

Birthdays for the month.

Birthdays

October 8 Amy Brown
 October 8 Daniel Reidy
 October 10 Ty Bryant
 October 15 Daphne Frentress
 October 17 AJ Birch
 October 19 Kyle Birch
 October 19 Lucy Glenday
 October 30 Steve Ripkey
 October 31 Karen Wright

Anniversaries

October 2 Steve & Lisa Girard
 October 2 Tom and Anita Larson
 October 2 Greg and Jackie Berry
 October 8 Hayden & Mary Hillsgrove
 October 21 Warren & Deb Hoffman
 October 21 Bob & Kate Schneider
 October 29 John & Jennifer Rowan



Please fill out a visitors card. Then just drop it into the collection plate.

THE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF SANDWICH IS AFFILIATED WITH
 THE AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES AND THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH.

Deb Hoffman - **Pastor**

Judy English - **Choir Director/Organist**

Joisie Rumary - **Administrative Assistant**

Al Handford - **Audio / Visual**

Church Office Hours: Wednesday & Friday 9:00 a.m.— 2:00 p.m.

Pastor's Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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The Community Church of Sandwich, New Hampshire



OCTOBER 26, 2025

SUNDAY

10:00AM

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Ministry of Christian Greeting

*Introit: *"Spirit of the Living God"*

UMH #393

*Call to Worship

Leader: A gift of a new day,

All: Unlived, untried, ready to be opened.

Leader: A new day with surprising miracles;

All: With love to be given,

Leader: Kindness to be shared

All: And peace to be enjoyed.

Leader: A gift of a new day,

All: God's gift to us.

Leader: Let us receive it with joy

All: And live it in expectation

Opening Hymn

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

UMH #64

*Unison Opening Prayer:

God of great love, grant us the courage to honestly open our hearts as we come to you in prayer. As we admit our weaknesses, we know we will receive your loving understanding and come away strengthened because of our conversation with you.

Forgive us for the times when we have been less than patient with others. We regret the instances when we have not given others the mercy that has been extended to us.

We are sorry when we trivialize the important issues and exaggerate the small stuff.

Forgive us for all the occasions when we fly off the handle ... and thank you for the people in our lives who love us anyway.

And we ask you, loving God, to grant us the grace to forgive ourselves.

Help us to let go of the times when we have been less than our best. When others have forgiven us and when you have long forgotten, we still harbor feelings of shame and remorse. Help us to let go ... and love ourselves anyway, just as you love us. We pray the lessons of the past in our world, where hatred and fighting have been redeemed by love and forgiveness, might give us hope for the future. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who came that we might follow in love and life eternal. Amen

Children’s Message: “Mirror, Mirror What Do You See?”

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings
Anthem “Praise Him! Praise Him” (with “Oh, How I Love Jesus”) arr. Brad Nix
*Song of Dedication “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH #94
*Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People

Song of Response: “Help Us Accept Each Other” UMH #560

Gospel Reading: Luke 18:9-14 Page # 911

Message: “Jesus! Really?”

*Closing Hymn: “God of Grace and God of Glory” UMH #577

Resources for today: Homiletics, Bible Gateway

*Closing Blessing: May we leave here knowing we travel no road alone. Whether we recognize our Lord’s presence or not, the risen Christ is with us. Thanks be to God! AMEN!

Postlude

Please stand if you are able as indicated by an *.



Bible Study, We meet on Zoom every Wednesday at 6:30 PM. We are currently using the study book, The Faithful: Heros of the Old Testament. We will begin studying Esther Oct. 29 with a Potluck Supper in the Methodist Meetinghouse at 6 PM.

Interlakes Christmas Fund: It’s that time of year again when we are collecting items for the Lakes Region Christmas Assoc. Please take an angel from the tree, purchase the gift on the card, return it by Nov. 9, unwrapped, with the angel card attached to the gift.

Prayer Shawl Team: We meet the first Thursday of every month at 12:30 PM at Jackie Berry’s home. If you are interested in this ministry, please call 603-279-0450 for more information and for directions.

Candy: Candy! Candy! Candy! We Will Be Collecting Halloween Candy for 2 Events: The Sandwich School Halloween Parade on Friday, 10/31 at 1 PM and the traditional passing out of candy for Halloween that evening for the towns’ trick or treaters 5 - 7 PM. There’s a marked bag in the entranceway to put your donated candies! Thank you!

ASSISTING IN OUR SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Philip Polhemus - Guest Pastor

Judy English - **Choir Director/Organist**

Kirke Read - **Liturgist**

Jason Haddock- **Ushers**

Dotty Burrows & Darlene Atwood - **Fellowship**

Jackie Berry & Mary Hillsgrove - **Altar Guild Stewards**

Liturgist, Usher and Fellowship Schedule			
	<u>Liturgist</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Fellowship</u>
Nov 2	Bob Michael		
Nov 9	Kathryn Birch		