

## Andover Community Church: Holy Week and Easter Events

### Easter Sunday sunrise service on Maple Street

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Andover Community Church

As I write this, it is snowing outside. I'm looking forward to spring! It is just around the corner.

On Sunday, April 10, we will be celebrating Palm Sunday. Palm Sunday marks the first day of Holy Week. It is celebrated by the blessing and distribution of palm branches. Some have asked, What is the true meaning of Palm Sunday, also known as Passion Sunday? It is a celebration that commemorates and honors Jesus Christ's victorious entry into Jerusalem. Services are at 8 AM and 10 AM with palm branches.

The 15th of April is Good Friday. This day is a solemn day of the year for Christians, a day when we remember Christ's death on the cross for all. We remember the suffering He endured for our sake. We are reminded of the depths of His love for us. We'll gather at 7 PM to reflect upon these things through an ancient service of music, prayer, and readings.

Two days later, on the 17th, is Easter Sunday. There will be a sunrise service on Maple Street at 6 AM followed by a breakfast with coffee and refreshments at the Highland Lake Grange Hall. A good old-fashioned Easter Egg Hunt for the church and community happens at 9:15 AM, with Easter Services following at 10 AM at the church. All are welcomed as we celebrate this special day.

On Saturday, April 16 we will be sell-

ing pre-made meals, also some baked goods. These are scrumptious meals (BBQ meatloaf and chili) that only need heating up when you get home. They will be sold at the Highland Lake Grange Hall from 11 AM to 2 PM. Funds raised go to further improve the Grange Hall.

On Saturday, May 28 we will be starting up the Rummage Sales. We are asking if anyone wishes to donate items to please wait until the week of the sale. Just a reminder: no electronics of any kind. If items need to be plugged in or run on batteries please be sure they work.

If there are any questions, please contact Donna Thompson at 603 744-6858. Also, there will be pre-made meals and baked goods. We look forward to seeing everyone. These sales will continue through the summer and into the fall, on the last Saturday of each month.

Our "mission of the month" is helping Ukrainian families during these troubled times. We are sending prayers for them to be safe and protected. The church is giving funds for the cause through the Anglican Relief and Development Fund. If you would like to contribute, earmark your checks to ARDF-Ukraine and bring them by the church or mail them to Andover Community Church, PO Box 211, East Andover NH 03231.

We welcome you to check out our website at [AndoverCommunityNH.org](http://AndoverCommunityNH.org), where there is a lot of information to discover. So much is going on in this community church family.

We hope you have a blessed, safe, and healthy month. 

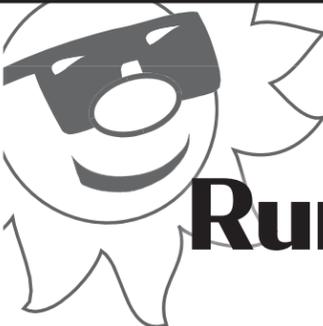
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held on Thursday, April 14, at 7:30 PM.

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service will be held on Sunday, April 17 at 5:45 AM at the intersection of Frazier and Walker Brook Roads, looking toward Ragged Mountain and Mount Kearsarge.

The South Danbury Church at 1411

US Route 4 in South Danbury is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. We are an Open and Affirming congregation of the United Church of Christ, UCC. Follow us at Friends of the South Danbury Christian Church on Facebook; call or text 603 491-3196; or email [SouthDanburyChurch@gmail.com](mailto:SouthDanburyChurch@gmail.com) for more information. 



## Spring Rummage Sale

### Sat. April 23

### 9 AM - NOON

Immaculate Conception Church • Andover, N.H.

*Clothing, Domestics, Attic Treasures, and Much More!!*

## Friends of the Northern Rail Trail February 16, 2022

*Condensed from draft minutes.*

**Board Attendees:** Alex Bernhard, Amy Chan, Barbara Couturier, George Heaton, Lindy Heim, Charles Martin, Myra Mayman, Ricker Miller, Jack Shields

**Committee Member:** Patrice Rasche

**Welcome Guest:** Gary LeBlanc, Scenic RailRiders, Concord

**Treasurer's Report:** With Treasurer Dustin Ladd absent, the Board appreciated Dustin's Report and Balance Sheet, and, confident that all is in good order, tabled further discussion until the next meeting.

### Committee Reports

**Trail Building and Maintenance:** With Chair Don Moyer, absent, the Board appreciated Don's brief email update and tabled further discussion until the next meeting.

**Marketing and Promotion:** Chair Lindy Heim, reported that the committee will meet on February 17 to consider a variety of issues. One was discussed.

As the FNRT logo is in need of a vector-image format, Jack Shields informed us of a volunteer offer from a professional in the field to do so. The Board is grateful for this offer, and authorized Jack to bring it to fruition.

**Technology Committee:** Chair Cody Hussey being out of the country, discussion of this committee's work was

postponed until next meeting.

### New Business

A draft letter from FNRT in support of the Merrimack River Greenway fundraising efforts was presented to the Board. It received hearty, unanimous approval.

**Scenic RailRiders:** Gary LeBlanc told us that the northern end of his Scenic RailRiders lease ends in Boscawen where the US Route 4 bridge crosses the Trail. We thank Gary for his presence and look forward to working together.

**Legislative Initiatives:** Alex Bernhard reported the good news that more money, through Federal infrastructure funding, is likely to come to New Hampshire and eventually to trails throughout the state. In addition, efforts are also underway to propose changes to State law so as to allow highway toll credits to be used as matching funds for projects such as the RTP projects that FNRT undertakes.

**The Biggest News:** The New Hampshire Governor and Council has just approved the purchase by NHDOT of the right-of-way for the Extension of the Northern Rail Trail in Boscawen. This puts the Boscawen Extension of the Trail one step closer to reality!

The next Meeting will be on Wednesday, March 16, at 5 PM via Zoom. 

### Publicize Your Fundraiser!

Articles, photos, and/or ads in the *Beacon* both before and after the event will help raise awareness and \$\$\$ for your cause. 603 735-6099



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**Apr. 3, 2022: Barbara Meyers – Metamorphosis**

It is spring. An opportunity for letting go of what no longer serves and for experiencing new beginnings and rebirth.

**Apr. 10, 2022: Rev. Nancy Pellegrini – Jesus the Revolutionary**

On Palm Sunday, explore the historical context of the life of Jesus.

**Apr. 17, 2022: Roger Wells – Resurrecting Christian Diversity**

Where and how did the stories come from; how are we different and the same?

**Apr. 24, 2022: Rev. Dick Dutton – Explore the Sermon on the Mount**

Services held online & at the Stone Chapel. Visit website for information.

FOR INFORMATION & INQUIRIES: 603 526-8213 – [www.kuufnh.org](http://www.kuufnh.org)



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