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Andover Congregational Church

By Judy Evans

Andover Congregational Church

Greetings to everyone, including folks who are visiting the area this summer. As I mentioned in my June article, "Here we are in the busy summer months, but things aren't slowing down at Andover Congregational Church!"

The Living Stones, a group from Andover Congregational who play instruments and sing bluegrass music, will be performing on the Fourth of July on the Village Green in front of the Holland Auditorium around 2 PM. We have also been invited to sing at a number of churches throughout the state this summer and into the autumn. You may call me at 735-5331 to find out when and where we will be spreading the Good News through our music ministry.

The Sacrament Of Baptism

On Sunday, June 4, Lisa Adams, Ted Craigie, Adam Ellis, Desire Marshall, Megan Sweeny, and Ross Young were baptized in the waters of "The Channel" at Highland Lake in East Andover. This was an important step in their lives as new Christians. We joyfully receive them as participants with us as they continue in their walk with Jesus Christ.

Congratulations to 2006 high school graduates who attend our church: Ken Flaherty, Mike Flaherty, Jenn Haley, Brandon King, and Sam Wesley, graduating from Merrimack Valley High School; Stephan Wickstrom and Alex Winkfield, graduating from Kearsarge High School; and Amberlee Grover, graduating from Laconia Christian High School. And also congratulations to Crystal Flaherty who graduated from George Washington University with a BS in Geology. God be with them as they go forth to find their places and serve Christ in the world!

Confirmations

Four young people of our church family – Mike Daneault, Lizzy Rego, Jacob Wagner, and Joshua Wagner –

were confirmed in their Christian faith and into responsible membership in Christ's church. Each student was prepared for confirmation by twelve weeks of instruction led by Aundrea and David Powers along with Pastor John.

Infant baptism: Dedication will be offered for children of believers during the Sunday morning service on July 9. Please let us know of your interest right away.

Our annual outdoor worship service and picnic will be held on August 13. Chef Ron Keyser and helpers will be cooking for us. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Drinks will be provided. All are welcome!

Monthly Food Sales

We will continue to have food sales on the third Sunday of each month around 10:30 AM at the Grange Hall next to the church. We are pleased to offer home-made ("made from scratch") baked goods for you and your summer visitors provided not only by the women of the church but also contributed by men and teens! Please call me at 735-5331 to place your special orders. All proceeds will go toward restoration of the Grange Hall.

Coming this fall: Alpha...Teen Alpha, Beta, and Gamma...Growth groups for all ages...Morning Bible discussion...Through the Bible class on Saturday mornings...an Alpha marriage course...and more!

Sunday morning worship begins at 9:30. Childcare will be offered during the summer months. As always, you are welcome at Andover Congregational Church. To echo some of the words of one of our favorite songs, "Come, just as you are, to worship."

For information about outreach programs for teens and adults and any needs for pastoral assistance, call Pastor John at 735-5160. If for some reason Pastor John is unavailable, please call Ginny Newton at 934-3171 and she will arrange for pastoral care.

ANDOVER HIGH REUNION

By Judy Perreault

Andover High School '53

The reunion is almost here! It's on July 8, and it's for all Andover High attendees, even if you graduated from another high school. We'll meet at 11 AM at the Ordway Recreational Area, Walker Brook Road, in South Danbury. Watch for the blue and white balloons. Bring a chair, memorabilia, beverage, name tag, and a dish for the pot luck lunch. Coffee and tea will be provided.

At 11:30 we will have a short program:

- Andover Cheer
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Patriotic song
- Moment of silence for classmates
- Recognition of classes
- Secretary's report
- Treasurer's report
- Old business
- New business
- Name tag judging
- Prizes
- Group picture

Celebrate!

The *Beacon* needs your help gathering news of all our friends and neighbors - births, graduations, marriages, anniversaries, honors, and other notable events. To help or to share news, call Charlie at 735-6099

We will be asking everyone to jot down some AHS memories for future *Beacon* articles. Anything about the school, teachers, sports, events, or classmates. Write it there, or bring it with you.

If you need more information, contact Pat (Toots) Fleury at PO Box 2, Wilmot 03287 or fleury@tds.net.