

Birthdays & Anniversaries for the month.

Birthdays

March 1 Jackson Bryant
 March 1 Louisa Bryant
 March 2 Deb Kumpf
 March 5 Peter Gifford
 March 10 Darlene Atwood
 March 13 Bert Hansen
 March 15 Rich Kumpf
 March 15 Tracy Ripkey
 March 31 Paula Kuehn

Anniversaries

March 10 Connie & Colleen Yanuszewski



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**

Joise Rumary - **Administrative Assistant**

Al Handford, Jennifer Rowan, Warren Hoffman and Teresa Tennyson - **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



MARCH 1, 2026

SUNDAY
 2nd Sunday of Lent

10:00AM

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Ministry of Christian Greeting

*Introit: *"Spirit of the Living God"* (*Sing through twice) UMH #393

*Call to Worship (Based on parts of Psalm 121)

L: Creator God, we lift up our eyes unto the hills...
 where does our help come from?

P: Our help comes from you O Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

L: We are grateful that you watch over us.

P: Let us not stumble over things that are not your will.

L: Keep us from all harm. Continue watching over our lives.

ALL: We lift up our eyes unto the hills...and we are grateful.

*Opening Hymn of Praise: *"My Life Is in You Lord"* (Please see insert)

*Opening Prayer:

Loving God, in this Lenten season, help us remember that our salvation is an unearned gift. Like Nicodemus, the Pharisee who met Jesus in the dark of night, we can struggle to accept that new life is not found in religious rules and holy appearance but is given as a free gift of grace. It's about change and transformation on the inside. Help us grow in our faith, being secure in our salvation, having that transformation shine from within us, blessing others. May we bask in your unconditional love, fully accepting the gift of salvation...a changed life from the inside out. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Offering

Choral Anthem: *"We Remember Thee"*

*Doxology *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

*Prayer of Dedication

Jay Althouse

UMH #95

Children's Message: God's Gift

Song of Preparation: "Be Thou My Vision" UMH #451

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Old Testament Reading: Genesis 12:1-4 Page # 9

Gospel Reading: John 3:1-17 Page # 924

Message: The Desire to be Faithful Vs. Being Faithful
Nicodemus and Abraham

Response to the Word: Sharing in Holy Communion
Prayer of Confession
Song of Preparation: Worship & Song #3110
"By Grace We Have Been Saved" (Verses 1-3)
Blessing over the Elements
Receiving the Elements
Song of Response: Worship & Song #3110
"By Grace We Have Been Saved" (Verses 4-5)

*Closing Song: "This Is a Day of New Beginnings" UMH #383

*Closing Blessing: (Based on writing by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries)
Let us go now in the loving mercy of God, whose promises never fail, to live as people who have generously received and therefore generously share God's gracious gift of new life with all we encounter. Amen.

Postlude

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

Liturgist, Usher and Fellowship Schedule			
	<u>Liturgist</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Fellowship</u>
March 8	Susan Price	Van & Betsy Adriance	
March 15			Darlene Atwood & Dotty Burrows

Lent: Today is the Second Sunday of Lent ...a journey of prayer, reflection, fasting and giving.

Kids Church: Now offered each Sunday after the children's message.
Thank you to the New Christian Ed team!! Chair: Louisa Bryant Darlene Atwood, Kathryn Birch, Dotty Burrows, Tony Gasbarro, Lisa Girard, Jennifer Rowan, and in summer months, Lucy Glenday.

Outreach: Will Meet Tuesday, March 3rd at 11 AM downstairs of the Baptist Meetinghouse.

Prayer Shawl: Will meet this Thursday, March 5th at 12:30 PM at Jackie Berry's home.

Faith Based Hour: Looking for a way to help your child/ren learn to grow in Faith? Pastor Deb Hoffman of the Community Church of Sandwich and volunteers are offering an after school faith-based hour of activities including music, crafts, prayer, a Bible story and snacks. Starting in March on Wednesdays, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25 and 4/1 from 2:30 - 3:30 PM. Our topic will be Faith! For ages 5 - 12 parents are welcome to attend, but not required to stay. Please RSVP by March 4th to Deb Hoffman, pastordebhoffman@gmail.com, with the name and age of your child/ren. We want to ensure we have enough age-appropriate materials for all...and of course, enough snacks! For questions please contact: Cayla Peaslee at cmpeaslee@gmail.com or Heather Allen at HeatherQuinn79@gmail.com

Ladies Aid: Thursday, March 12th at 11:15 AM downstairs of the Methodist Meetinghouse. Planning Programs and Events. Please remember to bring your lunch

Bible Study: We meet on Zoom Wednesdays at 6:30 PM. We are using the Upper Room Devotional for our study. Please let Pastor Deb know if you're interested so you get the Zoom link.

Book Group: We are reading The Lincoln Moon by Michael Price Nelson. We will be discussing this book on Tuesday, March 17th at 10:30 AM, downstairs of the Baptist Meetinghouse, bringing our lunch to share a meal together.

Deacons Meeting: Tuesday, March 17th at 6:30 PM on Zoom.

Isaiah Café 61: The next luncheon will be served on Thursday, March 19th. The team consists of team leader, Jackie Berry along with Jennifer Rowan, Colleen and Connie Yanuszewski and Louisa Bryant. If you're interested in learning more about this opportunity to serve, please contact pastor deb.

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