



PETROS

MAY 2025

The Newsletter of the Kearsarge
Community Presbyterian Church

*Please join us at a
Presbyterian Women
Spring Soup & Salad Lunch
on Sunday, May 4th*



Immediately after the church Service
enjoy a delicious lunch with fun fellowship.

If you can cook/bake/create a salad,
soup or dessert please let
Roberta Hollinger or Kathi Kelly know at:

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*The Soup and Salad lunch
is a treasured tradition at KCPC.
We look forward to seeing you there!*



**KCPC
Yard Sale
is coming,
yay!**

I know gently used furniture is still needed for the Yard Sale. Ask your friends and family.

I have time to sort through the attic and garage to collect a box of Yard Sale donations.

*I'll help
on Set-Up
Sunday.*

We can help! We have trucks and strong backs to move stored donations May 15-17 into the church. Call Maria at 603-526-4800 to schedule it.

*I'll sign up
on the sign up
board for
work week!*

I can't wait for the daily lunches for volunteers.

*I'll sign up
on the
Day of the Sale
sign up board.*

*Do you
need a
t-shirt?*





KCPC Yard Sale May 24, 2025 Get Ready, Mark your Calendar!

**33rd Annual YARD SALE: Saturday, May 24th
8:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**Bring your donations: Sunday May 18, 2025
Set-Up Week: May 19 – 23**

Mark your calendar: *Saturday May 24, 2025* for the 33rd KCPC Yard Sale, and plan to volunteer during Set-Up Week.

Now is the time to label a box for things you want to donate to the KCPC Yard Sale. Clean out your closets and save your best items for donation. We will need gently used kid's and adult clothing, rugs, jewelry, tools, working electronics, fine china, glassware, mirrors, toys, patio furniture, yard + garden equipment, bicycles and other sporting goods. Email Maria at officem@tds.net, or call Lorelle Foulds (cell) at 203-952-6687 to discuss furniture donations.

We can be proud of bringing our community into our church for 33 years. Please plan to donate both your attic treasures and your time.

Interested in Participating in Sunday Worship?

We love seeing new faces
“up front” on Sunday mornings.
Would you like to be part of
worship as a reader or lay leader?



Liturgist or welcoming worshippers or making
the announcements? If so and for information,
please contact Lorelle at 203-952-6687 or by
email at lvfouldes@gmail.com

We Need You!

Would you like to meet
and greet fellow KCPC
members and visiting
guests as they enter the
Sanctuary? If so, please
sign up on the board in
Foulkes Hall.

May 2 Steve Wolf
May 4 Rick Marsh
May 5 Kate Scheuch
Jessie Wilson
May 6 Bob Koester
May 7 Pete Brigham
May 10 Grace Schad
May 11 Joan McCulloch
May 18 Douglas Darling
May 28 Bette Bennett
May 30 Donna Young

***Celebrating
May
Birthdays!***

Please Support KCPC Mission: Food Pantry Donations

Please bring one or two food items to church for our local food pantries. Donations are collected every Sunday.

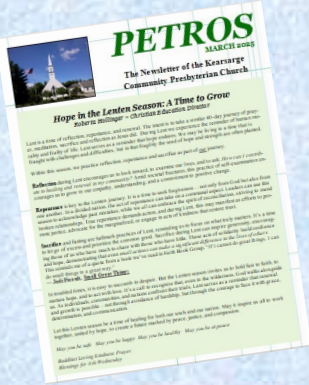
The local food pantries need: canned meats including chicken, or tuna, pasta sauces, canned vegetables, beans, hearty canned soups, Chef Boyardee cans, boxed mashed potatoes, small bags of rice, Skillet Meals, Rice-A-Roni, jelly, medium boxes of cereal, peanut butter, canned vegetable drinks, boxed UHT milk, juice drinks (including 2 qt bottles), tea bags, cooking oil, spices, cake mixes, small ground coffee.



WHAT'S HAPPENING...

PETROS is now Online!

The monthly Petros newsletter is now available online! The Petros will be posted at the beginning of each month on the KCPC website www.kcpcnlh.com



If you'd like a printed copy mailed to you, please let Maria know by calling the KCPC Office at: 603-526-4800 or by email at: officem@tds.net

Printed copies will also be available in the office and on the table in the narthex.

We hope you enjoy receiving and reading the Petros online.



Thursday, June 5th

The Elms Restaurant in New London has chosen

WishListNH

as

Thursday's Child recipient

Grab a friend or two for an evening of delicious food and beverage all while supporting WishListNH.

A percentage of the evening's proceeds will go to WishListNH.

Reservations are recommended.

Gospel of Mark Thursdays 9:00 a.m. at KCPC

Mother's Day
May 11th

KCPC Yard Sale
Saturday, May 24th
8:00 to 1:00 pm



KCPC May Calendar of Events:

Sunday Worship @ 10 AM In Person & Online

May 4th Guest Preacher Rev. Kay Huggins

May 11th Guest Preacher Rev. Rob Grabill

May 18th Leading Service Paula Schoonmaker

May 25th Music Sunday with Fran & Company

Every Monday

Small Group 10:30 AM

Every Wednesday

Bells 5:00 PM

Choir 7:15 PM

Every Thursday

Gospel O'Mark 9:00 AM

Tuesday, May 6th

TOD 6:30 PM

Thursday, May 8th

Deacons 5:00 PM

Saturday, May 24th

Yard Sale 8:00 - 1:00 PM



Live and Learn

by Roberta Hollinger ~ kcpcfaith@gmail.com

It may have been more appropriate for me to have aligned with Earth Day, but it's never too late to be a steward. If you've been in the KCPC kitchen you've noticed the new compost bucket. KCPC has become a part of the composting mission with the town of New London and their Transfer Station. I brought this protocol up to the Stewardship Committee based on your input from Cottage Conversations, MDP and the Mission Statement building team. As written in scripture, KCPC would like to become better stewards of the earth God has given us. This includes not only composting but recycling as well.

Jeff and I have taken on the composting task and are looking for you to help be a part of our Caring for Creation team. Do you have a few minutes each week or two to collect the recyclables and take them to your town's transfer station when you take your own? Many hands make light work, we know that, so who will join our hands?

Please let me know and we'll care for creation together. Bless you!

Genesis 2:15:

Commands humans to "work it and take care of it," referring to the Garden of Eden, highlighting our role as stewards of the earth

Psalms 24:1:

States that "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it," emphasizing God's ownership and our responsibility as stewards

Leviticus 25:1-7:

Instructs the land to be given rest and not abused, emphasizing a sustainable approach to land use

Preaching Workshop

Hosted by PNNE

Interested in honing your skills as a Lay Leader? Or even getting started as a Lay Leader here at KCPC? Rev. Dr. Blair Moffett will offer practical advice and encouragement to Ruling Elders and other Lay Leaders who would like to lead worship and preach at KCPC. After graduating from Princeton Seminary, Dr. Moffett had served as a Pastor of four churches, two in PA and two in CT. Goals for this event are to welcome and support one another as those who may be bearers of the Word, and to look at the texts in the Common Lectionary for the upcoming months about potential sermons.

There is no fee for this event. Please pack a snack and a water bottle. The good people of the KCPC PW will provide coffee, tea, and lunch. A free-will offering will be taken at lunch.

Advance registration is required. Please email our local contact Paula Schoonmaker, by Sunday, June 1, and she will register your interest. Any questions? Email paulaschoonmaker@comcast.net for more information.

Thanks, and hope to see you there.

Curious about membership at KCPC? Interested in being a church member?

According to the Book of Order (which is the constitution of the Presbyterian Church), a member of the Presbyterian Church is a person who:

Has been baptized

Voluntarily submits to the organization/government of the church

Participates in the work and worship of the church

There are three paths to Church Membership:

Profession of faith and baptism, all Christian baptism forms are accepted; this ordinarily applies to younger Christians who are professing, for the first time, their personal faith;

Letter of Transfer from a denomination in correspondence with the Presbyterian Church USA; denominations that provide letters of transfer are mainline Protestant.

Re-affirmation of faith, for baptized adults who are not currently members of a congregation or are members of congregation unable to grant a letter of transfer (for example Roman Catholic, some Community or Independent congregations, various Baptist Conventions).

At KCPC, we have not had the opportunity to receive new members in quite a while. As we anticipate a new settled pastor in the near future, a new member orientation is scheduled for Saturday, June 21st from 4-5PM. The Reverend Kay Huggins and others will lead an informal discussion about membership in the Presbyterian Church. New members will be received by the Session prior to the worship on June 22nd.

Attending the information meeting on Saturday does not commit you to joining on Sunday.

There are many reasons to attend this gathering: Maybe you come from another denomination and are curious about Presbyterian practice?

Maybe you have been attending for a while and are ready to join? Maybe you just want to listen? All are welcome (and I am sure there might be cookies.....)

Questions? Don't hesitate to reach out to Peter Bride, Paula Schoonmaker, Wanda/Russ Doughty or Lorelle Foulds

CHURCH OFFICERS

Session

Annie Beck
Lorelle Foulds
Jeff Hollinger
Paula Schoonmaker
Russ Doughty
Bruce Herd
Paul Seyfried
Ruth Storey
Doug Darling
Linda Hoffman
Gerald Putnam

Deacons

Betty Stockwell
Barry Bradford
Rick Marsh
Jan Sahler
Barbara Cooper
Anne Holmes
Kris Walters
Donna Young
Susan Bradford
Jerry Cooper
Wanda Doughty
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Barbara Rothe

Financial Secretary,

Anne Holmes

Asst. Financial Secretary,

John Walters

Treasurer,

Sara Scheuch

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Rick Marsh

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Barbara Cooper

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KLS Food Pantry, *Kathi Kelly*
KCPC Food Bank, *Doug Darling*
KCPC Wood Ministry, *John Foulds*

PETROS PUBLICATION

**Deadline for the June
issue of the newsletter is:
Sunday, May 25th.**

One way to send info to us:
officem@tds.net

Or: You may submit a typewritten
copy of your article. The above may
be left in the church office mailbox.

Statement of Purpose:

The Kearsarge Community Presbyterian Church is a community of Christians striving to do God's work on earth. We proclaim that the life and teaching of Jesus Christ, through the power of the Holy Spirit, give us direction and purpose as a people of faith.

Online Giving now at KCPC!

The Stewardship Committee is pleased to announce that KCPC now has an online giving platform. Click on this QR code to direct your pledge payment, monetary gift in the general offering plate, or specific donation to things like WishList NH, planned gifts, staff Christmas presents or a gift in memory of a loved one.

You will receive an immediate email acknowledgement of your gift and an end-of-the-year acknowledgement of your tax-deductible donations from the church.



Memorial Day ~ May 26th



We remember,

We honor,

We salute.