

# *Elijah Kellogg Church*

## *Newsletter*



**August, 2013**  
**SOUNDINGS**

### **Sing Hymns? Hymn Sing!**

“O come, let us sing to the Lord. Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!” Psalm 95:1

You are all invited to our first (or at least, the first in a very long time!) Hymn Sing on Sunday evening, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. We’re hoping to start a new summer tradition, singing hymns with refreshments to follow. And we’re hoping that you’ll come and bring your friends.

The energy and idea for a Hymn Sing comes from our two wonderful accompanists, Jan Davis (organ) and Elizabeth Quimby (piano). They want to offer this opportunity as a gift to our congregation and community.

We’ll sing the hymns you want to sing. You can choose them from our [Favorite Hymns of Praise](#) or [Pilgrim](#) hymnals. Our wonderful choir will be singing too...

And we’ve got a lot to sing about!

By then, we can look back on a great summer, and a great church year so far. And we can look forward with hope, to the coming of our new Christian Education Director, Denise Perry, and a new season of worship and praise, mission and ministry. She and I and our Board of Christian Education are excited for the coming and renewal of our Church School, Youth and Family ministries.

Martin Luther, the great Protestant reformer, once said, “He who sings prays twice!” The great hymns of the church are the stories of our faith. They praise the God who gives us life, and sing the faith and hope and love that guides and keeps us year to year.

I hope that you can join us on the 25<sup>th</sup>, and that you’ll bring your friends. We can sing some hymns together, make a little history, and start a new tradition. Because it’s always a good thing – to sing to the Lord!

Grace and Peace,  
John

## Barn Sale Recap

Many thanks to everyone who worked, donated, and bought at the Barn Sale. Our final proceeds were \$4638.37. We had hoped to raise at least \$3800 to balance this year's budget.

Special thanks go to John Wright for picking up many loads of goods, setting up extra tents when the barn overflowed, and protecting our treasures from the rain. We are particularly grateful to Corinne Reif for her generosity in donating lovely pieces of furniture to the sale when she moved from Thornton Oaks to assisted living in Damariscotta.

The morning of the sale was such a cliff-hanger, but in the end the weather cooperated. The long line of eager buyers at 9 o'clock was rather astonishing, but the crowd managed to keep itself under control, more or less, as folks literally ran down the parsonage driveway and pounced on their hearts' desires. They loved our prices and our goods, apparently. The Book Sale, the Bake Sale, the Flea Market, Sharon's tomatoes, the delicious lunch and the free coffee all added to the successful day.

It was a wonderful way for all of us at the church to work together. We went home tired but happy.

Sam Wright and Louise Huntington

### A.P.B. Chandelier Person

If you are the person or know the person who bought the chandelier at the Church yard sale please contact Sam at 729-5702. The original owner has found some more parts of it and would like to get it to the new owner. Thank you.

## Family & Faith

*Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old  
he will not turn from it.  
Proverbs 22:6*

I am honored to have been chosen as your Christian Education Director here at Elijah Kellogg. As many of you know, I was born here in Harpswell attending the Kellogg Church throughout my youth. Since that time I have been actively involved in the United Methodist Church on Orr's Island and more recently at Islands Community

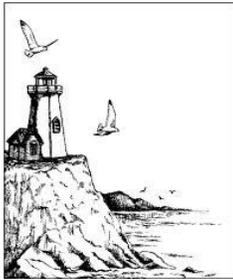
Church on Bailey Island. I moved back to Harpswell Neck with my two sons, Isaac and Zachary last summer. I started attending worship again at Elijah Kellogg and was happy to become a new member this past winter.

Early Childhood Education has been the basis of my adult years. Through my experiences as a teacher, a parent, and an advocate I hope to bring, with your support, enriching programs to the youth and families here at Kellogg. As we move forward I have many hopes and dreams for the future of our church and our community at large. In order to make this year a year of growth and faith we need to work together. Below are some of the highlights and ways you might be able to share your time and talents. I'm looking forward to getting to know everyone better as we worship and serve together as a church family.

- A new curriculum for the Sunday School that follows the Lectionary will be introduced. The children will be divided into groups based on age. We will be looking for individuals to help lead these groups, committing to a season (fall, winter, or spring) if possible. We will be looking for middle school and high school students to assist in the classrooms.
- For our mission projects we will be looking 'outside the box', planning fun events for people of all ages to gather as we raise money in support of Church World Service Blanket Project, the Heifer Project, and Habitat for Humanity. These events include, but are not limited to picnics, craft sales, game nights, silent auctions, and challenges. Be on the lookout in future newsletters for details on how you can become involved.
- The current YAK program for both Middle School students and High School students will continue as well as the Junior Choir. Special Worship Services involving the youth will be planned throughout the year. As always, we welcome you to join these groups and events, offering up your time, talents, and inspirations. It does take a village to raise a child.

Our village is united making Summer Days a week to remember. This year's theme is *All God's Critters*. We will be sharing morning messages using scripture from the bible to talk about each person's purpose in life, how to help others, forgive others, having a right attitude, and having dreams. We will work on collaborative craft projects and play games that involve teamwork. We will share animal stories from the bible and snack on animal inspired foods. We will sing, craft, play, and have fun. Thank you all for your support! This week could not happen without us working together too!

With Blessings,  
Denise Perry



## Summer Days at Kellogg

August 5 -9

Preschool thru 4th grade

FMI Denise Perry 841-8629

or

Elijah Kellogg Church 833-6026

**Wanted: Volunteers, Leaders and Campers**  
**Donations always welcome.**

Summer Days are upon us and our Summer Days @ Kellogg camp is happening August 5-9. Spread the word, we are looking for children preschool age through 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration forms are available at the Harpswell Town Office, in our Fellowship Hall, or by contacting Denise Perry. We are also in need of volunteers, both youth and adults, to help make this week go smoothly. If you are able to help or know of someone who may be interested, please contact:

Denise Perry at 841-8629

Thank you in advance!

## The DEACONS

Communion will be served on Sunday, August 4

### Moderator's Challenge

At the Roll Call Meeting in 2012 Moderator Ned Pierce issued a challenge to the church to end 2012 with a surplus in the Operating Account. As you know we did end up with a \$4,000 surplus. We have been requested to do this again this year. Each month I will provide the month-end figures of 2013 for comparison with the month-end figures of 2012. With everyone's help we can accomplish our goal again this year.

| June 2013         |                 | June 2012         |                 |
|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Income            | \$90,728        | Income            | \$74,699        |
| Expenses          | <u>\$95,553</u> | Expenses          | <u>\$91,834</u> |
| Surplus (Deficit) | (\$ 4,825)      | Surplus (Deficit) | (\$17,135)      |

It's HERE: Electronic delivery of the newsletter

Do we have your email address?

September Newsletter deadline: Monday, August 19

The *September newsletter* will be delivered electronically to those who have turned in an updated email address.

If you have not yet submitted an email address, please leave that information in the offering plate at church or call it in to the church answering machine (833-6026), or mail it to

Elijah Kellogg Church  
917 Harpswell Neck Road  
Harpswell ME 04079

or please email [susan@elijahkelloggchurch.org](mailto:susan@elijahkelloggchurch.org)

If possible, newsletter items should be sent electronically; if not possible, then please leave hand-written items in the mailbox outside the church office entrance.

Thank you, Susan



**Public Supper - Baked Beans**

**August 10 from 5:00 - 7:00pm**

**Fellowship Hall**

Our Hospitality Committee is putting together a Bean Supper. They're offering three kinds of baked beans, hotdogs, potato salad, coleslaw, and cornbread. And for dessert (wait for it...) Gingerbread with whipped cream!



### HYMN SING

**Sunday, August 25 at 7 o'clock**



Come and enjoy a community hymn sing at the Elijah Kellogg Church. It will be on Sunday August 25th at 7:00 PM. Liz Quimby and Jan Davis will provide accompaniment on the piano and organ. The EKC choir will sing a selection as well which will feature Louise Huntington on the violin.

Let's celebrate the end of summer with singing and perhaps start a new tradition. Light refreshments will follow.

### CRIBBAGE

We're playing all through the summer – Meet us in Fellowship Hall at 7:00pm on the last Wednesday of the month



### Life at our Church

Sundays Food Bank Offering

9am and 11:15am Choir practice

\*Monday, August 5 through Friday, August 9\*

\*Summer Days at Kellogg\*

Thursdays 10 am Bible Study

Saturday, Aug 3 Fellowship Hall as 'rain place'  
for Bean Hole Supper 5pm – 7pm

Sunday, August 4 Communion

Monday, Aug 5 Summer Days at Kellogg 9-12  
HCNS Committee 6:30pm

Tuesday, Aug 6 Summer Days 9-12

Wednesday, Aug 7 Summer Days 9-12

Thursday, Aug 8 Summer Days 9-12

Friday, Aug 9 Summer Days 9-12

Saturday, Aug 10 Public Supper 5-7pm

Monday, Aug 12 Estate Planning Seminar 6pm

Tuesday, Aug 13 Church Council Meeting 7pm

Saturday, Aug 17 Fellowship Hall reserved 8am-1pm

Monday, Aug 19 Newsletter deadline

Eagle Scout Potluck Fellowship Hall

Thursday, Aug 22 NO BIBLE STUDY

Sunday, Aug 25 Hymn Sing in the sanctuary, 7pm

Wednesday, Aug 28 Cribbage 7pm

Thursday, Aug 29 Bible Study resumes, 10am

### Serving you in August:

#### Ushers

04 Janice and Jerry Maranda

11 Ashley and Chris Braley

18 Bill Hunter, David Hunter

25 Pat and Bruce Myer

#### Readers

04 Ned Pierce

11 Eric Wohltjen

18 Sumner K. Wiley, Jr

25 Joy Wohltjen

#### Greeters

04 Hermia Tucker, Hope Tanguay

11 Chris Braley, Kim Braley

18 Joe and Anita Mattingly

25 William and Heather Davis

#### Nursery

04 Elizabeth Dyer

11 Vicki Stevens

18 Linda Clement

25 Amy Morin



## CHRISTMAS BY THE SEA FAIR



Saturday, November 2, 2013

Count down! Our fair is only 94 days away. Mark your calendars now. We hope you will want to be a part of this all-church fair. Think about items you may want to contribute this year. Your handiwork is most welcome for the Crafts, Flowers Plus or Men's Tables. Jams, jellies, fudge, and canned items or whatever you put up from your garden are great for the Country Store. "Stuff" that you no longer want will be gratefully accepted for our Treasures Tables. If you would like to help, please contact Linda Clement, 729-8563, or the following:

Advertising & Publicity: Ellie Patterson 725-1445

Baked Goods: June Phinney 725-2438

Country Store: Linda Gillis 833-6074 & Nancy Hurst 833-2343

Crafts: Connie Henry 833-5567 & Blee Horton 833-6809

Doll House Raffle: Kay Greenwood 833-0907 & Nancy Schlieper 725-0291

Flowers Plus: Ellie Hunter 833-5049,

Joan Phillips 729-6110 & Meg Tucker 729-8111

Hot Dogs: Jim Croft 721-0528

Luncheon: Pat Moody 833-5535 & Vicki Stevens 729-8315

Luncheon Money: Susan Ferris 666-3247 & Betty McCausland 729-8475

Men's Table: Bill Greenwood 833-0907,

Ed Phinney 725-2438 & George Patterson 725-1445

Parking: Herb Ferris 666-3247

Signage: Chris Braley 837-1330

Silent Auction: Bruce and Pat Myer 725-5510

Table set up/take down: Jim Smith 833-6246

Treasures: Nancy Bennett 833-7714 & Evangeline Sparks 833-6295

### For ALL the men of our Church:

You will comment that it is too soon to talk about the Christmas Fair, but really it is not. Speaking now provides time for ideas to gel, for plans of timing, most of all for doing something!

The Fair has been seen as a women's organization event; it is not. It is a church-wide event and everyone is encouraged to contribute in some way; that includes the men. Please consider making something for the Men's Table.

It need not be large or fancy; it only needs to have purchase appeal. I know there are many of you that have talents that could make a good contribution to the Fair's results. Please give it a go. Thanks, George

### Craft table

Our Christmas Fair in November had earned a reputation for being one of the best in the area. Some people come quite a distance to shop and eat here. This is an event for the whole church family, not just for the senior ladies! The Craft Table needs donations from all kinds of handcrafters, not just knitters and sewers. Christmas decorations of all kinds sell well – do you make a clever little tree ornament? Table decorations? An eye-catcher for the front door? Get your projects started now—November 2<sup>nd</sup> comes before you know it! Questions? Call Connie 833-5567 or Blee 833-6809

### Silent Auction

Time to make some noise about the Silent Auction!

November will be here before long, so please start thinking about any special items or services you would be willing to donate to the Silent Auction. Pick up and storage of items is available. Without your help, it truly will be "silent".

Bruce & Pat Myer - 725-5510."

### The Country Store

Attention, Ladies (Gentlemen, too!) who plan to make jams, jellies, pickles, dilly beans and other edibles from the summer's bounty. It's not too soon to be thinking ahead to the Country Store "booth" at the EKC Fair and perhaps to making some extra to donate. These homemade items are often the major money raiser at the Country Store. In addition to the standard fare which is always popular, there are often requests for sugar-free and pepper jellies, mixed flavored jams and other unusual items. Nancy and Linda would be very grateful for your offerings.

Linda Gillis 833-6074 & Nancy Hurst 833-2343