

News Blast!

June 9, 2023

Congregational Church of Laconia, UCC



Church Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday: 9 AM – 3 PM

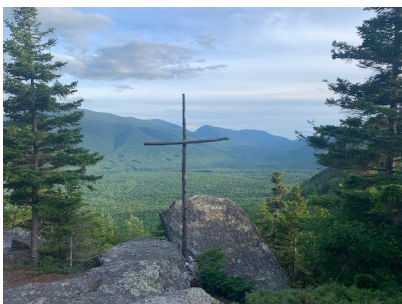
The front door is unlocked during those hours.



This Sunday our Guest Preacher is **The Rev. Scott Jamieson**. Scott is no stranger to CCL as he grew up in Laconia and attended this church. After a career in the business sector, Scott attended Vanderbilt Divinity School and became the founding pastor of Church of Another Chance in Nashville, TN. Currently, Scott is the Chaplain at Belknap County Jail and Pastor of Church of Another Chance, Laconia. CCL partners with Scott to host the church in our Parish House. Welcome, Scott!!

Faith Formation

on Sunday June 11! See you there!!!!



OPEN HOUSE AT HORTON CENTER

Saturday, June 17 - 11 AM: There will be a Worship Service on CHAPEL ROCK and lunch, games, tours and more! Did you help to build the Porch on the Taize Cabin? Come and see how good it looks!! Are you an alumni and want to meet with other campers for an earlier hike up to Chapel Rock? Click on this link [Hike The Hill at Horton Center](#) to learn more about the day or go to the [Horton Center Website](#) to see what's happening for the rest of the summer.

SAVE THE DATE for Vacation Bible Camp!

We're offering **Vacation Bible Camp** this summer on **August 15, 16,17-** Tues, Wed, Thurs. Children going into grades 1-6 are invited to participate and older children and youth will be welcome to apply to be helpers. More info to come!



FLOWER BARREL DONATIONS: If you would like to donate towards flowers for the flower barrels outside the church, there is a signup sheet in the Church Office.

Live & Silent Auction — Attention All Donors!

This is your chance to get creative!

We would love to include your donated item in our Live & Silent Auction on July 15, 2023. Stumped for ideas? The great news is you have lots of options!

Depending on your talents, skills, expertise, abilities, and access, the possibilities are almost endless.

Of course, items like tiki boat rides, Mt. Washington cruises, passes to amusement parks and tourist attractions, lift tickets, gift cards to locally-owned restaurants and businesses like book stores, boutiques, coffee shops, gift stores, salons, etc., are always welcomed. But here are some other ideas you may not have thought of:



- Do you have any valuable antiques at home you are willing to part with for a good cause?
- If you own a boat, you could offer an afternoon or sunset cruise on the lake.
- If you own a vacation home, you could offer a stay for a week or a weekend.
- Enjoy working in your yard? You could donate a few hours of your time getting someone else's grounds or gardens into shape.
- If you have a talent for cooking, baking, quilting, sewing, knitting, drawing, photography, gardening, cake decorating, singing, or some other passion you enjoy sharing with others, you could donate something you have made, or better yet — offer a few lessons, host a small dinner party, take a party of four on a guided hike, etc.
- Are there specialty items you love that you think others would love too? Donate a gift basket filled with wine, cheese, candy, jellies, jams, baked goods, or use your imagination to come up with your own original theme.

The human potential of our Congregation is limitless and we could go on with possibilities, but you get the idea! The committee thanks you and appreciates any and all donations of auction items. Please contact Warren, Ed, Louise, Hollis or Beth with your ideas.

Book Recommendation

I invited interested church folk to read a book by Rev. Michael Mather, entitled, ***Having Nothing, Possessing Everything, Finding Abundant Communities in Unexpected Places.***

I referenced this briefly in my sermon on May 14th. Here is a link to an excerpt of the book and a few other related articles that are great reads for those who want to be part of a wider conversation. - Campbell

<https://faithandleadership.com/excerpt-having-nothing-possessing-everything>

SUMMER WALK/HIKE
FRANKLIN FALLS DAM AND
RECREATION AREA

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE 11TH
MEET AT THE CHURCH AT 1 P.M.

WE'LL LEARN ABOUT THE HISTORY AND PURPOSE OF THIS
IMMENSE STRUCTURE HIDDEN AWAY IN OUR OWN BACK YARDS.



DESCRIPTION: 100 FEET OF ELEVATION LOSS AND GAIN
ALONG WIDE AND NICELY GRADED AND PAVED ROADS

BRING A SNACK, WATER, AND STURDY FOOTWEAR!
CONTACT JOE SMATH IF YOU PLAN TO JOIN US.
TEL. 603.397.2399 OR JASMATH@COMCAST.NET (PREFERRED)

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Come and Worship

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

!!! In Person !!! at 9:30 AM, or via Livestream

- Via livestream through YouTube Sundays starting at 9:25AM:
Go to **YouTube** and search for Congregational Church of Laconia
- On our website 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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