WEEKLY NEWS - November 4, 2026



Fall Clean-up Scheduled

What: Raking, general lawn maintenance, a**nd perhaps some indoor chores as well to get the church locked in before the snow.**

When: Saturday, November 7 beginning at 9 am. - noon.
(Rain Date: Saturday, November 14th)

Fuel Provided: There will be cider and donuts for all volunteers.

November Meetings and Activities

Diaconate and Faith Formation will have a combined meeting on Sunday, November 8 following worship.

Missions - Monday, November 9 at 6:3-pm via Zoom.

Trustees - Tuesday, November 10 at 6pm.

Council - November 19 at 6pm

Activities:

Book Discussion - Thursdays through November 19 at 1p.m.

Choir Rehearsal Wednesdays at 6:30pm and Sundays from 8-8:30 a.m.

Pet Pantry is open on the second Saturday of each month from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Men's Club meets on the third Saturday of the month at 7:30 a.m. at Toddy Brook.

Tuesday Gals meet at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall.

Office Hours Monday - Thursday
8:00-12:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

Greely Volleyball Banquet
Thursday, Nov. 5th-5-9pm

Greely Field Hockey
Tuesday, Nov. 10th-5-9pm

The Church will be closed on Wednesday, November 11th in observance of Veterans Day.

In Our Prayers

We pray for those in our congregation and community who are
• mourning the loss of loved ones;
• serving our counWe pray for those in our congregation and community who are
• mourning the loss of loved ones;
• serving our country in the military,
including James Black, E-6, US Navy;
• experiencing health issues or personal concerns,
including Candy B., Jenn (Charlene B's daughter), George D. (Leah D.'s brother), Sandra and Vince G., Samuel N., Jasmine L. (Trudy P.'s granddaughter), Steve Q., Lori M. and Kaitlin Q., Susanellen S., and James S.

We pray for those in the wider world, nationally and globally who are
• hungry or unhoused,
• experiencing violence and destruction from wars and conflicts,
• rebuilding their lives following natural disasters,
• recovering from trauma.

We pray for neighbors, friends, colleagues, and fellow Christians who are "New Mainers" or "sojourners," seeking to live, study, work, and raise their families peaceably among us (See Leviticus 19:33-34).

We pray for those who are struggling with, or in recovery from addictions including alcoholism, and their families and friends.

We Pray for Peace within ourselves, our families, our communities, and our world.

We lift up Nelson S. and family in our hearts and prayers on the loss of his beloved wife, and our friend Candace. Plans for a celebration of life for Candace are still being made at this time.

*Please submit items for the Church Calendar to Lyn by Tuesday in order to be included in the bulletin. For the prayer list, please speak with a deacon or the pastor. Thank You.

From the desk of Rev. Cynthia Biggar, November 4, 2026

This week my heart is full of gratitude to everyone who prepared the elements of the 220th Anniversary Celebration: the booklet, the timeline, the slideshow, the reception on October 25, and the magnificent chicken pie lunch on Nov. 1. And, of course, the All Saints' Day / Anniversary service! **Special thanks to David Myers-Wakeman and the NYCC Choir** for the wonderful anthems, "Clap Your Hands" and "Homeward Bound" (sung in memory of Candace Smith); **and to Leah Davis for preparing and delivering the message, "A Saintly Tapestry."**

As your Interim Pastor I was privileged to plan and lead All Saints / Anniversary Service. It was wonderful to have Rev. Dr. Marisa Laviola (Maine Conference Minister) and Rev. Marcia Charles (Chairperson of the Cumberland Association Church and Ministry Committee) offering prayers of blessing; and I was happy to speak about the life and ministry of the Rev. Gladys Doughty York, who (remarkably for the time) served as Pastor of NYCC from 1935-1967! Her spiritual autobiography, "GDNFY: Both a License Number and a Statement of Faith," deserves to be better known, and I hope it can be re-published.

Regarding hospitality, **heartfelt thanks to Mark Heath, Marsha Heath, and all who prepared refreshments, luncheon food, and the fellowship hall itself for the Open House Oct. 25 and the luncheon on Nov. 1.** It is safe to say that the proverbial phrase "A good time was had by all," fits both occasions!

Special thanks to Lyn Glassock for the shortbread cookies cleverly cut in the shape of the church building, served for dessert on Nov. 1—and for all her extra administrative work for the Celebration!

Lastly, **a personal thank-you for the nice surprise** on Nov. 1 when Marsha Heath recognized my work as pastor with very kind words, handing me a beautiful card signed by many of you, and a much-appreciated gift card to Sherman's Books! **Many thanks for your kind thoughts and your generosity!**

Blessings and peace, ***Rev. Cynthia***

Thanksgiving Support

Thanksgiving Support for the Harrison Food Bank

The Harrison Food Bank (HFB) expects to deliver approximately 1,500 Thanksgiving dinners this year to clients directly, and to other food pantries that they support. The church Missions Committee is collecting non-perishable donations to take to the Harrison Food Bank in support of helping to provide Thanksgiving dinners to those people who need that help. Below are a list of items that would be helpful to keep in mind as you purchase your own Thanksgiving supplies. If you would like to participate, just drop any items into the grocery cart in the foyer, and they will be taken to the Harrison Food Bank. Sunday, November 22, is the last day for drop off. Items will be taken to the HFB on the 22nd after church. Thank you for all the help the church has been consistently providing to people in need!

Gravy, packets or jars
Instant mashed potato
Green beans
Mushroom soup
Box of stuffing mix
Cranberry sauce
Condiments such as pickles, olives

Missions Committee

Snack Time

For whatever reason , our local school kids sometimes need a little something to get them through to the next meal or activity or whatever. The reasons are varied for sure.....they forgot it, parents can't afford it, or maybe they gave it to a friend who was hungry.

NYCC has been furnishing snacks for a year or two (a missions project) and the guidance counselors are so thankful for the snacks we take to them. If you are interested in helping with the snack program, here's what's popular, with the kids.

Little bags of popcorn, little bags of goldfish, and cheese and cracker sandwiches, There are other snacks, but remember, we can't take anything with peanut butter into the schools.

If you bring any snacks to the church, just put them on the stairs next to Lyn's office and we will take it from there.

Sweet snacks probably should be avoided.

Thank you so much;

Missions

North Yarmouth
Congregational Church

Upcoming Fall Events

November

- Christmas Fair 9-2 pm **Nov 21**
- Chicken Pie Sale **Nov 21**

Ongoing Events

- Worship Sundays at 9am. **During Worship**
- Church School
- No Church School on October 25th

More information

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Daylight Saving Time Ends 8:30a Choir Rehearsal 9:30a Worship	**2**	**3** Election Day 10a Tuesday Gals (FH)	**4** 6:30p Choir Rehearsal 7p AA	**5** 1p Book Discussion 6p Greely Volleyball Banquet	**6**	**7** 9a Church Clean-Up Day
8 8:30a Choir Rehearsal 9:30a Worship 11a Diaconate Meeting 11a Faith Formation	**9** 6:30p Missions	**10** 10a Tuesday Gals (FH) 5p Field Hockey Banquet 6p Trustees	**11** Veterans' Day **Office Closed** 6:30p Choir Rehearsal 7p AA	**12** 1p Book Discussion	**13**	**14** 9a Pet Place Pantry 9a Church Clean-up Rain Date 4p Girl Scout Event (FH)
15 8:30a Choir Rehearsal 9:30a Worship	**16**	**17** 10a Tuesday Gals (FH) 5:30p Girl Scouts (CR)	**18** 6:30p Choir Rehearsal 7p AA	**19** Christmas Fair Set-up 1p Book Discussion 6p Council	**20** Christmas Fair Set-up	**21** 7:30a Men's Club Breakfast (Toddy Brook) 9-2pm Christmas Fair
22 8:30a Choir Rehearsal 9:30a Worship	**23**	**24** 10a Tuesday Gals (FH)	**25** 6:30p Choir Rehearsal 7p AA	**26** Thanksgiving Day	**27**	**28**
29 8:30a Choir Rehearsal 9:30a Worship 11a Hanging the Greens and Potluck	**30**					