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MAY PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Told the salesperson at Staples two weeks ago that my home computer was about ten years old. I guess I was thinking I had to justify my drooling over a new PC. I wondered what he would say. He didn't say anything; he chuckled.

I took his response as affirmation that I really needed to get with the new program (Windows 7-- *wasn't my idea but I sure liked the idea!*). And with that he hoisted the package onto a dolly, and we walked (rolled) together to the register.

Tax returns and rebates made my purchase possible. I only felt guilty for a little while. I quickly noted that my old monitor alone came in a box bigger than the one holding my entire new PC bundle! As technology improves, our toys get smaller, don't they?

Anyone who can match colors and follow a series of pictures can set up a home computer these days. It's amazing how far we have all come in connecting to the global community with a plug in here and push in there.

I sometimes wish that faith could be easier to manage. Perhaps it's one of the few realms left that does not shrink the more we get it. The goal is to grow in it, not shrink so that it fits in smaller and smaller boxes.

The talk on the circuit is about spiritual growth. My professional journals are filled with articles about spiritual *growth*, spiritual *maturity*, spiritual *health*. *It's easy to throw around such spiritual synonyms, yet...*

What do we think spiritual growth is, exactly?

"Exactly" just may be the first issue. There's not an exact answer to the question. From what I can see, there's not an exact step-by-step process to go through that works for everybody. The hope is to find a way--enumerated or alliterated--that works for at least some folks.

The latest issue of Leadership Journal is themed, "Got Maturity? Nurturing a Congregation beyond Spiritual Infancy." The issue includes articles such as "The 'We' We Want to Be"; "How Do We Assess Spiritual Growth"; "Do Programs Help or Hinder?"; "Five Myths about Emerging Adult Faith."

As you can see, there are so many approaches to spiritual growth, and the authors do really well in sharing what works for them. I do think, however, that the multiple choices available demonstrate, overall, that each person, each congregation, has to find its own way with the help of the Holy Spirit itself.

Spiritual growth, faith development--whatever we "call" it--will never happen if we stand still for fear of not knowing which direction to take. Spiritual maturity is one area where we don't know the exact path to get to the ultimate destination. For sure, no individual or group will ever *get there* (grow or mature or heal spiritually), if they first do not *step into the journey*.

Because we are people of the 21st century, it's far more natural to think the answers lie in better strategic planning and programming. From where I stand, though, spiritual growth is all about the exploration--spiritual *mapping*, if you will--not the color matching.

There are no colorful posters that come with the latest equipment to guide us through the "installation" of the Spirit process. There are no wires and receptacles color coded to show us how to plug into Jesus, God or the Holy Spirit as there are, for instance, with setting up a new computer. We just have to keep trying different approaches until we find one that works. The path that works will be the one that the Holy Spirit is calling us to follow. Along the way, we map and grow and mature and heal.

Join me, won't you, for a great adventure with the Spirit, as our church seeks the way that God has planned just for us to carry out Jesus' ministry in this particular time and place. Pick up your dolly and get ready to roll!

Peace,
Rev Donna

Christian Education Committee News May 2010

What an active and busy church we have and CE and Sunday School are no exception. Christian Education has so many wonderful events planned for the next two months. Please mark your calendars so that you don't miss the fun.

Believe it or not we only have 4 regular classes left before we begin practice and rehearsals for Children's Sunday. Children's Sunday is a wonderful time of year for the CE and Sunday School groups. It gives the wonderful children a chance to shine in front of all of you as they "run" the worship service. It is a MUST see in our church. This year Children's Sunday will be June 13, 2010 and will culminate with a cake and ice cream party during coffee hour. Please support our children by packing the pews and cheering them on.

Another event that the Christian Education Committee is happy to be part of is the 2nd Annual South Berwick Kid's Day on June 5, 2010 from 11 AM to 3 PM. We will provide three activities in three of the Sunday School rooms for children and their families who participate in this exciting day. Our hope is to show off our beautiful rooms AND our kind and welcoming manner! Ask the CE Committee about the Pocket Lady!

As you may have seen in the programs last week and you will see this week, the CE committee is asking you to "vote" on summer activities that the CE Committee would like to sponsor. Our hope is to sponsor outdoor events: one in July and one in August. We are excited to gather with families and people of all ages to either picnic at Fort Foster, have a movie night, have a beach day/cookout, go to a Sea Dogs baseball game or picnic on Four Tree Island in Portsmouth. You get to decide! Please let us know as we really want to gather and plan events that are fun for you and your families. Bring some friends too!

Another exciting event we are so proud to share is the Senior Youth Group's Mission Trip to Washington County Maine. The kids will be traveling to Washington County and staying with Bill Clapp's parents in Addison, Maine in the evenings while they support local projects in the area. A huge thank you goes to all those leaders who will be traveling with the 6 kids. This includes Lucy and Charlie Putnam. We are so blessed by their leadership! This group departs the evening of June 22 and returns June 25, 2010.

Lastly, we would like to again emphasize the need for volunteers to cover the toddler's room, "Noah's Ark," during the summer months. The CE Committee will, of course, try to cover as many Sundays as possible, but we need your help. The Church Council and I feel strongly that this service should be available for families with children 4 years old and under all summer long. We just need a little help. Please look for the sign up in the Vestry if you are able to take a Sunday.

It is an honor and privilege to work for and with all of your children and the CE Committee.

In prayer,
Callie Clapp, CE Coordinator

FPFC 2ND ANNUAL COUPLES CAMPING RETREAT

JUNE 4-6, 2010

THE FIELDS OF SPRING HILL

COST: \$40 PER COUPLE

(make checks payable to the First Parish Federated Church)

REGISTRATION FORM AND FEE DUE BY SUNDAY, MAY 23RD

The FPFC Couples Camping Retreat is a wonderful way to kick off the summer! If you enjoy being with friends in an informal, peaceful outdoor setting, this weekend is for you! We gather together on Friday evening and breakdown camp late Sunday morning. The Retreat is open to those couples who choose to actually camp and to those who want to join in on all the goings on, yet prefer the comfort of their home at night. Either way works.

During our time together we enjoy fellowship, a bit of mission work, good food, lots of laughter, and more good food and laughter! We also build in time for worship and learning. Yet, the overall purpose is just to come together in fellowship, enhancing our friendship and faith.

Last year's retreat brought these comments from some campers when asked what they liked best about the weekend:

"The site was only eclipsed by the fellowship. Food came in a close third."

"Fellowship, campfires, outdoor chapel"

If you have specific questions or want to know more details please speak to one of us on the Planning Team. We hope that **you** plan to join us! The more the merrier!

The Planning Team

Julia and Mike Ouellette

Joanne and Jim Morgan

Peary and Harland Goodwin

SAM Notes

*****Blanket Sunday** - May 9th - Envelopes from Church World Service in Sunday Bulletins

*****Angel Food Ministries** - Food Co op (see info below)

May order deadline **5/13/10**, On-Site 12 PM, Online 2 PM, for pick up 8 - 10 AM on Sat, 22 May

To order, contact angelfoodministries.com or St. George's Episcopal Church 207-363-7376

Proceeds to benefit Malley Farm Boys Home and York County Shelter

Malley Farm Boys Home is a home in Somersworth, NH which serves all different types of teenage boys from 12 to 18. The boys come from the Greater Seacoast Area and around the state. Each boy has a different set of circumstances and family situation. Their prior home life usually included some combination of abuse, parental drug/alcohol addiction, chronic unemployment problems, lack of coping skills, mental health problems, or general neglect. Malley Farm Boys Home mission is to:

- restore safety, hope, trust, and self-worth in the lives of children in need
- provide the support and opportunities they need to realize their fullest potential as individuals and as valued members of society
- foster resiliency and respectful boundaries within families and our community

Food Co-op Opportunity ~ Angel Food Ministries

There are **no restrictions, conditions or forms** to fill out to purchase Angel Food.

The food relief program is open to one and all. Anyone may purchase an unlimited number of boxes of Angel Food by placing an order with a local Angel Food host site. Food is ordered through and picked up at the host site. Orders may also be placed online. Our closest host site is St George's Episcopal Church in York Harbor.

A box of food is \$30.00 designed to assist a family of four for one week or a Senior for a month. Additional boxes of meats or fruits are available. The menus change monthly. Information is available at www.angelfoodministries.com.

Angel Food Ministries is a non-profit, non-denominational organization dedicated to providing food relief and financial support to communities throughout the United States. The program began in 1994 with 34 families in Monroe, Georgia and has grown to serve hundreds of thousands of families every month across 35 states. Angel Food Ministries crosses denominational lines and has spread the good news of the gospel of Christ through salvation tracts that are placed in each food order.

One of us needs our help!

Brett Hartenbach will be having surgery in June for a sinus condition that prevents him from singing which is part of his life work as a musician. Brett has performed in many benefit concerts, whether for a friend battling cancer or at nursing homes, hospice centers or jails with "Rock My Soul" with his wife, Dawn Boyer. He has no insurance to cover the \$15,000 cost. How can we help? There will be a benefit concert at the Rochester Opera House on Sunday, May 2 at 2 PM. The Commander Cody Band, with Wooden Eye, Susie Burke and David Surette are headlining. Tickets cost \$20 and are available at the box office or by calling 603-335-1992. For more information, visit TheBrettFund.com. Let's all go!!

Organ Concert

The Times Reporter, Portland, Maine writes that Hector Olivera, internationally acclaimed organist, is "An event, a happening, a joyful celebration of the sheer power and pressure that a new virtuoso can unleash in a concert hall." Hector will be performing on Sunday, May 23 at 6 PM at the First Parish Church, 218 Central Ave, Dover, NH. General admission is \$15. For information call 603-742-5664.

Strengthen the Church offering Spread the Love...

About Strengthen the Church

Your gift to Strengthen the Church builds the UCC's future now by funding The Stillspeaking Ministry, new and renewing churches, youth and young adult ministries, and lay and pastoral leadership formation—especially among women and people of color.

About Stillspeaking

The God is Stillspeaking Ministry spreads the message of God's extravagant welcome, reaching out especially to those who have felt there is no room for them within Christianity and the church—the excluded and alienated, the spiritually homeless, the questioning. In the last two years, Stillspeaking reached an estimated 25 million people through national, regional, and local advertising.

Your offerings are directed to your church's Conference, Local Ministries, and The Stillspeaking Ministry for these church development, leader development and Stillspeaking purposes.

Your generosity ensures our vibrancy tomorrow. God is Still Speaking.

Making Old Churches New...

What happens when a 900 member church has dwindled to barely 25 active souls? If you're Wollaston Congregational UCC, you turn it around!

Back in 2003 it looked like Wollaston might be the next church in the Massachusetts Conference to close. The church called the Rev Dr Mary Louise Gifford, a newly graduated seminarian with "terminal optimism" and community organizing skills, to help them try something new. She challenged them mightily in the areas of worship, stewardship and leadership. Things began to happen.

Seven years later a "new church start in an old church building" has been birthed. A church known in the community for its children's outreach: Healthy Kids Vacation Camp, Super Kids Saturday, Family Fun Nights. They have grown a new heart for the mission field right in their own neighborhood and are designated an "intentional turnaround church" by the Conference.

Moderator Marion Channon wrote in the grant application funded by gifts to the Strengthen the Church offering, "We hope our church can be a Light that others can look to for inspiration."

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AMIGOS Buckets Deadline Extended

The deadline for turning in the AMIGOS buckets has been extended to May 9th. Buckets will still be available this Sunday after Church for those who have not yet had a chance to pick them up. For those who are unable to do their own shopping for the AMIGOS food, the Youth Group is available to do it for you this Sunday Evening. Please speak to Lucy Putnam with questions (603)-742-8581.

Women's Retreat Mission Project

The Women's Retreat will be working on a Mission Project to support Caring Unlimited, an organization that provides shelter, counseling and support to women and children experiencing domestic violence. We are asking for donations of used cell phones and fleece material for rag tag blankets we will be making for the women and children. We need 1 1/2 yards each for the children's blankets and 2 yards each for the women's blankets. Donations will be collected in a labeled box in the Narthex through May 16. We would really appreciate your help with this mission. Any questions, please contact Diane Money at (207) 384-4465 or email dianemoney@comcast.net.

Couples Camping Weekend at "The Fields of Spring Hill"

Planning is underway for the June 4 & 5 Couples Camping Weekend. The weekend will begin on Friday evening as campers arrive, set up their camps, share supper and time around the campfire. All types of dry camping sites are available for tenting, pop-ups, trailers, fifth wheelers, and RV's of all sizes. A porta potty will be provided for those who don't have "indoor" facilities. We are encouraging couples who don't camp to be involved in all the activities but sleep at home in their own beds. We will be sharing meal prep so each couple will only be involved in providing for one meal.

Saturday will start with a shared breakfast followed by guided discussion on "What it means to be a Christian couple" and testimony from a prominent, experienced guest speaker. After lunch we will participate in several mission projects. Evening will include a service at the "Chapel in the Fields" based on fellowship, inspiration, education, love, devotions, service.

After a special dinner, we will again enjoy Mary's S'mores around the campfire.

Sunday will conclude with a shared breakfast, breaking camp, and church.

We are asking for donations of \$40 per couple to cover expenses. Please reserve your site for an exciting weekend by contacting the Goodwins at 384-5653, the Morgans at 748-1175, or the Ouellettes at 384-0084. See you there!

Yard Sale 2010

Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 19 for the fabulous FPMC Yard Sale and D & M Diner. The barn is open and we are now accepting donations, so clean your attics, closets, and garages, If you need heavy or bulky items picked up, call Mike's Trucking at 384-0084. We will be looking for volunteers to price items (you'll get a preview of what's available) and men to put up tents Thursday evening, June 17 and sellers Friday and Saturday, June 18 and 19. If you have any hours available, please let Julia or Mike Ouellette know (384-0084). Don't forget to tell your friends about this event!!

Many Thanks

On behalf of the FPFC family, I wish to thank the kind and caring parishioners for their generous donations to the repair and maintenance of our Allen organ. Because of this generosity, we reached our goal of \$1,000.00 needed.

Good News - Recently while at work, David Deardorff happened to see Dick West working on a Clavinova at the Academy. He used to maintain our Allen organ but went into retirement following a serious illness. He has returned as an "organ doctor" and assured David he could clean our organ and repair it at a reduced price. The remainder of the donated money will remain in an organ fund for future repairs and maintenance.

Betty Syvinski

God Made Music

Music is a ministry that warms our hearts
and sets us free.

Through each note of praise you play or sing,
We all rejoice in Christ our King!

Please thank everybody for my beautiful holiday flowers. The red poinsettia at Christmas lasted for the longest time! The yellow daffodils bring sunshine to my studio apartment. It is so nice to be remembered.

Fondly, Charlotte Davis

My sincere thanks for the lovely Easter lily delivered to my door by Maynard Hanson on Easter Sunday. It's a joyful reminder of a long -standing tradition of the Church and days when I was one of the distributors.

Joyce Borkowski

To the First Parish Federated Church:

Thank you for the beautiful Easter lily. It really brightened our day and will continue to for many days. As you probably know, Linda and I have been battling my leukemia for 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ years now and I believe, with God's help, I can still beat this disease. I've never thought otherwise. Currently, I'm in remission, but have been several times before. We're now looking for a way to stay in remission. Your acts of kindness and prayers provide me confidence that the day will come when I can look back at this part of life and say I've done it with God's and everyone else's help and prayers.

Thanks again,
Gene and Linda Jacques

N.A.M.I.
(National Alliance on Mental Illness)

Yes, here we are again, talking about the upcoming NAMI Maine Walk on Saturday, May 8.

We know that you know mental illness is treatable; people can recover and live productive lives. Stigma creates barriers to treatment, employment, housing, and ultimately acceptance. Help us eliminate the stigma. Don't be silent. If you know or care about someone with a mental illness or their family and friends, join us, won't you? Tell your community that the stigma must go; mental illness is just like any other illness.

Glenn Close will be one of our popular participants, and she will bring her family. She knows that for every person struggling with mental illness there are family members, friends, and colleagues who struggle with them. By removing stigma, these brain disorders will be understood and, ideally, treated before a crisis develops.

Do you know that one in four adults will experience a mental health disorder in a given year? NAMI and the National Institute of Mental Health also know half of all lifetime cases of mental illness begin by age 14, three quarters by age 24. Major Depressive Disorder affects 6.7% of adults; in ages 15 to 44, Major Depressive Disorder is the leading cause of disability in the US and Canada.

State budget cuts have impacted us greatly, reducing our state office budget by half. NAMI support groups are the only place where families get support and education for themselves and their loved ones. NAMI Maine's successful, middle school Teen Screen program has been asked to replicate across the country screening for mental health, substance abuse, and suicidality. This program insures early recognition and treatment.

NAMIS' focus is education and support, and it is always there for free because of its many trained volunteers. NAMI Maine provides these trainings.

Please join us at the WALK, and have some fun. What size t-shirt would you like? For online donations, please use on of these two links below. Thank you and God bless you, Marilyn Graham and Dick Lowe.

www.nami.org/namiwalks10/MNE/graham

www.nami.org/namiwalks10/MNE/lowe

Social Action and Mission (SAM)

We will have a Blanket Sunday this Mother's Day May 9th. Information from Church World Service will be in your bulletins describing this worthwhile program. Please prayerfully consider making a donation with the envelopes provided.

May brings our last Mission Supper for this Church year. May 15th we will be supporting two causes with our proceeds. The Malley Farm Boys Home in Somersworth and the York County Shelter. Your help prepping, cooking, serving, cleaning, or eating would be greatly appreciated.

Some of our SAM members, Betty and Joanne, visited the York County Shelter facilities in Alfred to learn more about what happens there. We are sharing with you some of what they learned about on their visit. There are opportunities to help and support the programs in many ways. Share your time and talents, dine or shop to lend your help to this local mission.

York County Shelter

Homelessness is a condition of extreme poverty and neglect and is available to almost anybody.

What we do: Provide transitional/permanent housing at many sites throughout Southern Maine. Just as important, we provide for case management, mental health services, vocational training, a food pantry and two meal sites.

Our Clients: Who are they? They are men, women, and children of all backgrounds. They come from a variety of life circumstances including physical, mental and learning disabled, substance abuse, single parents, families, and victims of medical catastrophes, the unemployed, sexual, physical and emotional abuse survivors as well as individuals and families that are unable to earn a livable wage.

How do we do it? We are a not-for-profit organization that fully endorses client participation in a variety of operational endeavors. This meaningful work is not only a source of revenue but it provides opportunities for learning new skills.

- Our food service vocational training program distributes meals to two meal sites, the Shelter Residential facilities and the food pantry.
- "Mama Mia's" is a pasta and pizza public dinner held every Friday night from April thru October.
- The Bakery at Notre Dame is open daily to the public in Alfred.
- Shaker Hill Kitchens, coffee shop and bakery open weekends, Thornton Ave., Saco.

WE COULD NOT OPERATE WITHOUT THE GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS OF LOCAL CORPORATE PARTNERS WHOSE DONATIONS OF GOODS ARE INVALUABLE IN OUR QUEST TO END HOMELESSNESS.

Senior & Junior Youth Groups

Sunday, May 2 - 6 - 7:30 PM, AMIGOS Food Shopping Trip to Dover

Mothers' Day Plant/Bake/Jewelry Sale

The Mother's Day Plant sale will be held at the church on Saturday May 8 from 9-1. We still need volunteers to help set up on Friday night and with the sale on Saturday. There is a sign-up sheet in the Vestry on the bulletin board, with 2-hour slots beginning at 7 AM Saturday (breakfast provided!) and ending at 2 PM. We are also accepting donations of baked goods, gently used jewelry items, and dug perennials (please contact Lucy Putnam (603)-742-8581 to get some pots or to arrange for help digging plants up) to be sold at the sale. Please bring all donated goods to the church vestry on Friday before 5 PM or Saturday morning before 9 AM or if you have any questions, please call Linda Patschke at 384-0148 or email at LindaPatschke@comcast.net. Thank you for helping to make this a successful event!

Walk-a-thon

The 3rd Annual York County Shelter Programs (YCSP) "Helping the Homeless" Walk-a-thon is scheduled for Saturday, May 22 at 9 AM; registration starts at 7:30 AM. We will walk two miles on Kennebunk Beach starting at Mother's Beach. You may remember that we were able to raise almost \$24,000 last year for York County homeless and hungry folks - the year before we raised \$17,000- and we hope to continue to grow this fundraising event and hope for your support in this event. The need of homeless and hungry people is increasing during this challenging economy. In York County, homeless people live in cars, in the woods, some "couch surf," spending a night at a friend's home, the next night at a relative's, moving constantly. In big cities people live on the streets; homelessness is very visible. In York County the homeless are "invisible." People suffer from a lack of affordable housing; there are children who have no home, but we don't see them, because they don't live on the streets! The general belief of many is that York County has no homeless population. This belief is incorrect!

York County Shelter Programs (YCSP) is aware of the plight of the homeless in York County, helping the homeless reach for a better life every day. The walk-a-thon will raise much needed funds to assist York County Shelter Programs in providing for homeless and hungry people through its emergency and transitional housing, as well as affordable housing and feeding programs. Thank you very much for any help you can give us with spreading the word, and hope you can join us on May 22.

Joan Sylvester
Community Relations Director
York County Shelter Programs
10207-324-1137 ex 105
www.yorkcountyshelterprograms.org

CHRISTIAN CAMPING!

Christian camping can be a mountain-top experience for many children and youth. You just never know how God will work in a young person's life and set him or her on a path of faith, courage and happiness in the Lord. Below is a top-ten list I found on www.christianitytoday.com/childrensministry/pioneerclubs/getthemcamp. Enjoy!

1. One of the important things children learn from a camp experience is to be self-sufficient—Mom isn't there to comb their hair or tell them what shirt to wear.
2. Camping helps kids learn to be creative and resourceful—planning a skit using a cardboard box, three paper bags and duct tape demands a lot more than watching TV.
3. Camping instills an appreciation for the out-of-doors—trees are for climbing, fish are for catching, rocks are for skipping, flowers are for smelling. Day in and day out they are surrounded by God's wonderful creation—camping has always been Green!
4. Kids learn to appreciate living without modern conveniences like cell phones, CD players, and handheld video games. They trade these things in for pocket compasses, fishing gear, hiking boots, canoes, sleeping bags and horses.
5. Kids learn to anticipate problems and challenges and figure out how to deal with cabin-mates and counselors. They learn quickly that teamwork and cooperation is achieved with satisfaction.
6. Plans and goals are healthy and rewarding—shooting enough arrows at an archery target, getting a bull's-eye in riflery, paddling across the lake, or catching a fish.
7. Kids will learn by using all five senses, not just sitting and listening. The idea is doing! Camp is not a spectator sport.
8. Campfire entertainment is one of the most memorable parts of the Christian camping experience. Campers will participate in evening campfires with songs, funny stories and spiritual messages.
9. Christian camping is a mountain-top experience for children. Campers hear and get to respond to age-appropriate messages from God's word.
10. Camp Cherith is Pioneer Clubs summer camping ministry. The Maine Conference has Pilgrim Lodge and the New England District of the United Methodist Church has Camp Mechuwana. Check them out! Let the motto be, "No child left indoors this summer!"

**Wanakee United Methodist Center
Needs YOU!!**

Join us at one of our WORK DAYS, May 8 and 22

Help New Hampshire's only Methodist camp and retreat center

maintain its facilities so it can provide a place for spiritual

growth and renewal for all ages. We need volunteers to help

"SPRING CLEAN" and open the camp for the summer.

Can you do light carpentry, plant flowers, paint tables,

clean dishes and buildings, set up crafts or docks, open up the cabins?

All skill levels and ages needed! If you can come, you can help.

All ages welcome!

Church groups encouraged!

Meals provided!

To make a difference. Contact Wanakee:

603-279-7950

mail@wanakee.com

75 Upper New Hampton Road

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Church Calendar - May 2010

- Sun, May 2** Before Worship, Prayer, 9:30 AM in the Shorey Room
Worship/Communion Sunday, 10 AM; Sunday School classes
Benefit Concert for Brett Hartenbach at the Rochester Opera House at 2 PM. The Commander Cody Band, with Wooden Eye, Susie Burke and David Surette are headlining
- Mon, May 3** PPRT, 6:30 PM in Rev Donna's office
- Tue, May 4** SAM Committee meeting, 7 PM in the Library
- Wed, May 5** Board of Trustees meeting, 6:30 PM in Room 101
Choir practice, 7 PM in the Great Room
- Thu, May 6** Thrift Shop open, 5:30 - 8 PM; Community Food Pantry open, 6 - 7:30 PM
SKAT, 6:30 - 9 PM at Jan Klebaun's, 24 Ross Street
- Fri, May 7** Church Office closed; Thrift Shop open, 10 AM - 5 PM
Community Food Pantry open, 10 - 11:30 AM
- Sat, May 8** Mothers' Day Plant/Bake/Jewelry Sale, 9 AM - 1 PM
Dine with Nine, 6:30 PM
- Sun, May 9** Before Worship, Prayer, 9:30 AM in the Shorey Room
Worship/Mother's Day/Blanket Sunday, 10 AM; Sunday School
- Mon, May 10** Think Tank, 7 PM
- Tue, May 11** Church Council meeting, 7 PM
- Wed, May 12** Board of Deacons meeting, 6:30 PM
Choir practice, 7 PM in the Great Room
- Thu, May 13** Thrift Shop open, 5:30 - 8 PM; Community Food Pantry open, 6 - 7:30 PM
- Fri, May 14** Church Office closed; Thrift Shop open, 10 AM - 5 PM
Fish Wedding Rehearsal, 4 PM
- Sat, May 15** Church Supper, 4 - 6 PM in the Vestry
Fish Wedding, 4 PM
- Sun, May 16** Before Worship, Prayer, 9:30 AM in the Shorey Room
Worship, 10 AM; Sunday School
- Mon, May 17** CE Committee meeting, 6:30 PM
- Wed, May 19** Choir practice, 7 PM in the Great Room
- Thu, May 20** Thrift Shop open, 5:30 - 8 PM; Community Food Pantry open, 6 - 7:30 PM
SKAT, 6:30 - 9 PM at Jan Klebaun's, 24 Ross Street
- Fri, May 21** Office closed; Thrift Shop open, 10 AM - 5 PM
Community Food Pantry open, 10 - 11:30 AM
- Fri, May 21 - Sun, May 23** Women's Retreat at Marie Joseph's Spiritual Center at Biddeford Pool
- Sun, May 23** Before Worship, Prayer, 9:30 AM in the Shorey Room
Worship, 10 AM; Sunday School
Coffee Hour Presentation
- Wed, May 26** Choir practice, 7 PM in the Great Room
- Thu, May 27** Thrift Shop open, 5:30 - 8 PM; Community Food Pantry open, 6 - 7:30 PM
- Fri, May 28** Church Office closed; Thrift Shop open, 10 AM - 5 PM
- Sun, May 30** Before Worship, Prayer, 9:30 AM in the Shorey Room
Worship, 10 AM; No Sunday School today
Congregational Meeting after Worship
- Mon, May 31** Office closed to observe Memorial Day

Outside Groups Calendar - May 2010

- Sun, May 2** South Berwick Youth Soccer League, 7 PM
- Mon, May 3** Al-Anon, 10 - 11:30 AM in Room 101
AA, 7 PM in the Vestry
- Tue, May 4** "Gospel Music Project," 7-9 PM in the Great Room
- Fri, May 7** W.I.C. Program, 8 AM - 4 PM in Room 101
AA, 7 PM in Room 101
- Mon, May 10** Al-Anon, 10 - 11:30 AM in Room 101
AA, 7 PM in the Vestry
- Tue, May 11** "Gospel Music Project," 7-9 PM in the Great Room
- Thu, May 13** Daisy Girl Scouts, 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM
- Fri, May 14** W.I.C. Program, 8 AM - 4 PM in Room 101
AA, 7 PM in Room 101
- Mon, May 17** Al-Anon, 10 - 11:30 AM in Room 101
AA, 7 PM in the Vestry
- Tue, May 18** "Gospel Music Project," 7-9 PM in the Great Room
- Fri, May 21** W.I.C. Program, 8 AM - 4 PM in Room 101
AA, 7 PM in Room 101
- Mon, May 24** Al-Anon, 10 - 11:30 AM in Room 101
AA, 7 PM in the Vestry
- Tue, May 25** "Gospel Music Project," 7-9 PM in the Great Room
- Thu, May 27** Daisy Girl Scouts, 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM
St George's Berwick Group, 5:30 - 7:30 PM in the Vestry
- Fri, May 28** W.I.C. Program, 8 AM - 4 PM in Room 101
AA, 7 PM in Room 101