The Scroll

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"What day is it?" asked Winnie the Pooh. "It's today," squeaked Piglet. "My favorite day," said Pooh A.A. Milne, Winnie the Pooh

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jAEJKg0lSP k&list=RDMMjAEJKg0lSPk&start\_radio=1

> Or go to Youtube.com and type in the search box Jennifer Nettles, O Holy Night/Hallelujah.

This song, sung by Jennifer Nettles, will bring tears to your eyes. This is the way we should sing our hymns in church, with the power of our voices. These are prayers! These are conversations with God and we need to pray it out loud.

As you watch this video, you can see she is in the midst of a prayer.

"For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands, I sing for joy."

#### Psalm 92:4 🔰

"Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be. And whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul. With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy."

Desiderata, Max Ehrmann, 1948

Be blessed, you beautiful children of God and stay close!

Rev John Sanborn

# THE UNION CHURCH COUNTRY STORE

Our annual bazaar is getting close. Watch for sign-up sheets to help set up, wait on customers and clean up. This



is an all-church event and one that brings in much needed funds for all we do. We need your help. If you can't make it in to church to sign up, give our department people a call. Paul Sutherland will again be heading up the white elephant; Carol Curtis is in charge of jewelry; Nancy Thompson handles Grandma's Kitchen; Kay Bergquist and Ellen Sutherland work magic with the crafts and Nancy Young is in the kitchen making lunch. So, don't be shy, call us to help. We are all Children of God and with His help we can make this our best year ever.

Thanks, Nancy Young, Bazaar Chairman

#### GRANDMA'S KITCHEN



We have one (1!) month and then

Bazaar time. Anything you would like to bake we would appreciate. If you need to bake early, we have freezer space. I know you have heard this before, but here I go again... cakes, cupcakes, cookies, pies, yeast bread, quick breads, candy and fudge all sell. This is playoff season and a lot of people are looking for something to take to the games.

Thank you for your help, Nancy

WHITE ELEPHANTS: Yes, we want your stuff!



White Elephant

**Setup** - With our change of location to the connector, vestibule and porch, there will be some changes in the setup procedures this year. We still need to haul up our treasures from the Parish House basement, price everything and set up our displays. What's new is that **we will begin October 20<sup>th</sup>** after Church and continue for the next two weeks! Plenty of time to schedule your participation! Look for sign-up sheets and schedules beginning in early October and be ready to join the fun!

So, with plans in motion for a "new" Union Church Holiday Bazaar, the White Elephants, Collectibles, Pink Pachyderm, and Furniture departments depend on your generous donations. Yes, we need your stuff! In order to reduce waste and the need for a dumpster this year (it's where most of the unsold white elephants end up!) we are enlisting your help as we curate what will be offered for sale.

Here are a few things to think about before you make a donation:

- 1. will it sell
- 2. if it does not sell during the Bazaar can it be: a. sold via eBay, Craigslist, Facebook
  - Marketplace, etc.
  - b. easily donated
  - c. is it worth saving to sell at next year's Bazaar

For White Elephants, this should help:

1. We are not taking books, cassette tapes, VHS Tapes and linens (they <u>don't</u> sell)

2. As always, no ginormous tube TVs (Flat screens are OK!)

3. Full sets of dishes or flatware are good. A single spoon, plate, juice glass or mug, not so good.

4. A nice clean thermos is good. A plastic water bottle with your bank logo, not so good.

You get the idea. If it's clean, complete, and in working order, we can probably sell it! All the usual suspects such as kitchen appliances and cookware, Christmas items, tools, sound equipment, lamps, toys, etc. are welcome! If you can't decide whether to donate it or put it in the trash, you know what to do! If something has value or a story that we may not be aware of, please let us know. We will be reviewing donated items when they are received.

Furniture- We have had great success with furniture sales the past few years so keep the donations coming! Chairs, tables, dining sets, chests, bookcases, bedroom furniture, etc. that are in good shape or need only a minor repair are welcome! Let Paul Sutherland know what you have.

Items of Value – Yes, we love getting items of value and we do our best to get a good return for your donation. Just recently we sold stereo speakers and amplifiers via Craigslist and a camera on eBay for a substantial amount of money. It's a great way to give!

Bottom line is lots of great items to sell at the usual great Bazaar prices!



- 6 Phyllis Sawtell
- 13 Cindy Bell
- 20 Sue Osgood & Carol Trudelle
- 27 Meryl Lisananti

### OUREACH NEWS

The Outreach Committee reconvened on September 12<sup>th</sup> to resume its task of



disseminating funds to worthwhile organizations, individuals, small groups in need, and victims of natural or manmade disasters. After reviewing our financial situation, we discussed our process as a committee and what we felt was the most urgent need requiring our attention. The committee feels it is functioning well, but it was suggested that we communicate more frequently as ideas or needs arise. We don't want to forget our good thoughts!!

As far as the most urgent need, it was unanimous that we direct September's support to the victims of Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas. The devastation there is beyond words. We are fortunate that we are familiar with an organization that gets funding right to the source of a disaster. It is called MAP International. Outreach gives a standard donation of \$600 to the group to provide medicine, health care kits, and various health related items where the need is the greatest. MAP immediately responded to the devastation in the Bahamas and put out a plea to their supporters for additional funds. The aftermath of the storm will go on for months and years to come. Therefore, it was decided that our donation for September would go to MAP and we would double the standard amount. We will send out a check this month for \$1200.

The Union Church of Proctor, though small in number, is mighty in spirit! It is because of the support of our members that we are able to do good works. We hope everyone feels that we are making a difference in supporting, as best we can, the needs of others. Please contact the Outreach Committee with your suggestions. We look forward to hearing from you.

#### FALL CLEANUP... AND BREAKFAST!

Our fall clean-up is



taking a delicious twist. Instead of cleaning the building and grounds after church service, EVERYONE is invited to join the men on Saturday morning, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 for a pancake and sausage breakfast. After which we will be doing the usual general clean up around the church grounds. It generally takes about 2 hours to get everything done. So come one, come all, wear your yard cleaning clothes. Bring a rake or a shovel and join us. For those not able to get out into all that fresh air, we have plenty of windows to clean and odds and ends to sort through before we turn our attentions to the bazaar. See you there.

#### PRISON VISIT



The October Prison visit will be on Wednesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. Anyone wishing to join us is welcome or if someone would like to make something, it would be appreciated. See Sue Osgood or Carol Trudelle for more information.

#### NOTES FROM THE CHURCH MOUSE



The weather this week has been lovely with

cool evenings which has made it much more comfortable to sleep in the evening. Things are fairly comfortable in most places as I wander through the church—eavesdropping when I can. It was wonderful to have the choir back on September 9. There were a few members absent but hopefully they will return soon.

Fall Clean-up is almost upon us. At 7:00 AM on Saturday, October 19 there will be a Pancake Breakfast to be followed by the clean-up duties. Hope to see you there.

The Men will be holding their next Breakfast at 7 AM on Saturday, October 12th. The coffee hour every Saturday morning is also at 7 AM.

The Ladies Lunch will be held on Tuesday, October 8th at 11:30 AM at the Rutland Country Club. If you have any questions about the luncheons please call Meryl Lisananti at 802-725-8181.

The Dismas House Dinner prep is scheduled for 5:15 PM on October 2nd. The Open Door Mission pizza dinner is scheduled for 5:15 PM on October 26th.

The next Prison Visit is scheduled for Wednesday, October 16th.

Hopefully we will soon have information on the start of the Saturday Night Socials which were "on vacation" for the summer.

The next Church Council Meeting is after church in the Higbee Library on September 29th after coffee hour.

I hope I haven't forgotten anything that People have mentioned during my travels. I know that things are going to start getting busy around here as we get closer to the Bazaar on November 2nd.

And this just in... Everyone is invited to the UCP Sanctuary on Saturday, Oct. 12, at 7pm for a talk by Sarah Cosgrove on the *Hazards of Vaping*. Bring your friends!

God Bless each and every one of you!



# October

- 2 Dinner Prep. And Meal Sharing at the Rutland Dismas House, 5:15 p.m.
- 6 Choir Rehearsal, 8:30 a.m., Sanctuary Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Coffee & Fellowship, 11:00 a.m.
- 8 Ladies' Lunch, 11:30 a.m., Rutland Country Club
- Men's Breakfast, 7:00 a.m., Parish House
  *Hazards of Vaping* Talk by Sarah Cosgrove, 7:00 p.m., UCP Sanctuary
- 13 Choir Rehearsal, 8:30 a.m., Sanctuary Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Coffee & Fellowship, 11:00 a.m.
- 16 Prison Visit
- 19 All-Church Breakfast & Fall CleanUp, 7:00 a.m., Parish House
- 20 Choir Rehearsal, 8:30 a.m., Sanctuary Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Coffee & Fellowship, 11:00 a.m.
- 20 Articles & info due for November Scroll
- 26 Pizza Dinner Prep. and Meal Sharing at the Open Door Mission, 5:15 p.m.
- 27 Choir Rehearsal, 8:30 a.m., Sanctuary Morning Worship, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary Coffee & Fellowship, 11:00 a.m.

## OCTOBER READERS



- 6 Ellen Sutherland
- 13 Nancy Young
- 20 Janet Yager
- 27 Nancy Young



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