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THE ORDER FOR MORNING WORSHIP

November 3, 2024

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

All Saints Day

WELCOME

WE ARE AN ACTIVE CHURCH - FINDING FAITH IN WHAT WE DO

PASSING THE PEACE and MOMENT OF CENTERING

ONE: Peace of Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you!

MOMENT OF CENTERING

We invite you to listen to the music and abide in God's presence.

PRELUDE Meditation on "Eucharistic Hymn" Peter Pindar Stearns

GATHERING and PRAYING

*HYMN #299 For All the Saints Sine Nomine

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: All people spread across the Earth

sing to our God with awesome mirth; serve in the Light with hand and voice; come now with us, learn to rejoice.

People: O sense the Mind behind the World:

see the great Maker's flag unfurled. we are the flock god wants to feed;

but others also are in need.

Unison: Let's enter then the Sphere of Grace, and learn to serve God all our days, in deeds and words, in works and ways: through trials learn to dance in praise!1

*INTROIT

God's Love

Richard Shephard

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

Gracious God, you have promised to receive us when we come to you. We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have disobeyed your law. We have not loved you or our neighbors as we should. Forgive us, O God, and grant that we may live and serve you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.²

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

ANTHEM The Lord Is My Shepherd John Rutter

ALL SAINTS DAY REMEMBRANCE Kim Bossev

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive our debts as we forgive our debtors, and lead us not into

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temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

CHORAL RESPONSE Spirit of God Simon Lole

*HYMN #456 More Love to You, O Christ More Love to You

REFLECTING

SCRIPTURE Hebrews 12:1-3 and Mark 12:28-34 Sandy Trottier

MEDITATION Rev. Richard Slater

COMMITTING

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE Marg Whedon

Bread of the World in Mercy Broken

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY AND STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY MUSIC Variations on "Werde Munter, Mein Gemüte"

(Become Cheerful, my Mind) Johann Pachelbel

SHARING THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

*COMMUNION HYMN #346 Bread of the World in Mercy Broken

INVITATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING AND CONSECRATION OF ELEMENTS

SHARING THE ELEMENTS OF LOVE (bread & grape juice are served)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Unison)

Eternal god, we thank you for your presence in the simplicity and splendor of this holy meal. By the power of your Holy spirit, unite us with all whom Christ welcomes, that we may be the servant church of the servant Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.³

*HYMN #295 I Sing

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

Grand Isle

*BENEDICTION

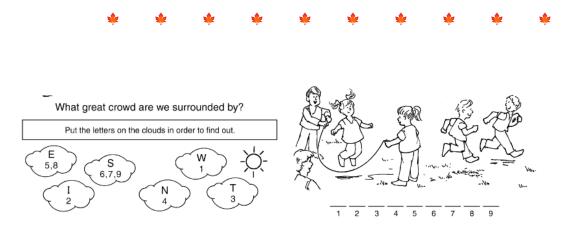
ORGAN POSTLUDE

Fanfare on Sine Nomine

Phil Lehenbauer

We invite you to be seated to listen to the postlude; if you need to leave, please do so quietly. Thank you.

*As comfortable, please rise.



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WELCOME to Sanbornton Congregational Church, UCC

Please join us in the Undercroft for refreshment and fellowship after worship.

We welcome Rev. Richard Slater and thank him for leading us in worship. Rev. Slater has agreed to serve as regular pulpit supply through mid-June 2025, with the exception of several Sundays in November and December.

We want you to hear all parts of today's service! If you have difficulty hearing any part of our worship service, please let an usher know so we can fix it!

<u>We have THREE types of bulletins each week</u> including youth bulletins for puzzle minded folk and young at heart which are available each week in person and digitally with <u>this link</u>.

<u>Prayer Requests:</u> If you would like to make a prayer request to be lifted during worship, please write it down on the "prayer request" sheet in the back of the sanctuary. Those at home can email <u>prayerrequests@uccsanbornton.org</u> or fill out a <u>prayer request</u> from our website.

<u>Today's flowers</u> are given by Teresa Spinner.

<u>Thank you</u> to today's ushers Brendan Morrison & Don Gilbert , and our reader Sandy Trottier.

Are you curious about our history, upcoming events or wanting to re-watch a service?

Visit our website; download The Belfry
Follow us on Facebook
Watch us on our YouTube Channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAeFubn0S3JWWB0xKxiNgHw



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you for all of the <u>Thanksgiving Basket Donations</u>! We are well on our way to fulfill our contributions to First Fruit's Thanksgiving Baskets. We will be providing 20 of each item requested in order to make these baskets. Here's **what we still need** to complete our contribution:

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- ☐ 4 more cans of cranberry sauce
- ☐ 9 more 2-quart bottles of juice
- ☐ 9 more jars of turkey gravy

SAVE THE DATES

- ★ Saturday, December 7, 2024, 9am 2pm Annual Holiday Fair (stay tuned for details)
- ★ Saturday, December 14, 2024, 2 pm Community Carol Sing (in coordination with the Sanbornton Recreation Department's party and Santa visit)
- ★ Tuesday, December 24, 2024, 7 pm Annual Christmas Eve Service Lesson in Carols

The Merrimack Association is filled with joy that on December 8th at 3pm, Cherie Shaw will be Ordained at South Congregational Church Concord; 27 Pleasant St, Concord, NH. **All are invited to attend and celebrate with Cherie**. Clergy will be wearing **blue** stoles with their robes per Cherie's request. Cherie experiences God as water and that connection has been very meaningful for her throughout her time of formation/preparation for ordained ministry. She feels blue stoles will add another layer of meaning to this special day.

PEW CARDS can be filled out and added to the collection plate when it is passed.

Keeping in Touch - Thank you for keeping us in-the-know!

Please let us know how you are staying connected with folks from our Sanbornton Congregational Church community by filling out the <u>form linked here</u>. We plan to add this as a regular article in our Belfry!



<u>Seekers meet on the first and third Wednesdays of every month at 10 am</u> in the Undercroft. We will continue using the movie series "The Chosen" as a springboard for conversation. All are welcome.

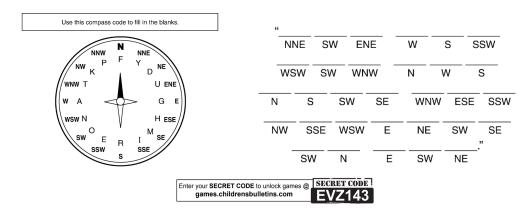
<u>Crafting in the Undercroft</u> meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. We are working on some easy Christmas crafts that are just darling! Soon we will need some help with tying this year's custom soaps!

Altar Flowers: Altar flowers donations are always welcome! If you would like to place flowers on the Altar in memory or honor of someone or if you just want to bless the congregation, please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the Undercroft and bring the flowers Sunday morning.

<u>Fellowship Snacks</u> - The Hospitality committee welcomes your donation of snacks for our weekly time of fellowship after church. Please join us after worship today for hot coffee, tea and a tasty treat or two.

<u>Announcements and calendar additions for Sunday's bulletin</u> can be submitted by Friday at 9 am through <u>uccsanbornton@gmail.com</u> or by contacting Sue Long.

<u>First Fruits</u> is always in need of and grateful for our contributions, especially toiletries. <u>Belknap House</u> is in need of cleaning supplies. Donations can be placed in the appropriate receptacles which are in the back of the sanctuary.



COMMUNITY EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS

Pemi Valley Habitat for Humanity in Sanbornton - NEWS

Volunteers are always welcome to work on the build - just show up on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 9am-3pm. If you want to help but are not interested in the construction part of the excitement, PLEASE think about providing something for **lunch for the volunteers**. Frank McLain (603 726-1625) will coordinate people's contributions. Pictures are in the Undercroft and at this link: Habitat House

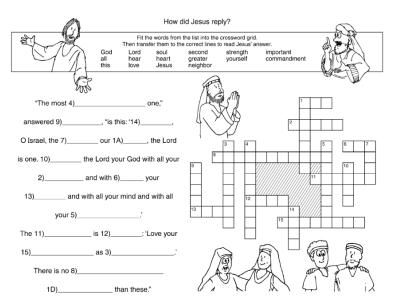
Sanbornton Public Library

Tuesdays 10-12pm: Fiber Arts: Stitch, knit, spin with us!

Thursdays: 2-4pm: Learn and play Mahjong, ask at the circulation desk Fridays 10:30am: Storytime for children 0-6 with stories and songs *Tech Appointments are available by request, no question is too small.*

VOTING - Tuesday, NOVEMBER 5, 2024 at <u>Sanbornton Central School</u>

More information can be found at the Sanbornton Town Website: https://www.sanborntonnh.org/town-clerk-tax-collector If you need a ride to the polls, there are several people in the community who have volunteered, including our own Karey Caldwell.



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Sunday, November 3, 2024 at 2 am **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS - set your clocks BACK one hour** Send in your Belfry Articles soon!! Worship Service in-person and Live Streaming with Rev. Sunday 10:00 am 3 **All Saints Day** Richard Slater Virtual Coffee Hour - join us at our Talking Table Sunday After worship 3 meet.google.com/evv-xpid-gcf Sanbornton Old Home Day Committee meeting -7:00 pm 4 Monday Undercroft General Election Day - Voting at Sanbornton Central Tuesday 5 7am-7pm School 10:00 6 Wednesday Seekers meet in the Undercroft am 7 Thursday 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal Sunday 10:00 am Worship Service in-person and Live Streaming 10 Virtual Coffee Hour - join us at our Talking Table Sunday After worship 10 meet.google.com/eyv-xpjd-gcf Monday Veteran's Day 11 10:00 Wednesday Crafting in the Undercroft 13



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How should we run the race?

