

# BARTLETT CHURCH NEWS

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## *Youth Club Off to a Great Start!*

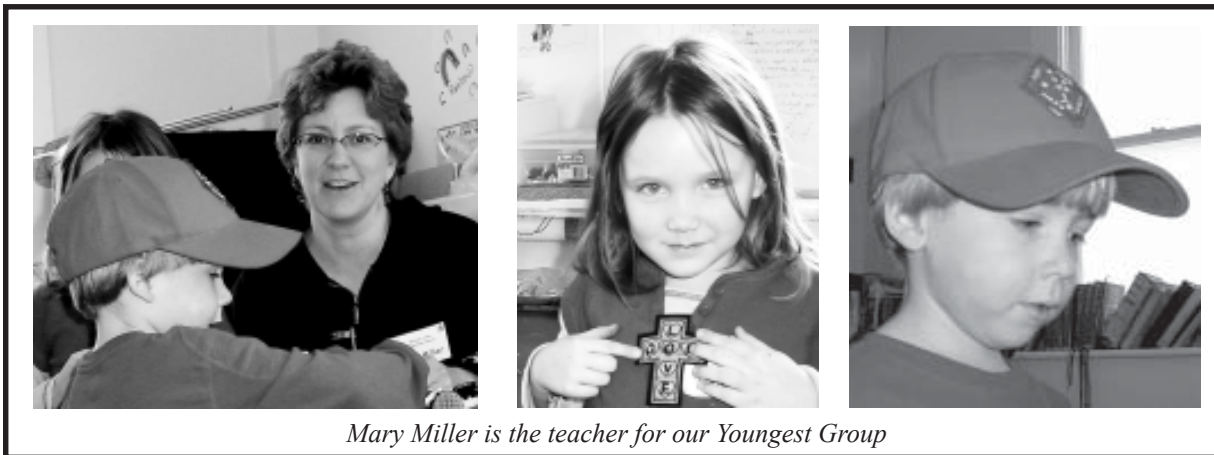
On April 13, Bartlett Church demonstrated its commitment to the youth of our Church and Community by starting a new ministry called, "Youth Club." At each meeting, youngsters begin with Bible Study. Arts and Crafts are a great incentive to their learning.



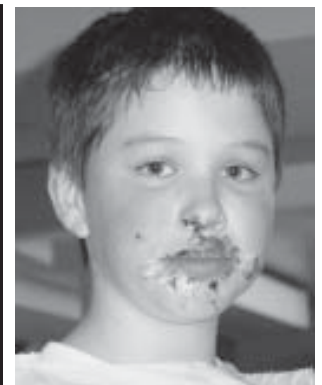
*Judi Coffield's Class gets right to work on their Bible Lessons*



*Pastor Shaw leads Older Youth on a Bible Quest*



*Mary Miller is the teacher for our Youngest Group*



*Carter enjoyed the Pie-Eating Contest*

The Study Period is followed by a nutritious and delicious supper prepared by the parents. The youth are also expected to take care of the clean-up. They are really excellent dish washers.



*Nancy Wanek serves up the meal. Whether the kids are filling-up or washing their plates — They are having a GREAT time!*



Game and Fun time follows Supper. At this session we had several games of skill with prizes!

## BIRTHDAYS...

April 4 Nancy Hodgkins  
Jim Miller  
April 28 Fred Hodgkins, Jr.  
May 3 Robyn Coffield  
May 5 Judith Botsford

## ANNIVERSARIES...

April 30 Allen & Natalie Worrey  
May 4 Dan & Deb Fitzpatrick



**Mission  
Giving**

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING** offering will be received on Mothers' Day, May 11. Offering envelopes will be

available at the church on Sundays. You may also mail your gift to the church at PO Box 132; Bartlett, NH 03812. Please write OGHS in the memo field.

## NURSERY CARE COSTS

**UNDERWRITTEN.** Many thanks to Mike and Doris Kirk for underwriting the costs of starting and maintaining a first class, safe, happy and friendly nursery during the worship hour.



## SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH CLUB SCHEDULE:

Scheduled meetings include May 4 and 18, as well at June 1. For more information, phone Judi Coffield, 447-4427 or Mary Miller, 374-2523. All youth are invited.

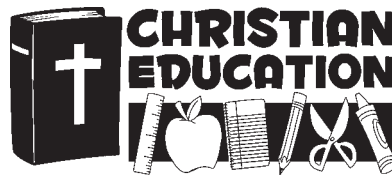


## INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CHURCH? ...

Please come to a brief new member orientation following worship on May 3. If you are unable to attend the orientation, Pastor Shaw will be happy to come to your home.



New Member Class



A meeting was held on Friday, March 7, with Nancy Wanek, Mary Miller, Judi Coffield and Pastor

John Shaw. The Bartlett Church will now have a **YOUTH CLUB** for the Children of our church and community!

Letters of invitation were sent to previous students and to other families related to the church. The first meeting was held Sunday, April 13 from 4:30 to 6:00 P.M. at the church. It was hugely successful! The schedule includes study, dinner and recreation. We plan to have several outings, as well.

Youth Club will generally meet every other Sunday, excluding holiday weekends, and will continue through the summer. Pastor Shaw will lead the older youth in a study which will fulfill all Confirmation Class requirements.

Our Youth Club utilizes all of our church's facilities. We have collaborated with Lee Coffield and Greta George in regard to kitchen use. We know that we can count on everyone's help as it is needed. We all look forward to this adventure and ask you to help "Spread the Word!"

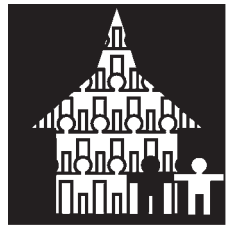
*Judi Coffield*



**WE NEED A 5-YEAR-PLAN!** The Prudential Committee approved hiring a professional planner to help us focus during the interim, as well as to help us call the right permanent pastor. More information will follow. We need you to take part so that our church will best serve the needs of membership and community. To **FAIL to PLAN is to PLAN to FAIL!**

## MOTHER'S DAY SPECIAL

On Sunday, May 11, we will honor all mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers and great-great-grandmothers present in worship. A special prize will be given to the woman with the largest combined number of children, grand-, great-grand-, and, great-great-grandchildren.



**Become  
Part of  
Our  
Church  
Family**

### LUNCHEON ON MAY 18

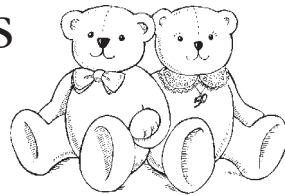
We can't think of a better time to officially join Bartlett Church than Sunday,

May 18! Following worship we will have a reception and luncheon for all. There are two types of membership: *full* and *associate*. An associate member retains primary membership in another church and/or denomination, while a full member's primary membership is here at Bartlett Church. See Pastor Shaw at Church or phone him....

Home: 476-2221 and Cell: 707-1430

### JAN & JIM CLEMONS WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

On Saturday, May 24, Jan and Jim Clemons will celebrate their FIFTIETH Wedding Anniversary. They were married in Quincy, Mass, after having met at *New Zealand Camp Ground* on Twin Mountain. Jim was working there when they were introduced to each other by a mutual friend, a police officer. Congratulations to both Jim and Jan!



*Golden Anniversary*

### A Note from your Editor

Warm weather is finally making an appearance. Daffodils should be popping up any time now. After a lot of hard shoveling and ice chipping, we finally got the motor home out of the snow and ready to travel. Bill and I are headed to Branson, Missouri, on April 19 with a caravan of Saco River Ramblers, Good Sam's. We are in search of nice warm weather and lots of super entertainment.

*Judith E. Botsford*

### *Fifth Annual*

## 50's Street Dance

Our Fifth Annual 50's Street Dance has been planned for this summer. We hope that you will put the date of **Saturday, July 26** on your calendar.

The Church Mice will again be hosting a fun-filled evening. There will be a hamburger and hot dog barbecue from 5:00 to 6:00 P.M. with chips, sodas and home made desserts.

At 7:00 there will be dancing in the street to the music of all your favorite oldies of the 50's. Playing the music will be Kristin Corrigan, DJ.

Admission will be \$5.00 per person, \$3.00 for juniors, and free for those under 5 years of age. So dig out those poodle skirts and saddle shoes ladies and those dungarees and tee-shirts for you fellows. Come and join in the fun and dance the night away.

If it should rain, the dance will be moved into the dining room of the church, but let's hope we can dance in the street beside the church.



### **Alias ... BARTLETT CHURCH**

No! We haven't renamed our Church! When originally founded in 1895, our church was named, *Christ's Church*. Then it was *Bartlett Congregational Church*. Later, *Union Congregational Church of Bartlett*. Our official name now is: ***Bartlett Union Congregational Church***. Add *United Church of Christ* to that ... and you have a mouthful.

After reporting on the closing of the Roman Catholic Church in Bartlett, one newspaper said: "***Now, there's no church left in Bartlett!***"

***Hello???*** We're here! And, we are very much alive! We are the ONLY church still in Bartlett.

In our newspaper ads and newsletter mastheads, I've been using the shortened *alias*, BARTLETT CHURCH. That's my way of saying "*the newspaper notice of our demise was somewhat premature.*" Not only are we alive and well ... but we are on the upswing, as far as Churches go!

The shortened name is like "Scotch Tape" instead of "Scotch Brand Cellophane Tape" or "COKE" instead of "Coca Cola." **Bartlett Church** has great impact in print ads. Let me know what you think...

*John*

## Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday Service was held on March 20. Brian Wanek lit the candles while everyone sang, "This Little Light of Mine." Readers of the Gospel were Sally and Peter Pelletier, Bert George and Nancy Hodgkins. Children who read were Chrissy and Robyn Coffield, Allison Wanek and GiGi Miller. After each reading they put out a candle as the sanctuary gradually darkened. Brian Wanek was in charge of lighting as well as the spooky, loud noise at the end of the service. Organist, Ellen Hayes, played two pieces between readings. The choir sang "Were You There" and "Behold the Lamb" as well as a special choral response.



## Good Friday

On Good Friday, March 21, a prayer vigil was held between noon and 3:00 P.M. Church members took turns for half hour intervals in the Church sanctuary for prayer.

## Easter Sunday

At 8:30 Greta George and her kitchen crew began preparing the Easter brunch down in the kitchen. At 9:00 the choir arrived and began practicing special music for the Easter Service.

The worship service began at 10:00 with a large gathering of members and friends of the church.

Easter Lilies, on the altar, were in memory of loved ones.

Sam Garland played a trumpet solo at the beginning and ending of the Processional Hymn, "Christ the Lord is Risen Today". The choir sang two anthems: "As It Began to Dawn" and "Christ Arose." The title of Pastor John Shaw's sermon was "Live Today, Tomorrow and Forever".

The Church Mice served up a delicious brunch of pancakes, sausages, bacon, coffee cakes, fruit, donuts, orange juice and coffee.

The children enjoyed an Easter Egg hunt in the sanctuary with prizes. Due to all the snow, it was held inside. Speaking of snow, with all the cars and the tall snow banks and narrow streets, parking was a problem for many.



## Facts on Cinnamon & Honey

It has been found that a mixture of honey and cinnamon cures most diseases. Honey is produced in most countries of the world. Scientists of today also accept honey as a very effective medicine for all kinds of diseases. Taken in the right dosages it does not harm diabetics.

**Heart Diseases:** Make a paste of honey and cinnamon powder. Apply on bread instead of jam or jelly, and eat it regularly. It reduces cholesterol in the arteries.

**Arthritis:** Three times a day, take one cup of hot water with 2 teaspoons of honey and 1 small teaspoon of cinnamon powder.

**Common Colds:** Take one tablespoon lukewarm honey with 1/4 teaspoon cinnamon powder daily for 3 days. This process will cure most chronic coughs and colds, as well as clear the sinuses.

## Newsletter On-Line

Please check out our entire website

[www.bartlettchurch.net](http://www.bartlettchurch.net)

or

just the newsletter at

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# INFORMATION REQUEST

*We would appreciate it if each individual would take the time to fill out this form so that we may bring church records up to date. This is voluntary, of course. Some of this information will be useful in addressing Newsletters. Other information will help us in providing programs and services to our members. A separate form for each individual is preferred. Additional forms are available in the Church Tower Room and Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your cooperation.*

## FAMILY or HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

MAILING NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

(How do you want your Newsletters and mail to be addressed? i.e., Mr. & Mrs. John Smith)

PHYSICAL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ PO BOX \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FAMILY EMAIL GOES TO: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

If you have another Winter/Seasonal address, please list here:

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## INDIVIDUAL INFORMATION

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

NICKNAME \_\_\_\_\_ MALE/FEMALE  M or F

ADULT/CHILD  A or C CHURCH MEMBER  Y or N

MARITAL STATUS (check one)  SINGLE;  MARRIED;  DIVORCED;  WIDOW/WIDOWER

BIRTHDATE (M/D/Y) \_\_\_\_\_ ANNIVERSARY DATE (M/D/Y) \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

IN AN EMERGENCY, PLEASE CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

*John Shaw*

See you in church....

So...let's not keep any of this a secret. Let's share the news of our excitement and growth with neighbors and friends! Invite them to church. Give them a Newsletter, bulletin, or printed copy of a sermon.

The Trustees are working on a major building project to add a lift and handicap access to our dear old church building. Youth activities are really cool. We have a staffed nursery and a dynamic Youth Club. People in the community are beginning to realize that Bartlett Union Congregational Church is BACK!

It is no secret what God has been doing through people like you and me. There's a feeling of aliveness, excitement, anticipation and happiness in our Congregation. We expect great things from God as we attempt to do great things for God.

There is an old song that goes... "It is no secret what God can do, What he's done for others, he can do for you." There's power in those words. In fact, that is the essence of the Gospel. That is the secret of what's been happening at Bartlett Church.

**IT IS NO SECRET**

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