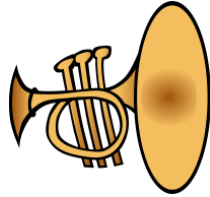


TRUMPET BLAST



Trinitarian Congregational Church November 12, 2023

We are a church committed to community, loving and welcoming all to the feast of God, nourishing body and spirit.

The Breath Before the Blast

*"I am grateful for what I am and have.
My thanksgiving is perpetual.
It is surprising how contented one can be
with nothing definite, - only a sense of existence."*

*~ Henry David Thoreau ~
By way of Linda Leavis*

Pastor Rosemary's Contact Information

Please feel free to contact me any time – Pastor Rosemary

****Looking Toward Christmas**** We have a somewhat unusual situation this year. Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday. Both the Worship & Music ministry and the Cabinet discussed our options as to whether there would be one service that day or two. The Cabinet decided both the 10:00 a.m. service and the Christmas Eve service are equally meaningful to our members. They decided there will be the usual 10:00 a.m. service led by Pastor Rosemary and the evening service will be composed by all lay people. **We need lay readers. If you're willing to read a small scripture, please let Pam know in the office so we can plan accordingly.** Thank you.

Upcoming Community Events at TCC! – Leslie Kellogg

The Dan Kennedy Solo Piano Concert should now be called Dan and Friends. On Sunday, Nov. 12th at 2:00 p.m. there will be a piano concert featuring local legend Stephen Katz on cello and world-renowned New Orleans jazz icon Samirah Evans blessing us with her vocals. Come to TCC early to get a seat! The suggested donation is \$10-\$20, but just give what you can.

On Sunday, Nov 19 from 8:00 - 9:30 a.m. there will be a breakfast in Fellowship Hall. All are invited. Donations accepted.

Mission – Suzan Smith

The combined Missions and Care Committees will meet Monday, November 13 and Monday, December 11 at 3 p.m. The schedules are changed to accommodate the holidays and the hours of darkness.

We are asking for donations to Loaves and Fishes. For the holiday season, they provide gift certificates toward food. At this colder time of the year, they have already been asked for emergency help with heating, and will be asked for more. Please help if you can; there will be a special envelope in the bulletin.

The Food Pantry is appreciative of our generous donations. They continue to need holiday supplies such as baking goods - sugar, flour, mixes, and cranberry sauce, and can always use nonfood items such as bar soap, tooth supplies, etc. Pet food is helpful, because they are not allowed to purchase it, but their clients need it. There was a recent large donation of dogfood, so they need cat food more. Whatever you donate, nothing goes to waste.

The Breath - Pastor Rosemary – Do you enjoy the word of encouragement that greets you with each Blast? Can you offer something to the church family that could bring others hope or perspective? Share it in ‘The Breath’. Please send your thoughts to the office by Tuesday at 10:00 am.

Offerings - Your offerings support the church. Please mail your checks to the office at 147 Main Street, Northfield, MA 01360. All donations will be processed on a regular basis in order to meet ongoing expenses.

Flowers and Altar Decorations – Pat Shearer

Flowers/altar decorations are always wonderful to have weekly, please contact Pam, in TCC's office, Suzan Smith or Pat Shearer to reserve. Adria Lowry Unique Floral Design, Northfield and Kathryn’s Florist, Winchester are two local places to get the flowers.

Christmas Poinsettias – Suzan Smith

The order form for Christmas poinsettias will be included in this Sunday’s bulletin. Orders will need to be received by December 3rd.



Hollyberry Fair! – Chris Harris and Jeanne Closson

Thank you for your support of the Hollyberry Fair!

A wonderful day was enjoyed by all, including the horse-drawn carriage rides.

Community Meal

Date for next Community Meal, or whether there will be one in November, is not confirmed at this time.



Apple Pie Update - Pat Shearer

Thank you for your support of the Apple Pie Sale! Pies for your Thanksgiving table are still available and can be picked up at church on Sunday 11:00 - 11:30 or Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 -12:00. Price is the same as last year: \$15 for a large pie and \$7 for a small pie.

Worship & Music – Linda Hescoock

November 12	Liturgist:	Patter Field
	Greeters/Ushers:	Leslie Kellogg & Bob Scott
	Altar Decorations:	Pat & Tom Shearer
November 19	Liturgist:	Michele Lawler
	Greeters/Ushers:	Martha Morse & Suzan Smith
	Altar Decorations:	Pat & Tom Shearer
November 26	Liturgist:	Sue McGowan
	Greeters/Ushers:	Joanne McGee & Carol O’Brien
	Flowers:	

November Nourish Your Spirit Schedule: – Michele Lawler

Nourish Your Spirit at TCC in November, 2023

10:00 Church Lounge. Invite your friends

November 13: Old Testament study

November 20: New Testament study

November 27: Book Discussion: The Secret Chord, by Geraldine Brooks.
Copies are available at Dickinson Library

Care Updates – Patter Field

Bev Phelps broke her leg; she is at Baystate in Springfield. Gabe Gabriel is at Baystate. Marilyn is able to visit but is missing him, and would enjoy a call or card. Gail Bedard is home, awaiting a new date for surgery to relieve her back pain. Lois Stearns' new address is: Windham Terrace, 3 Church Road, Windham, NH 03087; phone 413-498-2216. She is also able to receive email at iverview1@comcast.net. Marlee Kaplan, at home, would love a card. Jean Kozlowski is at home without a car; offers to drive her to church, shopping, etc. are welcome. Lee Dresser and Chris Shepard are at Regal Care in Greenfield. Alice Fortier is residing at Charlene Manor and is reported to be in good spirits. Maxine Davis is at home. All would welcome cards, calls or a visit.

The Care Ministry has merged with the Mission Ministry. We plan to sponsor Christmas gift bags for shut-ins; keep your eye out for further information about this. We are planning our traditional Christmas Potluck for after church on Sunday December 17! Put it on your calendar!

Care Ministry – Coffee Hour Volunteers Needed

Coffee Hours after church provide a wonderful time to gather with friends! Please sign up to host a coffee hour -- sign-up sheet is in the Lounge. In the lounge kitchen, you will find coffee, tea, crackers and ingredients for punch. You will need to provide half and half, set up the table, make the coffee (directions included on the fridge) and clean up. You may provide a few treats of your choice. Usually some fruit, cheese and a sweet treat is plenty. A fund is available to off-set the cost of goodies – please see Gwen. Please contact Pastor Rosemary or a member of the Care Ministry (Patter Field, Linda Leavis, Sue McGowan) with questions or to volunteer.

November 12:	Missi Jackson
November 19:	Joanne & Bill McGee
November 26:	Patter Field
December 3:	
December 10:	Linda Leavis & Carol O'Brien
December 17:	Christmas Potluck
December 24:	
December 31:	

FUTURE NORTHFIELD 350TH EVENTS

Sunday Nov. 12	6:30 p.m.	“The People vs. The Pipeline” Presentation. Contact persons: Steve and Joan Stoia	Community Bible Church 105 Main Street
Saturday Dec. 2	4:00 p.m.	Da Camera Singers concert: “December in New England: Music from 1673 to the Present.”	Trinitarian Church 147 Main Street
Sunday Dec. 3	2:00 p.m.	Make your own Gingerbread House! (Pat Shearer) Kids & Families	Trinitarian Church 147 Main Street
Saturday Dec. 16	1:00 p.m.	Science presentation on butterflies & other creatures. Sponsored by Magic Wings Butterfly Museum. Contact person: Steve Stoia	Town Hall Auditorium 69 Main Street
Saturday Dec. 16	2:00 p.m.	Long string marionettes performance by “Tanglewood Marionettes”. Contact person: Steve Stoia	Town Hall Auditorium 69 Main Street
Sunday Dec. 31	5:00 p.m.	Luminaria all around town	Everywhere in Northfield

Event awaiting confirmation of date and venue:

- Piti Theatre play researched and written by Northfield elementary students. Funding secured. Concluding with performance in November or December. Key people on this are Nolan Kitfield, Jonathan Mirin, Stacy Bond, Steve Stoia.

NOVEMBER 2023						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 Worship 10 AM	30 Nourish Your Spirit 10 AM Lounge	31	1 AA 7 PM Fellowship Hall	2	3 AA 7 PM Fellowship Hall	4 Hollyberry Fair & Wagon Rides Apple Pie pickup at Fair
5 Worship 10 AM	6 Nourish Your Spirit 10 AM Lounge	7 Worship & Music 3 PM Lounge	8 AA 7 PM Fellowship Hall	9	10 AA 7 PM Fellowship Hall	11 Pam's Table Veterans Day
12 Worship 10 AM Piano Concert 2 PM	13 Mission & Care 3 PM Lounge Nourish Your Spirit 10 AM Lounge	14 Cabinet 3 PM Zoom	15 Da Camera Rehearsal 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM AA 7 PM Fellowship Hall	16	17 AA 7 PM Fellowship Hall	18
19 Community Breakfast 8 - 9:30 Worship 10 AM	20 Nourish Your Spirit 10 AM Lounge	21 Trustees 1 PM	22 Da Camera Rehearsal 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM AA 7 PM Fellowship Hall	23 Thanksgiving Day	24 AA 7 PM Fellowship Hall	25
26 Worship 10 AM Fall Cleanup and Advent decoration after service	27 Nourish Your Spirit 10 AM Lounge	28	29 AA 7 PM Fellowship Hall	30	1 AA 7 PM Fellowship Hall	2

Standing Times for Ministry Teams:

2nd Tuesday – Cabinet 3:00 p.m. by Zoom

3rd Tuesday – Trustees 1 p.m.

Monday – Mission & Life & Care, November 13 and
December 11, 3 p.m. Lounge

Worship – First Tuesday, 3 p.m., Lounge



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