

Mutual Ministry at the First Church in Jaffrey

Central to our congregational vision of faith and spirit is the idea that God is most richly reflected in the fullness of community. This means specifically that the ministry of the First Church in Jaffrey is a shared effort – everyone has a part to play whether you are a long-time member or a new friend. Our mutual ministry consists not only of the tasks we share, but in the spirit of love and care we bring to every moment of our time together.

Be Involved at First Church

Calendar this week:

Monday, October 20, 4:00 pm – Trustee Circle
Monday, October 20, 6:30 pm – Scout Troop 33
Wednesday, October 22, 8:00 pm – AA meeting

Dates to Remember:

October 26 – Reformation Sunday
*Please wear **red** to worship!*
November 2 – Daylight Savings ends
November 2 – Steve's exit interview
November 9 – House Band to play in worship
November 10 – Going Away Party at the Park
November 16 – Steve's last Sunday in the pulpit
November 23 – Gordon Rankin preaching
November 30 – First Sunday in Advent
December 13 – Holiday Concert Outing

Exit Interview

On Sunday, November 2nd, immediately following worship, the PRC will host an exit interview with Steve and Jill. The purpose of this gathering is to reflect upon our time of shared ministry together, to discern strengths and challenges, to think about the future for both the Steve and the church. All are welcome. We hope you will join us.

Reformation Day: October 26!

Reformation Day is the 31st day of October, and honors the beginning of the Protestant Reformation, the day in 1517 when the German priest Martin Luther nailed his 95 theses to the door of Castle Church in Wittenburg, Germany. The Roman Catholic Church was the dominant church at that time, and Luther rejected many of the key teachings. Because of his beliefs, Luther was excommunicated by the pope, but support for his teachings continued to grow and are part of our faith heritage as the United Church of Christ (and, of course, for Lutherans!). So how do we celebrate?? We wear red! **Red is traditionally the color of the Holy Spirit, and is the liturgical color for ordinations, installations, Pentecost and Reformation Day.** So ~ on October 26th ~ wear red and let's fill the church with the color of the Holy Spirit~

Farewell Party

Come celebrate Steve and Jill for what they have given to our community. We will gather on Monday evening, November 10th from 5:00-8:00 pm at the Park Theatre. As you are able, please bring a plate of finger food to share. Questions – talk with Lisa Bostnar.

Symphony New Hampshire Holiday Concert

Once again, this year, we are organizing an outing for First Church and friends to see the New Hampshire Symphony Holiday Concert. The performance is Sunday, Dec. 13, at 7:30 pm in Nashua. Tickets are \$20-\$60. We will carpool and go to dinner first at 5:00 pm. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Bruce Hill, bwhill1947@gmail.com, 508-280-9546 text or voice.