# Religion

#### Pancakes and All That Jazz at Congregational Church



The Congregational Church of Amherst, United Church of Christ is celebrating Mardi Gras during the second Saturday service on February 13 at 5:00 p.m. in the community room. "Pancakes and All That Jazz" is a Mardi Gras jazz service, featuring live music from the Josh Evans Trio. It's a casual service so jeans and sneakers are welcome, and a child-friendly service including Mardi Gras beads for everyone. All are invited to the pancake supper, and pancake race, that will follow the service.

The event will observe the up-February 16 Shrove coming Tuesday, the day preceding Ash Wednesday, which is the first day of the Christian season of fasting and prayer, Lent. In many countries, the day is often known simply as Pancake Tuesday. Pancakes are often considered to be a "Final Feast" because their ingredients of oil, sugar, and eggs, are among the foods that many choose to restrict for themselves during Lent.

For the Pancake Race each participant carries a pancake in a frying pan. All runners must toss their pancakes as they run and catch them in the frying pan. This contest is said to have originated in England in the thirteenth century when a woman was still cooking pancakes before the Lenten fast started. She heard the bells of her Church calling her to worship. In a hurry, and still wanting her pancakes, she darted out of her house still holding the fry pan with pancake still cooking.

The Jazz music will be provided by the trio of Joshua Evans, Scott Mullet and Steve Cady.

Josh has recently returned to New Hampshire from Raleigh, North Carolina. He has worked as an orchestra pianist for Royal Caribbean International and has toured the United States twice with the Glenn Miller Orchestra. Evans has performed with the Keene Jazz Orchestra, Portland Jazz Orchestra, and the Raleigh Jazz Orchestra and has been a pit musician for such musicals as Little Shop of Horror and Peter Pan. He has previously taught private and group lessons in New England and North Carolina. As a bandleader he has performed throughout the United States in various groups from rock to soul to jazz.

Scott has played and toured with some of the best big bands in the world, including Woody Herman and Artie Shaw. He was drafted into Woody's band after a few semesters' study at Berklee College, where he had had been awarded a full scholarship at the age of 17. Mullett has been a working musician ever since, and is now a first-call saxophone player for the greater Boston area, doing commercial studio sessions, and performing regularly with the White Heat Swing Orchestra and the C-Jammers. Berklee invites him back to teach an occasional saxophone clinic. When he came back to the area in the late '90s due to be near family he was fresh from three years' tenure as Musical Director for Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines, and found himself settling down in the same town where he'd grown up, Swanzey. He draws students from around the tri-state area for private instruction. He is also founder and director of the Keene Jazz Orchestra, now in its fourth year.

Steve lives and teaches in the Keene area and performs with professional groups throughout New England. As a double-bassist, Steve has performed with the Windham Orchestra, Raylynmore Opera, Keene Chamber Orchestra, and The Opera Theatre of Weston. He also works regularly in the Boston and Providence areas playing general business and jazz bass for private and public functions. Steve holds a BM and a BA from Keene State College, where he was a freshman talent-scholar, and KSC Instrumentalist of the Year in 2002.

Mr. Cady has been a performer in several world premiers by New Hampshire composer Ted Mann, and has recently completed his own major compositions for jazz ensemble, dance accompaniment and solo

bass. Steve has been Music Department Head at Vermont Academy in Saxtons River, VT since 2003, where he directs a Jazz Ensemble, teaches Music Theory, Music Appreciation, and Electronic Music. Steve is also adjunct instructor of double-bass at The Brattleboro Music Center, The Putney School in Putney, VT, and teaches private electric and doublebass students in the Keene area.

The Ash Wednesday service is February 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. All are welcome. This prayerfilled, somber service prepares us for the 40 days of Lent that lead up to the week of Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

The church is located at 11 Church Street, on the Common in Amherst Village. For more information visit our website at www. ccamherst.org or call the church office weekdays between 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. at 673-3231.

#### Unitarian Universalist Church. Milford





**Robert Robinson** 



Clara Kennedy

#### Reknowned Artists To Perform in Milford

Two multimedia concerts will be performed in Milford this month. The shows will include dance, flute, cello, guitar and voice; poetry and projected im-

The artists include Nathalie Joachim, Robert Robinson and Clara Kennedy. The trio, all graduates of The Juilliard School, live and perform in New York City. Ms. Kennedy is originally from Milford.

The two hour shows begin at 8PM, on Friday the 12th at the Unitarian Church in Milford and on Saturday the 13th at the Boys and Girls Club. Each event will contain unique components based on use of the varied stage

spaces. On Friday night, they will be accompanied by pianist Laura Kennedy.

Tickets will be available at the door, \$5.00 for students, \$7.50 for Adults.

For further information, call 673-4709 or visit www.ditchproductions.com.

#### **SHARE Benefits from Fundraiser**



Christine A. Janson, Executive Director of Share Outreach, Inc. and Liz Henrich from Souhegan Christian Church (SCC) presented the proceeds from the 15th Annual Spaghetti Dinner that SCC hosted for Share during the Amherst Tree Lighting Festival.

#### **Financial Peace University Class Starts**

The Souhegan Christian Church will be leading a Dave Ramsey's Fi-nancial Peace University class starting on March 4th and running until May 27th. Preview dates are February 18th and 25th

What is Financial Peace Univer-

FPU is the most important step to changing your financial future. It is your Total Money Makeover Program. It takes the knowledge from God and turns it into real action in our lives through a step-by-step process taught by best-selling author and financial counselor Dave Ramsey.

Financial Peace University is a 13week program that encourages positive behavior with accountability and support. Personal finance is 80 percent behavior and only 20 percent head knowledge.

- Teaches financial responsibility with easy baby steps
- Helps eliminate debt using the **Debt Snowball method**
- Offers accountability and continued support with lifetime membership

- · Trains participants to spend every dollar on paper with the zerobased budget planner
- Empowers people struggling with financial hardships by establishing a plan to take control of their

Who is Financial Peace University for? Ít's for EVERYONE!...from the fi-

nancially secure to the financially

distressed. Over 650,000 families and individuals have attended Financial Peace University. **Testimonials** 

#### Here's what people just like you

are saying about FPU:

"We've actually relieved ourselves of over \$50,000 worth of debt in two years just from using these principles."

- Russ and Mary Lee

"It made us sit down as a couple and communicate... and it gave us an instant pay raise!" - Paul and Lynesa Benson

To sign up visit www.sccofnh.org or call 672-6759

## Religious Services

#### First Baptist Church of Amherst

Regular schedule As of October 4th, Worship Service 10 am Sunday Pioneer Clubs 6:15 pm Wednesday - ages 4 years to 7th grade www.amherstfirstbaptist.com.

#### **Congregational Church** of Amherst

11 Church St. **Amherst Village Common** Senior Pastor Richard Leavitt **Associate Pastor Catriona Grant** Church office: 673-3231 Web site: www.ccamherst.org

Sunday services at the Congregational Church of Amherst, United Church of Christ, are at 10 a.m. at the church on the common in Amherst Village, 11 Church St. Children 2 years old through seventh grade attend church school following the Children's Time in the service. Nursery care is provided.

The Ash Wednesday service is February 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. All are welcome. This prayer-filled, somber service prepares us for the 40 days of Lent that lead up to the week of Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

To learn more about our congregation, its mission and its varied activities and programs for all ages, go to the website at www.ccamherst.org. Or contact the church office at 673-3231. Senior Pastor Richard Leavitt and Associate Pastor Catriona Grant and the congregation welcome you.

#### Souhegan Christian Church

5 Route 101A, Unit #2 Amherst 672-6759 www.sccofnh.org nhscc@sccofnh.org

Sunday school for EVERYONE will be at 9:00am. The Adults will be starting in 1 Peter with Jon Voskuil leading. The High school youth will be starting the "LIVE" curriculum put out by Simply Youth Ministry. This is same group that does the Mission trip devotionals for Group Work-camp. The 4th - 8th graders will be joining Mrs. Lord for a trip through the gospel of Matthew. The younger kids will be using the Group publishing "Hands on Bible" Curriculum. Fellowship will be from 10:00am -

Worship will be starting at 10:30am.

#### Christ's Church of Amherst

58 Merrimack Road **Amherst** 673-8292 www.ccnh.org Pastor Darin Shaw

Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. with Nursery Care up to age 3 years and Children's program 3 years to grade 5.

#### Messiah Lutheran Church

303 Route 101 Amherst 673-2011

**Pastor Tom Teichmann** 

#### St Luke Anglican Church

3 Limbo Lane, Amherst 672-6054

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St Luke Anglican Church offers Holy Eucharist services on Sunday at 8 and 10 a.m. with coffee and fellowship following both services. Services are conducted by our Vicar Rev. Christian Tutor and Deacon Frank Bartlett based on the traditional 1928 Book of Common Prayer. The annual meeting and election of officers will be held on February 21 after a single 9 a.m. service. Nominations for positions may be given to any vestry person, or made during the session.

#### St Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church

3 Craftsman Lane Amherst

St. Paul Ev. Lutheran Church welcomes you to join us each Sunday for our worship service. Our Sunday Service begins at 9:30am with our Sunday School at 10:55 and adult Bible study at 11:15. Nursery service is available. Please be our guest as we celebrate the Lord and all he has done for us. Pastor Joel Petermann and Pastor Brian Schuessler 821-9891 www.stpaulamherst.org

#### **Holy Trinity Southern Episcopal Church**

58 Merrimack Road

**Amherst** Fr. Griffin: 654-5741

Holy Trinity, part of the conservative Southern Episcopal Church, meets as a subcongregation of Christ's Church of Amherst, in the Christ's Church build-

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

#### New Hope Assembly of God

The Meeting Place, 199 Rt 101 Amherst 672-2434

e-mail: newhopeag@hotmail.com Website: www.newhopeag.net Pastor John Rotch

#### SUNDAY

Morning Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Coffee and fellowship after the service Awakening Connection Services: 2nd & 4th Sunday 6 - 8 p.m.

Prayer: 3rd Monday every month - 7 -8 p.m..

#### **WEDNESDAY**

Bible Study: 7 p.m.

#### Milford United Methodist Church 327 No. River Rd Milford

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. Information: Susan Drew (672-4877). Web: www. MifordUMC.org.

### **Church of Our Saviour**

Sunday worship and education schedule.

8 a.m. 9 a.m. Classes

**Holy Eucharist** Junior & Senior High

9:15 a.m. 9:45 a.m. grade 6

**Adult Choir** Church School for age 3

10 a.m. **Choral Eucharist** Website: www.coosmilford.org

#### **Unitarian Universalist Church** 20 Elm St.

Milford

Rev. Barbara McKusick Liscord, minister.

Worship Services: are held each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. led by Rev. Barbara McKusick Liscord. Children's programming is held each Sunday as well. Childcare is available and coffee hour and fellowship follows each service at 11:45 a.m.

Meditative Chant services are held every 2nd and 4th Sunday at 8 p.m. Come join the circle for a short service of chants, rounds, and songs from many world spiritual traditions. Information: 673-1870. Email: uucm1870@gmail.com. Website: www.uumilfordnh.org.

#### First Congregational Church, UCC

10 Union Street Milford 673-3713

**65 West Street** 

#### Saint Patrick Catholic **Community of Milford**

Phone: 673-1311 Website: saintpatrickmilfordnh.org St. Patrick Church Community, Milford

#### The Bridge Community Church

Milford, NH 03055 603-673-5191 email: info@bridgechurchnh.com web: www.bridgechurchnh.com Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. M-F Pastor: Rev. Dr, Ronald Bouthillette Schedule: Sunday 10:30am - Morning Worship & Adventure Zone (Children)

#### First Church Of Christ, Scientist

103 South St., Milford Sunday Service: 10:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Meeting: 8 p.m.

**Christian Science Reading Room** 42 South Street, Milford

Mon. through Fri. 11a.m. - 3 p.m. Sat. 9 a.m. to 12 noon Wed. 7 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. First Sun. of the Month 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Telephone – 673-5274 Email - readingroom@csmilfordnh.org

#### **Mont Vernon Congregational** Church, United Church of Christ 4 South Main Street

Mont Vernon Worship: Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Church school is available for children

aged 6 and older. Child care is provided for children under 6 year. Rev. Paul Cullity - Extended Supply

Pastor For more information, call the church

office: 673-3500 on Tuesdays or Thursdays between 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. or check the website: montvernonchurch.org

Email: montvernonchurch@montvernonchurch.org

#### First Unitarian Congregational Society in Wilton Center

Isaac Frye Highway in Wilton Center P.O. Box 89, Wilton, NH 03086 654-9518

Website: www.uuwilton.org/ Email: admin@uuwilton.org

Church Services are at 10:30 am on Sunday (except July and August) followed by coffee hour at The Red House. Children join in the opening portion of the service and then have time for age appropriate Sunday school programs.

Our society offers rentals of The Red House in Wilton Center. Please phone Joyce at 654-9784 for further information.