

# UNITED ANGELS AGAINST CANCER

CURRENT TEAM MEMBERS ARE:  
SUSAN KUZMA, VALERIE RITTERSHAUSEN, JUDY  
HURD, SHERRY BRADLEY, CAROL SHELTRA, &  
KATHY AIKEN.

## CAR WASH RAISED \$256!!!

Wow! THANK YOU  
TO ALL THOSE WHO  
SHOWED UP TO  
WASH CARS AND  
HAVE THEIR CAR  
WASHED.  
WE ESTIMATED 40



CARS WERE  
WASHED  
THAT DAY.

### LUMINARIA

BAGS ARE AVAILABLE FOR  
SPONSORSHIP  
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR A  
BAG SEE ONE OF US AFTER CHURCH  
OR CONTACT ONE OF US ANY TIME.



**United Angels Against Cancer** will be walking all  
night at: **The NEK Relay for Life**  
**Saturday-Sunday June 25th-26th**

We ask that you join us or support us in raising  
dollars and awareness because in many (not all)  
this killing disease can be prevented.

**RELAY FOR LIFE**  
American Society

## SPECIAL DATES



**Father's Day**  
June 17

**Antique Tractor Show**  
**Magoon Park &**  
**NEK Relay for Life**  
June 25

**2nd Yard Sale (Big**  
**Ticket Items, Please)**  
July 9

**Village Harmony**  
**Concert**  
July 25

### Pulpit Supply:

Jun 12	10:00 Peg Jordan
Jun 19	9:30 Janet Wiseman
Jun 26	9:30 James Merriam
Jul 3	9:30 James Merriam
Jul 10	9:30 James Merriam
Jul 17	9:30 Peg Jordan
Jul 24	9:30 Janet Wiseman
Jul 31	9:30 James Merriam

We are but in the  
morning of our  
possibilities, and the  
sun never sets in the  
morning.

~ P.F. Bresee

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Food for Thought:

Christian  
Quinn G. Caldwell

"...and it was in Antioch that the disciples were first called Christians." - Acts 11:26

Barnabas and Paul (né Saul) have gathered in Antioch for a revival. (Actually, since the church was just being born at that point, it couldn't have been a REvival. A previval, maybe? Anyway.) The people have been filled with excitement, with the fervor of conversion, and growing in numbers by leaps and bounds.

And it's in that place that our name is coined, where we're first called Christians. Notice: it doesn't say that's where those first believers first call *themselves* Christians; it's where *others* first call them that.

What would have led the neighbors to call them that? Not what made the neighbors notice them in the first place, like weird religious practices or whatever. I mean, why did the neighbors choose that particular name? It may seem obvious now: of course we're called Christians; we follow Christ! But back then, there was a virtually unlimited number of things they could have called this new group. Why "Christians"?

Here's what I think: they heard it from the believers. These new converts must have said the name "Jesus Christ" so often and with such passion that even non-believers knew it was important to them. They must have said it when they gathered, and they must have said it when they were apart. Like someone who's just discovered *Hamilton*, they would NOT shut up about it.

Outside of church, how often do you say the name Jesus Christ? And no, you don't get to count the expletives. How often do you say it, and with how much passion, as you move through the world? Is it often enough that someone who didn't already know it might coin the term "Christian" to describe you?

Prayer  
Holy one, I'm afraid I don't talk about you as much as I might. Let your name be ever on my lips, until even the neighbors start calling me by it. Amen.

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June—July 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
WL—James M @ Magoon Park  NACO Concert 3pm	   Food Shelf	   Food Shelf	Finance mtg 6pm Exec Bd 7pm  Food Shelf	   	   	Young Adult Fellowship 6pm
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
WL —Peg J  Hand Bell Choir Concert 3 pm	   	   	ChrisEd 6:30 pm	Community Meal  UMC Conference	UMC Conference	UMC Conference
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
WL—Janet W Worship @ 9:30  Father's Day	   	   	   	   	   	Vintage Tractor Show @ Magoon Park  Relay 4 Life
26	27	28	29	30	1 JULY	2
WL—James M	   	Friendship Circle 5:30 pm	   	   	   	   
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
WL—James M		   	B&G mtg 6pm	Food Truck	   	2nd YARD SALE
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
WL—James M	   Food Shelf	   Food Shelf	Finance mtg 6pm Exec Bd 7pm  Food Shelf	   	   	   

of them, human beings that you care for them?

<sup>5</sup> You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor.

<sup>6</sup> You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their feet:

<sup>7</sup> all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild,

<sup>8</sup> the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

<sup>9</sup> LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**FRIENDSHIP  
CIRCLE  
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!**

The Annual Chicken Pie Supper is September 17. This is a **HUGE** project, co-sponsored by the Executive and Finance committees, but it requires the work of many people. We need kitchen prep workers on Friday, the 16th, and dining room and kitchen workers on the 17th, plus dish-washers and clean-up people. Also, we need approximately 45 dessert pies for the dinner on Saturday. Sign-up sheets will be distributed at the end of August, but please save that weekend for this important event. All proceeds go to the UCN



general fund to aid in our on-going work.

**BUILDING &  
GROUNDS  
COMMITTEE**

There will be a Vintage Tractor Show at Magoon Park again this summer, on Saturday June 25th. From 10-3. Come and enjoy a piece of our farming history. Some tractors are restored, most are still working; visit with the owners. Last year there were over 30 tractor on display. New this year: will be t-shirts for sale, special draws for donated items, and food concessions run by the Scouts. Hope to see you there.

**Our Annual Outside Spring  
Cleanup** did happen.



Thank you one and all who lent a hand sweeping, racking, window washing, painting, weeding, and with the many other odd jobs to include clean up of a water line break that thankfully happened on a day people were in the office. It was a successful day with a lot of good fellowship. There are however still some odd jobs yet to be done both inside and out. The Building and Grounds Committee is looking for volunteers who might have some time to help them

whittle away at these jobs such as: painting inside & outside, washing windows, vacuuming under pew cushions, dusting and polishing pews. If you can give us one hour of time our several hours it is all greatly appreciated. Contact Vern or the office for more information.



**Yard Sale 2016 is over  
& was Huge Success!**

Our 2016 yard sale is done and it was a huge success. We made over \$4,300!! Kudos go to all the outstanding volunteers, especially Betty Souliere for her many, many hours spent beforehand pricing, sorting, and getting things ready to go. We also want to thank Jean Condon who guided us through this year as she handed over the reigns as chair of the event. (She also kept us fed which we love). The yard sale is a great fund raiser but it also is a great chance for fellowship with each other. We had over 20 volunteers help this year and we all had fun being together and working on this project.

We have enough items left over to do another one day sale. This is planned for Saturday, July 9th. Set up will begin at 3:00 on Friday July 8. Volunteers are needed both days. We will not be asking for more small items. However if you have furniture or other big ticket items we will welcome those. Call the office to either donate items or volunteer.

**MISSION AND  
HOSPITALITY**

**Winter Is Coming!!**

Yes, we know we have just started to enjoy summer but winter is not far behind. The Mission/Hospitality Committee is planning ahead this year to make as many children and adults as warm as possible. We will be collecting winter coats (both adult & children) starting in August. Just bring them in and leave them in the office. We will store them for you. We are planning to give the coats to The Community National Bank for their coat drive in October.

We will also be continuing our mitten, hats, socks, & underwear drive for area school children. **This year we are also asking for children's boots.** These can be used boots. The schools told us there is always a need for boots. So if you have some boots that someone has outgrown, before you

put it in your yard sale, consider giving it to us to give to the schools.

**The Chore Core is coming!!!**

We heard through the grapevine that the Area Agency on Aging often gets calls from an elderly person who might need help with a simple chore. It might be someone who needs a prescription picked up, needs their leaves raked, has a screen that needs to be fixed, or just about anything. The Mission/Hospitality Committee thinks forming a "Chore Core" from our church would be a great way to lend a hand in the community. If you think you could lend a hand once in a while, call the church and tell Valerie you want to join the "Chore Core" Once we have our Core formed we will coordinate with the Area Agency on Aging.

The **"Progressive Dinner"** held on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> was a big success. 20 people turned out to enjoy the food and company hosted at three homes; Merle Chilcott, Marvelene Richards, Pat Vana. Everyone had such a good time that it was decided to have another one in the fall. However it was suggested that the next dinner be based solely on recipes out of the UCN church cookbook. *Sounds 'tasty' to me.*

**Sunday, June 12 at 3:00 p.m.**



**UCN Bell Choir  
Appreciation Concert**

In Appreciation for your generous donation to the handbell refurbishment fundraiser, we would like to show off our refurbished bells by sharing some of our favorite music selections with you. Come join us! All are welcome. This concert is open to the public.

**CONGRATULATIONS !!!  
TO OUR**

**GRADUATES**



Whether from preschool, high school or college. Know that we are proud of you too!!  
**Especially:** Hannah Chitambar.

**June / July Birthdays:**

Josie Chitambar  
Vern Hurd  
Adam Batista  
Jennifer Copp  
Linda Aiken  
Betty Souliere  
Karen Chitambar  
Jim Johnson  
Kathleen Barlow  
Ron Benson  
Jocelyn Laber  
Jim Wyllie  
Roland Britch  
Alice Macie  
Jan Palin

**Happy Birthday to You!**  
*And you!*  
*And you!*

The next party is *June 26<sup>th</sup>*  
*Come join the fun!*



# United Church Herald

Summer

June 2016

## Special points of interest:

- ◇ Food For Thought
- ◇ Yard Sale
- ◇ Monthly celebrations
- ◇ Relay for Life UCN Team

## Office Hours & Staffing

Normal office hours for the summer are from 9-1 Mon, Wed, and Fri. with additional hours before or after dependent on scheduling requests.

**802-334-6033** OFFICE  
**802-324-0659** CELL

## Pastor Office Hours

James will be holding office hours in the upstairs office and sanctuary on Tues. and Wed. from 3 to 6 pm. Come by for conversation and a cup of tea, or to sit and enjoy the quiet and soft light of our beautiful sanctuary in the middle of the week.

## Greetings,

It is a delightful time of year in Newport. With the sun glinting off the lake and birds singing in the trees Kendall and I have been settling nicely into our new home. The breezes are warm and lend themselves to relaxing on the porch late into the evening and to tending to a garden now full of vegetable sprouts all promising many delicious munchies to enjoy on that porch and in fellowship with good company. Every June we seem to be amazed by just how green these Green Mountains can be.

We are also celebrating students and teachers at the conclusion of the school year and that through this hectic time they too should have the chance to stop and smell the flowers that seem to be filling every inch of our North Country fields and sit in the shade of the trees we all share.

To these two seasonal changes we add the changing of the spiritual season. From the Fires on Pentecost a few weeks ago we experienced the coming of the Holy Spirit and the beginnings of the Church in the world. With this we

mark the passing of the work and ministry of Jesus Christ to our spiritual ancestors. This is a time for growth and experimentation, reveling in all the possibilities Christ has given into the world. Our new church season is also a season of green: the Season After Pentecost, though hardly inspiringly named, presents us the opportunity to walk with the disciples in these new possibilities and tell the stories of Jesus and all he means to us. It can be a very inspiring time, especially as it is the part of the church year given over to telling and reflecting on the teachings of His ministry and the power of his words as we walk with Jesus in the flurry of activity and wonder that was his ministry. As the song says, In the season after Pentecost we have the opportunity to walk with him and to talk with him, and to know that we are his own now and all the days of our lives.

I hope you join us in worship and service as we go together on this journey of adventures. I hope especially that you have the chance to pause in your summer life and take some quiet time, either alone or with family and

friends to walk and to talk and to be with Jesus the teacher among the beautiful greens hills that are our remarkable home.

Many blessings to you all for this, our season of Green

-James Merriam

## Young Adult Fellowship Saturday June 11, 6-9 p.m.

UCN is starting a fellowship group for young adults in the Greater Newport, community, folks who don't quite qualify for the moniker of 'young families'. The hope is to have roughly monthly get-togethers to stay connected with this under-served group and keep everyone in touch with the many things going on in our church community.

Anyone ages 18 to about 35 or 40 is welcome to attend. This group is based one James and Kendall joined while he was interning at the First Congregational Church of Oakland California. That group was called the "They Might be Adults" which is a humorous take on the place where many young people found themselves, no longer children and in the process of making their ways as adults.

Contact James with questions:  
[7jacobin@gmail.com](mailto:7jacobin@gmail.com).



## New Tapestry

Some of you might have noticed an addition to our wall décor in the Fellowship room. This tapestry comes to us as a donation from the Newton Family.

*In 1969 I was in the Military stationed in Germany. For Christmas that year I sent this tapestry of "The Last Supper" home to my mother. My dad made the mantle piece and hung it up in their living room. Now they are both gone so we wanted to dedicate it to the church in their loving memory*

~Ed & Nancy,  
Amy, Chuck & Stacy

It is summer, time for swimming, camping, biking, hiking, golfing, gardening and a host of other outdoor activities. Whatever your summertime pleasure, take time to praise and thank God for the wonders of our beautiful state, Vermont is a great place to enjoy summer! Praise God for the beauty of the earth!

~Janet Wiseman

## Psalm 8

LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens.

<sup>2</sup> Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

<sup>3</sup> When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

<sup>4</sup> what is mankind that you are mindful

