



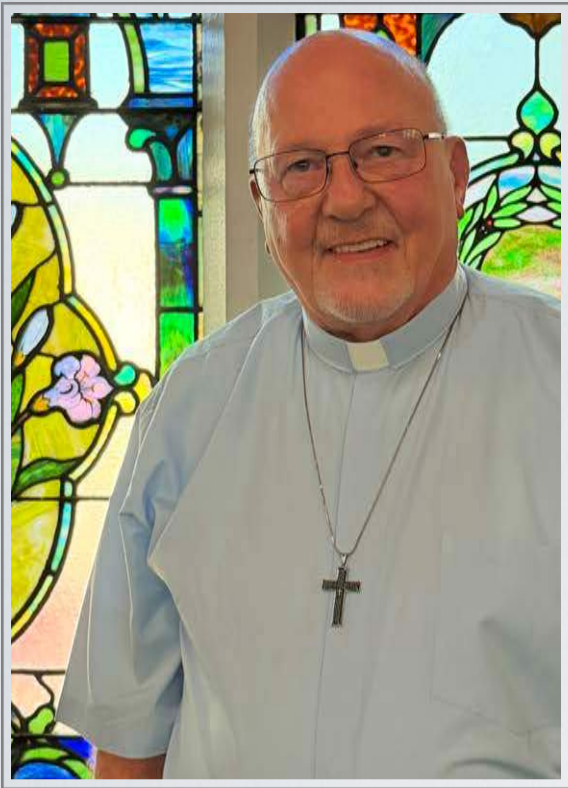
“HE IS NOT HERE; HE HAS

# RISEN

JUST AS HE SAID.”

MATTHEW 28:6

FIRST UMC  PORTSMOUTH  
APRIL BEACON  
2026



***From the Pastor's desk.***

Pastor Robert Stewart  
[pastorbobstewart@gmail.com](mailto:pastorbobstewart@gmail.com)

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ...

**Jesus' Entry into Jerusalem** - In Matthew 21:8-11 we read <sup>8</sup> **Now a large crowd spread their clothes on the road. Others cut palm branches off the trees and spread them on the road.** <sup>9</sup> **The crowds in front of him and behind him shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"** <sup>10</sup> **And when Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up. "Who is this?" they asked.** <sup>11</sup> **The crowds answered, "It's the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."**

This scripture depicts the events of this past Sunday, March 29, 2026, which was Palm/Passion Sunday. Now for the next week we journey with Jesus toward Jerusalem and the Cross on Calvary. We have come to know this week as Holy Week. This will be a very busy week in the life of the church. It is my hope and prayer that we take the time to not only attend and participate in the various events we have scheduled for Holy Week, but to take time to reflect on what Jesus did for each and every one of us as depicted in John 3:16... <sup>16</sup> **"For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."**

Here are the events scheduled for Holy Week 2026:

**Maundy Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>...** We will start off with a potluck supper together. Prepare a dish to share and enjoy some fellowship with your brothers and sisters in Christ. We will eat around 5:30pm. Following the meal we will experience a Jewish Seder which is symbolic of the Passover meal. The experience will offer some of the history through our Jewish brothers and sisters and the symbolism that supports the Passover that is celebrated each year. This will be a time to hear the story through scripture so we can appreciate the Passover meal that Jesus shared with his disciples in that Upper Room on the way to His journey to the Cross on Calvary. I hope you have signed up and if not please call Sharon Stewart **NOW** (603.540.8753). We want to insure we have enough tables set up. Currently we have about 30 people signed up.

**Good Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>...** We will gather in the sanctuary at 2:00pm and hear through drama the story that unfolded on that Friday some 2000+ years ago. We will offer the drama: **Good Friday Grace** written by Teryl Cartwright. It is through their words we experience the part they played in this story. We will hear from the **Robe Maker** (PennySue Orr), the **Crown Maker** (Sharon Stewart), the **Whip Maker** (Steve Scott), the **Nail Maker** (Toby Thompson), the **Cross Maker** (Stephanie Labadie) and the **Stone Maker** (Dave Richards). This drama is just another way that we can experience and remember what Jesus did for each us.

**Easter Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>...** Let the trumpets sound, let our voices sing and rejoice as the stone has been rolled away and the tomb is empty. Come and celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! Praise God! You know what would make this an Easter to remember...**INVITE SOMEONE!**

See you in church.

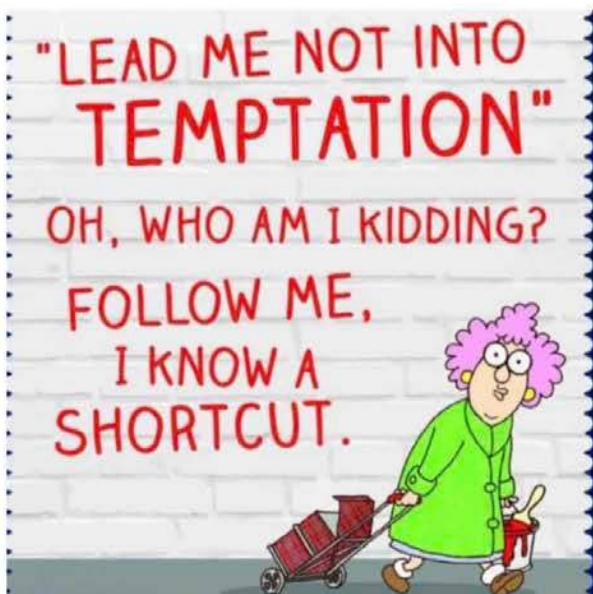
Wishing you God's blessings!

Pastor Bob



## WORSHIP, FUN, AND FAITH IN ACTION AT FIRST UMC

Our Church website [fumcportsmouth.com](https://fumcportsmouth.com) is a great place to remind ourselves of the amazing work we are doing supporting each other, our community in making a difference by sharing our faith in God. Check out the photo galleries here - <https://fumcportsmouth.com/photo-galleries/>



### LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION

FEBRUARY 22, 2026

[VIEW PHOTOS »](#)



### ASH WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 18, 2026

[VIEW PHOTOS »](#)



### ARE YOU READY TO BE TRANSFORMED?

FEBRUARY 15, 2026

[VIEW PHOTOS »](#)



# LECTIONARY READINGS

## ***LECTIONARY READINGS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL:***

It is truly remarkable how reading God's word draws people closer to Him as He speaks through the Scriptures. The Holy Spirit reaches out to connect with us even before we fully receive the Spirit in our hearts. Through the conviction of Scripture, we will often discover a need we may not have previously recognized, drawing us closer to God. Enjoy getting closer to Him!

### **April 2 - Maundy Thursday**

Exodus 12:1-4 [5-10] 11-14, Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, John 13:1-17, 31b-35

### **April 3 - Good Friday**

Isaiah 52:13-53:12, Psalm 22 Hebrews 10:16-25, John 18:1-19:42

### **April 5 - Resurrection of the Lord (Easter Sunday)**

Acts 10:34-43, Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24, Colossians 3:1-4, John 20:1-18

### **April 12 - Second Sunday of Easter**

Acts 2:14a, 22-32, Psalm 16, 1 Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31

### **April 19 - Third Sunday of Easter**

Acts 2:14a, 36-41, Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19, 1 Peter 1:17-23, Luke 24:13-35

### **April 26 - Fourth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 2:42-47, Psalm 23, 1 Peter 2:19-25, John 10:1-10



Dear Church Family and Friends,  
 It is with deep sorrow that we share the passing of Cathy VanReenen. Cathy has left this earth far too soon and is now resting in the loving arms of our Lord and Savior. Her laughter, honesty, generous spirit, and deep love for her family and church family will be profoundly missed and forever remembered.

Calling Hours will be on Monday, April 6, 2026, from 5-7 p.m. at Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton, NH 03842.

Cathy's Celebration of Life Service will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, 10:00 a.m. at First UMC with a luncheon to follow in Sanborn Hall from 11-1 p.m.

We ask that you keep John, and his children Steve and family, Rob and family, Erica, and Maria, Dominic, and Norah, close in your prayers as they walk through this heartbreaking time together.

Cards can be sent to:  
 John VanReenen & Family  
 44 Peabody Drive  
 Brentwood, NH 03833

May God's love, peace and comfort surround the VanReenen Family.





# FIRST UMC LEADERSHIP

## ***COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT LAY LEADERSHIP 2026***

### **Church Council (Leadership Board)**

Leadership Board Chair: Kellie Langs (3-year term ending 2027)

Pastor: Bob Stewart

Lay Leader: Sue Sarosiek

Lay Member to Annual Conference: Dave Richards

Staff Parish Relations Chair: Brock Labadie

Trustee Chair: Mike Coffey

Finance Chair: Aerial Sillanpaa

Financial Secretary : Jen Berry

Church Treasurer: Steve Scott

Recording Secretary: Sue Richards

Church School Superintendent(s) Dave Richards and Stephanie Labadie

Sunshine Chair: Marilyn Stebbins

Church Historian: Evelyn Laux

Worship Chair: PennySue Orr

Members at Large: Yvonne Griffin, Bella Sillanpaa, Melanie Lindgren

### **Staff Parish Relations Committee**

Brock Labadie (Three-year term as chair ending 2026)

Kellie Langs, Christine Williams (Three-year term ending 2026)

Sue Lange, Sue Richards, Kevin Fickenscher, Anne Coffey (Three-year term ending 2027)

Rosie Buswell (Three-year term ending 2028)

Lay Leader: Sue Sarosiek

Pastor: Bob Stewart



# FIRST UMC LEADERSHIP

## ***COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT LAY LEADERSHIP 2026***

### **Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development**

Stephanie Labadie, Melanie Lindgren (3 year term ending 2026)

Sue Richards, Sharon Stewart (3 year term ending 2027)

Marilyn Stebbins (3 year term ending 2028)

Lay Leader: Sue Sarosiek

Pastor: Bob Stewart

### **Finance Committee**

Airial Sillanpaa - Chair (3 year term ending 2026)

Steve Scott - Treasurer (3 year term ending 2028)

Jen Berry - Financial Secretary (3 year term ending 2028)

Linda Reiber (1 year term ending 2026)

Jane Richards (1 year ending 2026)

Dave Richards (3 year term ending 2028)

Roseanne Groff (3 year term ending 2028)

John VanReenen (3 year term ending 2028)

Lay Leader: Sue Sarosiek

Pastor: Bob Stewart

### **Board of Trustees**

Mike Coffey - Chair (3-year term ending 2027)

Gary Sillanpaa (3-year term ending 2026)

Steve Langs (3-year term ending 2026)

Steve Scott (Trustee Treasurer) (3-year term ending 2028)

Mark Giandomenico (3-year term ending 2027)

Wayne Rasch (3-year term ending 2027)

Steve Beckert (3-year term ending 2028)

Karl Duval (3-year term ending 2028)

Lay Leader: Sue Sarosiek

Pastor: Bob Stewart

### **Worship Committee**

PennySue Orr - Chair (3 year term ending 2027)

Marilyn Stebbins (3 year term ending 2027)

Michelle Verrill (3 year term ending 2027)

Bevan Bloemendaal (Consultant)

Yvonne Griffin (3 year term ending 2027)

Stephanie Labadie (3 year term ending 2027)

Dave Richards (3 year term ending 2027)

Sharon Stewart (3 year term ending 2027)

Hollen Groff (3 year term ending 2028)

Debbie Astbury (3 year term ending 2028)

Toby & Diane Thompson (3 year term ending 2028)

Lay Leader: Sue Sarosiek

Pastor: Bob Stewart

### **Staff (paid)**

Pastor: Bob Stewart

Music Director: Bevan Bloemendaal

Custodian: Pete Engel

Digital Outreach Coordinator: Bevan Bloemendaal



## ***Finance Update***

Aerial Sillanpaa  
Chair, Finance Committee

Hello Church Family,

As we move through this season together, there is both joy and change in our church family.

Many of you have heard of the sudden passing of our dear friend, Cathy. I feel deeply blessed to have known her and to have experienced her kindness and care. She had a quiet, steady way of caring for others that didn't seek recognition but made a lasting impact. This is the kind of presence that shapes a community over time. If there is something I will carry forward in her memory, it is that same spirit of care for one another, shown in small, consistent, and meaningful ways.

At the same time, we find ourselves approaching a pastoral transition. These moments are important in the life of a church. When I reflect on past transitions, they can also feel uncertain. Historically, this is when giving sometimes slows as people wait to "see what happens next." It is a very human instinct.

But the reality is that the ministry, operations, and commitments of the church do not pause during a transition. The lights stay on, the doors stay open, and the work continues.

So I will ask, plainly and with sincere appreciation for those who already give so faithfully, that you continue to stand with us. Your consistent support during a pastoral transition matters more than ever. It allows us to remain stable, welcoming, and prepared to move forward with strength, no matter what comes next.

As we approach Easter, I am reminded of renewal, hope, and the promise that new life often follows seasons of uncertainty:

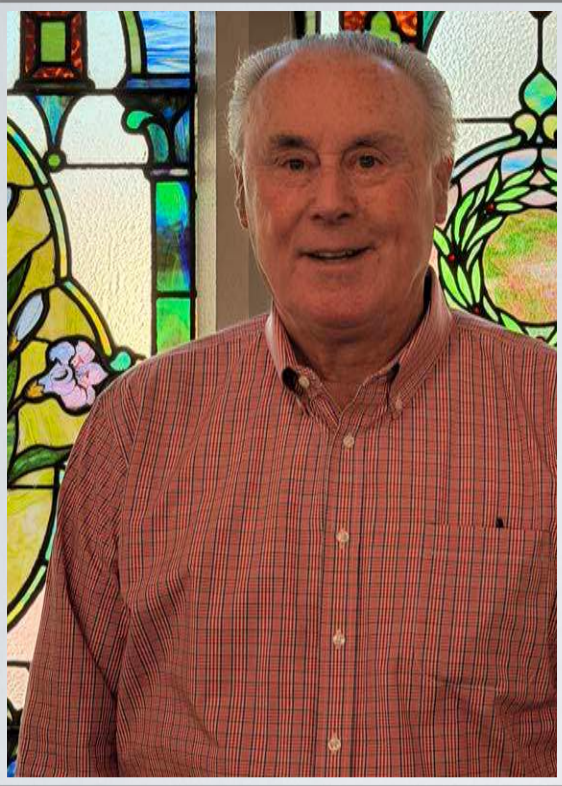
"Let us not grow weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." – Galatians 6:9

Easter calls us back to what endures, and to the quiet, faithful acts that sustain a community over time.

And speaking of growth, our annual Spring Patch fundraiser is just around the corner. We are once again partnering with North Hill Nursery, and if you joined us last year, you remember those truly miraculous hanging baskets. They were hard to ignore and even harder to outdo. Despite my brown thumb, my baskets brightened my entry all summer.

Spring Patch is not only an important fundraiser for the church, it is also perfectly timed for Mother's Day. If you are looking for a meaningful gift, or simply an excuse to brighten your own porch or kitchen table, this is a wonderful opportunity to do both while supporting the church.

Thank you, as always, for the many ways you show up for this church, through your time, your care for one another, and your generosity. It does not go unnoticed, and it makes more of a difference than you may realize.



***Trustee Update***

Mike Coffey  
Chair, Trustee Committee

Church Family and Friends,

Fortunately not a lot of Trustee activities lately, no fires to put out. After this past long cold winter the church grounds are in relatively good shape. Some yard clean up to spruce things up will be needed. The toilet in the lower mens is out of service and needs to be replaced.

A special thank you to Jay Lima for the repairs to the handicap ramp and the continued improvements he is planning to do!

Blessings





## **Worship Committee Update**

PennySue Orr  
Chair, Worship Committee

CHRIST HAS RISEN! HE HAS RISEN INDEED!

Happy Easter to my church family!

It is hard to believe that only a few months ago we were celebrating the birth of Jesus and now we are celebrating his selfless sacrifice of dying on the cross for our sins and his resurrection on the third day.

As we move into Spring there a couple special Worship experiences upcoming.

Mother's Day May 10, 2026. Let us celebrate the women in our lives who have been a role models. Bring in a picture for the altar. As a special treat the MEN of the congregation will be supplying coffee hour! Thank you Dave Richards for this great idea.

Pentecost Sunday - May 24, 2026. Pentecost is celebrated 50 days after Easter. It is the day the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles and the birth of the Church. It signifies the fulfillment of Jesus's promise to send the Holy Spirit, empowering his followers to preach the Gospel (Acts 2:1-3). Remember to wear RED

The Worship committee is planning special services for Children's Day June 14, Father's Day June 21. There will be more details in next month's Beacon.

Recently there was a submission in the Upper Room that left an impression on me. Titled "Got a Minute?". The author knew of a coworker who he knew to be a Christian and who prayed with passion. The author was scheduled for a medial procedure and asked his coworker to put him on his prayer list. Instead of responding with "Yes I will add you to my prayers" the coworker asked "Got a minute?". When the author responded "Yes" and his coworker placed his hand on the author's shoulders and prayed right then. The coworker developed a habit of praying for the person the moment they asked for prayers. This way he would not forget to add them to his nightly prayers. How often others have asked us to pray for them and we respond "I'll add you to my prayers". Why don't we start making it a habit of saying "Got a minute" and pray with them right then.

Peace in your Journey



## **Children's Church Update**

Stephanie Labadie & David Richards  
Co-Superintendents

*"It is through Jesus' actions after his death we learn that death is not the end. There is hope in our faith and hope makes Resurrection possible."*

*- Celebrate Wonder, Spring Year 2, Session 9*

Dear Friends,

We began Holy Week in Children's Church with the familiar story of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. Children's Church will not meet on April 5th, as Pastor Bob shares his Easter message with us all.

We will then hear two stories of Jesus appearing to his followers after Resurrection - first to two travelers on the road to Emmaus, and then to Thomas who hoped Jesus would appear to him so he could believe. At the end of the month, we will learn how Jesus' ascension into Heaven provided the gift of hope in God's promise of new life.

Please remember to mark June 14th on your calendars for our celebration of Children's Sunday - we will celebrate our Children's Church students and instructors, and recognize Pastor Bob's and Sharon's leadership over the past two years!





**SPRC**

Brock Labadie  
Chair

Church family and friends,

SPRC has not met since the last newsletter but continues to eagerly await the announcement of a new pastor. DS David Palmer has recently returned from a mission trip to England so we are expecting to hear something shortly.

There is still an opportunity to join the transition team! Please reach out if you are interested in joining us.

Thank you,



**VOLUNTEER**

**OPPORTUNITY**



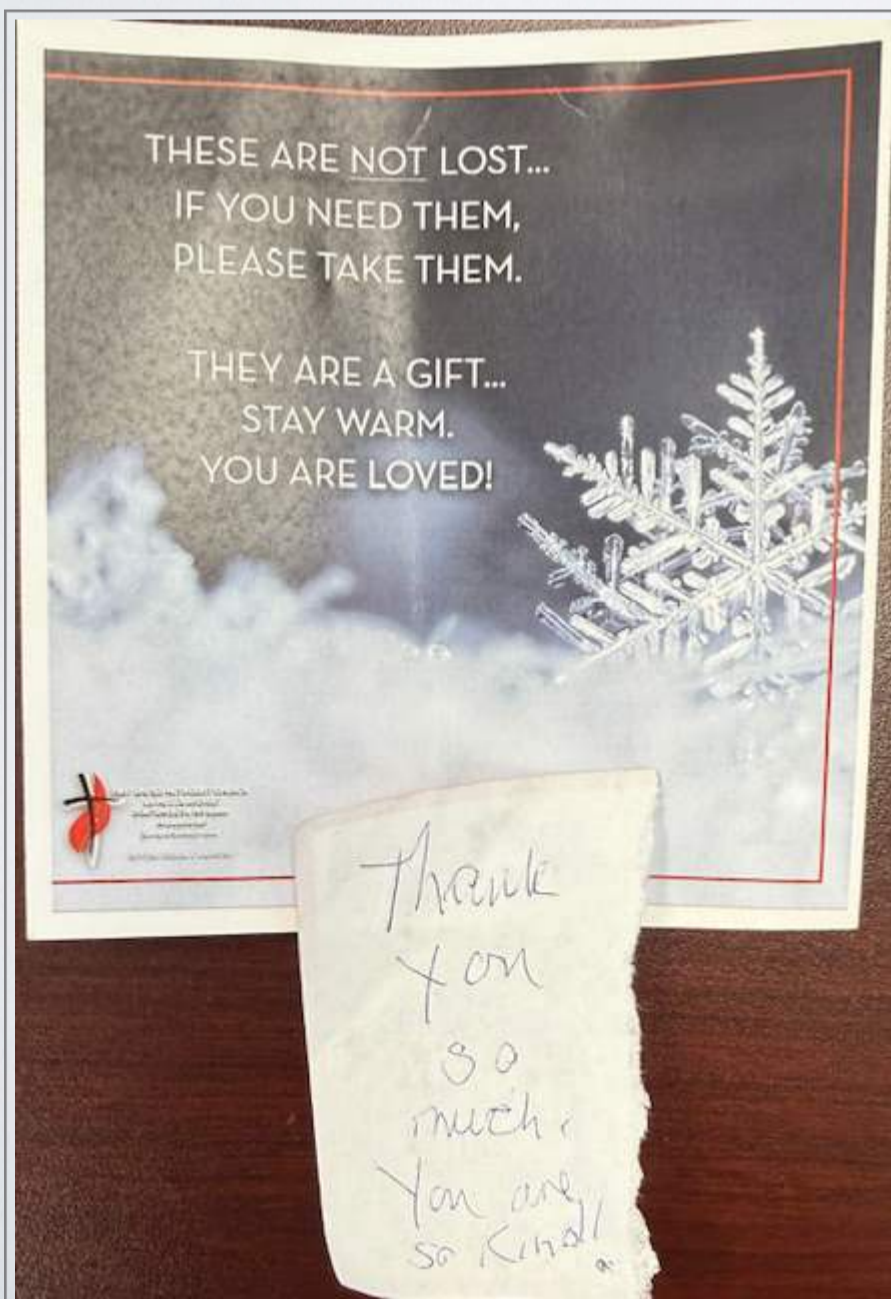
### ***Kids First Update***

Sue Sarosiek & Sue Richards  
Co-Chairs

Church Family,

Kids First has received significant support this year, allowing us to continue our Winter Cold Packs program. We were blessed to receive a generous donation of 250 handmade hats and scarves from a friend of PennySue Orr, and we are deeply grateful for her continued support and generosity. To date, 59 cold packs have been assembled and distributed during this particularly cold winter season.

These efforts are a meaningful reminder of how small acts of care, when shared, can make a real difference in our community. As we continue to serve, we are thankful for everyone who gives their time, talents, and resources to ensure that children and families feel supported and seen.





## **Seacoast Family Promise Update**

Jen Berry  
Chair

Hello!

Seacoast Family Promise provides temporary housing, meals, and shelter to families through a structured, trauma-informed program that includes employment support, housing search assistance, financial education, parenting resources, and other proven tools. These services help families regain stability and move toward a place they can once again call home.

We are pleased to share that one family successfully transitioned into stable housing this month, creating space for a new family to enter the program. It is always rewarding to see families achieve success through this journey.

Our team continues to provide dinners for families currently staying at the Joshua House. We extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who has supported this outreach over the past few months—your generosity truly makes a difference. Looking ahead, Seacoast Family Promise anticipates 2026 to be a year of significant growth, allowing the program to serve even more families in need. Unfortunately, homelessness among families continues to rise due to the ongoing lack of affordable housing in the Seacoast area, making this work more important than ever.

Beginning in January, families will prepare their own meals on Wednesday and Saturday evenings, using leftovers on Wednesdays. Our responsibility will be to provide meals on Thursdays and Fridays during our assigned weeks, while Temple Israel volunteers will cover Sundays through Tuesdays.

Our 2026 schedule is as follows:

April 30 & May 1

November 12 & 13

June 25 & 26

December 31 & January 1

August 13 & 14

If you are interested in helping with this outreach, please contact me - Jen Berry - 603-801-3886 or [jen\\_b76@yahoo.com](mailto:jen_b76@yahoo.com)





## ***End 68 Hours of Hunger Update***

Jen Berry  
Chair

Church Family and Friends,

End 68 Hours of Hunger - Portsmouth continues to thrive as we move through the school year. It's hard to believe that we are already halfway through the year! Each week, we faithfully send food bags home with students and keep school-based pantries well stocked to ensure children have access to nutritious food throughout the week. In addition, we provide healthy snacks to elementary school nurses so they can support students who may need food during the school day. We remain committed to helping in every way we can.

Thank you to everyone who supported End 68 Hours of Hunger with donations through the *Feed the 5000* Lenten project. The mountain of food donated will significantly help replenish our storeroom, and we are truly excited about the impact it will have. We sincerely appreciate this generous support!





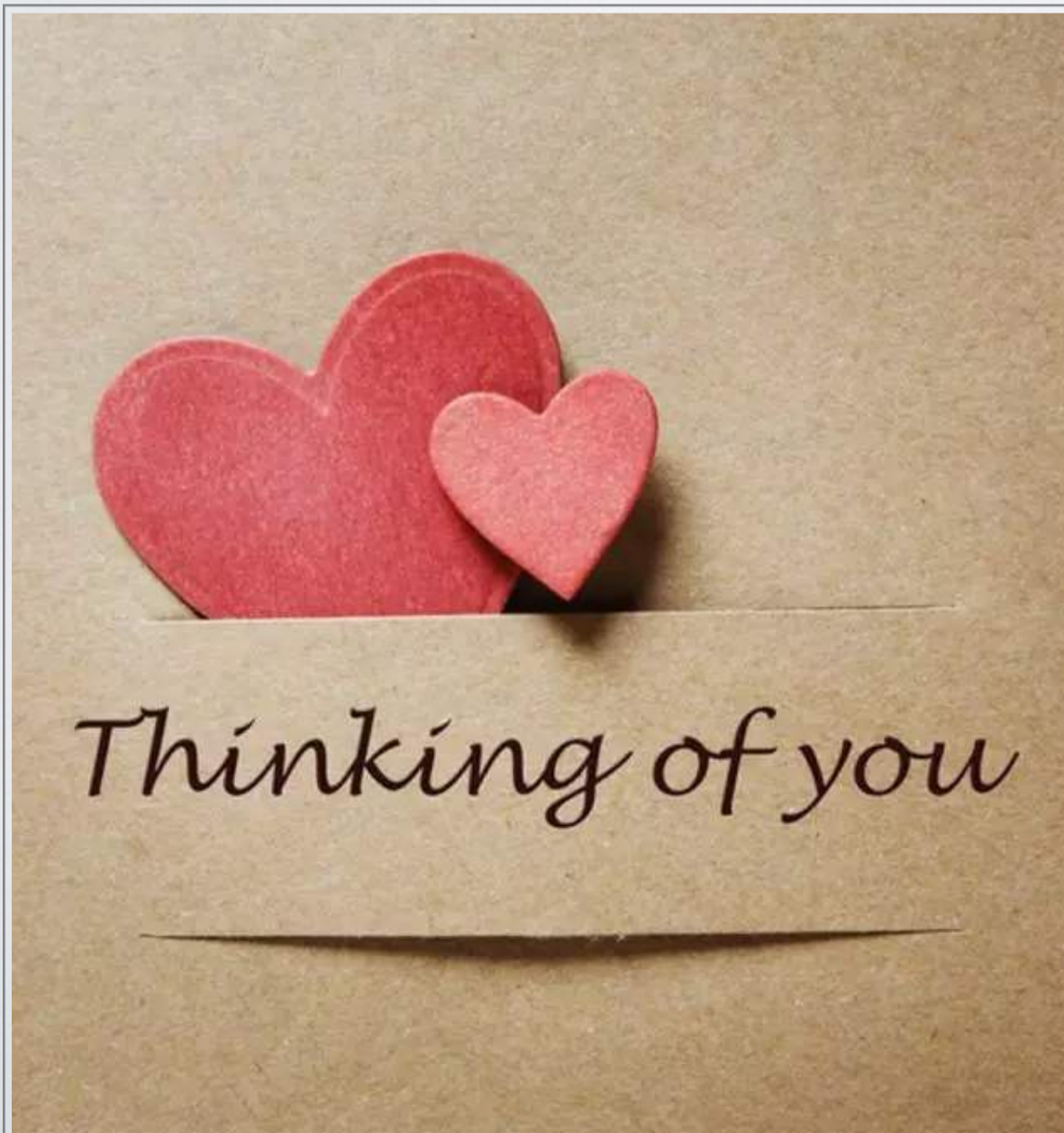
## **Sunshine Outreach Update**

Marilyn Stebbins  
Chair

Hello Church Family and Friends,

Thank you all for the taking the time to write a quick note to our church family members who are not able to be with us in church each Sunday. We know they appreciate it very much.

On the second Sunday of each month, you'll find notecards at the entrance to Sanborn Hall. We invite you to take a few moments to write a note of care and encouragement for those who are unable to join us in person. When you're finished, simply leave your card on the table, and I'll be sure it's mailed. Here are some church family that would love hearing from you.



Barbara Glidden  
188 Jones Ave #101  
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Jenya Westbrook  
20 Islington Street #402  
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Cynthia Drake  
5 Huntervale Avenue  
Rye, NH 03870

Priscilla Wilson  
361 Sagamore Road  
Rye, NH 03870

Donald Twombly #106  
C/O Oceanside Center  
22 Tuck Road  
Hampton, NH 03842



## **Coffee Hour Update**

Yvonne Griffin  
Coordinator

Hello Church Family and Friends,

We restarted our Coffee Hour commitment in 2023, and since then our teams have provided wonderful refreshments each Sunday, serving the congregation after worship.

We began with 18 volunteers, which meant each team served about once every nine weeks. Over time, a few volunteers have stepped away, and we are currently at 12 servers. That has shortened the rotation to every six to seven weeks, depending on the month.

Recently, a few volunteers have generously offered to serve on their own, which helps extend the schedule to roughly every 11-12 weeks. Even so... I am STILL looking for more people who might like to join us? The more the merrier!

Coffee Hour is a special time to connect, visit, and grow closer as a church family. If you are interested in joining the team, I would love to talk with you. Please contact me at 603-531-4514 or [yvonnegriffin217@comcast.net](mailto:yvonnegriffin217@comcast.net), and I'll be happy to share the details.

See you in church!





## **“Heavenly Favorites”**

### ***First UMC Cookbook Fundraiser***

PennySue Orr  
Project Lead

Hello my church family

First of all THANK YOU to those who have submitted recipes! Currently we have 150 and there is still room for more!

Do you have a favorite family grace? A cooking tip that was passed on to you from someone? We have sections in the cookbook for those too.

“Heavenly Favorites” is just a working title for this project - if anyone has a unique idea please share as we want to make this cookbook stand out from the rest.

Currently we are seeking individuals who have photography/design and sales expertise. In addition to recipes the hope is to incorporate photos of some of the dishes and members of the congregation.

If you're interested in helping or would like to submit a recipe, please feel free to reach out to me by email or text anytime @ [psorr@comcast.net](mailto:psorr@comcast.net) or 603-781-3004 (cell/text)





# PRAYER

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THE MOST POWERFUL  
WEAPON  
OF A BELIEVER

## **THERE IS POWER IN PRAYER!**

Through prayer, we connect with God, seek wisdom, and hold others in love and faith. We lift up in prayer:

*John VanReenen & Family mourning the loss of Cathy, Jay undergoing surgery on Tuesday, Jennifer and Bill mourning the loss of Betsey, travel mercies for our Recovery Church family returning from Florida, Evelyn Laux's friend Karen, for Kellie Langs, Tim & PennySue, Laurie Scott, Debbie Golt's friend Jodi, Tally, a friend of Steve Scott, and for our country.*

## **AN INVITATION**

At both church entrances, you'll find red hearts where you can write the names of those you wish to lift up in prayer, as well as any joys you'd like to share. Please give those hearts to one of the ushers or Pastor Bob.



**PRAYER  
IS POWERFUL**

# APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

2 Erica Arcadipane  
6 Kathy Brown  
16 Barbara Kirkham  
24 Elsie Sillanpaa  
27 Marilyn Stebbins

24 David & Kathy Brown  
26 Tim & PennySue Orr

## HELP CELEBRATE!

Take a moment and get a card in the mail or send a quick text or email to wish these church family members a day filled with love, laughter and lots of cake!



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## LET'S BE FRIENDS ON FACEBOOK!

Facebook is a fantastic way to stay updated on events, prayers, daily inspiration, and to connect with Church family and friends. We appreciate it when you "like" our posts, but we absolutely LOVE it when you share them too!



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## LOOKING AHEAD!

Here are the upcoming events, and the month's worship schedule.

4/2 - Maundy Thursday Seder Meal and potluck at 5:30pm in Sanborn Hall

4/3 - Good Friday drama "Good Friday Grace" @ 2pm

4/5 - Easter Sunday

4/6 - Calling hours for Cathy VanReenen 5-7 p.m. Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory - 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton,

4/7 - Cathy VanReenen's Celebration of Life at First UMC - 10 a.m. with luncheon to follow from 11-1 p.m. in Sanborn Hall

4/14 - Finance meeting at the parsonage @ 6:30 pm

4/19 - Leadership & Nominations meeting after worship

## **FIRST UMC WORSHIP SCHEDULE** *April 2026*

DATE	LITURGIST	ACOLYTES	9:55 BELL RINGERS	GREETERS & USHERS	FACEBOOK LIVE	WORSHIP TECH	SOUND TECH	SUNDAY SCHOOL	COFFEE HOUR
4/5/26 Easter	S. Stewart	Daphne & Jack	B. Labadie	M. Coffey A. Coffey	S. Richards	S. Scott	S. Sarosiek	---	Y. Griffin S. Olbricht
4/12/26	J. Lima	M. Stebbins	S. Scott	S. Olbricht K. Fickenscher	S. Richards	S. Scott	B. Labadie	S. Labadie D. Richards	S. Labadie Y. Griffin
4/19/26	S. Beckert	D. Thompson	T. Thompson	R. Groff H. Groff	S. Richards	S. Scott	D. Richards	K. Langs A. Langs	S. Labadie
4/26/26	J. VanReenen	Grayson	Liam	S. Lange S. Beckert	S. Labadie	S. Richards	B. Labadie	Pastor B. Stewart, M. Stebbins, M. Verrill	A. Sillanpaa

# AUDITIONS/SIGN UPS

**TTS PLAYERS**  
PORTSMOUTH



**SUGGESTED FOR  
ACTORS AGES 5-15**

## **AUDITION**

All actors (ages 5-15) are welcome to audition. (Those auditioning for leads should prepare to sing part of a song.) The auditions are fun and can include readings from the script, light choreography. Please wear comfortable clothes and footwear.

## **WHEN**

Saturdays, May 2 & May 9, 3:30-5 p.m.  
Parent/Cast Meeting/Registration  
"to claim your role" - Saturday May 16

## **REHEARSALS**

Saturdays, 3:30-5:30 p.m.  
Additional rehearsals to be added  
during TECH week.

## **WHERE**

First United Methodist Church  
129 Miller Avenue, Portsmouth, NH

## **SHOW DATES/TIMES (3 SHOWS)**


Friday, August 14  
Saturday, August 15  
Sunday, August 16

## **PRODUCTION FEE**

\$195 (\$25 off additional sibling)

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

Contact program director Mike Fay at (978) 476-6053 or email [coachmikefay@gmail.com](mailto:coachmikefay@gmail.com).

 Like us on Facebook: TTS Players Portsmouth



## RECONCILING MINISTRIES NETWORK

First UMC is a Reconciling Congregation dedicated to worshiping, learning, and serving with ALL people embracing Jesus Christ's message of love and acceptance.

We celebrate our diversity and invite ALL persons regardless of age, gender, racial or ethnic background, sexual orientation, marital or socioeconomic status, nationality, physical or mental ability into full membership and participation in the life of this community of faith.

A close-up photograph of a person's face, heavily decorated with vibrant, multi-colored body paint in shades of red, yellow, green, blue, and purple. The person's eyes are wide and looking directly at the camera. Their hands, also painted with the same colorful patterns, are raised to their mouth, covering it. The overall image conveys a sense of diversity and inclusion.

**ALL ARE WELCOME HERE.  
ALL MEANS ALL!**



# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



SUNDAYS  
10am



**LOOK UP!**

Not just as a reflection of how far we've come,  
but also as an act of hope for a brighter tomorrow.

Join us as we re-open our doors  
with a new and fresh look and outlook.