

Religion



Kay Amsden and Mary Lou Fuller to speak at Congregational Church of Amherst-UCC

Sisters By Heart Forum on November 16th

The Open and Affirming Study Group, of the Congregational Church of Amherst-UCC, on the village common is pleased to announce a forum, Sisters by Heart, on Sunday, November 16 at 11:30 in the Church Sanctuary, 11 Church St, Amherst. Sisters by Heart is a program by Kay Amsden and Mary Lou Fuller who speak from a unique perspective of age and maturity. They have received rave reviews for their humorous and candid approach about their message, in which they put faces on the issue of a same-gender couple who have been together for almost thirty years. Kay and Mary Lou have had both a Blessing Ceremony and a Civil Union, and have written a book Sisters by Heart

Mary Lou and Kay have spent the last ten years working with the

New Hampshire Conference of the United Church of Christ (UCC) on Open and Affirming issues. They have given their Sisters by Heart program to many New Hampshire churches and to the New Hampshire Conference, UCC. Many who have seen Sisters by Heart have been very impressed with its warmth and candor.

The public is invited to attend and join the church community on Sunday, November 16th at 11:30 for this informative and enjoyable program. A luncheon will be served in the Church Parlor immediately following the program. Please call Ann Bergin at 675-1885, and leave a message if childcare is needed. For any questions about the program, please contact associate Pastor Catriona Grant, Ph.D. at the church, 673-3231.

Pancake Breakfast to Benefit SHARE

Celebrating SHARE'S 30th Anniversary of "People Helping People"

Saturday, November 22
8-11:00 am
At Light of the World Christian Church
273 Elm Street, Milford

All donations to benefit
SHARE! Bring a canned
good to help stock the
pantry!

Community Fundraiser for SHARE

The community is invited to a Pancake Fundraiser to benefit SHARE. It is our desire during this Thanksgiving season to express our gratitude by "serving the servants". Share is a vital part of Amherst, Brookline, Milford and Mont Vernon.

This event will be on Saturday November 22 from 8am-11am and will be held at Light of the World Christian Church, 273 Elm St, Milford NH. All proceeds will go directly to SHARE in honor of their 30th anniversary providing needed help in our communities. Please bring a canned good to help stock the pantry!

Share is our local food pantry, clothing barn and emergency financial help center. Last year Share provided 500 Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets and Christmas gifts to over 300 families! Share is expanding because of the growing needs of our neighbors, coworkers, and our children's classmates. Share serves quietly and humbly everyday yet has a tremendous impact with every person and family served. We are thankful for Share and all the volunteers who have helped over the 30 years.

Interfaith Thanksgiving service to be held at Boys and Girls Club

The Souhegan Valley Interfaith Council invites the community to join in a celebration of Thanksgiving. The program will be held at the Souhegan Valley Boys and Girls Club at the Amato Center on Mont Vernon St. (Route 13 N), Milford on Sunday, Nov. 23 at 4 p.m.

The community speaker for this year's gathering will be Mr. Jerry Harrow, the President of Greater Nashua Habitat for Humanity. The theme for this year's service will be

"Home for the Holidays."

Short readings from various faith traditions will be offered. There will be a basket for voluntary donations for Habitat, and a non-perishables collection for SHARE.

Thanksgiving handouts with puzzles and pictures to color will be available to youngsters, and a display will be posted highlighting Habitat's work both locally and internationally.

Second Annual Benefit Concert



On Sunday, November 23 at 3:00 pm, the Congregational Church of Amherst on the Village Common invites the public to experience the many beautiful "colors" created through music. Sara Phelps (soprano), Kim Whitehead and Priscilla Hamilton (flute), will join Alexander Romanul (violin) in the concert that will feature each soloist individually, as well as in ensemble. Donations are accepted at this 2nd annual concert to benefit the Johnson Tracker Organ Maintenance Fund.



The members of The First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, 10 Union Street, Milford, New Hampshire, cordially invite you and your family to join them at the celebration of their church's 220th Anniversary on Sunday, November 16, 2008 at the 10:00 am Worship Service and to participate in the table fellowship thereafter.

Preacher: The Rev. Gary M. Schulte, Conference Minister, NH Conference, UCC

All are welcome!

A welcoming congregation since 1788

Church Services

First Baptist Church of Amherst

On Sundays:

Sunday School for all ages - 9:15 AM
Morning Worship Service - 10:30 AM
Upper Room Prayer - 6:00-7:00 PM

On Wednesdays:

We invite your kids age 4 through grade 4 to join us here every Wednesday from 6:15-7:45 for Pioneer Clubs[™], a fun-filled and diversified program designed to help kids learn interesting skills and Biblical truth. Club runs throughout the school year and we always welcome new kids to stop in anytime!

On Thursdays:

Senior High Youth Group (Grades 8-12) - 7:00 PM (Check online calendar for current information and location)

Our website and online calendar can be found at www.amherstfirstbaptist.com. Come learn, grow, and serve with us!

Congregational Church of Amherst

Senior Pastor Richard Leavitt, Associate Pastor Catriona Grant and the entire congregation look forward to welcoming one and all. The church is located at 11 Church St. on the Amherst Village Common.

Sunday services begin at 10 a.m. Sunday school is provided for children 2 years of age through seventh grade, following the Children's Time in the service. A confirmation class is formed for eighth graders, and middle high and senior high youth have programs and activities on Sunday evenings. Rev. Richard Leavitt is the congregation's senior pastor.

For more information on services, activities and programs, call the church office, 673-3231, weekdays between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., or visit the website at www.ccamherst.org.

Souhegan Christian Church

5 Route 101A, Unit #2
Amherst, NH 03031
603-672-6759
nhscc@verizon.net

Sunday Morning Worship Service

Sunday School, 9:00 am (classes for all ages and nursery provided)
Fellowship, 10:00 pm
Worship Service, 10:30 am (children's church and nursery provided)

Women's Bible Study: A multi-generational group of dynamic women joining together in a positive, nurturing environment to learn more about Christ, His impact in our lives, and how we can impact others.

Wednesdays, 9:30-11:30 am
Pastry and coffee provided

Adventure Club: Grades 1-6: A Christ-centered, Bible-based adventure for children grades 1-6; includes a pot-luck supper, teaching skits, small group activities, music and games.

Wednesdays, 4:30-6:00 pm

Dinner provided

Youth Group: Grades 7-12: A Christ-centered, mission-based youth group for middle and high school students featuring snacks, games, Bible study, mission trips and more.

Sundays, 6:00-7:30 pm, weeks 1 and 3 of the month
Snacks provided

Service of Healing Prayer: A meditative time of personal prayer for physical, mental and emotional healing.

Sundays, 7:00-9:00pm, 2nd Sunday of the month

"Part of the richness we experience in our church," says the pastor, John Ritter, "is related to the broad variety of denominational backgrounds from which we come. We find that as we join together around the essential truths of the Christian faith, the Lord grants us grace to cover all the rest."

Messiah Lutheran Church

303 Route 101
Amherst
673-2011
Pastor Tom Teichmann
9:00 am Sunday School & Adult Forum
10:00 Fellowship
10:30 Worship
Please come and join us!

St Luke's Anglican Church

St Luke's Anglican Church, Amherst offers Sunday services at 8:00 am and a choral Eucharist at 10:00 am with coffee and fellowship following both services. Saturday mornings at 11:00 am feature a Bible study class led by Fr Jeff Swayze.

Church of Our Saviour

The church, located on Amherst St., just off the Oval, provides nursery care for infants and toddlers, and is handicapped accessible. Information on the church and its programs is available on the Internet at www.coosmilford.org, or by calling the church office at 673-3309.

Sunday worship and education schedule.
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m. Junior & Senior High
Classes
9:15 a.m. Adult Choir
9:45 a.m. Church School for Age 3
- Grade 6
10:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist

Milford United Methodist Church

Milford United Methodist Church schedule: 8:30 Spirit Celebration, 9:30 Sunday School, and 10:45 Traditional Worship. The 8:30 Spirit Celebration is led by Chris Willard and the Praise Band. It is an informal worship service featuring contemporary Christian music. The 10:45 service features the Chancel Choir led by Sally Landis, and traditional prayers and readings. Pastor Tom Getchell-Lacey preaches at both services. We have Sunday school for children of all ages, a high school class and an adult class. The Mil-

ford United Methodist Church is located at 327 No. River Rd, Milford. For information or directions call Susan Drew (672-4877) or visit us on the web at www.MifordUMC.org.

Thanksgiving Dinner

You're Invited to Thanksgiving Dinner

The Milford United Methodist Church invites everyone to Thanksgiving Dinner, Thursday, Nov. 27th, 1 pm. The church is located at 327 North River Road, Milford. Please call 672-4644 for reservations. This is the third year that the church is offering a free community dinner. Anyone who enjoys good food, and good fellowship is welcome to attend.

St Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church

He is Risen! Join us each Sunday as we celebrate our risen Lord at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 3 Craftsman Lane, Amherst. Pastor Joel Petermann www.stpaul-amherst.org 880-8574. Sunday worship service at 9:30am, Sunday school at 10:55 and adult bible study at 11:15. Nursery service is available.

Mont Vernon Congregational Church, UCC

The Reverend Graham Ward
Main Street (Route 13), Mont Vernon
Telephone: 673-3500
e-mail: montvernonchurch@montvernon-church.org
Website: www.montvernonchurch.org

Worship Schedule:

As of Sunday, September 7, worship will return to its regular time of 10:30 a.m. with fellowship hour at 11:30 a.m.

Adult Bible Study:

Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. beginning September 4, at the home of Lois and Fred Boericke (673-6190). The Group will be studying 'Seasons of the Spirit' (our Sunday School curriculum), following the lectionary and Sunday School focus.

Sundays at 8:45 a.m. in the Round Room, led by Rev. Graham Ward, (924-9535) beginning September 7.

Office Hours:

As of September 2, Church office hours will resume to the regular days of Tuesday and Thursday, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Unitarian Universalist Church,

20 Elm St.
Milford
Rev. Barbara McKusick Liscord, minister.

Our regular worship services are held each Sunday at 10:30 AM. Our minister, Rev. Barbara McKusick Liscord leads the congregation into worship from the pulpit with music, words, meditation and fellowship each Sunday morning. Coffee hour follows each service at 11:45 AM. We have a Church for Children program and childcare is available. We are a welcoming congregation and we invite visitors to join us!

Unitarian Universalism is a caring, open-minded religion that encourages

one to seek his/her own spiritual path. Our Faith draws on many religious traditions, welcoming people with many different beliefs. Our congregation is a place where people gather to nurture their spirits and put their faith into action by helping to make our communities—and the world—a better place.

For more information on our church, call 673-1870 or email us at uucm1870@verizon.net. You may also visit www.uu-milfordnh.org. For more information on Unitarian Universalism, please visit www.uua.org.

The First Unitarian Congregational Society in Wilton Center

Isaac Frye Highway
Wilton Center.
P.O. Box 89,
Wilton
Phone: 654-9518
Web: <http://www.uuwilton.org/>
Email: admin@uuwilton.org

Church Services are at 10:30 am on Sunday followed by coffee hour at "The Red House." Sunday school is offered during church services.

The society offers rentals of "The Red House", with or without catering services. The church may also be rented. Please call 654-9428 for rental and catering information. You may read more about upcoming services and events by visiting our Calendar at www.uuwilton.org.

Holy Trinity Southern Episcopal Church

Holy Trinity, part of the conservative Southern Episcopal Church, meets as a subcongregation of Christ's Church of Amherst, in the Christ's Church building. Our schedule is:

7:30 p.m. Saturday: Holy Eucharist,
1928 Prayer Book (sanctuary)
9:15 a.m. Sunday Spiritual Formation class (office)

The church is located at 58 Merrimack Road in Amherst. Information on the church is available on the web at www.ccnh.org, at www.angelfire.com/biz/Southern/, or by calling Fr. Griffin at 654-5741.

New Mass Schedule for Saint Patrick Church

Starting the weekend of September 27-28. The schedule of weekend Masses will be Saturday at 4:00p.m.; Sunday Masses will be: 7:00a.m.; 8:45a.m.; and 10:45a.m. There will no longer be a 12Noon Mass on Sunday.

Religious Education classes will begin the week of September 21 for grades 3-8. The first day of classes will begin with a prayer in the Church and then each class will be dismissed with their teacher to a specified class area.

On Sunday, September 28 grades K-2 will begin in the basement of the church at 8:45a.m. and 10:45a.m. at this time parents will be told where classes will be con-

ducted.

The first Confirmation class will be September 29 for Grades 9-10. This first meeting is for both parents & students.

First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, Milford

10 Union Street, PO Box 188, Milford,
673-3713, Rev. Dr. Sheila S. Rubdi. On-line at www.firstccmnh.org

The First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ resumes their 10:00am Worship time. The "Come to the Light" Contemporary Praise Worship Service will resume on September 27th, at 5:00pm.

The church has a Safe Sanctuaries policy. Please visit our website at www.firstccmnh.org for more information.

Additional information may be obtained by calling the church office at 673-3713 or visiting our website (www.firstccmnh.org).

First Church Of Christ, Scientist

103 South St., Milford
Sunday Service: 10:30 am
Sunday School: 10:30 am
Wednesday Meeting: 8 pm

We will have a special Thanksgiving Service at 10:30 am on Thanksgiving Day, November 27, 2008. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Christian Science Reading Room

42 South Street, Milford
Daily: Mon. through Fri. 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Sat. 9:00 am to 12:00 noon Wed. 7:00 pm to 7:45 pm
First Sun. of the Month 11:30 am to 12:30 pm
Telephone – 673-5274
Email – readingroom@csmilfordnh.org

First Baptist Church of Milford

65 West Street, Milford
Phone: 673-5191
E-mail: info@fbcmilford.org
Web site: www.fbcmilford.org
Office hours: 9 a.m.-12 p.m. M-F
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Ronald Bouthilllette

Sunday:

9:15 a.m. Church school
11:00 a.m. Morning worship service
Nursery and Children's church provided

Wednesday:

7:00 p.m. Bible study

Thursday:

10:30 a.m. Bible study
7:30 p.m. Prayer meeting

Jr. High youth group 4 p.m. every other Sunday
Sr. High youth group 6 p.m. every other Friday