

# News Blast!

July 14, 2023

Congregational Church of Laconia, UCC



## Church Office Hours (Summer Schedule)

Monday & Wednesday: 9 AM – 3 PM

Thursday: 9 AM - 1 PM - Office Closed on Tuesdays & Fridays

*The front door is unlocked during office hours.*



### **This Sunday ...**

What kind of soil are you? Jesus tells a parable about various types of soil. Some is conducive to good growth, while other soil does not allow plants to grow. This Sunday laity of the church will lead us through an exploration of fertile ground and encourage us to help goodness, grace and love to thrive! Worship begins at 9:00 a.m.

*This Sunday, July 16, Congregational Church of Laconia will host A Service of Thanksgiving to God Celebrating the Life and Love of Peter V. Millham at 2:00 p.m.*

*Peter was a long-time member of the church and the Gilford and Laconia communities. A reception at the Beane Conference Center will follow the memorial service. Our prayers are extended to Peter's wife, Alida, and their children: Fred, Sarah and Anne.*

## **Live & Silent Auction Tomorrow**

**Saturday, July 15th, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Laconia Congregational UCC's Live & Silent Auction is happening tomorrow, Saturday, July 15, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (doors open at 9 a.m. for previewing).

In addition to specialty baskets, antiques, collectibles, original artwork and photography, handmade quilts and rugs, attendees will have the opportunity to bid on experiences like golf outings and lake excursions. All are welcome!

Proceeds will benefit this year's Maine Seacoast Mission trip and our 200th Anniversary Celebration.



## Come to Camp - Peace, Faith and Rejuvenation A Women's Retreat - August 3rd - 6th

All are welcome for a spirit-filled weekend of fun, community building, and relaxation at the Horton Center in the beautiful White Mountains of New Hampshire.

[https://hortoncenter.org/summer\\_camp\\_sessions/peace-faith-and-rejuvenation/](https://hortoncenter.org/summer_camp_sessions/peace-faith-and-rejuvenation/)

## Summer Church Picnic on Winnisquam!

**DATE:** Sunday, August 13, 2023

**PLACE:** The Mattila Villa (Ila's home in Laconia)

**TIME:** 11:00ish (right after church) 12:00 pm —grills

will be ready!

The Diaconate/Membership Committee will hold a Summer Church Picnic at the Mattila Villa on Lake Winnisquam! All are welcome and more information will follow. We just wanted you to add this to your Summer Fun calendar!

Any questions? Please contact Ila Mattila, [mattilavilla@metrocast.net](mailto:mattilavilla@metrocast.net) or 603-490-1833. More details to follow in Tower Tidings.



## Join us for our Vacation Bible School!

**August 15, 16 & 17**  
**(Tues, Wed, Thurs)**  
**9 A.M. to 1 P.M.**

**Children entering Grade 1 – Grade 6**

**Location: Congregational Church of Laconia, UCC**

**18 Veterans Square, Laconia, NH**

Over this 3-day adventure we will travel the world as peacemakers! Your child will make new friends, sing fun songs, meet peacemakers in the Bible, do art projects and science explorations, and play active games. Your child will practice strategies for experiencing peace inside and learn how to live at peace with others.

We're offering this experience to all children in the Merrimack Association, NH Conference, UCC.

There is no cost to participate.

Lunch, snacks and supplies will be provided by the church.

Older children and youth are welcome to apply to be volunteer helpers.

Contact the church office to receive registration forms and volunteer applications.

**Church Office: 603-524-0668 or email: [carolyn@laconiaucc.org](mailto:carolyn@laconiaucc.org)**

## The Lunch & Learn Series is on a Lunch Break for the summer.

Stay tuned for information on L & L presentations coming up later this year.

### Come and Worship

We welcome and invite you to worship with us in any of these ways.

**!!! In Person !!! at 9:00 AM**, or via Livestream

- Via livestream through YouTube Sundays starting at 8:55 AM:  
Go to **YouTube** and search for Congregational Church of Laconia
- On our website [www.laconiaucc.org](http://www.laconiaucc.org) any day and any time.
- On Public Access TV Channel 25 Sundays at 4pm and 9:30pm or Mondays at 5am.

If you are new to the church, please introduce yourself! Let the Church Office know if we can help you in any way! 603-524-0668. Seeking to be the church God desires for us to be.

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