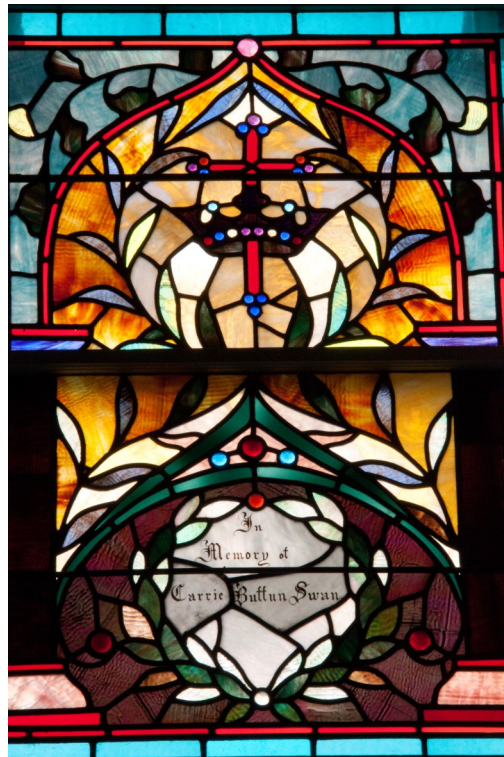


The Winchester Weekly Window
Week of
April 06, 2025
Through
April 13, 2025



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THE CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK:

Sunday 04/06/25 Fifth Sunday in Lent

10:00am - 11:00am Worship (S) (Worship Leader, Mitty Johnson)

11:00am - Fellowship Time (FH)

Monday 04/07/25

7:00pm - 9:00pm AA Mtg (FH)

Tuesday 04/08/25

5:00pm - 8:00pm Administrative Assistant IN Office

8:00pm - 9:00pm 12 Step Group (FH)

Wednesday 04/09/25

5:00pm - 8:00pm Administrative Assistant IN Office

6:00pm - 7:00pm St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry (FH)

Thursday 04/10/25

5:00pm - 8:00pm Administrative Assistant IN Office

6:30pm - Arlington Grange Mtg (FH)

Friday 04/11/25

Set Up for Spring Tea

Saturday 04/12/25

8:00am - 5:00pm Spring Tea (Prep/Event/Cleanup (FH)

Sunday 04/13/25 Palm Sunday

10:00am - 11:00am Worship (S) (The Rev. Patrick McLoud)

11:00am - Fellowship Time (FH)

11:00am - Leadership Team Mtg (FH)

Requests for Checks: If you need our church treasurer to cut you a check, either to reimburse you for money you have fronted for a church project, or to pay a church vendor, you must now fill out a check request form. These are found in a marked envelope in the "Out" box on the door of the church office. A receipt or purchase order **must** be attached to the form. Return the completed form to the "In" box on the office door or give it directly to the church treasurer. This will help us to keep our accounting straight.

Spring Tea is approaching! The tea party committee is busy trying to corral the final details for the Spring Tea. Currently we are trying to get an exact count of the china we have available. This is particularly important this year, as we are expanding our seating for the tea. **If you have china to loan, please contact Suzanne O'Donnell (860-324-7286).** We are looking for tea cups and saucers, dessert plates, sugar and creamer sets, and small bowls for jam and Devonshire cream. We will hand wash and return your precious items directly after the tea. Thank you! **In Addition: TICKET SALES ARE ONGOING! IT'S NOT TO LATE TO GET YOURS. CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE 603-239-4465 TO RESERVE YOUR TICKET FOR THE 12:00 OR 2:30 SEATING.**

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Jennifer Wheeling and family, Theresa Hallett, Baby Charlotte, Nola Poole, Stacy Corliss, Ruth Anderson, Gaelle McLoud, Karla Bruno, Larry VanCor, Donnie Prentice, Bob Conner, Aloe Ryder Collins, Jessica Shea, Laura, Paula Dewey's sister Patricia, those suffering from the ravages of war and those displaced by natural disasters.



04/11 - Kim Struthers-Howe
04/13 - Grace Marsh
04/14 - Kelly Horan
04/17 - Suzanne O'Donnell
04/17 - Danny Parsons
04/18 - Greg F. Salonen
04/19 - Jeremy Roy
04/19 - Dee Salonen
04/19 - Sandy Williams
04/22 - Tyler Magoon
04/23 - Kevan Whippie
04/24 - Kristen Butterfield
04/27 - Katelyn Williams
04/30 - Susan Hernon

04/30 - Arthur & Patricia Johnson

Winter Foods for the Give and Take Blessing Nook: As the weather cools in the evening, hungry people need heartier foods. Canned pastas, hearty soups, and baked beans or chili beans are needed. We have a steady need for canned meats and fish, peanut butter, cereal, and canned fruit. Please, **no** vegetables, plain beans, or rice. We have an abundance of these right now due to some generous donations. As always, thank you to all who donate in these lean times. It makes a real difference in the lives of our neighbors.

Recycling: Many folks seem to be unaware that our church does recycling. If you have # 1 or #2 plastic containers or metal food cans left over from a church activity, please rinse them out and deposit them in one of the beige boxes underneath the big dishwashing sinks. Paper or cardboard, such as your church bulletin, can be placed in the big box just inside the church door next to the food donation box. A blue recycling bin is coming soon to that location to make the paper recycling center more obvious. Thanks for "pitching in" to help our environment.

Communion Sunday Help Needed: Over the past several years, various lay people have taken turns preparing the Communion elements and assisting in serving Communion. Mitty Johnson has been volunteering to do this over the past several years and is ready to have someone else take a turn. She will be happy to continue to supply the grape juice each month, so the new volunteer will just have to buy the bread and cut it up, prepare the table, serve the elements, and wash the few Communion vessels afterwards. Please speak to Mitty if you can help out with this.

Our Prayer Chain is ready to help. If you or someone you know has need of urgent and/or confidential prayer, you can call anyone on the list below to activate our prayer chain. We will gladly pray for your concern for one week, and longer if you request it. For long-term situations or when you would like the whole church to pray, please contact the church office to have your concern put on the prayer list in the Weekly Window. You may use both the Prayer Chain and the church list if your situation needs prayer immediately and you would also like everyone to pray. Please feel free to contact any of the following and your concern will be passed through the chain:

Mitty Johnson	Penny Vaine	Rosalie Whittle
Jackie Taylor	Mim Johnson	Thelma Gomarlo
Felicia Howard-Olmstead	Mary L. Johnson	Marion Baldvins
Sandy Williams	Nicole Eddy	Lauren Reese
Kevan Whippie		

Do you or a loved one need prayer? Our church members are always happy to pray for your needs. We have three ways to request prayer for your situation:

For urgent or confidential needs you can call Mitty Johnson (new phone number 603-242-5597) or any member of our prayer chain.

To ask the whole church to pray and to lift up your concern during worship you can call or email the church office or Outreach Team leader Mitty Johnson. You may do this in addition to having your concern on the prayer chain, if you wish.

To be added to the church prayer list or to have someone phone you for private prayer you may fill out a form and leave it in the "Prayer Request" box to the right of the church entrance door.

We will pray for anyone so if your friend or neighbor expresses a concern to you, ask, "Would you like to have your concern on the church prayer list?" If someone is worried about confidentiality, they may use the prayer chain or be put on the church list with first name only.

Communion Offerings: One of the things that fell by the wayside during the Covid shutdown was our monthly Communion offering for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund which helps people with temporary needs such as fuel oil. The Leadership Team would like to revive this monthly offering, but expand it to include other missions that serve local people or those farther afield. Under the name Monthly Mission, we will collect for the Discretionary Fund on Communion Sunday in odd-numbered months and another mission on Communion Sunday in even-numbered months. We will do this for several months on a trial basis, and would like to hear feedback from the congregation. All of the designated missions are ones that TUCW has supported in the past. The schedule is as follows:

Jan: Discretionary Fund
Feb: One Hundred Nights
Mar: Discretionary Fund
Apr: David's House
May: Discretionary Fund
June: Our Church's Wider Mission (UCC)
July: Discretionary Fund
Aug: Feeding Tiny Tummies
Sept: Discretionary Fund
Oct: Habitat for Humanity
Nov: Discretionary Fund
Dec: Church World Service Blankets

Members of the leadership Team have formed a small committee focusing on the revision of the TUCW by laws. This is a goal driven short term committee that dissolves when the desired outcome has been achieved with a final product approved by the Leadership Team and the Congregation.

If you are interested in being a part of the committee, please reach out to Pat at unitedchurchofwinchesteroffice@gmail.com or contact Danielle at 603.908.629 or dmeleski@winchester.nh.gov

THE CHURCH HAS A NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS

**PLEASE FORWARD ALL E-MAIL
COMMUNICATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:**

unitedchurchofwinchesteroffice@gmail.com

WORSHIP SCHEDULE		WORSHIP LEADERS
April 6		Mitty Johnson
April 11	(OT)	Mitty Johnson
April 13		Rev. Pat McLoud
April 17 (Maundy Thursday)		Rev. Pat McLoud
April 20 (Easter)		Rev. Pat McLoud
April 25	(OT)	Mitty Johnson
April 27		Rev. Rosalie Sainsbury
May 4		Rev. Pat McLoud
May 9	(OT)	
May 11		Rev. Pat McLoud
May 18		Gaelle McLoud





EASTER MEMORIALS

You are invited to participate in beautifying our Sanctuary Easter Sunday with an Easter Lily or plant of your choice in memory or honor of a loved one.

Again this year we are asking you to purchase/order your own plant from a merchant of your choice, put your name on it and have it at the church Saturday morning, **APRIL 19TH** between **10am and 11am**. Plants may be picked up after the Easter Sunday Service. **BUT** please fill out this form or pick up a form from the literature table in the entryway, and get it to Pat Johnson via phone: 603-239-4467; e-mail: unitedchurchofwinchesterooffice@gmail.com or drop off at the office Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday between the hours of 5:00pm - 8:00pm. Forms need to be received no later than **APRIL 16TH**, in order for it to be included in the Easter bulletin. Thank you.

Given by _____

In Memory of _____

In Celebration of _____

Thank you



TREASURER'S REPORT - FEBRUARY 2025

XXXXXX7012	2/28/2025	890102	Ck Check #890102 Lawrence Plumbing	\$ 120.00		Contracted Services
XXXXXX7012	2/26/2025		Deposit		\$ 1,380.00	Income
XXXXXX7012	2/21/2025		Ipay Eversource	\$ 331.16		Utilities
XXXXXX7012	2/21/2025		AmeriGas	\$ 257.51		Utilities
XXXXXX7012	2/21/2025		FairPoint Communications	\$ 140.15		Utilities
XXXXXX7012	2/21/2025		FairPoint Communications	\$ 76.27		Utilities
XXXXXX7012	2/19/2025		Deposit		\$ 270.00	Income
XXXXXX7012	2/18/2025		Deposit		\$ 555.00	Income
XXXXXX7012	2/12/2025	890098	Ck Check #890098 Town of Winchester	\$ 211.88		Utilities
XXXXXX7012	2/7/2025	890100	Ck Check #890100 Stone Pond Tech	\$ 316.25		Office
XXXXXX7012	2/7/2025	890101	Ck Check #890101 Lawrence Plumbing	\$ 120.00		Contracted Services
XXXXXX7012	2/6/2025	5292	Check #5292 Habitat for Humanity	\$ 100.00		Mission
XXXXXX7012	2/6/2025	890099	Ck Check #890099 Hampshire Fire	\$ 111.50		Contracted Services
XXXXXX7012	2/5/2025	5299	Check #5299 Pat Mcloud	\$ 200.00		Pastor
XXXXXX7012	2/4/2025	5291	Check #5291 Church World Service Blankets	\$ 113.00		Mission
XXXXXX7012	2/4/2025		Deposit		\$ 65.00	Income
XXXXXX7012	2/3/2025		Deposit		\$ 546.00	Income
XXXXXX7012	2/2/2025		Interest Paid		\$ 0.18	Interest Income
				\$ 2,097.72	\$ 2,816.18	

Treasurer's Notes:

Switched from Consolidated to Fidium monthly savings of \$58.39 p/m

Changed parking lot light from Sodium to LED should see a savings of approximately \$40 p/m in electricity

February payroll wasn't disbursed until March, \$2173.00.

Joel Gomarolo did not accept a paycheck for the month of February.

Leadership meetings are open to everyone. Feel free to join us with questions.