

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 Happy Birthday Freddie Hillhouse <b>5th Sunday Contribution</b>	31 Happy Birthday Scott Apgar	April 1 Happy Birthday Nate Moser & Freda Potter	2 Happy Birthday Stephanie Cordaro	3 Happy Birthday Zach Daggett	4 <b>Conway Ladies Weekend</b>	5 Happy Birthday Barry Fogal
6	7 <b>Monday Night for the Master</b>	8 Happy Birthday Kas Dumas & Carl King	9 Happy birthday Kris Karafelis & Kate Fogal Happy Anniversary Ken & Sue Bell	10	11	12 Happy Birthday Rick Dugre <b>Elder/Preacher meeting 8:30</b> <b>Shower for Levi Girling 10:00</b>
13	14 Happy Anniversary George & Sharon Abood	15 Happy Birthday Randy Chase, Happy Anniversary Karl & Sue Davies <b>Family Prayer Night 7:00</b>	16	17 Happy Birthday Gerry Millette	18	19 Happy Birthday Sebastien and Anthony
20 <b>Easter</b>	21	22 Happy Anniversary Tom & Linda Carroll	23	24 Happy Birthday Quila Burkett	25 <b>REVIVE! Youth Rally</b>	26

**TEENS!**

TUESDAY- Chill @ Skerry's 7-8

April 25-27 "REVIVE" Isaiah 40:28-31  
Let God take control of our fears and limitations that often make us "Frozen"

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**Our Worship Services**

Sunday AM: 9:30  
Bible Class: 11:00  
Sunday PM: 6:00 (3rd Sunday congregational potluck @ noon)  
Small Groups:  
West Side: 5:30 at the Pauls' - Christian Ethics.  
Merrimack: 5:30 - youth studies @ Peacocks  
Concord: 5:30 at the Wilsons'  
Wednesday PM Devotional/Bible Classes: 7:00

Contact David Skerry with Benevolence/Pantry needs.



**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

April 6	WORSHIP LEADERS
Gary Diaz	Songs
Fred Hillhouse	Closing Prayer
Rich Wilson	Scripture
Rich Therrien	Lord's supper
George Abood	Worship Tech
Ken Simon	Coordinator
Park L.	Call to Worship
Park L.	Songs pm
April 2- Stuart P.	Wed Songs
April 2-Fred H.	Wed Devotional

**Statistics**

Sunday morning attendance:...119  
Sunday morning contribution:...\$2993.64  
Weekly budget.....\$3800.00  
Pantry Served 4 Families this week.



**Do You Have Any Sense?**

According to this proverb, someone who has good sense takes a while to get angry, and is quick to overlook someone else's failures. The question for us is simply this, "Do we have good sense?" Our society today is full of unforgiving people who constantly seem to be mad about something. Does

that describe us? Or are demonstrating good sense? When we are willing to overlook someone else's offenses we accomplish three things. We remind ourselves that we too need forgiveness. We are forgiven because we forgave (Matthew 6:12.) And we show the world around us a glimpse of the love that God has for them. Let us demonstrate "good sense!"

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**NOTES FROM THE ELDERS:**

As a follower of Christ, our calling is not to form a clean community of pure people. We all have something in our lives that isn't right (1 John 1:8). All of us, Christian or not. So we need to reach out to those who have yet to know the love of the Lord where they are and invite them into Christ graciously and compassionately. Most will not come in the doors so we need to go to them without judgement of what they might believe or do and be Christ to them as best we can. May you be blessed in your walk with Christ this week!



We are so pleased that you have joined us for worship this morning. If you are visiting, we hope that you will feel warmly welcomed by our church family. Our prayer is that you may be encouraged and uplifted as we worship together. Please join us downstairs after worship for some coffee and fellowship, followed by bible classes for all ages.

**Our Minister:**

Park Linscomb 540-0287

**Our Elders:**

Barry Fogal 487-2387  
Larry Glass 887-1741  
Gerry Millette 497-3105  
Mike Moser 429-9487

**Our Deacons:**

Tony Casella- Finance  
Fred Hillhouse- Facilities  
Doug Paul- Education  
Stuart Peacock- Worship  
Pete Steffensen- Facilities  
David Skerry- Benevolence & Outreach

**Elders' Link: April**

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If you have any concerns that the elders should be aware of, or need to speak with them, please contact Barry or Mike this month.

# Our Family

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, ~Colossians 3:12



## PARADIGM SHIFT From Evangelism Being Something To Fear, To The Simple And Joyful Sharing Of Good News



### Benevolence Need

One of contacts from GAD is in need of baby items. Her 17 year old daughter is due in June and they have nothing. If you have any baby items in good condition that you could donate, please see Dave or Susie.

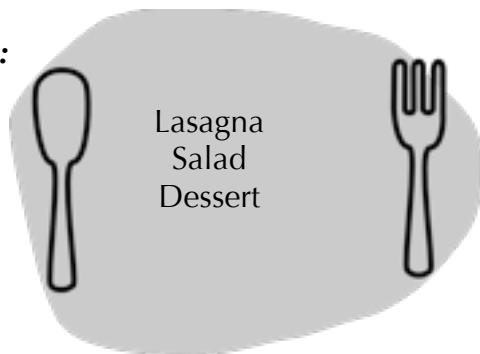


### News & Important Dates:



- Mar 30:** Area-wide hymn sing at Concord church
- Mar 30:** 5th Sunday Building Contribution
- April 4-6:** Conway Ladies Weekend
- April 7:** Monday Night for the Master
- April 25-27:** Our Youth Rally (volunteers needed!)

### Menu for 4/2:



Cooks are needed! Sign up in the back.

### YOUTH RALLY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Stay tuned! We will soon be asking for volunteers to help with set up, to provide housing and snacks. Please be in prayer for our speaker Keke as he prepares for the weekend.

- ✿ ENCOURAGEMENT— Ansar Rana; Judy Diaz; Mark Brown & his daughter Emma; Jim Kenison; Linda Tetrault; for Jean Cadet to come to know the Lord: Jessica Gelinas
- ✿ PRAISE—for a summer youth intern! Kathy F. has a healthy new granddaughter!
- ✿ SYMPATHY- the family of Rick Gelinas. Arrangements for a memorial service are pending.
- ✿ HEALING & COMFORT --Angela Beard; Dave McKinnon (husband of Lenore, former member); Anabeth Hickman (Kathy Fuerhelm's daughter)recovery; Chantal- the Lecat's daughter; Rita Jones; James McLaughlin-leg & back pain; Melissa Therrien's dad; Peggy Mailloux; Linda Tetrault; Nedra Kinyon (Leah Yancy's grandmother)
- ✿ CANCER TREATMENTS-- Curtis Winstead, Doris Nault (Lucille's sister), Gina Jonston, Lynn Millette, Algie Beard, Dave Seguin, David Lovering, John Matthew- experimental chemo; Barbara Ann (Margery's cousin), Truman Gist.
- ✿ OUTREACH-- GAD contacts, Bible studies in progress, our website, food pantry.

\*If you have updates to prayer requests, please call the office or let Susie know.

### FOR THE LADIES....

**April 4-6**— Conway Ladies Day "Come to the Feast" Sign up in the foyer for carpool.

**April 5th**— Ladies Spring Luncheon 11:30 @ Wendy LeCat's. Wear a hat!

**April 12th**- Baby shower for Levi 10:00

**May 31**— Lakes Region Ladies Day

While every Christian is probably aware of the personal need to share the good news of Jesus with others, evangelism is one of those things that we'd rather someone else do. We work at excusing ourselves from evangelism with a number of rationalizations, but probably the most basic of all reasons is simply fear. In many cases, we were zealous in sharing the Gospel with others at the beginning of our Christian life, but lost enthusiasm, when we met with perceived disapproval from people we love or people in general. Perhaps we talked it over with other Christians, who unfortunately may have shared their own fears with us, rather than the encouragement we might have needed. So, we learned to fear the sharing of the greatest news the world has ever known.

How do we change that? The key is to shift the paradigm, shift how we view things. Can I make a few suggestions that may change how you look at evangelism?

**See people as souls heading to eternity rather than threats to popularity.** Seeing things through "eyes of flesh" all we sometimes perceive of others are threats to our social position, our popularity, our relationships. We need to see past these things to the souls that these people really are, souls that are heading for either Heaven or Hell—most to Hell (Matthew 7:13 "Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it."). And we need to feel love, compassion, mercy, and even pity because of their spiritual state; many are completely unaware of their situation. This is the powerful and urgent meaning behind Paul's statement in 2 Corinthians 5:11 "Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we persuade men ...". Men's souls are real. Sin's effects are dire. God's judgment is sure. Will we not be moved by sheer humanity to share the only—the one and only—message that can save them (Romans 1:16)?

**Be moved by the joy and blessing the Gospel has been in your life.** Don't switch off the joy and praise as you leave the church building. We sometimes sing a hymn with profound evangelistic meaning, "If the name of the Savior is precious to you, if His care has been constant and tender and true, if the light of His presence has brightened your way, oh will you not tell of your gladness today?" Consider how wonderfully God has effected your life, changed your life for the better, blessed you here and in the hereafter. In our worship services we almost want to shout in our praise and thanksgiving (and if you don't, give it some thought) for all He's done! Bring that same enthusiasm outside the church building! Joy will quickly replace fear—just like it did, when you were first baptized into Christ.

**Accentuate the positive for those you tell and yourself!** Look and see the beauty of the Gospel. While it will be true and necessary to speak of the things that people must stop doing, of the cost of discipleship, and the responsibilities we have to God and one another; it is certainly possible to accentuate the

positive matters in Christianity. This is not disingenuous. You must look at the treasure, before you will want go and sell all you have to buy the field (Matthew 13:44); you must see the surpassing beauty and value of the pearl, before you will be able to appreciate its great price (Matthew 13:46,47). Speak of the healing God brings to broken hearts, broken marriages, broken lives, and broken spirits. Talk about how God's purposes and meanings fulfill life's deepest longs. Point to the comfort the Lord gives to the grief stricken, the hope He gives to the despairing, the courage He can give to the fearful, His faithfulness, His wisdom, and His enduring love and grace despite our sins. Speak of the love in the church, the encouragement of God's people in time of need, the helpful teaching for practical living found in the assemblies, and the family atmosphere of the household of God. People will gladly look at the beautiful "pearl".

**Comprehend the greatness and importance of the mission!** When the mission of stopping Hitler became clear almost 75 years ago, young men volunteered for military service by the thousands, still more thousands of women gladly shouldered the heavy work of industrial manufacturing, older Americans planted "Victory Gardens", and everyone "made do" with rations to help the war effort. Why? Because it was pleasant and fun? No, because it was a great and noble cause worthy of our sacrifice! Likewise, when we see evangelism as a great and important mission of the Master, courage and resolve take over while fears take a back seat. Consider Matthew 28:18-20; Romans 1:14,15; Romans 10:14-16; 2 Corinthians 5:18-20; and more. God committed the blood of His Son to the fulfillment of His mission to save the world; could there be a greater mission—ever? A more important mission—ever? If God committed Jesus' life to this cause, how can we not step forward in courage and resolve to join do our part (Romans 10:14-16) to save mankind?

**Those who reject the Gospel are rejecting God, not you!** It's not hard with "eyes of flesh" to take rejection of the Gospel personally; but the truth of the matter is that they aren't rejecting you, they are rejecting God. It's almost unbelievable how shifting the paradigm this way can make sharing so much easier, but it does! Evangelism isn't about FaceBook likes or Twitter followers; it's not about your fan base. And interestingly enough, even the folks that you might tell the Gospel to will tell you this; it's not you they might reject, it's God. Indeed, there's actually something wrong, if their acceptance of the Gospel is about you. It's supposed to be about Jesus.

Are you ready for a revolution that will change the world? Shift your evangelism paradigm!

Park Linscomb