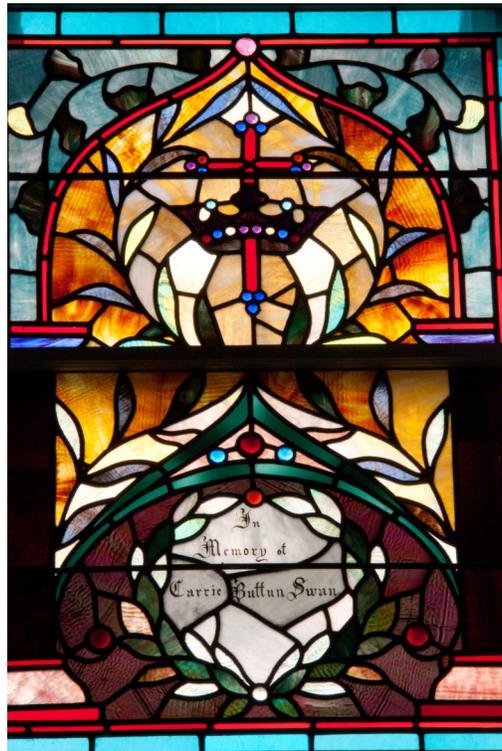


The Winchester Weekly Window
Week of
April 13, 2025
Through
April 20, 2025



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THE CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK:

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)

Monday 04/14/25

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

Tuesday 04/15/25

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

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

Wednesday 04/16/25

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

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

Thursday 04/17/25

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

7:00pm - 8:00pm Maundy Thursday Service (S) (The Rev. Patrick McLoud)

Friday 04/18/25

Saturday 04/19/25

Sunday 04/20/25 Easter Sunday

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

11:00am - Fellowship Time (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.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE		WORSHIP LEADERS
April 13		Rev. Pat McLoud
April 17 (Maundy Thursday)		Rev. Pat McLoud
April 20 (Easter - 10:00am)		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

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

BEAN SUPPER UPDATE:

April Bean Supper:

Patrons Served: 58
Collected: \$660.00
Expenses: \$185.00
Profit: \$475.00



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: unitedchurchofwinchesteroffice@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 - MARCH 2025

XXXXXX7012	03/31/2025	Interest Paid	\$	0.09	Interest Income
XXXXXX7012	03/31/2025	Deposit	\$	481.00	Income
XXXXXX7012	03/27/2025	Ipay Visa Mastercard	\$	691.99	Office-new PC
XXXXXX7012	03/27/2025	Ipay Eversource	\$	193.47	Utilities
XXXXXX7012	03/27/2025	Capital One Credit Card	\$	115.92	Credit Card Payment
XXXXXX7012	03/27/2025	FairPoint Communications/Fidium	\$	81.76	Utilities
XXXXXX7012	03/26/2025	Deposit	\$	1,559.47	Income
XXXXXX7012	03/21/2025	Checkorder	\$	20.00	Office Supplies
XXXXXX7012	03/19/2025	890104 Ck Check #890104 Pat Johnson	\$	546.41	Payroll
XXXXXX7012	03/17/2025	FairPoint Communications	\$	140.15	Utilities
XXXXXX7012	03/17/2025	Ipay Eversource	\$	90.89	Uncategorized
XXXXXX7012	03/17/2025	FairPoint Communications	\$	68.25	Utilities
XXXXXX7012	03/17/2025	Deposit	\$	392.00	Income
XXXXXX7012	03/12/2025	890105 Ck Check #890105	\$	304.00	Contracted Services
XXXXXX7012	03/10/2025	890103 Ck Check #890103 Felicia Howard	\$	731.09	Payroll
XXXXXX7012	03/10/2025	1001 Check #1001 Pat McCloud	\$	200.00	Pastor
XXXXXX7012	03/10/2025	Deposit	\$	693.00	Income
XXXXXX7012	03/04/2025	5300 Check #5300 Pat McCloud	\$	200.00	Pastor
XXXXXX7012	03/03/2025	Deposit	\$	1,560.02	Income
XXXXXX7012	03/02/2025	Interest Paid	\$	0.05	Interest Income
			\$	3,383.93	\$ 4,685.63

TREASURER'S REPORT - MARCH 2025 - CONT'D

Treasurer's Notes:

\$140.15 was the final payment for the old office phone & internet. \$81.76 will be the new anticipated monthly payment. Stanley Elevator is \$304p/m with a 6.5% increase beginning May 1, new payments will be \$323.76 p/m. Currently looking into switching to Mack Bros. Elevators for \$180p/m with a revised service schedule.

Purchased the new office PC with the new "Treasurer's Credit Card". Purchases made by this card must be paid each month. Cards cannot have an outstanding balance without penalty.

In addition to the under payments listed below, according to my records, we have not contributed to the NE Conference or the UUA in a couple of years. NE Conference Request is \$544.00 and the UUA request s for \$507.00.

March Payroll issued April 1.

Outstanding Bills

1. Jay Roy	\$300
2. Ricoh (old copier)	\$547.12, plus 7.94 p/m late charge
3. Market Basket	\$343.84, plus the new April Bill
4. CCLI, Copyright Priv.	\$ 77.00
5. Stanley	<u>\$608.00</u> (February and March)
	\$1575.96

Upcoming Expenses this month:

1. Q1 Payroll tax	\$453.89
2. Property Insurance	<u>\$2073.75</u> (paid quarterly)
	\$2527.64

The above plus all of our normal monthly utilities and payroll. I am trying to pay the bills as money is collected and deposited. We are definitely behind in a few things but it is not without communication to the providers. The purpose for this narrative is to show the congregation that we do not bring in enough money to support our normal and ordinary expenses, so we are looking on ways to save everyday. We should all be thankful and grateful for all the pledges and donations that we receive. Please remember that questions can always be addressed and new ideas can always be heard at the monthly leadership meetings.

Thank you to all who help gather the weekly plate offerings. Just a reminder that all money collected needs to go in the white locked box outside of the office whether you have a key to the office or not. Thank you for your cooperation.