Bible study covers the kind of ground an expository preacher does. Many of you regularly participate in this kind of Bible study. I turned my attention instead to application, with most of my sermons now being of the textual or topical style, though still covering a variety of purposes. Being a lifelong Methodist no doubt has influenced this thought. Mere knowledge is not enough. Rather, how am I going to respond to the grace God has given me through the life, death and resurrection of Jesus? I am called in part to be a catalyst for people in experiencing God and the work of the Holy Spirit in their everyday life. Incidentally, for our youngest couple generations, this is crucial. Belief is not enough to provoke attendance at a church. A church that demonstrates genuine relevance is going to be far more interesting to a culture that increasingly won't come to church simply because that is what people have done for generations. Now, people are much more likely to come if there are opportunities to make an actual difference in the world and if the church demonstrates that it has something to say about that world.

To me relevance means addressing and referring to the realities and situations people face in their everyday lives and issues in our present world. It is unfortunate that so many of the topics related to everyday life have become associated with particular political points of view. Topics like personal responsibility or caring for the environment have in the past been of interest to the broad range of Christians instead of being code for certain political allegiances. I certainly hope to reclaim many of these issues for people of faith wherever we fall on the spectrum. Although I do have political opinions, when I refer to an issue in a sermon, it is not to make partisan points. If that is what you hear, I encourage you to adjust the filter by which you are hearing. Examine carefully the evidence in the Bible generally and from Jesus specifically. Concern for the poor, for lost souls, for ethical living and for speaking truth to power—just to name a few—were among the key elements of Jesus' ministry. I aim to make a connection between the witness of God in Christ to the present. Sometimes that will make us uncomfortable. Usually, that is a sign that God has something important for us to learn as we grow as disciples of Jesus Christ.

There is certainly much more that I could write, but I would love to hear what you think and what you might like me to expand upon when it comes to preaching (or anything else).

In the meantime, have a blessed Thanksgiving!

Grace and peace,
Rev. Tim



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Greetings from the Church Office!

For any committee/group who is sponsoring an event that should be posted on the outside sign, it would be very helpful if you would provide the wording and the dates you want the message posted.

GMUMC 101 Class - There will be another GMUMC 101 class, dates to be announced. This is a great class both for those interested in becoming a professing member of our congregation and for those who would like a refresher in the beliefs, history and polity (organization) of both the United Methodist Church and of Gray Memorial United Methodist Church. There are a total of 8 contact hours for the class and they can be arranged in about any format, depending on the schedules of the people involved. If you are interested in being part of this class, please speak with Rev. Tim or leave a message with the church office.

The proof of our new Pictorial Directory was received on October 23rd. The Church Directory Committee (myself, Diane Fitzpatrick, Beth Alden and Rev. Tim) will review the proof and make changes and plan to submit the final product by the company's deadline of November 13th. Each person/family whose photo is contained in the directory will automatically receive a free directory. The Committee will order some additional directories that can be purchased for \$6.00 per copy. We hope that everyone will understand that we will have to charge for these additional copies.

Until next month.....

Bobbi Pelletier
Church Secretary



October Prayer Concerns

Prayer Concerns: Debbie, Lu & Dale Sharp, Judi McKee, Reta Haley, Sheila Belyea, Darlene Nelder, Diane McDonough, Bob Ellinwood, Phyllis Sykes, Emily Stuart, Janie Lidey, Keith Drew, Elizabeth Cochran, Connie Cory, Molly Cory, Megan Cory, Scott Walton, Glen Tagget, Jennifer Beaupre, Kristin McBreairty, Herman Wright, Leona Michaud, Carol Norsworthy, Barbara Dee, Cindy Noyes, Joan Belyea

Other: Nations of Israel, Palestine, Syria; All who serve in harm's way;

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PROVIDE A MAILING ADDRESS FOR PEOPLE OR FAMILIES YOU PUT ON THE PRAYER LIST SO WE CAN SEND THEM A NOTE FROM REV. TIM. WE OFTEN HEAR FROM RECIPIENTS ON HOW TOUCHED THEY ARE THAT WE OFFERED PRAYERS FOR THEM!

Correspondence Received:

Dear Church Family,

As Thanksgiving approaches, I have been thinking about all the things for which I am truly thankful. The caring and compassion through phone calls, cards, and especially prayers from my church family have meant so much to me during the last few months, and I am so very thankful for your continued support. It was a happy day for me when I returned to church to worship with you. I am so blessed to be a part of such a wonderful and gracious family.

Diane McDonough

REMINDERS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LITUGIST</u>	<u>GREETERS</u>	<u>COUNTER</u>	<u>COFFEE FELLOWSHIP</u>
Nov 4	Friedrich Wilcox	Judi & Louis Greenier	Joelene Boucher	Education Committee
Nov 11	Tamara Wilcox	Melonie & Erika Carlson	Shirley Bowman	Memorials Committee
Nov 18	Mary Lou Brown	Joelene Boucher & Mary Anderson	Shirley Bowman	Finance/Stewardship Comm.
Nov 25	Richard Clark	Nathaniel & Barbara Adams	Jean Cashman	Worship Committee

November Usher Coordinator: Neal Genz

November Communion Stewardess: Mary Theriault

Organist/Pianist: Nov 4-Margaret Cyr; Nov 11-Mary Lou Brown; Nov 18-Margaret Cyr; Nov 25-Mary Lou Brown

Acolytes: Nov 4-Lauren Craig & Friedrich Wilcox; Nov 11-Darrell Adams; Nov 18-Alden Wilcox; Nov 25-Friedrich Wilcox

Child Care Volunteers: Nov 4-Meagan Irving; Nov 11-Meagan Irving; Nov 18-Diana Locke; Nov 25-Roberta Walton

Each individual or committee is responsible to make arrangements for changes to these various calendars.

Please contact the church office if any changes to these lists are made so the weekly bulletins are correct!

* * November Birthdays & Anniversaries * *

Birthdays and Anniversaries are celebrated on the first Sunday during Coffee Fellowship.

Remember your birthday & anniversary by making a special offering!



1	Kathryn Doody	18	Adrian Gammon, Eric Mockler
2	Eric Morgans	20	Kelsie Washington, Hannah Wells
3	Stephanie Dorr, Alissa Irving	21	Wannetta Brown, Lynne Josselyn, Gigi Witmer
9	Catherine Brewer, Carol Cyr	23	Ioana Bentum, David DeMerchant
10	Gary Langley	25	Andrew Craig, Brennen Griffeth, Lehrle Kieffer, Barbara Scott
13	Darrell Adams III	26	Lisa Soderberg
15	Amira Rife, Conrad Walton	27	Tabitha Doody
16	Evelyn Irving	28	Whitney Nichols, Aurora Pethick
17	Shawn Anderson, Brittany Mockler, Locke Wischmann	30	Penny Shaw



7	Heather & Joe Botterill	23	Mary & Todd Theriault
17	Gwen & Ralph Ferguson	28	Leslie & Shawn Anderson
21	Wannetta & Avon Brown	29	Lehrle & Rob Keiffer

If your name or the name of someone in the Gray Memorial Family does not appear on this list and you would like to add it, please contact the church office, 498-2103.

Corrections are ALWAYS appreciated!!! If you know someone whose last name has changed, please let Bobbi know so she can update the database.



**STEWARDSHIP/
FINANCE
COMMITTEE**

Worship Attendance and General Fund Offerings:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Operating Fund Offering</u>
Sep 30	93	\$2,402.00
Oct 7	83	\$4,548.40
Oct 14	91	\$2,102.50
Oct 21	74	\$1,696.75
Oct 28	65	\$10,999.75

Needed to meet 2018 Budget: \$3,989.24 weekly

Capital Account Seed Money:

We continue to receive donations for the "Capital Account Seed Money" account each month. The balance in the account as of October 28th is \$21,305.38.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORIES ARE BEING PREPARED – WE HOPE TO HAVE THEM SOON!!!
Anyone who had their photos taken or submitted an image will get a free directory. We will get some additional copies of the directory and the individual copy cost is \$6.00.

Pictures from our Worship Services!!
(photos by Dale Sharp, unless otherwise noted)



Oct 21 - Fall flowers adorn the sanctuary's altar area!



Colleen Harmon and Pat Dobson led the Children's Time on October 21st.



Oct 21 - Rev. Tim and Kathleen Forbes lead the congregation in accepting new members Jennifer Tierney, Adam Langworthy and Deborah Pringnitz

Other Kodak Moments!

The United Methodist Men worked on a new patio behind the parsonage on September 29th (photos by Neal Genz)





Pumpkin creations on
Terrific Tuesday,
October 23rd!



Would you like to receive the Sunday afternoon email newsletter summarizing events at worship and upcoming events for the next week? Also, special bulletins, notices of changes of events, etc.? Send an email to Ruth & Emmett at rneross@maine.rr.com or contact the church office (498-2103).



The Worship Committee continues to sponsor a church-wide Mission Project to provide local school children with a variety of items, such as socks, underwear, toiletries (sample/travel size), hats, mittens, gloves, school supplies, etc. Once a month, we will also help one child and gather more specific items for them. Collection boxes are available in the Fellowship Hall. Please place your donations into the appropriate box (marked "Clothes", "Toiletries", and "School Supplies"). We hope everyone in the Gray Memorial family will help with this project!

UPCOMING

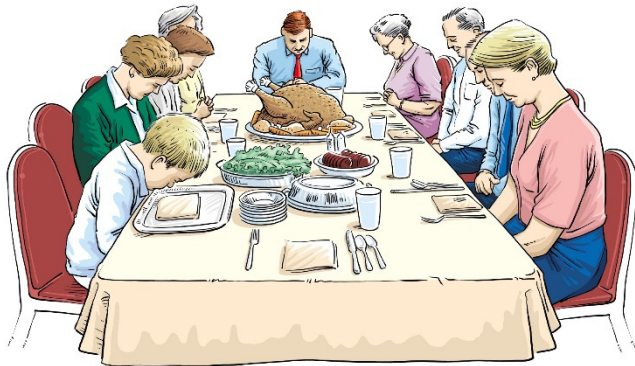
Mark Your Calendars

EVENTS

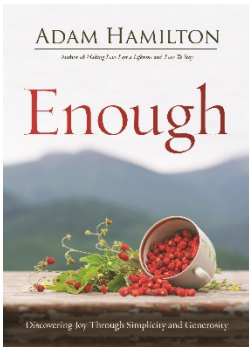


UMW Soup Luncheon
Saturday, November 10
11am - 1pm

Free luncheon/donations accepted!



UMW Free Thanksgiving Meal
November 22nd at 1:00pm
Reservations Required!
Contact Church Office by November 11th!
Free Will Offerings Accepted



“ENOUGH” STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN INTRODUCTION

Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity

One of Jesus’ great teaching parables involves a sower who cast seed along the ground. The sower hoped the seeds would sprout, grow, and bear good fruit. Some seeds did just that, producing a great harvest. But others, Jesus said, fell among thorns and, though they began to grow, these good plants were quickly choked out. Jesus said the thorns were “the cares of the world and the lure of wealth” (Matthew 13:22).

In a culture where having “enough” seems to have become a never-ending pursuit, Jesus’ parable remains incredibly relevant. Many of us are chasing the American dream in ways that lead to stress, anxiety, and fear—thorns that can rob us of the ability to enjoy the abundant lives of purpose that God intended for us.

All of us have struggled with these issues at one time or another. They are important issues that we cannot ignore. This is why, over the next several weeks, we will be having a worship emphasis called *Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity*. During this time we will explore what the Bible teaches us about financial management through corporate worship. We’ll hear expert advice and stories about what others have learned by working through financial challenges. Each week we will provide you with some practical tools you can use to assess your financial situation and develop a financial plan with a biblical foundation.

At the conclusion of the emphasis, we will have the opportunity to make personal commitments of our offerings to God through our church in the coming year. We will consecrate these commitments in the worship service on two consecutive Sundays. (See the schedule that follows.)

I hope you will join us in the coming weeks as we look at how we can manage our financial resources and truly experience simplicity, generosity, and joy.

Schedule of Events

October 28 - “When Dreams Become Nightmares”

November 4 - “Wisdom and Finance”

November 11 - “Cultivating Contentment”

November 18 - “Defined by Generosity”

November 25 - Consecration Sunday 1

December 2 - Consecration Sunday 2

December 16 - Celebration Sunday

CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES
10-18-18

ATTENDEES: Roy Alden (Chair), Claire Hodgkins, Debbie Barnes, Judson Drake, Rev. Tim Wilcox, Tamara Wilcox, and Bobbi Pelletier.

Roy Alden called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm in the church kitchen and gave a short prayer before asking the small gathering if they wanted to keep the old format or try the new one he has proposed. The Council decided to go with the new proposal which is hoped will make us more forward looking.

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*All Committee reports in this document were submitted on Monday, October 15th for review by the members and appear later in this document.

Roy passed out his "Proposed Ideas for Future Agenda" as follows:

Opening Devotion followed by "Celebrations", a discussion of things happening since the last meetings that made us excited. Some of those things included the finished patio and new drainage measures to protect the parsonage; the Sunday Breakfasts which have fed some really needy families but will end soon due to the cold and finances; the prospect of getting the proof for the new pictorial Directory soon; and the inspirational vibes coming from Steve Cashman as he recovers from surgery.

Rev. Tim reminded us of his two classes which are exciting him, Companions in Christ in which he is seeing how new tools are helping members expand their faith. Also, a Bible Study led by Steve Cashman, Michelle Sterner, Dale Dee and Isaiah Lopez. Also he is involved with mentoring new pastors on their way to ordination as well as the opening retreat for Cultural Renewal as part of his continuing education piece.

Next on the list was the Financial Report which can be found farther along in this document.

Two ideas floated by Roy were: 1. setting up a subcommittee to study a reorganization meeting structure; and 2. should we prepare and organize for a Capital campaign?

Debbie Barnes discussed the coming Stewardship campaign entitled "Enough" using the book by Adam Hamilton. More will be in the church bulletin. Also, the Council decided to update the old Time and Talent forms in hopes of getting more of the congregation involved in church life.

Judson reported that the representatives from the Andover Organ company would be here next week to evaluate the problems involving the organ and which issues should be a priority.

This was followed with a brief overview of the submitted reports.

Roy wondered if having Chairs submit their reports early made them less likely to come to the meeting which was a concern. He plans to contact chairs to discuss this matter.

Roy hopes to keep meetings to about one hour as he finds this to be the optimal productive time in most cases.

The Council members had a brainstorming discussion of how to have the most effective committee meetings. Would having them all on the same night work? That seemed logistically difficult since many members are on multiple committees. If a 2 hour block allowed the meetings with multiple commitments to meet separately, would that work? Could some committees be combined? Lots of ideas. No decisions for now. Hopefully more Chairs will attend the next meeting.

The Council will meet November 15th at 6pm after the Finance and Stewardship's meeting at 5:30pm due to Thanksgiving the following week. This will give more time for Finance/Stewardship Committee to develop the 2019 Budget, as all Chairs should have their budget plans in on that date.

The meeting adjourned without a discussion and evaluation of the new format but will be discussed at a later meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Claire Hodgkins, Secretary

REPORTS FOR CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING ON 10-18-18

Here are the reports as submitted to Claire by Monday, October 15, 2018.

CLUSTER: No one has been nominated for the Social Action Award. Please contact Leona if a candidate comes to mind. The Cluster read applications for the Akeley Scholarship and it was decided to forward them to Debbie Barnes to make the final decision.

There will be an Advanced Lay Servant course on Rediscovering Your Spiritual Gifts at Orono UMC on October 13th and Oct. 17th.

The Cluster briefly discussed the Pulpit Exchange but no decision was made because not enough pastors were present. The Exchange usually takes place in January to coincide with Christian Unity Sunday. That falls on January 20, 2019.

The Theme for this year's St. Apollonia Festival of Trees is Birds. Some items have already been gathered and a list of those items will be circulated so that other items can be added. Please bring items for the tree to either the next meeting or the Thanksgiving Cluster Service which will be held at the Limestone UMC at 4 PM on Nov.18th. Ruth volunteered the dance group from Patten to perform at the service and also check with Chuck Louka about playing. The Cluster members voted to give the offering to the Grace Interfaith Food Table.

Time was shared about what was working at the member churches such as:

Caribou- Terrific Tuesdays for children, Community Breakfast, Interfaith Bible Study

Limestone- Game Night Suppers monthly at the Caswell Snowmobile Club House, and Bible Study in the form of a Retreat

Patten- Kids Life, the after school program is restarting; Family Fun Final Friday

Hodgdon- Kidz Club after school program on Tuesdays.

Cheryl reported that the Northern Maine Growth Initiative, a program by NMCC to help Displaced persons from Hurricane Harvey is in progress to relocate four families to our area.

Ruth has agreed to Chair the next meeting and was voted to replace Leona whom we thank so much for her many years of Chairing the Committee.

Church Activities:

Limestone held a free supper on October 8th with game night and helped with homework help at Caswell Pleasant Ridge.

Riders Snowmobile Clubhouse will hold an Election Day Supper Take outs at 4:30, Eat in at 5-6:30 PM.

Nov.9th 7-9pm, Nov.10th 9-5 Making Sense of Scripture Retreat.

Stetson Memorial UMC Patten will hold a Community Dinner from 4:30-6 pm and the last Friday of the month a Pot Luck and a movie night at 6 pm.

Hodgdon UMC will hold a Chicken Pot Pie Supper Oct. 26th from 4:30-6pm.

Lastly, October is Pastor Appreciation Month.

FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP: The September checkbook figures are as follows:

Beginning Balance	\$2,017.02
2018 Operating Income	18,216.75
Interest	4.38
Chicken BBQ Proceeds	1,319.50
Less EFT fee	(22.67) VANCO fees (EFT Deposits)
Less Expenses	(19,396.72)
Ending Balance	2,138.26

The previous balance in the Capital Account Seed Money was \$29,604.91. Deposits for September amounted to \$335.47. There were no expenses and the current balance as of September 30th was \$20,940.38.

\$25,000 invested with Thompson/Hamel LLC for the Memorial Garden on June 29, 2017, of which \$1,073.78 was deducted for the cost of investing, showed a current on-line balance as of September 28th of \$24,976.48.

As of September 30th we are behind 4 months in Mission Shares which amounts to \$2,433.58 each month. Bobbi does pay the \$796.72 Pastor's Pension Benefit every month.

In May, 2018, the Church Council approved moving \$4,100 from the Church Utilities Budget to Custodian Budget.

MISSIONS & EVANGELISM:

Committee met on Sunday, October 14th and discussed the following items:

Cookie Booth Preparation – volunteers will meet at the church at 8am on Saturday, October 20th to transport all the necessary items to the High School for the Caribou Arts & Crafts Fair; Bobbi will collect all the smaller items and have them available for this team to retrieve and bring to the high school

Visitor Bags – new pen/bookmark sets arrive, new bags ordered and should come in soon; new updated brochures were created; committee will put together some new bags at the next meeting

Advent Radio Spots – after discussion, committee agreed that we would like Rev. Tim to do some spots during Advent

Angel Tree – since our source for names for gifts from the City Office is no longer going to provide it, we will need to find another source for names; suggestions – schools, Veterans Shelter, Hope & Justice Project

Budget for 2019 – decided to reduce budget from \$1,150 for 2018 to \$750 for 2019.

Next meeting – Sunday, November 18th at 11:30am

SPRC: We did not meet in October as we met twice in September. The next SPRC meeting will be on Thursday, November 8th at 6:30 PM.

TRUSTEES:

Chairman....Judson Drake	Vice Chairman....John Weeks
Secretary....Wendy Bossie	Treasurer....Judi Greenier

Wendy Bossie was voted in as back-up to sign checks when Judi cannot.

Fire inspection checklist reviewed.

Voted to make up fire drill plan.

Review Parsonage inspection. Plan to put punch list together to get work going.

Decisions to make up maintenance budget plan for November.

Next Meeting October 23, 2018 at 6:30pm in Chapel.

UMM:

The UMM met on September 22, 2018 at the church. Our guest speaker, Chief Scott Susi had to cancel so we had no speaker. There were 8 members present. Richard Clark gave his prelate message and a brief meeting was had. Judson Drake brought us up to date on the Parsonage Patio Project and requested all hands on deck for September 29th to get the stones placed. This project has been completed and a BIG thanks to Judson Drake, Bill Thomas, Neal Genz, Conrad Walton, Richard Clark, Del Ramey, Friedrich Wilcox, Rev. Tim, Dave Belyea, and Dave DeMerchant. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 27, 2018.

UMW: UMW met on October 2. We discussed the following items; bean supper, Prayer and Self-Denial, Ross's anniversary party, November luncheon, and upcoming coffee fellowship. We decided to cancel the bean supper because we did not have enough help to put it on. A suggestion was made by Ruth Ross to do a take-out bean supper. We seemed to have interest in the supper and it would be easier to do if we did not have to serve and set up tables. We may consider it at a later date.

We had a very successful party for Emmett and Ruth. A lot of their friends attended and there were pictures and slides to look at.

Prayer and Self-Denial met on the sixth and even though there was low attendance, we had a wonderful discussion about women being leaders in the church and different ways we could do this. There was so much discussion we didn't get all the way through the program and those attending felt that we should continue it another day with other members. We are hoping we can do this. It was followed by a light soup and salad luncheon.

We have 2 upcoming events in November. We have coffee fellowship on Nov. 4 and serving samples of soup from RADA in hopes of taking orders for RADA items to be used over the holidays or as gifts; dips, soups, other mixes, and cutlery.

On Nov. 10, we are having our luncheon of fish chowder and chicken stew. This year we are inviting Veterans to come and eat for free or by donation. We also decided who will be getting mission pins and have them on order. Our next meeting will be in November.

WORSHIP:

Committee met on Thursday, October 11th and discussed the following items:

Old Business:

1) Mission Project for Schools; we've received a lot of donations and Diana Locke will bring everything to the schools and find out if there are any specific children that might need our help, otherwise we will just continue to collect donations as is

2) Acolytes – we did get one adult volunteer-Neal Genz

3) October 7 -World Communion Sunday – thanked Claire for decorating the altar

4) October 14 – service related to our call as a church

5) October 21 – Laity Sunday; Richard Clark is preaching; we will receive 3 new members

6) October 28-November 18: Stewardship series based on Adam Hamilton's "Enough" book

New Business:

Nov 4 – All Saints Day; we will decorate the altar with a candle for each of the 6 members we have lost since Nov 5, 2017 (Clayton Harrington, Mary Bear, Raymond Siver, Philip Turner, Donald Collins, Donald Nedeau); we will also arrange votive candles on a table in front of the communion rail like we did last year; people will be invited to come forward to light one candle in memory of people they have lost in the past year

Nov 11 – Veterans' Sunday; will talk with John Devoe about coming to speak about the Shelter; Prayer Shawl Dedication; discussed purchasing red carnations to hand out to veterans and active duty military during the service (Bob Thompson and Diana Locke volunteered)

Nov 18 – Thanksgiving Sunday; we will collect donations of canned and fresh vegetables for the Caribou Ecumenical Food Pantry; commitment Sunday for this year's stewardship campaign; Cluster Thanksgiving Service at Limestone UMC at 4pm

Nov 25 – Christ the King Sunday; UM Student Day (special offering)

Dec 24 (Monday) – Christmas Eve Family Service at 4pm

We discussed ordering Advent Devotionals, selecting one; we will order 75, one per household.

Decorating for Advent would typically be done on Saturday, December 1st, but there is a wedding at 4pm. Claire volunteered to attend a meeting on Sunday, October 14th with the wedding couple & family to discuss options.

Margaret Cyr recommended forming a sub-committee to oversee organ repairs. Bobbi suggested Susan Clark and Richard agreed.

We also talked about Rev. Tim's inquiry about recording his sermons as several people have asked for copies. He does not have a written script. Bob Thompson will look into recording capability and the committee will need to survey the congregation to determine the appropriate way to distribute these sermons (CDs, hard copy, etc.). We might also consider posting to the website, if possible. Bob will also research software that can convert "audio to text" so we could produce hardcopy versions.

Next Meeting – Thursday, November 1st at 6:30pm. Diana Locke will do devotions.

LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING IN NOVEMBER 2018!!!!

Thursday	01	9:30am	Aroostook Cluster Meeting in Mars Hill
		1:00pm	Congregational Care Team Meeting in Kitchen
		6:30pm	Worship Committee Meeting in Kitchen
Saturday	03	<u>TURN CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS!!!</u>	



Sunday	04	9:00am	Sunday School
		10:00am	Worship - Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost; All Saints Sunday
Monday	05	6-8pm	Girl Scout Troop in Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
Tuesday	06	9:30am	UMW Meeting in Kitchen
		11am-2pm	Dining Room & Kitchen reserved by Betty Branscom (Extension Group)
		6:30pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting in Library
		6:30pm	"Terrific Tuesdays Ministry" with Colleen
Wednesday	07	9:30am	Companions in Christ Study
		5:30-7pm	Bible Study Class in Fellowship Hall
		6:00pm	Handbell Practice
		6:30pm	Senior Choir Practice
Thursday	08	6:30pm	SPRC Meeting in Kitchen
Saturday	10	11am-1pm	UMW Soup Luncheon

Sunday	11	9:00am	Sunday School
		10:00am	Twenty-fifth Sunday After Pentecost; Organ & Tissue Donor Sunday; Veterans Day; Prayer Shawl Dedication
Monday	12	<u>FEDERAL HOLIDAY - VETERANS DAY - CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED</u>	
		10:00am	Committee/Group Reports Due to Claire Hodgkins & Church Office
		6-8pm	Girl Scout Troop in Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
Tuesday	13	6:00pm	Caribou Ecumenical Food Pantry Board Meeting at Pantry
Wednesday	14	9:30am	Companions in Christ Study
		12:00pm	Jennie Lyon Potluck Lunch & Meeting
		5:30-7pm	Bible Study Class in Fellowship Hall
		6:00pm	Handbell Practice
		6:30pm	Senior Choir Practice
Thursday	15	5:30pm	Finance/Stewardship Committee Meeting in Kitchen (note time change)
		6:00pm	Church Council Meeting in Kitchen (note time change)
Saturday	17	1-2:30pm	Brownie Troop in Fellowship Hall & Kitchen

LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING IN NOVEMBER 2018 (continued)!!!!

Sunday	18	9:00am	Sunday School
		10:00am	Worship - Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost
		11:30am	Missions & Evangelism Committee Meeting in Kitchen
Monday	19	6-8pm	Girl Scout Troop in Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
Tuesday	20	1:00pm	Caregivers Support Group in Fellowship Hall
		6:30pm	"Terrific Tuesdays Ministry" with Colleen
Wednesday	21	9:30am	Companions in Christ Study
		5:30-7pm	Bible Study Class in Fellowship Hall
		6:00pm	Handbell Practice
		6:30pm	Senior Choir Practice
Thursday	22	<u>FEDERAL HOLIDAY - THANKSGIVING - CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED</u>	
		1:00pm	Thanksgiving Dinner (free will offering; sign-up by Sunday, Nov 11 th)
Saturday	24	8:00am	UMM Breakfast & Meeting

Sunday	25	10:00am	Worship - Last Sunday After Pentecost; Christ the King Sunday
Monday	26	9:00am	<u>DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER INPUT</u>
		6-8pm	Girl Scout Troop in Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
Tuesday	27	6:30pm	"Terrific Tuesdays Ministry" with Colleen
Wednesday	28	9:30am	Companions in Christ Study
		5:30-7pm	Bible Study Class in Fellowship Hall
		6:00pm	Handbell Practice
		6:30pm	Senior Choir Practice