



Cape Neddick Tide

What's Coming and Going at the Cape Neddick Baptist Church Summer, 2016

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have, fruit that will benefit not
only ourselves but those
around us!!

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of the summer, from August
29 through September 5 we
hope to be at Camp of the

PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

I enjoy summer. One reason is the fresh fruit available. Strawberries are my favorite. A Father's Day tradition in our home has been strawberry shortcake. Just picture it--luscious strawberries, home-made biscuits, real whipped cream. Even though Kimberly and Bethany have been on their own for many years, the tradition has continued, thankfully. It sure tasted good this past Father's Day!! Fruit does have a special appeal. So does the Fruit of the Holy Spirit.

- Love
- Joy
- Peace
- Patience
- Kindness
- Goodness
- Faithfulness
- Gentleness
- Self-

Control

Now that is good looking fruit, fruit that we should desire to

Yet just as the ripening of a strawberry isn't automatic, the growth of the Spirit's fruit isn't automatic; plus it's not the fruit of our labor; it's the fruit of the Holy Spirit. Big difference!

What we as followers of Christ need to do is take our eyes off ourselves, and humbly rely on the power of the Holy Spirit to transform us. May we each do so this summer!! Then it won't just be the fruit stands that look good, it will be you and me too!!

Incidentally, during the summer I will be preaching on select passages from the **Sermon on the Mount**. This portion of Scripture from Matthew 5-7 is filled with teaching from Jesus that is both challenging and thought-provoking. May God bless us as we learn from His Word.

One other note----I will be on **vacation** from August 1 to August 15. Our plans for those two weeks are very much up in the air. At the end

Woods for my yearly **continuing education** week.

WE MOURN

We share the sorrow of the family of *Mark Goodwin*, who passed away on June 25, and the family of *Beth Worley*, who died on June 29. May God comfort both families.

BAPTISMS



What a special Sunday June 26 was as David Butler, Benjamin Nadeau, and Sarah Nadeau entered the waters of baptism. We celebrate with each of them and pray for God's continued blessing to rest upon them.

A PROFOUND NEED

The annual **One Great Hour of Sharing Offering** (OGHS) will be taken during the

summer, from July 17 through the end of August. The overall purpose of this offering is to relieve the needs of individuals throughout the world. This year's theme verse of **'Where you go I will go'** (Ruth 1:16), which was spoken by Ruth to Naomi as she chose to be with her instead of staying in her homeland, is so appropriate given the plight of refugees from and in so many places.



Last year funds from this offering helped refugees in Hungary, Lebanon, Myanmar, and Serbia, as well as individuals affected by floods in India, drought in Nicaragua, and earthquakes in Thailand.

PLUS here in the United States people impacted by fire in California, winter storms in Massachusetts, mudslides in Washington state, and floods in New York all received assistance through this offering. For more examples of how God works through the OGHS offering go to www.abc-oghs.org.

Our goal as a church is \$800. Please use the special envelopes which will be available beginning on the 17th.

THIS MONTH, THE CLEMMERS

Just a reminder, Bill and Ann Clemmer, American Baptist missionaries serving in South Sudan and in the Congo, will

be sharing on Saturday, **July 23rd**, at 4:00 PM here at the church. Come and learn about their ministries. A light supper will follow their presentation.

ANOTHER WORD FROM PASTOR DON

I thoroughly enjoyed the church cook-out on June 12, Actually, what was there not to enjoy??? **There was good food and fellowship**, and it all occurred on a beautiful day.

I was struck by the number of people who played a part in the success of the day. I'm not just thinking about all who brought a dish-to-share, but also about those who purchased the food, cooked the hamburgers and hot-dogs, set up and put back tables, and cleaned up the kitchen. **It was truly a group effort which**, by the way, is not the exception but the norm when it comes to church activities and church life.

How wonderful it is that we can work together!!

EASY READING!!

One of the most important aspects of a Christian's walk with Christ is the devotional life, where believers spend time in prayer, reflection, and Scripture reading. You will find in the church library (located in the hall) a shelf of devotional aids.

Here's a sampling, which will be on the back table of the sanctuary for your convenience: *One Minute Prayers to Start Your Day*; *Bedside Blessings* (Chuck

Swindoll); *Anywhere He Leads Me* (Corrie ten Boom); and *My Utmost for the Highest* (Oswald Chambers). Check them out---just take and return.

VHS TAPES

Do you have a Video Cassette Player that you still use?? If so, have we got a deal for you!!! You will find in the Fellowship Hall a table filled with VHS tapes. All have a Christian theme. Most are geared for children and youth, some for adults. Look them over and take AS MANY as you want!!!

SOME RANDOM NOTES

*We met and exceeded our goal for the **America for Christ Offering**. \$1290 was given. Thanks to all who gave!!

*The **Food Pantry** challenge item for the summer is salad dressing.

*The amount collected for the **Alpha Pregnancy Center** through the baby bottles was \$1363.35. The center says 'THANK YOU.'

*There will be **NO** Life Together Bible Study Group on July 29.

UPCOMING SUNDAYS

July 3 *Three Virtues*
July 10 TEEN CHALLENGE
July 17 *No Blood, No Foul?*
July 24 *Going Against the Grain*
July 31 *What, Me Worry?*
Aug. 7 Dave Strosahl
Aug. 14 Dave Strosahl
Aug. 21 *You Better Ask Your Father*

Aug. 28 *That About Sums It Up*
Sept. 4 Guest

Teen Challenge –



A Message of Hope

Teen Challenge Augusta, ME will lead the worship service on **Sunday July 10th**.

Through song and personal testimony Teen Challenge Augusta will share how God has changed their lives from one of substance-abuse controlling problems to one of Hope. Their testimonies will show how God's love is working in the State of Maine.

Teen Challenge is a Christian residential drug and alcohol addiction recovery program. The key to the success of recovery is centered on developing a personal relationship with God. Teen Challenge, believing that God has a great purpose for one's life, helps those suffering from addiction to find this purpose.

Refreshments and a fellowship time will follow the service. An offering will be taken to help support this important ministry in our state. Please invite someone to join us in this inspiring service. *The Diaconate*

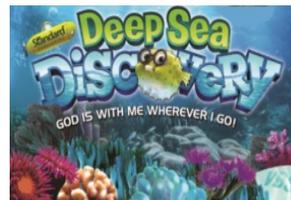
Jumping July Faith Crafting.....

Set aside the afternoon of Thursday, **July 7th**, from 1-3 PM to stop by and create some greeting cards to share with the Food Pantry. You will also have time to create a few for yourself. I will have all the needed supplies to utilize. Just need YOU!!

A slice of Fruit Pizza awaits you at the end of the craft session....Please RSVP so I know how to plan for the food & supplies.....
Crystal 363-7036 or cbutler2@maine.rr.com

Faith Crafting on a Hot August Night.....

You are welcome to come join the fun on Thursday **August 18th** 6p-7:30p. Once again Hot Fudge Sundaes will be served, along with fellowship and creating a fun craft (one to keep and one to give away to a friend). Or feel free to invite that friend along to join the fun. Please RSVP to Crystal either by phone 363-7036 or email cbutler2@maine.rr.com



Get ready to dive into some fun! Deep Sea Discovery **Vacation Bible School** will be held **July 25-29** from 9:00-11:30. Each day a true story from the Bible will show how God was with someone who needed Him. God is with each one of us, too, wherever we go. We will sing praises, play games, eat snacks and make great crafts to remind us of all the amazing things we've learned! Dianne Hludik

LOOKING AHEAD

7/7 1:00 Faith Crafting
7/10 11:30 Refreshments
7/12 5:00 Trustees
7/20 7:00 Quarterly Mtg
7/23 4:00 Clemmers
7/25 9:00 VBS begins
7/29 11:00 VBS closing program
7/31 Food Pantry Sunday
8/1 5:30 Diaconate
8/14 11:30 Fellowship Time
8/16 5:00 Trustees
8/18 6:00 Faith Crafting
8/28 Food Pantry Sunday
9/7 6:00 Choir Resumes