



The Outreach

April 2011—Milford, NH

Holy Week Services



Palm Sunday
April 17
8:30 and 10:45

Maundy Thursday
April 21
7:00 p.m.
Shadows Cantata

Good Friday
April 22
12:00 noon
Messiah Lutheran Church
303 Route 101
Amherst

Stations of the Cross
Silent Meditation—5-7 p.m.
in the sanctuary

Easter Sunday
6:00 a.m. SonRise service
MUMC parking lot
7:00 Easter Breakfast
8:30 Easter Celebration
Spirit Celebration style
9:30 No Sunday School
10:45 Easter Celebration
Traditional style



Presented by
Chancel Choir
on Maundy Thursday
by Sally Landis

On Maundy Thursday, April 21, the chancel choir will be presenting as part of the Tenebrae service a cantata entitled *Shadows* written by Douglas E. Wagner. It focuses on seven episodes in the passion and death of Jesus and includes readings from the gospels, choral meditations and responsive readings. It is a very moving work and I encourage you to attend and invite friends and family also.



Message from the Pastor

Dear Friends,

A few years ago, I shared with you my thoughts about the importance of observing Holy Week (the week leading up to and including Easter Sunday). Because I feel this is so important, I thought I would share with you those words again.

Beginning on Sunday, April 17, we will have the opportunity to join in the incredible journey that we know as Holy Week. What a week it is! As we walk along this journey with Jesus, we will experience all the highs and lows that human emotions can afford—sorrow, fear, anger, grief, hope, incredulity, all ending up with the outburst of joy we know as Easter.

Let me remind you that our Easter joy will only be as full and real as the other emotions we allow ourselves to feel as the events of Holy Week unfold. Only if we allow ourselves to experience the strange mixture of celebration and sorrow on Palm Sunday, the fear and foreboding of Maundy Thursday, and the profound grief and sorrow of Good Friday will we truly experience the hope and hilarity of Easter. The contrast of the lowest lows to the highest highs that are part of the Holy Week and Easter experiences must be allowed to come out in all its vast variety for there to be authentic Easter joy. Otherwise it rings somewhat hollow.

That is why I hope that all of our members and friends will do everything they can to be present for all of the Holy Week services being offered

this year, or, barring that, that each of us will do everything we can to observe the events of Holy Week on their own.

Here is a schedule of services that you will want to take note of.

Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday
worship—8:30 and 10:45 on April 17
These services will celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem as well as marking the events that followed from there. We will also be receiving new members during both of these services.

Maundy Thursday Service

7:00 p.m., Thursday April 21

This is always a truly meaningful service as we mark the occasion of Jesus' last supper by celebrating Holy Communion, followed by a Tenebrae service (Tenebrae means darkness) led by the chancel choir under the direction of Sally Landis

Ecumenical Good Friday Service 12:00 noon at Messiah Lutheran Church in Amherst, Friday, April 22

Join Christians from several other local churches in marking Jesus' death on the cross.

Stations of the Cross Silent Meditation—5:00—7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary, Good Friday, April 22

Stop in to the sanctuary for as little or as long as you like—we'll be displaying pictures of Jesus' journey to the cross to help you meditate upon Jesus' sacrifice for us all.

Easter Sunday, April 24

The schedule for the day is as follows:

6:00 a.m. SonRise service
Meet in the MUMC parking lot
7:00 Easter Breakfast
8:30 Easter Celebration
Spirit Celebration style
9:30 No Sunday School
10:45 Easter Celebration
Traditional style

I look forward to sharing in this profound journey with you, and to joyously celebrate Easter with you as well.

Grace and peace,



J.B. to be Performed April 9

On Saturday, April 9, at 7 pm we will be presenting a staged reading of the play *J.B.* by Archibald MacLeish. This 1959 Pulitzer Prize winning play retells the Old Testament story of Job. On Sunday, April 10 (between services), there will be a "talk-back" with many of the participants to give viewers and presenters a time to exchange ideas, questions, and general comments about the material. There is no cost for the presentation (a free will offering will be collected) and all are welcome.

Due to the nature of the story presented, parental guidance is highly recommended for children under 13 years of age.

Join the Silent Auction Sunday, April 10

Following the second service Sunday, April 10, the youth mission team will host a silent auction.



To donate your talent, contact Becky Ladeau or Shelly Frost by April 8.
Becky Ladeau: 672-9641
Kbladeau@msn.com
Or Shelly Frost: 672-3043
shelly@techtransport.com

Silent bidding will be available before the services or stay for the fun of live bidding. Even at the live auction, the silent bidder could win with the high bid.

Proceeds go to the youth mission team. Thank you for your generous support as we prepare our youth for the mission field.

New to MUMC?

Want to know more about our church, about Methodism, and/or the Christian faith? Then you'll want to come to our **Newcomer's Gathering**, Saturday, April 2 from 2:00-5:00. Childcare will be provided. To register, call the church office at 673-2669, email the church at office@milfordumc.org, or sign the sign-up sheet in the foyer.



Open Audition Notice!!

for



A Mystery Dinner Theater Show-Directed by Michele Bossie

Logan plans to surprise his girlfriend with a romantic proposal. However, his plans are crushed when he discovers the carefully selected engagement ring is missing! Who took the ring? Will he ever see the ring again? Is this engagement doomed?

Audition Date: Sunday, March 27 1:00-3:00

Auditions held at the Milford United Methodist Church, Milford, NH

Rehearsal days are Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6-9 PM

Show dates are Friday, May 20 7-9 PM and Saturday, May 21 from Noon-2 PM

This audition is open to ages 13 and up

Looking for 3 men and 3 women

There will be cold readings from the script.

Any questions, contact Michele Bossie @ 603-801-6345

Or at mbossiesings@gmail.com

(See next page for characters)

CHARACTERS: (In order of appearance.)

Logan: Logan is in his early twenties. He has just purchased an expensive engagement ring for his girlfriend, Jessie. Normally, he's very unorganized and carefree about life, but he's worked extremely hard on planning a fabulous surprise for Jessie.

Seth: Seth is Logan's younger brother and the youngest child. He and Logan get along like typical brothers. Though they often roughhouse and bump heads. They still care about one another. Seth tends to think mostly of himself and what he wants.

Mom: Kay is married to Garrett. They have 3 children – Logan, Emily, and Seth.

Emily: Emily is Logan's younger sister, but she is older than Seth. At times, being the only girl and the middle child makes her life difficult. She bakes fairly often, but is terrible at it.

Jessie: Jessie is Logan's girlfriend. They met at a local park while playing volleyball. They are in love with one another, but haven't talked much about marriage.

Dad: Garrett is a mailman. He steps up as a strong and loving family leader when needed.

Jeremy Camp Performs at Grace Chapel

Jeremy Camp, John Waller, and Adam Cappa will be performing at Grace Chapel in Lexington, MA on April 29, 2011. If we purchase tickets as a group, tickets will be \$21.00 each. A carpool and caravan will be leaving the church at 5:00 pm on the Friday of the concert. Please let Leslie Coates know if you are interested in joining in on the group rate or the caravan (leslie@milfordumc.org or 603.418.4135).



Stephen Ministry Workshop Offered at Milford United Methodist Church By Steve Kimner



Want to learn to be an active listener and reach out to others in a distinctively Christian way? On Saturday, April 30th, Milford UMC will host a Stephen Ministry Workshop from 9:00 A.M.–1:00 P.M. Registration begins at 8:00 A.M., and refreshments will be served. The half-day workshop consists of three sessions designed both to enhance participants' care giving skills and to help congregations explore ways to expand their caring ministry.

The workshop is sponsored by Stephen Ministries, the St. Louis-based Christian training organization that has been providing congregations with training and resources for Christian caregiving for more than 30 years. The workshop will be led by Pam Montgomery.

In the first session of the workshop, "Ministering to Those Experiencing Grief," participants learn about the grief process—the stages of grief and how to minister to people in each of those stages. They'll gain the skills and confidence to better care for individuals who are grieving.

"Stephen Ministry helps our members fulfill their Christian calling to love one another," said Pastor Tom. "Loving and caring for people isn't just the pastor's job—all Christians are called to minister to one another. We really look forward to this workshop as a way of helping others become aware of this calling."

The second session provides an introduction to the Stephen Series, a system of lay caring ministry through which congregation leaders can equip members to provide one-to-one Christian care to people in need. Since 1975, more than 10,000 congregations representing more than 150 denominations have implemented the Stephen Series.

MUMC has had a Stephen Ministry program here since 2002. Over 25 members of our congregation have undertaken 50 hours of training to become Stephen Ministers; 10 of them are currently active. Each meets weekly with someone who is experiencing a life crisis or challenge, such as the death of a loved one, divorce, hospitalization, the loss of a job, loneliness, or relocation.

"Being a Stephen Minister has been a blessing to me," said Stephen Minister Elaine Driscoll. "I have grown so much spiritually through the experience of seeing God work through me to touch the life of my care receiver."

The final session of the workshop explains "How to Care in a Distinctively Christian Way." Participants learn what makes Christian caregiving unique and how they can use resources like prayer, blessings, and Scripture in their caring for others.

There is no cost for members of MUMC to attend this conference. Just look for and talk to a Stephen Leader (Ben Lambert, Michelle Bossie, Callie McMahan, Rita Lines, or Steve Kimner). However, for those wishing to attend who are not members of MUMC the cost of the workshop is \$15 per person or \$50 for a group of four or more from the same congregation. For additional information, or to register to attend the Stephen Ministry Workshop at Milford UMC please contact Stephen Ministries at: (314) 428-2600

You can also register online at www.stephenministry.org/workshop.

22nd Annual Crop Walk is May 15

By Shannon Mason

CROP Walk: The 22nd Annual Souhegan Valley Inter-faith CROP Walk is Sunday, May 15 this year. There is a 10K (6.2 miles) route from St. Patrick church in Milford, into downtown Amherst and back into downtown Milford, ending back at St. Patrick church. There is a smaller, 1.8 mile walk, (for those not wishing to do the full walk) that loops around and ends up back at the church as well.



CROP is an acronym for **Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty**, the community appeals program of Church World Service (CWS), headquartered in Elkhart, IN. The money raised from this walk is used to bring relief and development assistance to those in need around the world, and in our own community, through SHARE and Open Cupboard Pantry in Wilton.

There will be sign ups every Sunday for both services in the church lobby area. Please contact Shannon Mason if you have any questions 672-0766.

People are Flocking to Nazareth!

Hometown Nazareth Where Jesus Was a Kid.



Remember the fun we had last year at VBS?

Let's work together to make this year even better. Sunday, May 1 the VBS team will be in the Narthex before and after church signing up volunteers, tribe leaders and kids. Become a member of one of the Twelve Tribes of Israel. Vacation Bible School Week will be July 18 - 22. VBS is open to all children ages 3 and older.

Join us this summer for Vacation Bible School at Hometown Nazareth, where we'll explore what life was like when Jesus was a kid. Preview at <http://nazareth.group.com/intro>

Look for our display in the narthex during April. More information will be forthcoming. Questions? Volunteers? Contact Mary Tyler-Wall or Kathryn Galley at Marytw2009@gmail.com or Rockingirl14@gmail.com

Education Team News By Shelly Frost

As the children continue their studies of "Making Choices," the scripture lessons are from the book of Jonah, Psalm 25:12; Matthew 22:36-39; and Exodus 20:1-20 ; "God chooses us to do God's work," "God gives us the freedom to choose our response to God and others," and "We look to God's teachings to help us learn how to make choices that reflect what God wants us to do or be."

Please encourage your children to attend Sunday school weekly. The Ed Team has established the " Sunday Morning Huddle" for the children. When the bell is rung we will all meet in the sanctuary doorway briefly to collect our mission project contributions, then the children will be dismissed to their respective classrooms.

Please remember to join us for the opening, which is held on the first Sunday of the month. All students, parents, teachers, and shepherds are encouraged to meet in the sanctuary after the Spirit Celebration service for songs, lessons and lots of fun.

For our Sunday school mission project we will help the Pease Greeters by supporting their efforts to give our service men and women some simple supplies. We do this to show our appreciation for all they do for us. Collections will continue through the end of April. Please remember to bring in items or monetary funds on Sunday during the "Huddle." Please see one of the Ed Team if you need a new list of items to donate.

Watch for our "Corner-Chat" while the kids are in their class. Ed Team members would like to start parental dialogs in the

lobby to chat about our kids, how we teach them at home, fun learning techniques we can share and just everyday "stuff" we all go through.

Stay tuned for more details on our future plans for adult Sunday school, the survey continues to be researched for the most effective and productive sessions. If you haven't completed a survey and you'd like to give us your input, pick one up in the narthex.

YAArd Sale

Collections for the Yard Sale will be held on April 16, April 30 and May 7 from 9 am-11 am. Shelly Frost



will also be collecting items for the Rummage Sale on these collection dates as well. The Yard Sale will be held on May 14 7am-1pm. Many hands are needed to make this a successful fundraiser for the Youth and Adult missions trip. Please remember items for the yard sale need to be clean and in working order, no electronics, no clothing, no stuffed animals, no large pieces of exercise equipment. Large pieces of furniture can not be accepted until after service on May 8 due to storage constraints . Questions regarding the yard sale? Please ask Steve or Pat Rafter (per@aol.com or sbrou012@aol.com or 673-4516). Rummage sale questions please ask Shelly Frost (jstfrost.frosty@myfairpoint.net). Lisa Payne (lpayne@xrsolutions.com) will be heading up an electronic recycling collection on the day of the yard sale.

A Noise Offering will follow each service on the second Sunday of each month. This offering of spare coins will benefit the Wanakee Scholarship Fund that helps youth to participate in our United Methodist summer camp located in Meredith, NH. If you prefer to write a check, make it payable to Milford United Methodist Church with the memo "Wanakee Scholarships."



Bread Loaves

on Communion Sunday, April 3.

Please remember to bring a loaf of bread (plain or wheat, no specialty breads) to be placed in the basket at the altar on Communion Sunday. The bread loaves are delivered to SHARE, the local food pantry, on Monday morning.



Computer Lab

The computer room here at MUMC is open to the public by appointment. Contact Les Coates for an appointment at Leslie@milfordumc.org. or 659-3118. Sherri Sinclair will assist with resume writing, internet job searches, etc.

Wanakee Brochures Are Here

By Nancy Tong

The Wanakee brochures are in for the new camping season. Be sure to pick one up in the narthex, and see Nancy Tong or Kerri-Lynn Kimner if you have any questions.

Remember that our church has made a commitment to help all campers attend camp. We will provide a half scholarship to each camper. When you are registered, please send a note or email to Nancy or Kerri-Lynn to let us know you are attending camp, and to request a "campership".



There are some spring events happening at camp, too.

- May 5 and May 21 are Work Days. Although they're called "work days", they're lots of fun. Lunch is provided and it is a great way to help get the camp ready for the summer season and to make some new friends.
- May 27-29 is Women's Adventure Weekend - including the Ropes Course. This should be LOTS of fun!

Remember that Wanakee provides lots of camping opportunities for all ages!

Check out the website, too!
<http://www.wanakee.org/>

Financially Speaking

By Andy Baver

Pastor Tom recently mentioned the work of UMCOR in providing disaster relief around the world and how a portion of our Mission Shares support their efforts. Some of you may not be familiar with just what Mission Shares are or may not realize this is now the name for what used to be referred to as apportionments. Mission Shares are divided according to the fundamental needs of our Conference and denomination into three fund areas. Our total monthly Mission Share is ~\$2885. Each fund represents an important area in which we are keeping faith with the Discipline and our commitment as a connectional people:

- Fund 1 – World Missions - \$713.58/month
- Fund 2 – New England Mission - \$539.08/month
- Fund 3 – Ministry Support - \$1631.92/month

In addition to supporting the efforts of UMCOR, Mission Shares may be used in any number of ways including the following (for a complete listing, please visit the conference website):

- Sends out 1,812 missionaries around the world
- Supports Urban Ministries in Boston, Lynn, Lawrence, Portland, Worcester, Providence
- Supports rural ministries throughout New England
- Helps send Volunteers in Mission throughout the US and abroad
- Supports covenants with the West Angola Conference and la Iglesia de Cristo and other ministry partners in Nicaragua
- Supports Africa University
- Helps women experiencing crises
- Works to eradicate racism
- Feeds hungry children and families in our Conference and beyond
- Supports economic ministries in Western Maine
- Provides scholarships for students around the world
- Helps fund 225 retirement homes, 70 hospitals, 8 two-year colleges, 82 four-year colleges, 13 seminaries
- Subsidizes seminary education for your clergy
- Provides pension and health benefits for clergy and families
- Helps identify grant money for churches
- Develops curriculum for Sunday Schools
- Develops Disciple Bible Study
- Appoints a pastor to your church
- Administers pension and health benefits and local church insurance programs
- Supports 3 camps and a conference center

The conference website has a complete accounting of mission shares for all churches in our conference at <http://www.neumc.org/pages/detail/123>. In 2010, we were able to only pay 5 months worth of Mission Shares. With your help, we look forward to moving towards full payment of our Mission Shares in 2011.

SHARE Food Pantry By Carolyn Momonee

For the month of April MUMC is collecting:

Toothpaste
Toothbrushes-adult & kids
Brown and cloth bags are always appreciated.



The Food Pantry at SHARE continues to be very busy. During the month of February, there were 143 standard household appointments, providing food and necessities to 425 individuals. There were 9 new households. Also during the month of February, there were 21 emergency food appointments, serving 54 individuals. They receive a 2-day supply of basic food staples to hold them over. There were also emergency requests for baby items (mostly diapers) and toiletries. The total number of non-food emergency requests were 16. As you can see, your donations are very important and very needed.

Purchase Flags to Honor our Service Men and Women

By Emma Ayotte

The Youth Mission Team is planning a Memorial Day fundraiser to honor our veterans and active service people and to raise money for our important mission work. From May 1 until May 15 we will be taking orders for 8" x 12" American flags. Each flag will have a tag, with any message you choose, to honor a service man or woman or in support of the troops in general.

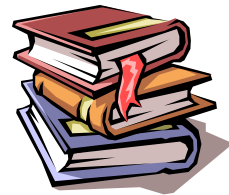
On May 30, Memorial Day, we will "plant" a field of all these flags in front of our church for everyone to see. At the end of the day, you may come and pick up your flag to keep or we will take it inside and you can pick it up at a later date.



Flags will cost \$10 and all the profits will support this summer's youth mission trip to Maryland. If you have any questions, see Mrs. Ladeau, Mrs. Putney, or Emma Ayotte. Order forms will be available in the May newsletter, bulletins and at the information booth at church in May. Thank you for supporting our troops and our youth mission trip!

BOOKS BOOKS BOOKS AND MORE BOOKS

The book drive by the Thursday Home Group meeting at Rafters is continuing through the month of April. Please bring in your gently used books 5 years or newer, hard cover, paperback, children's books, and even text books, and place them in the plastic tote under the coat rack. Help us with our mission project to help others in need.



Anniversaries and Birthdays

Happy Birthday to:

Alexis Eaton	April 1
Shawn Tewksbury	April 1
Carol Brooks	April 2
Marlene Gale	April 4
Jack Betelak	April 8
Brian Murphy	April 15
Moxie Roby	April 17
Aimee LaRicca	April 20
Shawn Cyr	April 21
Terésa Randlett	April 21
Lloyd Webster	April 25
Michele Tewksbury	April 27
Kerri-Lynn Kimner	April 28
Cricket Metcalf	April 28
Leah Powell	April 29

Anniversaries this month:

Kaleen and Jim Fortunato April 17

If you would like to be included in the birthday and anniversary list, please contact the church office.

Church Office Hours

Monday	9:00 a.m.—2 p.m.
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.—4 p.m.
Wednesday	no hours — call first
Thursday	9:00 a.m.—2 p.m.
Friday	9:00 a.m.—2 p.m.

Most days there is someone in the office before and/or after these hours, but it would be best to call ahead at 673-2669 to check if you need to get into the building.

***Please note that there are no office staff hours on Wednesday.**

Church Email addresses

Pastor Tom	pastor@milfordumc.org	
Marian Kopp, Office Support:	office@milfordumc.org	please submit bulletin info
Peggy Jenkins, Office Manager:	carol@milfordumc.org	please submit newsletter info
Leslie Coates, Ministry Director:	leslie@milfordumc.org	

Do You Have a Name Badge?

Name badges can be printed up any-time (in batches of 8 per page) by either signing up on the clipboard at the information booth in the foyer, or by e-mailing Diane at djaquith2@gmail.com with your request. Please write out exactly how you would like your name printed on the name badge. If you prefer a pin style rather than “clip on”, please specify. When the badge is ready, it will be added to one of the “clotheslines” located by the windows in the foyer.

We encourage everyone to wear their name badges!



April 2011 Calendar

					1 Noon-3 pm No Afternoon Off 6 pm Home Group @ McMahons 7:00 pm Praise Band	2 2-5 pm Newcomers Gathering
3 8:30 Contemporary Worship 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 Traditional Worship 4:30 Jr. High 6:00 Sr. High	4 7 Outreach 7 pm Home Group @ Balams	5 6-9 Rehearsal for dinner theater 7 pm Trustees	6 9:00 White Tops Noon bulletin deadline 1:00 Lamplighters Bible Study 6:30 Parents' Bereavement Support Group 7:00 Worship Committee 7 pm SPR	7 5:15 Kids Bells 6:00 Adult Handbell Choir 6-9 Rehearsal for dinner theater 7:00 Home Group @ Rafters 7:30 Chancel Choir	8 Noon-3 pm Afternoon Off 6 pm Home Group @ McMahons 6 pm JB production rehearsal 7:00 pm Praise Band	9 9-12 Youth Training 7 pm JB Production staged reading
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Worship times

8:30 Contemporary Worship

9:30 Sunday School

10:45 Traditional Worship

Free childcare

Change Service Requested

Milford United Methodist Church

Discover the Joy!

Our Mission: The Milford United Methodist Church exists to help people discover the joy of knowing and serving Jesus Christ.

Our Vision: We will help people discover the joy of knowing and serving Jesus Christ by:

- Providing joyful and meaningful worship experiences.
- Establishing and encouraging small groups for study, support, prayer, fellowship and service.
- Empowering people to discover, develop, and deploy their gifts for ministry.
- Reaching out beyond our congregation in Christian love and service.

Our Values: We commit ourselves to:

- Know scripture and live it.
- Act with integrity.
- Be faithful to Jesus Christ, our families, and our church family.
- Strive for excellence in all we do for the Lord.
- Celebrate the ministry of all Christians, lay and ordained.
- Treat all people with respect and sensitivity.
- Encourage people to grow in Christ.
- Care for the spiritual, emotional, and physical needs of all people.