

# THE OUTREACH

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*And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior ..."*  
LUKE 1:46-47. NIV



## MUMC Christmas Fair is Coming!

**Date:** Saturday, December 2  
**Time:** 9:00 am – 2:00 pm  
**Where:** 327 No. River Road

- Bake Table – Marley Gale
- Candy/Fudge Table – Carol & Sarah
- Stringer
- Cookie Run – Elaine Driscoll
- Country Cupboard – Pat Rafter
- Christmas Decorations/Painting – Tami Betelak
- Christmas Wreaths/Centerpieces

- 
- Roberta Langis
- Gift Tins – Barb Reed
- Jewelry – Alexis Eaton
- Knit Items
- English Tea Room
- Luncheon

Any questions, please contact:  
**Judy Green**  
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**Barb Reed**  
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## Christmas Eve Services

The worship committee is planning three Christmas Eve services at 5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. If you would like to participate in some choral singing at one or more of these services, please let me know. We expect to have lots of members and visitors at each service and would like to present special music at each service. If you cannot make a weekly commitment to choir but would love to sing, this would be an opportunity for you to do so.

.. Sally Landis

## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- *Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 17 at 7:00 p.m. (see page 11)*
- *Order your Christmas Poinsettia now (see page 8)*

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

If you would like your birthday or anniversary printed in "The Outreach," contact the secretary in the church office — 673-2669.



December 2 Ron and Irma Robinson  
 December 28 Mike and Debbie Logue  
 December 30 Paul and Deanna Berkebile



### Happy Birthday!

|                   |             |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Sue Boore         | December 1  |
| Irma Robinson     | December 8  |
| Richard Randlett  | December 8  |
| Philemene Ruonala | December 21 |
| Steve Rafter      | December 24 |
| Carol Rowlette    | December 25 |
| Elaine Driscoll   | December 30 |

## THE OUTREACH Purpose

The purpose of our monthly newsletter is to inform the people it touches of the church news, to inspire the people to a new awareness, and to interpret why the church is in ministry. "THE OUTREACH" appreciates input from all organizations, boards, officers, and members and friends of the Milford United Methodist Church. The staff reserves the right to edit, cut, (or if necessary) leave out articles according to available space, timeliness and priority.

### Financially Speaking . . .

October 31, 2006

|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Income toward budget accounts   | \$19,463.02 |
| Expense—budget accounts         | 15,495.51   |
| Balance in General Fund         | (17,845.23) |
| Oct. Building Fund Income       | 11,505.00   |
| Unrestricted Bldg.Fund Bal 11/5 | 42,339.19   |
| Restricted Bldg. Fund Bal.11/5  | 79, 005.18  |
| Designated Special Gifts 11/5   | 7,081.51    |

THE OUTREACH is the monthly newsletter of the Milford United Methodist Church. Deadline for news items is the 15th of the month for the following month's issue.

#### Office Hours:

9:00 am to 2:00 pm Monday and Friday.  
 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Tuesday thru Thursday  
 Telephone: 603-673-2669  
 Email: MUMC2@aol.com  
 Website: www.milfordumc.org  
 Editor: Marian Kopp

## FOR ALL THOSE PERSONS USING OUR CHURCH..

Please help trustees to make our building secure and energy efficient. If you are the last person leaving the building you are responsible for making sure that all lights are off, coffee pot is off and ALL exterior doors are locked (this includes the exit doors at the end of each wing and in the sanctuary). There have been a few occasions when the building has been left unlocked overnight. We cannot let this happen. If you are the last to leave PLEASE, at the very least, lock all doors.

There is a panic bar key on a pink key ring on the heat registers as you leave the narthex. Use this key to disengage the panic bars. If the panic bar is pushed in this means the door is unlocked. If you push on the panic bar and it moves in this means the door is locked. If you do not have a code to set the security alarm that is okay, but do not leave the building unlocked even if you think there is a group coming in after you. If the alarm is not activated, please call Dick Randlett, Everett Gale or Pastor Tom to let them know that the alarm is not on. **BOTTOM LINE**, if there is no one in the building at the time you leave the **BUILDING IS TO BE LOCKED, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

### **Need to Reach the Pastor?**

Pastor Tom is available for counseling or any other needs you might have by appointment. Please feel free to call the church office at 673-2669 to reach him or leave a message with one of the office staff or answering machine. In the event of a pastoral emergency, please do not hesitate to call the parsonage at 673-7861.

## **The Thanksgiving Report**

Our first Thanksgiving dinner in the new church was a great success. Thank you to everyone who helped set-up, take-down, cook, bake, clean, organize and feed all our guests. We were blessed to be able to welcome 90 people to eat dinner with us. Some of those were guests, some were volunteers from the First Baptist Church in Milford, and many were members of MUMC and their families. It truly was a joy to be able to share our blessings with our community.

## **OUR STAFF:**

**Pastor:** Thomas M. Getchell-Lacey  
**Ministers:**

Every member of the congregation  
**Organist and Choir Director:** Sally Landis

**Choir Accompanist:** Nancy Tong  
**Handbell and Youth Choirs Director:** Mary Tyler-Wall

**Youth Choir Accompanist:** Kaleen Fortunato

**Director of Program Ministries:** Susan Drew

**Church Secretary:** Marian Kopp  
**Assistant Church Secretary:** Carol Brooks

**Custodians:**

Everett Gale and Jim Fortunato  
**Nursery:** Kristina McEntee  
**Toddler:** Nicola Crosbourne



### *Congratulations!*

**Congratulations to Sarah and Troy Kaspari on the birth of Jonathon, on September 23rd. Jonathon was 7 lbs, 11 oz. He joins brother Tyler, almost 3; and sister, Olivia, 1-1/2.**

**Congratulations to Marcia and Charles Bruseo, on the birth of Caden on July 21<sup>st</sup>. Caden was 7 lbs, 5 oz at birth. He joins sisters Emma, 8; and Laura, 6.**

### **Baptisms:**

**On Sunday, November 26, 2006 we were pleased to be celebrating the baptisms of:**

**Christina Horne, daughter of Chris and Laura Horne of 29 Alder St., Milford. Serving as Christina's godparents were Theodore Tewksbury and Vivian Fung.**

**And also . .**

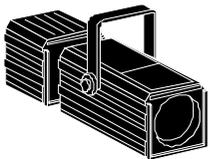
**Tyler David, Olivia Susan, and Jonathan Douglas Wayne Kaspari, children of Troy and Sarah Kaspari of 183 Annand Drive, Milford. Serving as the children's godparent was Hattie Ford.**

**The Lamplighters are a group of women who meet once a week for Bible study, sharing and friendship. As Lamplighters we would like to share with you —once a month — a thought, a prayer, a pearl of wisdom or a chuckle, hoping this little spark will make your life a little brighter just as it did for us. Here is another Lamplighters' spark:**

***“To forgive is to set a prisoner free and discover that the prisoner was you.”***

***“Forgive and Forget”***

**by Dr. Lewis Smedes, Professor**



## Spotlight on the Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter

The Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter is one of the local charities supported by our Outreach Committee and church. The second Sunday of each month 3 adult, and 1 or 2 over-12 year-old volunteers go down to the Shelter and prepare and serve the noon meal. In November our volunteers served 118 people. The entire volunteer commitment is about 4 hours, but it provides for so many people. A volunteer's responsibilities are: cooking, serving, and clean-up of the noon meal.

The Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter is dedicated to providing shelter and food to those in need. The overall objective of the agency is to advocate, create and operate programs and services that promote dignity and self-sufficiency for those we serve. To ensure that basic needs are addressed, the NSKS is committed to joining with others in a community-wide ethic of caring. NSKS offers the following services: soup kitchen and food pantry, emergency shelter, transitional housing, employment and education programs, Hispanic advocacy, permanent affordable housing, social work assistance, and public policy and education. The NSKS serves the Greater Nashua area. Community support is critical to the NSKS. Over 70% of the funds for operating programs for those in need come from private contributions. We are grateful for your support.

You can help out the NSKS in several ways:

1. Be a volunteer once a month to help in the Soup Kitchen. Call Tami Davis-Betelak (672-9082) to find out which Sunday is ours, and to volunteer.

2. Make a donation. You can go to the website to see their Top 10 needs for December (it wasn't posted yet when I wrote this article for the newsletter.) But you can always donate leftovers from your freezer. Maybe you had a party or wedding reception. NSKS will be happy to accept leftovers that you would like to donate. That includes partially cut cakes, pans of lasagna, pre-made sandwiches, tossed salads, rolls, hamburgers, hot dogs, ears of corn, etc. If you have questions about donations, please call Carol at 889-7770. Cleaning out closets at home? Remember NSKS when you have donations of bedding (blankets, sheets, pillows, comforters), towels, and small kitchen items (toasters, coffee makers, pots & pans, dishes, glasses, silverware, microwave ovens, can openers & cooking utensils). They offer these items to folks transitioning out of homelessness and into permanent housing. And I'm sure they could always use money!

The Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter is located at 42 Chestnut Street, Nashua. Their website is [nksk.org](http://nksk.org).

## Discover the Joy of Knowing and Serving Jesus Christ

### Additions to Church Directory

If you change your address, telephone number and/or name, please notify the church office so the membership and mailing lists can be accurately maintained.

#### ADD:

Ron and Wendy Baron  
260 Pinnacle Road  
Lyndeborough, NH 03082      654-6342

Mike and Joyce Bothwick  
34 Smith Road  
Goffstown, NH 03045      497-9517

Nicola Crosbourne  
39 Federal Hill Road  
Milford, NH 03055

Peter and Robin Cummings  
1 Fernwood Lane  
Amherst, NH 03031      801-4587

Steve and Jean Griggs  
37 High Street  
Greenville, NH 03048      878-4079

Gerry Hopkins  
5 Westview Terrace  
Milford, NH 03055      673-3257

Sarah and Troy Kaspari  
183 Annand Drive  
Milford, NH 03055      589-1834

Mark and Beth Stevens  
125 Dale Street  
Wilton, NH 03086      654-9721

Michele and Shawn Tewksbury  
48 Deerwood Drive  
Milford, NH 03055      673-7562

### CHANGE:

Bea Horrobin  
25 Mill Pine Road  
Sandown, NH 03873

## DISCOVER THE JOY

### Mission Statement:

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

### Vision Statement:

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

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

### Values Statement:

We commit ourselves to:

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

## Sunday School Activities . .

The Sunday School class has accomplished much in just two months. We just finished our first rotation, Dig Into the Bible. This unit helped our kids to learn more about the Bible and how it is important to us today. The bible verse was, "You word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Psalm 119:105. The children learned to sign this verse and became quite good at it. They learned all about the Bible through different experience stations.

The children also took part in a couple of mission projects. They helped to spread the word of Jesus by collecting glasses for people all around the world. We talked about Jesus being a light, and how glasses help people to see the beauty of God's world. With the help of our congregation, we collected 154 pair of glasses. They were presented to Kevin Drew on behalf of the Lion's Club on Nov. 4. Thank you to all who helped us spread the gift of sight. We also participated in Operation Christmas Child. Many people brought in boxes which will be given to children around the world. The youth group did a great job wrapping boxes. Thanks!

Our next rotation is called "The Gift of Jesus." The Main idea of this unit is that Christmas is really about God's great gift to us in Jesus. We can share this wonderful story with others by our words and actions. We will be experiencing the Christmas story from Luke's Gospel and discover ways to share this good news as a gift to others.

Speaking of spreading the Christmas story – the Sunday School will be Christmas Caroling on Friday, December 22. We will meet at the Church for pizza and 5:00 and then leave for Christmas caroling. More details will follow.



We wish you all a joyous Christmas season.

The Education Team

### Spiritual Development Opportunities! Upcoming Workshops and Conferences

The following workshops and conferences are being held around New England and are great resources for spiritual development and leadership training. If you are interested in going, either call the contact, and/or call Susan Drew (672-4877) to see if we can arrange a car pool.

**1<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference-wide Lay Speaker's Retreat** – January 19 – 21, 2007, at Rolling Ridge Conference Center.. More information about this will come up on the Conference website. Contact Stacy Goforth sgo-forth@snet.net for more information.

**Prayer Partners Needed for Youth Lay Speaking Class** - March 9-10-11, 2007 at Camp Grotonwood - Groton, MA. All youth in Grades 9-12 in the New England Conference are invited! This class is sponsored by the Central Mass District Committee on Lay Speaking Ministries. Prayer is an important piece to this weekend. **All clergy, and local/certified lay speakers in NEUMC are invited to be a part of a prayer triangle.** Interested clergy and lay speakers will be paired up with a youth participant and during the weekend this trinity triangle of prayer will be responsible for each other. To sign up as a prayer partner for a youth attending this weekend, or for youth who are interested in more information, please email centralmassdistrictism@yahoo.com. Cost for the weekend is \$130.

## News for our Church Family

### Life Skills Class for Area Teens

In May a group of concerned citizens, including representatives from MUMC, met to discuss issues concerning older teenagers. One area of concern that arose was the need for independent living skills for older teens, and teens participating in at risk activities. We explored the possibilities of offering a life skills class and a good amount of enthusiasm has come of it. We have found a curriculum that includes resume writing, job interview skills, bill paying, banking knowledge, apartment rents and security deposits, and the importance of a good attitude. Many of the young people we work with need this basic knowledge.

We are asking the community for support, and hope that some of our MUMC community would like to help as well. Needs include:

- Community leaders to act as coaches. We'll need business leaders to role play interviews. Land lords to role play securing apartments. Bankers to show us the finer points of banking. And importantly, people to model success in everyday life. There are many paths to success and not all of them include college, but they do include taking responsibility for ones life.
- Alternate meeting places in the community. We'd like the kids to see different businesses and get to know different adults that might act as mentors in the future.
- While we are not asking for money, we would appreciate in kind donations. Pizza during the classes, for instance. Or materials needed for classes. Rides to the different field trips, etc.

There will have an informational meeting on December 12, 7 p.m. at the Milford Library, Keyes Room. At this meeting you will be able to ask questions, volunteer your time or services, or participate in any number of ways. Contact Susan Drew (672-4877, or [sndrew@mindspring.com](mailto:sndrew@mindspring.com)) for more information, or just come on December 12<sup>th</sup>.



### Poinsettias for the Sanctuary

**If you would like to donate a red poinsettia in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please place your order (\$10 per plant) in the offering plate or send to the church office (PO Box 476, Milford, NH 03055) by Sunday, DECEMBER 10, 2006. Make checks payable to Milford United Methodist Church with memo "Christmas flowers."**

**No. of Plants** \_\_\_\_\_

**Given  
In Memory  
of:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**In Honor of:**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Given By:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tel. No.** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTICE:** We welcome photos before and after our service, however, we respectfully ask that photos not be taken during any worship events.

## Outreach/Missions Activities

Outreach / Missions - committee members: Alexis Eaton, Bob Levesque, Bob Morgan, Bob Carey, Marcy Stanton, Holly Merryman, Theresa Sekanina, Wendy Getchell-Lacey, Tami Davis-Betelak.

### Reaching out beyond our congregation in Christian love and service

**SHARE** - in the spirit of giving, we have adopted one family this year from the SHARE Christmas program. You are invited to select an item off

the SHARE tree, purchase the item, and return it UNWRAPPED by Thursday, December 7th. Please place the item in the basket in the narthex. This is just one more way that we can reach out to those in need in our community. Also, during December we will be collecting the following for the SHARE food pantry: JUICES (canned, bottled & boxes), COFFEE, TEA, HOT CHOCOLATE, CANNED BEANS (yum), CANNED PUMPKIN, & PIE CRUST MIX.

**SAMARITAN'S PURSE** - Job well done! We have broken our past record of 62 shoe box gifts for Operation Christmas Child. We collected 74 shoe box gifts which are now on their way to North Carolina to be processed and shipped to children all over the world. While dropping off the shoeboxes at the Community Chapel in Nashua on Thursday night, we were told that we were the only church who exceeded last years number of gifts. Praise God for the generosity and compassion of our church family. Please keep the volunteers who will process the gifts, the volunteers who deliver the gifts and all the children who will receive our gifts in your prayers. May the love of Jesus Christ be alive for them this holiday season.

**ANY SOLDIER** - we have recently sent 5 boxes to soldiers serving over in the Middle

East. These boxes were filled with coffee, popcorn, athletic socks, toiletries, pens & writing paper, paperback books, nuts, gatorade, hard candy, gum, etc. Our hope is that not only will we beat the holiday rush, but that these men and women will know through our gifts that they are remembered and being prayed for. We will continue to collect assorted items and send them from time to time throughout the new year. ([www.anysoldier.com](http://www.anysoldier.com))

Just a sample of things we are thankful for, from the Thankful bulleting board in the church lobby this Thanksgiving.

#### I am Thankful for:

- my blessings
- family
- friends
- church family
- being able to get up and go to work each day
- the life God gave me
- every day
- pets
- ketchup
- good health
- jewelry
- hobbies
- God
- clothes
- house
- chocolate milk
- new people coming to church
- daycare
- faith
- for everything!

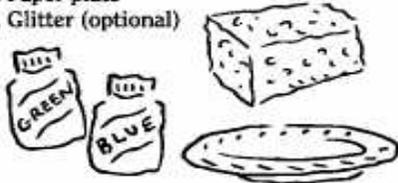
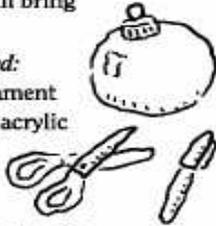
# "Peace on Earth" Ornament



Make this Earth ornament as a reminder to pray for the peace Jesus will bring when he returns.

**What you will need:**

1. Clear glass ornament
2. Blue and green acrylic craft paint
3. Sponge
4. Scissors
5. Black permanent marker (Sharpie) or black puffy craft paint
6. Paper plate
7. Glitter (optional)



**What you need to do:**

1. Cut the sponge into 2 rectangles, about the size of your tallest finger.
2. Pour a little paint onto a plate. (Add glitter if you want your ornament to sparkle.)
3. Use one sponge for blue and one for green.
4. Dab the paint onto your glass ornament one color at a time. Use green for land and blue for ocean to make the ornament look like our planet Earth.
5. When the paint is dry, use the marker or puffy paint to write PEACE on the ornament.
6. Use your ornament as a Christmas decoration or give it as a present.



# Just for KIDS

## Peace on Earth

Do you remember what King Herod did when he heard about the birth of Jesus? He was so troubled that he issued a decree ordering the death of all male children younger than 2 years old. Jesus was not born in a time of peace, but we can look forward to His return and believe what the heavenly host proclaimed.

*Follow the maze through the verse.*

**START**

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

Luke 2:13-14, KJV **FINISH**

## Attention Music Lovers!



One of the highlights of the Christmas season at MUMC is our annual Christmas concert. Our theme for this year's concert is "*A Traditional Christmas in a Contemporary Space.*" All the music groups in the church are excited to be performing our first Christmas concert in our beautiful new space and we would like to invite all our members and friends to attend on Sunday, December 17th at 7:00 p.m.

The concert will be followed by fellowship and refreshment time in the narthex. We will be presenting music performed by the Concert Band, the Adult and Kids Bell choirs, the Chancel Choir, the Kids Choirs, the Praise Band and for the very first time, our Sacred Dance Troupe. We might even get to do some carol singing! It promises to be an exciting and meaningful evening and we hope that you will come and share the music with us.

Starting in January, the Chancel Choir will be starting work on music for the pre-Easter and Easter season. We rehearse on Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. and are always ready to welcome new voices in each vocal section. If God is calling you to serve in this important ministry, please come join with us. . . Sally Landis

## Let's Dress that Choir!

by Sally Landis

As most of you know, the Chancel Choir has been without robes since we moved out of our former church home. We are just about ready to purchase beautiful and comfortable new contemporary robes that will complement our choir loft.

If you would be interested in donating money for one or more robes in honor or in memory of a friend or loved one or would like to express your appreciation to a member of the choir or the choir as a whole, we would appreciate your generosity. We would like to fund the purchase of our new robes outside of the church budget if possible.

There are many ways you can gift our church this Christmas season but if you have been blessed or touched by the music of our chancel choir over the years, a donation to the robe fund would be a lovely way to express your appreciation.

The robes will cost about \$135.00 each and we will need about 35, so you can see that the expenditure is not a minor one. We would like to make money available for other music groups to also purchase robes that would coordinate with the Chancel Choir's. We will be giving you an opportunity to donate to the robe fund with a free will offering taken at the Christmas Concert on December 17th.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness in making our new church home a beautiful space in which to praise and worship God.



Dear Friends,

During this Advent season, our theme for our worship services will be “Coming Back to the Heart of Christmas.” In the midst of all the hype and hubbub of what has come to be known as “the holiday season,” we can be easily distracted from even noticing what Christmas is all about. Is it about giving presents? Is it about being together with family? Is it about going to holiday parties? Nothing wrong with any of those things, of course. But they really don’t get us to the heart of what Christmas is all about.

At the heart of Christmas is a love story. It is the story of how the God of the Universe reached down into the ordinari-ness of the human world in order to communicate in as unmistakable way as possible the depth of the love, compassion, and mercy that is directed towards every human being who has ever lived. At the heart of Christmas is the heart of God, whose love overflowed into the human story in the form of a little baby born in a stable in Bethlehem.

There will be many distractions this season, to be sure. But the staff and volun-teers here at the Milford United Methodist Church will be doing their best to create an oasis of serenity and calm as we come back to the heart of this amazing story. You won’t want to miss it! Join us each Sunday this month at 8:30 or 10:45, and on

Christmas Eve at 5:00, 7:00 and 11:00. Also, you will want to attend our annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 17 at 7:00 p.m. to share in some of the glorious music that is at the heart of our Christmas celebration.

From the heart, your MUMC family wishes you a blessed Advent and a merry Christmas!

Still discovering the joy,

Pastor Tom

### Christmas Prayer. .

Loving Father, help us to remember the birth of Jesus, that we may share in the song of the angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and the worship of the wise men.

Close the door of hate and open the door of love all over the world. Let kindness come with every gift, and good desires with every greeting.

Deliver us from evil by the blessing which Christ brings, and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.

May the Christmas morning make us happy to be thy children, and the Christmas evening bring us to our beds with grateful thoughts, forging and forgiven, for Jesus’ sake. Amen!





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**December 2006**

## ***THE OUTREACH***

*Change Service Requested*

*Church Office hours:*

*Monday and Friday,  
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.*

*Tuesday thru Thursday,  
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.*



**Sunday Worship:**  
8:30 am Spirit Celebration  
9:30 am Sunday School  
10:45am Traditional Worship

Non-Profit Organization  
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MILFORD, NH 03055  
Permit No. 17

### **Eternal Light . .**

Christmas occurred when God invaded Earth in a strange and marvelous way. A special child was born to improbable parents in an unlikely place at an inconvenient time and in an unwelcoming world. Yet heaven's light pierced the darkness and shone through the life of that unique baby. That light was and is a saving light that can keep the world from total destruction, from the ultimate darkness. The message is always true: *"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it"* (John 1:5). And it never will.

. . Charles Ferrell



# December 2006

## The Outreach

| Sun  | Mon  | Tue                                 | Wed  | Thu  | Fri  | Sat   |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|---|
|  |  |                                     |  |  | <b>1</b> 8am-5pm<br>Xmas Fair Setup<br>7-8 Praise Team<br>7-9 DivorceCare<br>7 Women's study at Levec's    | <b>2</b><br><br><b>9am-2pm</b><br><b>Christmas Fair</b> |
| <b>3</b> 1st Advent<br>8:30 Spirit Celeb<br>9:30 Sun.School<br>10:45 Worship   | <b>4</b><br>4:00 SomBeams<br>4:30 TrinityDov<br>7:00 Ed Team<br>7 Disciple study<br>7 Staff-Parish | <b>5</b><br>7:30 Trustees           | <b>6</b> 9:30 am<br>White Tops<br>12 Women's study at Driscoll<br>7 Ch. Council<br>7 Stephen Min | <b>7</b> 10am-1pm<br>Helping Hands<br>4-5 YouthDance<br>5-6 Kids' Bells<br>6-7 Adult Bells<br>7:30 ChancChoir  | <b>8</b><br>12-3 pm<br>Afternoon Off<br>7-8 Praise Team<br>7-9 DivorceCare                                 | <b>9</b>  |
| <b>10</b> 2nd Advent<br>8:30 Spirit Celeb<br>9:30 Sun.School<br>10:45 Worship<br>12 Ch.Conference<br>4 SeasonedGen         | <b>11</b><br>4:00 SomBeams<br>4:30 TrinityDov<br>7 Disciple study<br>7-8 Christmas Band rehearsal  | <b>12</b><br>7:00 Worship Committee | <b>13</b> 9:30 am<br>White Tops<br>12 Women's study at Driscoll                                  | <b>14</b> 10am-1pm<br>Helping Hands<br>4-5 YouthDance<br>5-6 Kids' Bells<br>6-7 Adult Bells<br>7:30 ChancChoir | <b>15</b> 12-3 pm<br>Afternoon Off<br>7-8 Praise Team<br>7-9 DivorceCare<br>7 Women's study at Levec's     | <b>16</b><br>9am-12<br>Christmas Concert rehearsal      |
| <b>17</b> 3rd Advent<br>8:30 Spirit Celeb<br>9:30 Sun.School<br>10:45 Worship<br>12 Xmas Band<br><b>7 Xmas Concert</b>     | <b>18</b><br>4:00 SomBeams<br>4:30 TrinityDov<br><br>7 Disciple study                              | <b>19</b>                           | <b>20</b> 9:30 am<br>White Tops<br>12 Women's study at Driscoll<br>7 Finance<br>7 Stephen Min.   | <b>21</b> 10am-1pm<br>Helping Hands<br>4-5 YouthDance<br>5-6 Kids' Bells<br>6-7 Adult Bells<br>7:30 ChancChoir | <b>22</b> 12-3 pm<br>Afternoon Off<br>7-8 Praise Team<br>7-9 DivorceCare<br>5 Youth group<br>5 SS Caroling | <b>23</b>   |
| <b>24</b> 4th Advent<br>8:30 Spirit Celeb<br>9:30 Sun.School<br>10:45 Worship<br><b>5 -7—11 pm</b><br><b>Christmas Eve</b> | <b>25</b><br><b>Christmas Day</b> —Church office closed  | <b>26</b>                           | <b>27</b> 9:30 am<br>White Tops<br>12 Women's study at Driscoll                                  | <b>28</b> 10am-1pm<br>Helping Hands<br>4-5 YouthDance<br>5-6 Kids' Bells<br>6-7 Adult Bells<br>7:30 ChancChoir | <b>29</b><br>12-3 pm<br>Afternoon Off<br>7-8 Praise Team<br>7-9 DivorceCare                                | <b>30</b>   |
| <b>31</b> 1st Christmas<br>8:30 Spirit Celeb<br>9:30 Sun.School<br>10:45 Worship   |  |                                     |  |  |  |   |

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