

[Communion] is the means whereby those who once received the Spirit in baptism are constantly renewed in the Spirit until their life's end.

— Alan Richardson



## We Gather to Praise God

\* indicates those who are able may stand



WELCOME AND SHARING NEWS

PRELUDE

RECOGNITIONS

\* CALL TO WORSHIP *responsively*

Leader: People were bringing little children to Jesus to have him touch them,

**People: but the disciples rebuked them.**

Leader: When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them,

**People: “Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.”**

Leader: And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them.

Leader: Since we are all children of God,

**People: Let us now worship God with childlike faith and awesome devotion.**

\* OPENING HYMN #386 *We Come As Guests Invited*

\* GREETING ONE ANOTHER *please stand and greet those around you!*

\* RESPONSE *sung by everyone* (Refrain from Hymn #61)

**All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
In love God made them all.**



Mike Denis



Mark 10:13-16 (NIV)



PRAYER OF CONFESSION *seated, responsively*

Leader: Family of God, we worship a holy Lord, but we haven't lived holy lives. We need to say we're sorry for our sins.

**People: God, we're sorry for the way we've hurt you with our thoughts and words, by bad things we've done and good things we haven't done.**

Leader: Have mercy on us, Lord.

**People: We haven't loved you with our whole heart; we haven't loved others as much as we love ourselves. We are very sorry.**

Leader: Have mercy on us, Lord.

**People: Please forgive us because of your Son Jesus Christ, and help us to walk in your way and bring you glory.**

Leader: Have mercy on us, Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Family of God, we worship a merciful Lord whose grace is stronger than our sin. God promises that when we say we're sorry, we will be forgiven.

So, in the name of Jesus Christ, I announce:  
Our sins are forgiven!

**People: Thanks be to God!**



SONG

## We Listen for God's Word

*God Help the Outcast*



Julia Driscoll

SERVICE OF PRAYER

SHARING PRAYER JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER — PASTORAL PRAYER —

PRAYER OF JESUS (using "sins") — RESPONSE

THE OFFERINGS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY



\* DOXOLOGY #46 (*altered rhythm*)

Thomas Ken (1674)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**



\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION *by the pastor*



### **We Share in The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

GOOD NEWS FOR ALL Luke 22:17-20 (*The Message*)

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 (*The Message*)



THE MESSAGE

What's Communion?



\* COMMUNION HYMN #420 *I Come With Joy*



INVITATION, PRAYER OF CONSECRATION, WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING *responsively*

Leader: Lord, we thank you for this bread and juice. We could never repay you. The only way we can show our gratitude is to live our lives for you.

People: **Lord, we thank you for ears to hear, eyes to see, hearts to feel, and minds to understand.**



**Now as we go out into your world, give us hands to work for good and feet to walk in your way. We pray in the name of our risen Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\* CLOSING HYMN #431 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*



\* BENEDICTION *by the pastor*



\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #441 *sung together while holding hands*

**Peace be upon you and guard you forever.  
Go in the knowledge that God is with you.**



\* ORGAN POSTLUDE

### **We Depart to Serve God**

*Please join us in the Parish Hall for fellowship and refreshments  
hosted by the Christian Education Committee*

The First Congregational Church of Pembroke

United Church of Christ



*Where Neighbors Meet*

# Youth Sunday Communion

All are Welcome!

June 5, 2011

**The First Congregational Church of Pembroke, N.H.**  
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**WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME** to all who worship with us this morning. Visitors are encouraged to sign the guest book outside the center-aisle entrance at the back of the Sanctuary. Nursery care is provided for infants and young children, and there are rocking chairs at the rear of the Sanctuary for those with a child who needs comforting. Please see an usher if you need assistance. Thank you to those assisting in our worship this morning. Scripture was read by our youth. Don & Laurie Hill, Helen Chapman, Marc Herring served as ushers.

**WE HAVE SOME VERY UNHAPPY ITEMS** on display that are lost and need to find their way HOME! The display will be up for 2 weeks, then EVERYTHING will find a NEW home at CAP or Goodwill!

**THE FLOWER COMMITTEE ...**

Donations of flowers are always welcome for our altar each Sunday morning. To contribute all you have to do is sign up on the flower sheet in the Parish Hall or let the flower committee know of your intention. Please contact Robbe MacKenzie, 485-7295 (**June**), Lynn Matava, 485-8352 (July) and Doris Rowden, 485-3664 (August).

**SUMMER WORSHIP PLANNERS NEEDED ...**

If you would be interested in working with Rev. Jim on the worship services for the summer season, including up to four outdoor chapel services, please be in touch with him by June 1st.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

Shirley Whittemore – recovering from orthopedic surgery

Evelyn Hoyt (Barbara Matava's sister-in-law) – colon cancer

Prayers for Steve & Erica Peaslee and family – their son Jacob has been diagnosed with Autism

Mary Louise Grandmaison's brother-in-law Bob - fighting his 3rd bout with cancer and on chemo.

Abby Duffy – diagnosed with LHON (6 years old)

Stacy Driscoll's dear friend Joanne Kerstetter and her 16-year old granddaughter were severely injured in a bomb blast in South Africa on July 11<sup>th</sup> while on a mission trip. Please keep them and the other six who were also injured in your prayers.

Military personnel overseas & their families

Athena Petrin's address: TF 3643 D, Camp Command Cell LSA, APO AE 09815

**SCHEDULE OF USHERS FOR JUNE ...**

12 Peter, Sharon & Eric Chase, Dean Hopps

19 Dot Smith, Allison Hardy, Cindy Bonenfant, Lynn Matava

26 Kurt & Jodi Ehler, Rick Hocksprung, Randy Shuey

**If you are unable to usher on your given day, please contact Dean Hopps at 485-5509.**



We are trying to get as many members of our church family involved in the Work Camp as possible. This year, we are offering a day camp for the children of our church and community!

This day camp will be held during the week of work camp (August 8-12) at our church.

The camp will be held from 9am to 3pm.

We want to offer a place for the children of the work campers while the parents are at the sights. We want to offer the children a way to be involved in this wonderful work camp experience.

I will be doing the organizing and planning. All I need now are volunteers to help with the kids!

I am not looking for a full week commitment (although this would be welcomed!). Even if you are only able to give a half day, a day or two, we can use you!

If you have a specific activity you would like to do with the kids, we can plan it together and come up with a time that works for everyone! Activities can include, but are not limited to: t-shirt dying, art projects, outdoor activities, cooking projects, etc.

We can use as many people as possible so please let me know when you are available!

Thanks!

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## CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, June 5	9am Choir Rehearsal 10am Worship (Youth Sunday) No Sunday School
Monday, June 6	6:30pm Teacher Team Meeting 7pm Work Camp Meeting
Tuesday, June 7	7pm Church Council
Wed., June 8	6pm BSA 6:30pm Teacher Team Meeting
Thurs., June 9	6pm World Service Committee 6pm "AA" Group – MR 7pm Deacons
Sat., June 11	8:30am Yoga Class
Sunday, June 12	9am Choir Rehearsal 10am Worship (John Saturley's Retrospective) 10:20am Sunday School
Mon., June 13	6pm Girl Scouts - PH (last one)
Tues., June 14	6pm Girl Scouts – PH 7pm Hospitality Plus Committee
Wed., June 15	6pm Girl Scouts – DN 6pm BSA – PH 7pm Pastoral Relations
Thurs., June 16	6pm "AA" Group – MR
Friday, June 17	6-8pm Yard Sale sorting & pricing
Sat., June 18	8am-1pm Yard Sale No Yoga Class



## GO TAKE A HIKE ...

We are having a hike to Pawtuckaway State Park in response to the PCC Bowl sign up sheet.

The date is set for Sat. June 25. We will meet at the church parking lot at 10:30.

This will be an interesting day: we will see the boulder field (where there are giant rocks the size of houses), Round Pond, and a 65 ton balanced rock. Time providing, there are many other interesting sites too!

**Bring sandwiches, water, sunscreen and anything else you want to. DON'T FORGET THE BUG SPRAY !!!** We ask that the parent's watch out for their young ones. The road into the park is a dirt one...and not too well maintained....caution is advised!!

I look forward to seeing you there. I will provide some pictures in the fellowship hall before the hike.

Dean Hopps,  
Hospitality + Committee

# ALL CHURCH YARD SALE

JUNE 18, 2011 8AM - 1 PM

First Congregational Church - Rte 3 - Pembroke

for more information call: 485-9639 or check out our website: [www.pembrokechurch.org](http://www.pembrokechurch.org)

Funds to benefit work of the church and to include but not limited to  
new video equipment to enhance the worship experience.

There is something for everyone come and bring home your

**TREASURES!**



**Donations accepted: please do not donate anything that  
you would be embarrassed to give to a friend.**



**Summer  
Praise Guitar Class**  
Teacher: Marie Mehegan

Learn to play the guitar for the glory of God.

In “Praise Guitar Made Easy” classes we learn:

- 12 chords
- Playing over 30 hymns and choruses
- 3 basic strum patterns
- How to use a capo



Kid’s class meets on Tuesdays at 5:30  
Adult class meets on Tuesdays at 6:30

The cost is \$100 for 12 weeks of classes, plus \$25 registration fee that covers the cost of the book. (registration fee is due a few weeks before class starts)

The next class starts June 14. **Register by June 10.**

For more information or to register contact me at:  
[blestby8@myfairpoint.net](mailto:blestby8@myfairpoint.net)



**Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>**  
after worship  
Noon to 3 PM

Following worship we will go to Bear Brook State Park for our annual Church picnic.

The Diaconate will provide lemonade, hamburgers and hot dogs. Please bring a salad or dessert to share.

Bring your friends and we will see you there!!