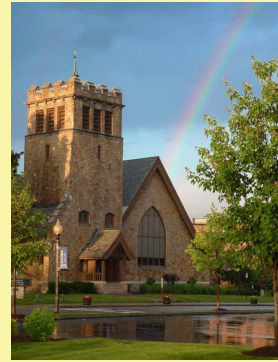


News Blast!

August 18, 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 ...

We welcome back to our pulpit Rev. Scott Jamieson. It will be a great Sunday to worship at Congregational Church of Laconia in person or online. We look forward to "seeing" you in church!!

2023 DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL IS COMING!



WINNI DRAGON PRESENTING
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JOIN US SEPTEMBER 22-23rd

At the NASWA Resort ON LAKE WINNIPESAUKEE

(1086 Weirs Blvd, Laconia, NH)

The Lakes Region Cancer Support Team's **Dragon Boat Festival** benefits the organization's efforts to provide support groups, workshops and more free of charge for men, women, teens and children impacted by cancer. Blazing Paddles - a team made up of members and friends of our church who have been touched by cancer - is participating in the event. Team members are: Jane & Pat Wood, Andy & Kathy Giovanni, Margie Kreidler, Beth Shehadi & Dave Bouchard, Diane Lockwood, Granville Barrows, and Campbell & Eileen Lovett.

Anyone who would like to support the team and LRCST's mission, can donate online directly to Blazing Paddle's fundraising page: <https://checkout.square.site/buy/R3CIAVW46BAEQ4I3O56NOLBT>

For more information, contact Beth Shehadi.

Hawaii Wildfires Response

You have seen the horrible images, heard the sounds of heartbreak, and can almost smell the charred remains. What a tragedy for our partners in the Hawaiian Conference of the UCC. We are sending help to our Wider Church friends in the form of money. Your Outreach Committee has voted to send \$500 of our discretionary money to help out and we are challenging you to do the same or better. Simply write a check to the Congregational Church of Laconia with "Hawaii Relief" in the memo line and we will collectively send a meaningful gift along with our thoughts and prayers.

Visit the Hawaii Conference website <https://www.hcucc.org/> to get up-to-date news and find ways to help. Together, we will make a difference in many lives!

Dan Tinkham, Claudia Wright, Janet Janke, Elvena Anderson, Brad Geltz, and Diane Lockwood

COVID Update:

There are more reports of Covid in the church and community.
This is a reminder of what our health team has suggested:

- If you are ill, we urge you to stay home and test for Covid.
 - If you are unvaccinated or have not yet had your bivalent booster, we encourage you to get the bivalent vaccine which is now recommended as the best way to protect yourself and others from the viral strain still circulating. If you are over 65 or immunocompromised, a second bivalent vaccine is now also recommended.
 - If you get Covid, isolate yourself for five days, and contact your doctor ASAP so that you can be treated to prevent a more severe case. We are all in this together. Thank you for helping ensure the health and wellness of our church and community.
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Save the Date

Fall Fellowship Potluck Supper with Food, Fun...and All That Jazz!

When: Sunday, September 24th from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where: Our own Church Hall

Why: To eat good food, have fun with good people, and enjoy good jazz!

Emilia Halstead, pastor of South Congregational Church in Concord, and her Jazz Ensemble will be joining us for dinner and toe-tapping music. You won't want to miss it!

Mark your calendars! More information coming!



Come for fun & fellowship, good food & laughter!

*Wednesday September 13th 9:00 AM at
The Water Street Café*

RSVP to Betty bettobergstrom@gmail.com

by Tuesday September 12th.

FAMILY & FRIENDS WEEKEND AT HORTON CENTER

September 1-4, 2023

Families of all configurations and friends of all ages are welcome to come close out the summer with a trip to the mountain! https://hortoncenter.org/summer_camp_sessions/family-friends-weekend/



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 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.

[Visit our website](#)

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